



# 4-H Voice



## A Salute to our Graduating Day Camp Leaders!



We would like to say thank you to Sydney, Jack and Charlotte for their outstanding leadership as Charles County Camp Teen Leaders. We will miss you as campers but look forward to you being part of Big Foot.

**FOR 4-H INFORMATION GO TO OUR WEBSITE....**

***<https://extension.umd.edu/locations/charles-county/4-h-youth-development>***

**FOR WEEKLY UPDATES, JOIN OUR ONE-LIST.**

**Email Bonnie at [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu) to be added to the list.**

**Visit the State 4-H Website for information on State Events**

***<https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development>***

## 4-H Volunteers' Corner



The Charles County 4-H Volunteer Association will meet on **Wednesday August 4 at 6:30 pm** at the office and via Zoom. At this meeting we will be discussing the fair, the need for volunteers, superintendents and helpers in the 4-H building, and updates to the 4-H program. We would love your input and anyone that is willing to help we would enjoy seeing you on August 4.

## VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Are you interested in sharing your skills and abilities with the 4-H'ers in different program areas or would just like to help out at events? Reach out to Donna Mohler at [dmohler@umd.edu](mailto:dmohler@umd.edu) if you are interested in becoming an official certified UME 4-H volunteer.

### 4-H CLUB LEADERS

Our fiscal year closed on June 30th. The Annual Summary and Property Inventory form for July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, will be due in our office by September 30<sup>th</sup> along with copies of your bank statements and all receipts for purchases. Please reach out to Bonnie if you have questions.

### Annual 4-H Club Organizational Leaders Meeting

Mark your calendar for the Annual Fall Club Organizational Leaders Meeting, Monday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m. We will be going over the year-end close out requirements for the clubs and reviewing 2021.

### **LET'S TALK FAIR FOR 2021!**

*How excited we are that we will be having a fair this year!!!*

*The 4-H fair catalog may be found on our county 4-H website. Entry Forms are in this issue of the Voice and also on the website.*

*Please read over all the information in each section, and entry information. For questions please reach out to Donna Mohler at [dmohler@umd.edu](mailto:dmohler@umd.edu).*

*Fair entry forms are due August 16<sup>th</sup> and can be emailed to Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu). They may also be mailed to the 4-H office or dropped off Monday-Friday between 8-4pm.*



**4-H WANTS YOU**

### **We need YOU!**

Volunteers are needed to help at the fair. We have lots of contests and events and we could use either older 4-H'ers or volunteers to help us with during the fair.

It is a great opportunity for you to share all the great things that 4-H has to offer by answering questions the public may have about 4-H.

## FAIR TIME 😊

**\*\*Maryland State Fair Online Entry System closes July 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 p.m. \*\***

To enter register entries go to the state fair website:  
[www.marylandstatefair.com](http://www.marylandstatefair.com)

The Maryland State Fair will be held August 26 - September 6, 2021, at Timonium, MD. We would like to wish all Charles County 4-H'ers good luck in their efforts representing Charles County at the state fair.

***\*\*Charles County Fair entries are due on Monday, August 16th by 4:00 p.m. \*\****

We are excited to share that the Charles County Fair will be held from **September 16 - September 19, 2021** at the Charles County Fairgrounds.

- The 4-H fair book is now available **ON OUR COUNTY EXTENSION WEBSITE ONLY!** Go to: [extension.umd.edu/locations/charles-county/4-h-youth-development/county-state-fairs](http://extension.umd.edu/locations/charles-county/4-h-youth-development/county-state-fairs)
- The 4-H fair book has also been shared by email via 4-H Online with all enrolled families.
- **LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS:** The livestock entry forms will be mailed to you separately.
- The building entry form is attached in the back of this issue of the Voice.

**There are MANY changes to the fair book this year!** Make sure you read the rules for each category you plan to enter. **Please read the book thoroughly!**

### **COUNTY FAIR POULTRY TESTING**

If you plan to exhibit poultry at the county fair, they **MUST** be tested. Testing usually takes place in mid-August. Email Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu) to have your name added to the list so you will be notified once a testing date has been announced.

## **Livestock News**

### **FAIR REQUIREMENTS FOR 2021**

- A maximum of **3 pigs** are allowed to be shown and sold.
- Goats weight limit of 50 lbs. to 120lbs.
- Lambs weight limit of 90 lbs. to 165 lbs.
- Hogs weight limit of 215 lbs. to 300 lbs.
- Beef have a lower limit of 1000 lbs.

