

# MARYLAND 4-H UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION Solutions in your community

# UPDATES

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## Upcoming Events

Aug 25, 2010 - Sep 6, 2010

### **Maryland State Fair**

Location: Timonium, MD  
Contact: Chris Anderson  
301-314-7187

Sep 3, 2010 - Sep 6, 2010

### **4-H State Fair Horse Show**

Location: Maryland State Fair Grounds, Timonium  
Contact: Karol Dyson  
301-934-5403

Sep 4, 2010

### **Maryland 4-H Judging Contests**

Dairy, Livestock, Poultry, Rabbit, Horticulture  
Contact: Chris Anderson  
301-314-7187

Sep 11, 2010

### **Dairy Buzz-Off**

Location: Maryland 4-H Center  
Contact: Kiera Finucane  
301-405-1392

Sep 12, 2010

### **Maryland 4-H Robotics - FTC Training**

Location: GEARS Facility, Garrett County  
Contact: Denise Frebertshauer  
301-314-7819

Sep 12, 2010

### **Teen Council and Volunteer's Association Meeting**

## LEGO SuGO Event at the MD State Fair

Stop by the 4-H Building on Saturday, August 28th from noon to 5 pm to see the SuGO bots in action. Then get your friends and family together to design and build your own LEGO SuGO robot on Sunday, August 29th. The building will start at 1 pm in the Cow Palace (corner next to the horse barns). You will be given a NXT Mindstorm kit and sensors to build your robot and a pre-programmed NXT brick. Your team will have 2 hours to build, test, and improve your SuGO bot. The competition will begin at 3 pm to see whose robot can push the others off the ring. It is a double elimination tournament.

The event is limited to the first eight teams that register. Email Arlene Lantz at [alantz.4h@gmail.com](mailto:alantz.4h@gmail.com) to register your team.

## Human Science Update ~ "Every Day the Healthy Way"

## MARYLAND STATE FAIR: Indoor Building Updates:

**State Fashion Revue:** The 2010 Fashion Revue will again be held in the 4-H Indoor Building on Monday, Labor Day, September 6<sup>th</sup> on stage at 4 p.m. The following have confirmed that they have 4-Hers in the show - Anne Arundel County - 4, Baltimore County - 3, Caroline County - 1, Carroll County - 4, Cecil County - 2, Charles County - 1, Frederick County - 1, Harford County - 6, Howard County - 9, Kent County - 1, Montgomery County - 5, Queen Anne's County - 2, Talbot County - 2, Washington County - 1.

Lacie Ashby and Shante' Stokes, with the help of their committee, have a WONDERFUL day planned for all participants; even an opportunity to meet with a New York Fashion Designer!!! Thanks for all those who have participants in this years event, and *please* let us know if we can help you promote and encourage youth with fashion interest to participate locally and at the state event in the future. Come to the SHOW!!!

**State Egg Preparation:** Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup> 5 p.m. The Maryland Egg Council is again helping to sponsor the 2010 Egg Preparation Demonstration Contest. EACH COUNTY/CITY can send their THREE - 3 - best food demonstrators, their poultry project youth, any senior interested in sharing their knowledge of eggs and chickens AND doing an outstanding 4-H Presentation.

If you have any interested older youth, contact Sandy ([corridon@umd.edu](mailto:corridon@umd.edu)) and we'd love to have them participate.

**Purchase Power:** Hats off to Anne Arundel County, Carroll County, Charles County, Harford County, and St. Mary's County. Their youth will participate in the 2010 Purchase Power Contest on Saturday,

Time: 1:30 - 3:30 pm  
Location: College Park, MD and  
option for call in.  
Contact: Lisa Dennis  
410-651-8330

Sep 15, 2010 - Sep 15, 2010  
**Money Smart Training:  
Reading Makes Cents**  
Money Smart Impact Team  
Reading Makes Cents In Service  
Training

Time: 09:30-4:00 All day  
Location: 4 H Center  
Contact: Jinhee Kim  
5-3500

Sep 17, 2010 - Sep 19, 2010  
**Livestock Bonanza Fundraiser**  
Contact: Amanda Clougherty  
301-314-7835

