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A Carroll County 4-H Newsletter

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Thank you!

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who participated and volunteered at the 2022 Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair! This event would not have been possible without the wonderful and dedicated volunteers that give back so much to the Carroll County 4-H members and their families. Next time you see one of these volunteers, thank them for all that they do for the 4-H program and the fair!

Fair T-Shirts

Take a minute to write a "Thank You" note to **R.D. Bowman's Feed & Pet** for sponsoring the red fair shirts.

If you received a fair shirt, please send a "Thank You" note to:

R.D. Bowman & Sons, Inc.

107 Englar Rd

Westminster, MD 21157

And don't forget to send a "Thank You" to your award sponsor(s)!

Paint Night Fundraisers

Looking for a night out? Ready for a fun evening after surviving county and state fair?

Join Carroll County 4-H's Paint Night featuring Janie Dell teaching the group how to make Welcome Signs. These signs are double sided… decorate one side for everyday and one side for your special holiday, pet or season.

All supplies will be provided as well as light refreshments. Proceeds will help keep 4-H programs free or low-cost for families.
Do not delay ordering your tickets. They are selling out quickly!
Follow the registration/payment links below:
9/26/22 - SOLD OUT!
9/27/22 - https://square.link/u/jzxZJbym
10/24/22 - https://square.link/u/1TOPNBfi
10/25/22 - https://square.link/u/3QjPY6dH

Project Records Due

Projects records will be due to the Extension Office on **Monday, November 28th.** Check with your club leader to see when your records are due to them. RECORDS WILL NEED TO BE SIGNED BY YOUR CLUB LEADER! If you participated in/exhibited in the following at the 2022 Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair, you **MUST** turn in a completed project record to be eligible for the 2023 Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair: **ALL MARKET LIVESTOCK, RABBIT, POULTRY, HORSE, PHOTOGRAPHY AND GARDEN**. See the attached *Tips for Project Records for 2022* for additional information. (**Note—Records that are submitted and are identical from the same households will be returned to 4-Hers to re-do.**)

Please follow this link to the Carroll County Extension website for the correct project records:

https://extension.umd.edu/locations/carroll-county/local-4-h-youth-education/project-records-and-record-books

Senior Portfolio Night

What goes better with creating or updating a Senior Portfolio than a pizza party? We know that Senior Portfolios look and sound overwhelming and we would love to help you get started. And perhaps, an evening filled with pizza and snacks will help you get started on the right foot. Make plans to attend the Carroll County 4-H Portfolio Workshop on Friday, November 4 from 6:30 P.M.— 9 P.M. All seniors and last year intermediates are welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity to work on your resume and leave with a completed or updated resume. 4-H Resumes are used to apply for national trips but they are great for all of those 4-H scholarships available too! Fill out the google form below and plan on bringing a laptop. If you do not have one available, please let us know. If you have questions, please contact Becky at 410-386-2760. Register at— https://forms.gle/9prGCGE32Dj3sDNi8

Project Record—2022 Update of Requirement

In 2022, all project records that are completed will be held to meeting all standards, including the communication section. Remember that 4-Hers must present a speech or demonstration to 3 or more people not related to them to meet this requirement. *This is a speech or demonstration the youth has given, not something they attended.* Don't forget that participating in programs such as skillathon, bowls, and judging programs count toward this requirement. The Extension Office has been lenient of this project record requirement since 2020, but with clubs and programs happening again in-person, all project records submitted MUST have a communication piece. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office at 410-386-2760.

Maryland State Fair Junior Fair Board

Here's another great opportunity! If you are between the ages of 16-20 years old as of January 1st and will be attending the 2023 Maryland State Fair, this is a great opportunity to get more involved with the fair! You can become an active member of a community organization and get to know others with the same interest. If you are interested in applying, the application is due by October 1st at https://form.jotform.com/221547049098058 If you have any specific questions, please send them to mdjrfairboard@gmail.com

MD 4-H State Animal Science Award

If you show one of the following: beef cattle, camelids, dairy cattle, dairy goats, dogs, horse/pony, meat goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep, small pets, swine or have a veterinary science project, then don't miss out on the Maryland 4-H State Animal Science Project Record Award! You must be 14 –18 years old as of January 1st to qualify. Many of our animal science 4-H members have great project records, so take a look at what is required. (Note—the dates should all stay the same for when the items are due, the rules just haven't been updated to say 2022). All items for the award process are due through 4-H Online by October 25th.