### **IT'S NOW TIME TO THINK ABOUT THE AUCTION!**

It is your job as the 4-H'er to market your animal. Make sure you are contacting people to buy your market projects. The date of the auction is:  
**Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.**

### **FAIR LIVESTOCK MEETING:**

A mandatory meeting will be held for the livestock 4-H'ers and their parents. This meeting will discuss what needs to be done for the fair and other business items. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, **August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** at the 4-H office. **ALL** families **MUST** attend!

**Livestock Judging is starting...** If you would like to learn what the judge is looking for in the show ring, then this is a great activity to try. Email Bonnie at [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu) for more information.

**RABBIT NEWS:**

All youth who participate in the Rabbit Project must have a 4-H Rabbit Card on file with the office by **August 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you already have a card on file and plan to use the same rabbit for 2021 you may **update the card by emailing Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)**



**RABBIT AND POULTRY EXHIBITORS!!**

Rabbit and poultry cards are due into the office on **August 1<sup>st</sup>**. Email Jeanne for a new card or to update your current card. [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

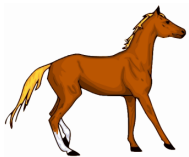
**Poultry News**



**POULTRY JUDGING**

Are you interested in learning all about poultry? Poultry Judging is a way of learning about poultry without having to own birds. You learn about the poultry industry, grading chickens, grading eggs, and much, much more. If you would like to participate email Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

**Horse News**

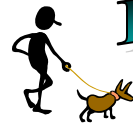


**HORSEMANSHIP STANDARDS**

To participate in 4-H Horse shows, at the local level, you must complete levels 1 & 2, and to attend the State 4-H

Horse Show you must have completed level 3 of the Horsemanship Standards.

For more information on Horsemanship Standards testing, email Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)



**DOG NEWS**

The dog show at the State Fair will be held on Saturday, September 11 in Timonium, MD, in the main show ring in the Cow Palace. **If you plan to participate**, please reach out to Donna Mohler at [dmohler@umd.edu](mailto:dmohler@umd.edu) for instructions on how to register by July 28.

**MANDATORY! ONLINE QUALITY ASSURANCE**

**DEADLINE: JULY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2021!!**

The online quality assurance is for any youth in the **beef, sheep, swine, goat, horse, poultry, or rabbit projects.**

The online quality assurance program is up and running. You must complete this online training by July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. You must complete the online training if you:

- are a first time exhibitor
- moved up in age division (junior to intermediate or intermediate to senior)
- are showing a new animal species

Go to <https://ahqa.umd.edu/> to access the online quality assurance program.

**Clover Days!!**



Clover 4-H members are invited to participate in 2 half-days of 4-H Fun on **August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>**. It is a half day of activities and crafts. To register fill out the registration and release forms in this issue of the VOICE and return them along with a check to the 4-H office by July 30<sup>th</sup>. Participation is limited, so get your registration in ASAP. Cost is \$10 for the 2 days. We can take a maximum of 20 clovers.

## SPRING SHOW RESULTS

The 2021 Spring Show was a huge success thanks to all who volunteered many long hours to make this such a great show for all the youth. Many hours of work go on behind the scenes. We applaud both youth and adults for all their efforts.

### **GOATS:**

Champion Dairy Showmanship – Brynna Bode  
 Reserve Showmanship – Olive Swann  
 Best of Show Dairy Goat – Brynna Bode  
 Champion Meat Goat Showmanship– Emily Vandergriff  
 Reserve Showmanship – Annabelle Talbert  
 Best of Show Meat Doe – Annabelle Talbert  
 Champion Feeder Goat – Tiffany Abell  
 Reserve Feeder Goat – Trent Vallandingham

### **SWINE:**

Champion Showmanship – Wyatt Mast  
 Reserve Showmanship – Annabelle Talbert  
 Champion Feeder Pig – Annabelle Talbert  
 Reserve Feeder Pig – Wyatt Mast  
 Bred & Own Champion – Wyatt Mast  
 Reserve – Parker Stonesifer

### **BEEF:**

Champion Showmanship – Emily Vandergriff  
 Reserve Showmanship – Sydney Wise  
 Champion Feeder Steer – Emily Vandergriff  
 Reserve Feeder Steer – Cheyenne Roberts

### **SHEEP:**

Champion Showmanship – Annabelle Talbert  
 Reserve Showmanship – Ethan Abell  
 Champion Feeder Lamb – Ethan Abell  
 Reserve Feeder Lamb – Robbie Abell  
 Best of Show Ewe – Blaine Boyden  
 Bred & Own Champion – Blaine Boyden  
 Reserve Bred & Own – Nathan Raley

## 4-H Day Camp

We had a great 2021 Day Camp!!!!!! Thank you to the Charles County Fairgrounds for their flexibility to have camp this year. The week was filled with classes and fun activities.

