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## **Trailblazers 4-H Club News**

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The Trailblazers 4-H Club held its November meeting and welcomed guests and new members. Members began by sharing something they were thankful for. A reminder about Garrett County livestock Association dues was reviewed as well as the upcoming a 4-H Horse Bowl. Officer elections for the 2026 were held for the group.

There are important 2026 Livestock updates; the Livestock Sale will begin at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 1, 2026. Animals must remain on the fairgrounds until 11:00 pm on Saturday night. Exhibitors must reside in Garrett County or within 10 miles or request an exemption from the Fair Board if outside that boundary.

Enrollment opens January 2026 and must be completed by January 31, 2026. Participants can complete online enrollment via Maryland 4-H Online; internet and valid email required. The enrollment fee is \$10 per member (no fee for volunteers or families with three or more children). Families will receive two confirmation emails once enrollment is processed.

Members are reminded to complete 2025 record books and turn them in at the January 2026 meeting. Forms for the books are available online.

The Trailblazer Club Christmas Party and meeting will be held December 12, 2025 – 6:00 PM at the Deer Park Community Center. The club members are asked to bring a new toy for donations to a local nonprofit. Planning for 2026 projects and activities will begin at the January meeting.

The club continues to work on their Festival of Trees submission. Families are encouraged to visit the Festival of Trees to see the finished display.

Thanks to the generosity of our Trailblazers families and the support of local businesses NuWay and Headwaters Restoration Therapy, complete dinner baskets were donated to families in need this Thanksgiving.

Your kindness made a real difference in our community!