Cupcake Wars!

The game is set, so bring your aprons and creativity to participate in our first, in person, cupcake wars event! The event will be held on **Friday, October 21** in room A/B of the Extension Office from 9 A.M. – Noon. We will begin the morning with learning some basic decorating skills, followed by allowing you to stretch your creativity by designing and decorating your own cupcakes. Before you get to devour your creations, participants will learn how to take a great photo of their favorite creation to be uploaded to social media for a fun contest. This event will cost $5 per participant and will include all supplies needed. Let's get decorating! Contact Jennie at jchameli@umd.edu with any questions.

Please follow this link to register at https://forms.gle/tDsHq4AmL99C2DVi8

Public Speaking Workshops

Public Speaking is a necessary skill for life! Whether you plan on participating in the 4-H Public Speaking Contest, apply for the Carroll County Ambassador program or need to learn how to give a better presentation for school, this is a workshop that is applicable for all 4-Hers! Join us the afternoon of **Friday, October 21** from 1:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. to learn the ins and outs of public speaking. From how to pick your topic, prepare a speech or presentation, to how to deliver it, this workshop will cover all of the nuts and bolts. There is no charge for this workshop and is for 4-H members age 8 and older. Contact Jennie   jchameli@umd.edu or Becky bridgewa@umd.edu with questions. Please follow this link to register at https://forms.gle/fsnvSmJ7F4WwPRC86

Clover Halloween Party

Dress up in your favorite costume and bring a friend! The Ambassador Team is excited to be hosting another great Clover Halloween Party on Friday, October 21st at 6 P.M. There will be games, arts and crafts, trick or treating and some special treats! To register to attend go to this link— https://forms.gle/cVrJ2E1FpRMUF7qv8

Fair Projects

Any fair projects from the indoor building left from the fair are available to be picked up at the Extension Office. Items will be here until September 30th.

UME Volunteers

When completing the volunteer enrollment, remember this is a two-step process. Step 1 is the enrollment which leads into step 2, the screening process.

Please note that the state will be approving the screening section of all volunteers once the background checks have been completed and before the county office can approve enrollments. **There was a March 1st deadline of completing your re-enrollment to be covered under the Maryland Tort Claims Act which provides you coverage (if ever needed) as a UME Volunteer.**

Also, we are required by UME/Maryland 4-H volunteer policies to have volunteer position descriptions signed every 3 years. Many volunteers will need to sign their position descriptions again. Be on the lookout in your mail and return to the Extension Office to ensure that we have all your information up to date in the office.

UME Volunteer Training

If you aren't already a UME Volunteer, make plans to complete the training in 2022. Just email Becky (bridgewa@umd.edu) and you can complete all of the required paperwork and training directly from your home. Trainings can be completed at anytime!

Annual Club Leader Meeting

Calling all club leaders! Please make sure to mark September 29th on your calendar! Join us at 7 P.M. in rooms A/B of the Extension Office as we go over updates, programs, paperwork and other information. We provide this annual meeting to help keep our leaders up to date and well informed. We want to set you, and in turn our clubs, up for success! We believe that the 2023 4-H year will be the best yet. If you are an organizational club leader, please plan on attending! Contact Becky at bridgewa@umd.edu with questions.

Fair Pictures

Check out the 2022 Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair Pictures. Pictures are available to be purchased through this link— https://carrollcountyfair2022.smugmug.com/

Fair Reminders

Everyone is welcome to participate in Fair Board meetings held at the Extension Office/Ag Center. The next meeting dates are: September 7th and 28th.

Too many ribbons? Don't throw them away. If they are in good shape, drop them off at the Extension Office and we will recycle them for next year! Let's recycle!