Thank you to the awesome group of class instructors for Day Camp! Our instructors were: Cindy Beuchert & Debbie Olejnik – Air Rifle; Tyler Thorne & Ami D'Ambrosio – Archery; Philip Herbert & Lisa Barrett – Crafts & Woodworking; Ann Herbert & Kim Hancock – Mystery Class; Kaitlyn Baligush and Master Gardener Volunteers – Gardening; Mrs. Bailey & Cathi Graff – Ceramics. A special thank you to our Camp Chief Ami D'Ambrosio

Thank you to our older youth that filled the leadership roles at Day Camp! The leaders worked very hard to welcome our happy campers back to a week of great camp experiences. Each child was placed into a group and the older youth served as leaders, assistants, scribes, and LITs. The groups were:

**Bears** Sydney Garner - *Leader*, Alana McGuigan - *Assistant*, Shannon Cain - *Scribe*, Blaine Boyden - *LIT*

**Eagles** Jenna Burtch - *Leader*, Kathleen Cain - *Assistant*, Kennedy Miesowitz - *Scribe*, Megan Holcomb - *LIT*

**Otters** Charlotte Biles - *Leader*, Joe Willett - *Assistant*, Sara Robertson - *Scribe*, Brylee Boyden - *LIT*

**Mallards** Jack Sien - *Leader*, Riley Herbert & Annabelle Talbert – *Scribes*, Landon Andrews - *LIT*

**Rattlers** Brynna Bode - *Leader*, Addison Herbert - *Assistant*, Madilynne Krauss - *Scribe*, Christopher Burtch - *LIT*

**Coyotes** Hayley Holcomb - *Leader*, Victoria Drury - *Assistant*, Charlie Parker - *Scribe*, Jaleesah Evans - *LIT*

Camp Chief – Ami D'Ambrosio

Honor Camper Award Winners:

Head – Brynn Boyden; Heart – Scarlett Parker;  
 Hands – Trent Vallandingham; Health – Colton Hancock;  
 and Spirit – Noah Jauregui.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR HONOR CAMPERS!

# CLOVER DAYS

4-H'ers 5-7 years old

August 10 & 11, 2021 9:00 – 12:00

\$10.00 fee Due by July 30th

Checks payable to Charles County EAC

Return to: Charles County 4-H, 9501 Crain Highway, Box 1, Bel Alton, MD 20611



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Have you attended 4-H Clover Days before \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no.

To Be Completed by parent or guardian: I, the undersigned, in consideration of my child's participation in Charles County 4-H Clover Days do hereby release, discharge and forever hold harmless, University of Maryland Extension, University of Maryland System, all its employees, volunteers, and supporters thereof in connection with the aforementioned program. If you do not understand or have any questions, please call 301 934-5404. The above applicant has my permission to participate in the Charles County 4-H Clover Days. Listed below are any medical or physical disabilities that could restrict clover activities.

Medical Concerns/Disabilities:

\_\_\_\_\_

My child is allergic to (food and non-food) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact in case I cannot be reached at the above number:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the child \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name and Signature



EVENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EVENT DATE(S) & LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish/my child wishes to participate as a part of the University of Maryland (UME) Maryland 4-H Youth Development Program in all activities associated with the above-named Event. If the individual participating in this event is my minor child, I give my permission for my child's participation in this event. In connection with and consideration of participation in the Event, I, on behalf of my child and/or myself, my heirs, personal representative(s) and assigns, hereby represent and agree as follows:

1. I am aware that any program activity can be dangerous, and I fully recognize and understand that there are risks and hazards, both minor and serious, associated with participation in the Event and related activities. These risks and hazards include but are not limited to: cuts, scrapes, bruises, broken bones, muscle strains, pulls or tears, head, neck, back, eye and other bodily injuries, heat prostration, brain damage, blindness, deafness, drowning, heart attacks, paralysis and death. As with any activity, there are other inherent and/or unforeseen risks and hazards associated with the Event and related activities that cannot be predicted. I also understand that risks and hazards associated with the Event may arise in various contexts including but not limited to the following:
  - Participating in activities associated with this Event.
  - Contact with animals that may be associated with this Event.
  - Transportation to and from the Event and/or Event activities by public carrier, by personal conveyance, or by vehicle driven by a UME volunteer/staff member.
  - Residing in a hotel/dormitory or other housing with adults of the same gender.
  - Use of lodging facilities pool, exercise, and/or other recreational facilities.
  - Fire and/or weather-related events.
  - Terrorism attacks while participating or traveling to and from Event activities.
  
2. I understand participation in the Event is purely voluntary and neither my child nor I am in any way required to participate. I want to/want my child to participate in the Event and related activities, despite the possible dangers.
  
3. I understand that participation in the Event and related activities may require a minimum level of fitness and/or expertise for safe participation, and that UME recommends participants have a physical examination to determine their fitness for participation. Should my child or I require emergency medical treatment or first aid as a result of illness, injury or accident arising in connection with the Event or related activities, I consent to such first aid and/or treatment. I will notify UME in writing if my child has/I have any health or medical conditions that may affect his/her/my participation and/or about which emergency personnel should be informed. I further understand that UME does not provide medical, health or other insurance for Event participants, and I represent and warrant that my child has/I have adequate medical, health and/or other insurance.
  
4. Knowing the dangers, hazards and risks associated with the Event, and with sufficient knowledge of my/my child's physical condition(s) and limitations, I voluntarily assume all responsibility and risk of loss, damage, illness and/or injury to person or property in any way associated with my/my child's participation in the Event and/or related activities.

OVER

5. I agree that my child/I will abide by all rules and regulations applicable to participation in the Program.
6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby release and forever discharge, and agree not to sue and to indemnify and hold harmless, the State of Maryland, the University of Maryland, University of Maryland Extension and their governing boards, officers, agents, employees and volunteers from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands and causes of action of any kind on account of any loss, damage, illness or injury to person or property in any way arising out of or relating to my participation in the Event and/or related activities, whether due to the negligence, mistake or other action or inaction of UME or any other person or entity.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND INFORMED CONSENT FORM, AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS VOLUNTARILY AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT AGREEMENT TO THESE TERMS IS REQUIRED FOR MY/MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THIS UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EVENT, AND THAT IF I CHOOSE NOT TO AGREE TO THESE TERMS I/MY CHILD CANNOT PARTICIPATE.

- 4-H Youth
  - Adult (over age 18)
- Participant's Status

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*Parent/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***\*PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE REQUIRED IF THE EVENT PARTICIPANT IS A 4-H YOUTH OF ANY AGE***







# CHARLES COUNTY 4-H FAIR CLOVER ENTRY FORM

**Forms Due by 4:00p.m. August 16, 2021**  
 COMPLETED FORMS CAN BE EMAILED TO [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu).

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

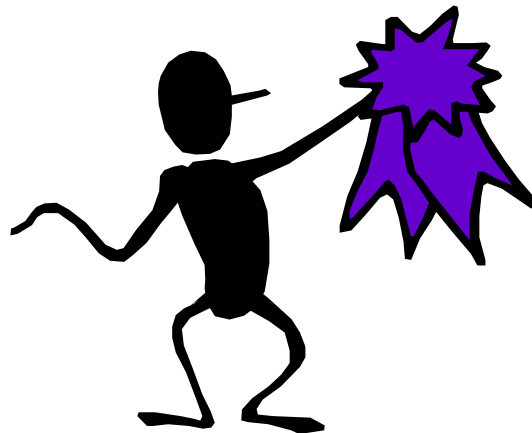
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Department	Section	Class	Description of item
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			
4Z			





Charles County 4-H Entry Form  
POULTRY ONLY

Entries Due by August 16, 2021

Completed forms can be emailed to [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu).



Office Use Only
Quality Assurance _____
Tested _____
Card on File _____

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Premise ID#

**Poultry Form:**

Exhibitors are limited to a total of **TWO (2)** entries in each class, regardless of breed.

All poultry must comply with current state regulations concerning pullorum and fowl typhoid.

Exhibitors are responsible for daily care of their birds.

**\*\*All poultry must be tested before coming to fair. Email Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu) or call 4-H office to register number of poultry needing to be tested. (301) 934-5404.**

All Poultry must have Poultry and Waterfowl form on file by August 1, 2021. 4-H'er must have completed the online Quality Assurance and have a certificate on file in the 4-H office.