Indoor Department— Congratulations to all exhibitors in the Indoor Department at the Carroll County 4-H & FFA Fair. Whether you received a red ribbon or a champion, you were a winner because you did your best and learned while you were making the exhibit and from the judge's comments as part of conference judging. **If you received a champion with a special award**, please thank the donor by sending them a thank you note. If you need the name or address, contact Erica McAndrew at Erica.mcandrew@gmail.com

Dates to Remember

Sept 1-Sept 5	Maryland State Fair (Dairy Cattle, Judging Contests, Fashion Revue)
Sept 8-Sept 11	Maryland State Fair (Dairy Goats, Dogs, Engineering Contest)
September 26	4-H Paint Night Fundraiser (Welcome Signs)
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September 29	4-H Club Leader Meeting, Extension Office, 7 P.M.
October 1	Maryland State Fair—Junior Fair Board Applications Due
October 21	Cupcake Wars, Extension Office, 9:30 A.M.
	Public Speaking Workshop, Extension Office, 1 P.M.
	Clover Halloween Party, Extension Office, 6 P.M.
October 24	4-H Paint Night Fundraiser, (Welcome Sign)
October 25	MD Animal Science Award Applications Due (through 4-H Online)
	4-H Paint Night Fundraiser
November 4	Senior Portfolio Night, Extension Office, 6 P.M.

4-H To Make The Best Better!

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The Carroll County 4-H Website. Find the *Tribune* online, plus other forms and information for youth and leaders.
http://extension.umd.edu/locations/carroll-county

The MD 4-H Youth Development Website, news & information from all over the state, plus forms and information for youth & volunteers. http://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity , please contact the Carroll County Extension Office at 410-386-2760, fax: 410-876-0132, at least two (2) weeks prior to the program.

Tips for Completing Project Records

Here are some tips and helpful hints as you work on your project records.

Don't forget that the following project records are required to show at the 2023 Carroll County 4-H/FFA Fair – ALL MARKET ANIMALS, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, Garden and Photography
(Items in green are REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION)
Remember to EXPAND on all of your answers. The more detailed responses you give help the reviewers understand your projects and what you learned and achieved through them.

1. **What goals did you set for your project this year and did you achieve them?**
   a. Explain three different goals you had for your project and expand on how you did or didn't achieve them.
2. **What were four things you learned from completed this project this year?**
   a. Juniors and Intermediates – You only need to list 2 things you learned from your project.
   b. Seniors – Need to list 4 things you learned from your projects
3. **What is one thing you would like to improve or do differently with your project next year?**
   a. What is something that you want to improve on your project next year? Give an example on what you want to do differently on with your project.
4. **What I learned as a result of using this life skill…**
   a. Under each section (Head, Heart, Hand, Health) write the life skill you are using from the life skill wheel.
   b. Juniors and Intermediates need to write 1 life skill for each section. You will have one life skill for Head, one for Heart, one for Hand and one for Health.
   c. Seniors need to write 2 life skills for each section. You will have two life skills listed for Head, two for Heart, two for Hand and one for Health.
5. **Project Activities**
   a. Everyone needs to list project activities in how they relate to your project. This can be attending the Mid-Winter Blahs, Livestock Workshops, Quality Assurance, County or State Fair.
6. **Project Communications**
   a. Everyone **MUST** have some type of communication related to their project that you have given to at least 3 people who are not related to you.
   b. Example – If you are filling out a project record for Photography your communication needs to be something relating to Photography and not a speech related to building a birdhouse.
7. **Project Exhibits**
   a. Everyone must have exhibited their project at some event. This can include County or State Fair, a community or school event.
   b. List all exhibits separately. This includes all classes to be listed separately (example – Market Hog – you would list, Market Hog, Showmanship and Rate of Gain on 3 separate lines, not all together).
8. **Project Financial Section (General Project Records)**
   a. List all expenses related to your project and put a value on them, even if your parents paid for them, they still have a value associated to them.

        i. Example – If you baked a cake, you would list your ingredients (Sugar, Flour, Chocolate, etc. and the cost $13.50)

    b. Income includes any premium checks you have received for your items. Remember to keep your copy of your premiums from the fair, this will tell you what your premiums were for each item you entered at the fair.

9. **Supplemental Piece**

    a. If you are completing a General Project Record a supplemental piece can be included. This is one additional piece of paper (8x11) attached to the end of your record. This can be a picture with a couple sentences written about your project or a story, crossword puzzle, etc. It needs to be something that related to your project.