**I certify that all the work on the exhibits below has been completed by myself.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Member Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

Dept.	Section	Class	Breed	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet	Meat	Production	Purebred Large	Purebred Bantam
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											
4F											



Charles County 4-H Entry Form  
**RABBIT ONLY**  
 Entries Due by August 16, 2021  
 Completed forms can be emailed to [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu).

Office Use Only Quality Assurance _____ Rabbit Card _____
---

**Please fill out all information!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the animals listed below are on file with the 4-H Office and have a completed Quality Assurance and have a Code of Ethics on file in the 4-H Office.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 4-H Member Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent /Guardian Signature

**ALL RABBITS MUST HAVE A TATTOO IN LEFT EAR, BLACK INK, READABLE AND HEALED**

**Cavies will be judged on Wednesday upon arrival and may be taken back home at that time. All cavies that are kept indoors should be returned home after judging, but outdoor cavies maybe left.**

Exhibitors are limited to a total of FIVE (5) rabbits plus one Meat Pen.  
 All rabbits must be tattooed and have a 4-H Rabbit Card on file with the 4-H Office by August 1.  
 Please refer to all rules in Department 4G in your fair book.

Dept.	Section	Class	Breed	Color	Tattoo #	Buck	Doe	Senior Over 6 months	Junior Under 6 months	House Pet	Meat Pen
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											
4G											

*The University of Maryland is an Equal Opportunity Employer with Equal Access Programs*

<p><b>Cavies will be judged on Wednesday upon arrival and maybe taken back home at that time.</b>  <b>All cavies that are indoor kept should return home after judging, but outdoor cavies maybe left</b></p>
---



**CHARLES COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

*Registration is required for ALL events to ensure adequate staffing and supplies!*

See below for program descriptions and registration information.

Amy Lang, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)      Bonnie Boyden, [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu)  
 Jeanne Williams, [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)      Darby D' Ambrosio, [darbyd@umd.edu](mailto:darbyd@umd.edu)  
 Donna Mohler, [dmohler@umd.edu](mailto:dmohler@umd.edu)  
 301 934-5404

<p><b><u>July 2021</u></b>                  5 – Holiday - Office closed                  6, 13, 20, 27 – Robotics (continued)                  12, 13, 15 – Parks and Recreation Camp                  19-23 – Maryland Virtual Camp in a Box                  25-29 – National Forestry Competition                  1-31 – State Fair Entries Due for enrolled 4-H'ers</p>	<p><b><u>August 2021</u></b>                  3,10,17,24 – Robotics (continued)                  4 – Volunteer Association Meeting                  10-11 – Clover Days (ages 5-7)                  16 – Charles County Fair Entry Forms Due for enrolled 4-H'ers                  21 – Outreach Event                  26 - Sept 6 – Maryland State Fair</p>	<p><b><u>September, 2021</u></b>                  6 – Labor Day – Office Closed                  10 – Diamond Clover Level 6 due to County Office                  15-19 – Charles County Fair                  27, 30 – Nature Begins in Your Backyard Virtual Activity Club</p>
<p><b><u>October, 2021</u></b>                  4,7,11,14 – Nature Begins in Your Backyard Virtual Activity Club (continued)                  3-9 – National 4-H Week                  25 – Annual Organizational Club Leader Meeting</p>	<p><b><u>November, 2021</u></b>                  11 – Veterans Day – Office Closed                  25-26 – Thanksgiving Break – Office Closed</p>	<p><b><u>December, 2021</u></b>                  10 – Record Books Due                  24 – Holiday – Office Closed                  31 – Holiday – Office Closed</p>

**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES AND CANCELLATIONS

See below for program descriptions and registration information. If you have questions

about 4-H membership or enrollment, contact **Donna Mohler**, [dmohler@umd.edu](mailto:dmohler@umd.edu).

*Be sure to get the latest updates by joining our Facebook Group – Charles County 4-H*

*(closed group – contact Jeanne at [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu) to be added).*

**July**

**Robotics**, Darby, [darbyd@umd.edu](mailto:darbyd@umd.edu)

- A thirteen week program encompassing engineering design and computer coding principles. Youth build robots and programs to guide robot movements to accomplish an assigned task. Efforts are showcased at the State and County Fairs. Registration has closed for this year, but please consider joining us next year 😊.

**Parks and Recreation Camp**, Amy, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)

- An outreach opportunity for youth at one of the Charles County Summer Parks and Recreation programs to experience a taste of 4-H.

**Maryland Virtual Camp in a Box**, Amy, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)

- Educators from around the state are joining forces to bring you a top-notch virtual camping experience. Look forward to learning about all things science related. Topics include: coding, escape rooms, robotics, oysters, zoonosis, Ag-Innovators, arts, magic, pollination, games, and so much more. Registration has closed for this year, but please consider joining us next year 😊.

**National Forestry Competition**, Amy, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)

- Top state contest participants, Kallan Latham and Jonathan Eanes have earned the opportunity to participate in the virtual National Contest. Wish them luck 😊

**State Fair Entries**, Jeanne, [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

- Enrolled 4-H'ers please reach out to Jeanne if you have projects you'd like to submit to the State Fair. Online registration for entries is due by July 31, 2021.

**August**

**Volunteer Association Meeting- Fair Planning**, Bonnie, [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu)

- All 4-H volunteers the Charles County 4-H Volunteer Association will meet on **Wednesday August 4 at 6:30 pm** at the office and via Zoom. All volunteers are invited to discuss the fair, volunteer superintendents and helpers needed for the building, and update in the 4-H program. To register email Bonnie at [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu)

**Clover Days**, Darby, [darbyd@umd.edu](mailto:darbyd@umd.edu)

- An opportunity for our youngest 4-H'ers to spend two days together focused on activities designed for 5-7 year old youth.

**County Fair Entries**, Jeanne, [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

- Enrolled 4-H'ers please reach out to Jeanne if you have projects you'd like to submit to the County Fair. Registration forms are due by August 16, 2021.

**Outreach Event**

- An opportunity for 4-H and other Extension staff to meet with community members and share exciting 4-H program opportunities.

**Maryland State Fair**

- The 11 Best Days of Summer! An opportunity for 4-H youth to exhibit their 4-H projects in the show ring or in the 4-H Building.

**September**

**Diamond Clover**, Bonnie, [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu)

- The Diamond Clover Award Program engages 4-H youth in a variety of projects and activities that will enable them to acquire skills related to leadership, community service, civic engagement and advocacy. The award consists of six levels that require a 4-H member to plan and accomplish a broad range of age-appropriate goals with supportive volunteers and community members. The Diamond Clover Project is one way 4-H youth can make a lasting difference in their community.

**Charles County Fair**, Jeanne, [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

- An opportunity for Charles County 4-H youth to exhibit their 4-H projects in the show ring or the 4-H Building.

**Nature Begins in Your Backyard Virtual Activity Club**, Amy, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)

- Virtual activity clubs contain all of the elements that have given Maryland 4-H its rich 100+ year history: hands-on learning, connections with peers and caring adults, and an inclusive, safe environment; all from the comfort of home. This club is designed for youth between the ages of 8-13. Join us on an amazing exploration of the ecosystems just outside our door. Go on a backyard safari, be enthralled by tiny beasts, and find incredible flowers. Each Monday we'll take a deep dive into the nature of our backyard environments. Club members will get a fun activity to work on before our Thursday meeting, where we'll showcase our findings. We hope you will join us and have extraordinary nature adventures in your own backyard! Youth who register should plan to attend all club sessions. Sessions will run for three consecutive weeks on Monday and Thursday from 4:00 to 5:30 PM Eastern (September 27, 30, October 4, 7, 11, and 14). Registration will open in mid-August and close September 21. This program is limited to a maximum of 15 participants.

## October

**National 4-H Week**, Amy, [amlang@umd.edu](mailto:amlang@umd.edu)

- A week-long celebration of all things 4-H!

**Annual Organizational Club Leader Meeting**, Bonnie, [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu)

- Mark your calendar for the Annual Fall Club Organizational Leaders Meeting, Monday, October 25 at 6:30p.m. We will be going over the year-end close out requirements for the clubs and reviewing 2021.

## December

**Record Books Due**, Jeanne, [jeanneh@umd.edu](mailto:jeanneh@umd.edu)

- The purpose of 4-H record keeping is to teach youth how to keep records, which is an important life skill. Recordkeeping is an ongoing process that does not end when the 4-H year ends.

## ***Animal Science Programs***

If you are planning to participate in raising and/or showing animals this year, please contact Bonnie at [bboyden@umd.edu](mailto:bboyden@umd.edu) for details related to our Animal Science Programs. Please note that there are specific animal ownership deadlines and project animal registrations that must be met in order to participate as well as mandatory attendance for quality assurance so don't delay in contacting Bonnie.

University programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.