10. **ANIMAL PROJECT RECORDS**

    a. **Market Livestock Project Record Forms**

        i. Table 1 – Information of Project Animal – This is **REQUIRED** to be completed. Make sure to fill in all information related to your animals. All animals you tagged should be included on this table, even if you didn't show them. Remember to bring your totals down to the total line.

        ii. Table 2 and 3 – Include information on what you fed your animals and the cost of feeding those animals, along with other expenses you have had with your project including bedding, equipment, etc.

        iii. Table 4 – Health and Veterinary Expenses – Everyone should have something listed here. To show at the fair you had to have health papers, which would be listed on this table.

        iv. Table 5 – Sale Animal Income – List the information related to any animals you sold. This can be from selling at the fair or private sales.

        v. Table 6 – All Other Income – Include any other income from your animals. This could be premium monies, selling wool or hides, etc.

        vi. Financial Summary – Add up all of your income and expenses to see you have a profit or loss from your project.

    b. **Poultry/Rabbit/Horse/Dogs Project Records**

        i. Make sure to fill out tables related to your animal information, along with each table that related to your project. If you didn't do something in the project (Example – Didn't sell eggs), just put N/A in that table, so the project record reviewers know you didn't just skip the table.

        ii. Include a supplemental piece that showcase your project!

Make sure to have **ALL SIGNATURES** (4-H Member, Parent and Club Leader) a 4-H Educator will sign off on the forms when they are considered complete.

Also, if you have siblings that participate in the same projects, make sure your records are DIFFERENT. If they are the same, they will be returned to be redone.

Maryland 4-H State Animal Science Project and Record Awards Program

About the Award Program
The Maryland 4-H Animal Science Project and Record Awards Program will be offered in 2021 to recognize 4-H members in the Animal Science Program for outstanding achievements in their project work. The awards program will provide recognition to 4-H members who demonstrate 1) distinguished levels of engagement in the Maryland 4-H Animal Science Program projects and related activities and 2) excellence in project record keeping activities.

Award Program Eligibility
This awards program is open to all senior age 4-H members (14-18 years) as of January 1st of the current year. Members are eligible to submit an application for multiple award categories; however, a member will be eligible to receive an award in only one category per year. A member is eligible to receive the Top Award in the same category only one time in their 4-H career. A member can receive the Top Overall Award only one time in their 4-H career. Thirteen award categories will be offered (see below).

Required Documentation
Youth interested in participating in this awards program must submit the required documents (listed below) via the 4HOnline portal at https://v2.4honline.com by the advertised deadline. The submissions will be evaluated and judged by a committee of UME faculty/staff and volunteers. Required documentation includes (100 points total):

- Summary Report Form (20 points): Completed Maryland 4-H Summary Report Form.
- Project Essay (20 points): Essay must be specific to the award category. Essay must be 2-3 pages in length, typed in 12 point Times New Roman, double spaced, with 1-inch margins.
- Project Record (60 points): Completed Maryland 4-H Animal Science Project Record. In species (or category) where there are both Market and Breeding Projects offered, a 4-H'er is encouraged to submit both Project Records if enrolled in both.

A 4-H'er may submit applications in multiple categories. To submit in multiple categories only one Summary Report Form is required, but a separate Project Essay and Project Record is required for each category.

Awards
Awards will be presented in 13 categories including: 1) beef cattle, 2) camelids, 3) dairy cattle, 4) dairy goats, 5) dogs, 6) horse and pony, 7) meat goats, 8) poultry, 9) rabbits,

10) sheep, 11) small pets, 12) swine, and 13) veterinary science. Awards will be presented at the annual Maryland 4-H Awards Gala.

In each award category, the Top 5 members will be selected and recognized with Certificates. The Top Award winner for each category will receive a Belt Buckle.

One winner will be selected from the Top Award winners from the thirteen award categories for the current year to receive the Maryland 4-H Animal Science State Overall Project and Record Award. The recipient of the Overall Award will receive a plaque and will be offered a trip to National 4-H Congress in November 2022 (NOTE: Recipient must meet all other eligibility requirements established for attending National 4-H Congress. A 4-H'er is only eligible to attend National 4-H Congress one time in their 4-H career).

Awards Program Annual Timeline
- October 1st – 4HOnline portal opens for submission of applications. The online portal is made available through 4HOnline at https://v2.4honline.com .
- October 25th – Deadline for submission of applications – 4HOnline portal closes.
- January - Awards presented at Maryland 4-H Awards Gala.

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