Sep 18, 2010 - Sep 19, 2010  
**Horseman Standards Level  
5 & 6 Testing**  
for 4-H members only  
Location: TBD  
Contact: Kristen Wilson  
301-596-9478

Sep 18, 2010  
**Maryland 4-H Robotics – FLL  
Training**  
Location: GEARS Facility, Garrett  
County  
Contact: Ann Sherrard  
301-334-6960

Sep 26, 2010  
**Maryland Horsemen's Party**  
Time: 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Location: Ten Oaks Ballroom, 5000  
Signal Bell Lane, Clarksville, MD  
21020  
Contact: Debbie Frey  
301-314-7824

August 26<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the 4-H Building. Come witness their  
consumer skills as they determine the best choices for pedometers,  
gift cards, one-time use cameras, fishing line, and sun protective  
clothing with an identification class of Produce!!

**4-H Building Helpers:** If you have 4-H youth or adult volunteers  
who would like to help in the 4-H Building on Wednesday as entries  
are received OR Thursday during judging, please contact Sandy  
([corridon@umd.edu](mailto:corridon@umd.edu)) or see Sandy when they arrive at the Fair –  
we can always use the extra hands.

**2011 Maryland 4-H Portfolio Program:** while getting ready for  
the State Fair, take a minute to put OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup> on your calendar.  
That is the due date for All Resumes, Essays, and Applications for  
**2011 National 4-H Conference** DUE October 8, 2010 to the State  
4-H Office.

All Resumes, Essays, and Applications for **National 4-H Congress,  
West Virginia, Older Members Conference, Virginia 4-H  
Congress, and Camp Miniwanca** will be DUE January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011  
to the State 4-H Office. The website is being updated with the 2011  
dates for interviews. And the Theme for 2011 is - **"With many  
budgets being cut right now, how would you convince a  
politician that 4-H is worth funding?"**

**Let's Move!:** First Lady, Michele Obama is actively working toward  
reducing the nation's rate of Childhood Obesity. In promoting our **Health "H"**  
**Health "H"** we can work to encourage healthy eating and active  
lifestyles. Mrs. Obama, in an article in the Washington Post says,  
"Right now, our country has a major opportunity to make our  
schools and our children healthier. It's an opportunity we haven't  
seen in years, and one that is too important to let pass by."

She goes on to say, "Changes like these are just the beginning, and  
we've got a long way to go to reach our goals. But if we work  
together and each do our part, I'm confident that we can give our  
children the opportunities they need to succeed -- and the energy,  
strength and endurance to seize those opportunities."

**Let's Move!**<http://www.letsmove.gov/> stresses America's move to  
raise a healthier generation of kids. We can solve the challenge of  
childhood obesity within a generation so that children born today  
will reach adulthood at a healthy weight if we all work together.  
Through the **Let's Move!** campaign, a comprehensive, collaborative,  
and community-oriented initiative that addresses all of the various  
factors that lead to childhood obesity, we are engaging every sector  
of society that impacts the health of children to provide schools,  
families and communities the simple tools they need to help kids be  
more active, eat better, and get healthy.

Let's MOVE!

## MSF 4-H Indoor Building Entry Tags

Please be aware that the State Fair entry tags for the indoor  
building have been mailed out to the county/city offices in order that  
the 4-Hers may pick them up before the fair.

We heard your response from last year that this worked out well and  
we are happy to have them ready for you again to make the  
exhibiting process easier for our 4-Hers.

Counties/City will be bringing back any entry tags that were not  
picked up to the state fair by Wednesday, August 25th.

We look forward to seeing you at the fair!!

**Tools of the Trade: A professional development  
conference for middle school out-of-school time  
providers and others who work with youth.**

University of Maryland Extension, in partnership with the Maryland Out of School Time (MOST) Network, Johns Hopkins Center for Adolescent Health, and The Columbia Association, is offering a one-day professional development conference especially for middle school, out-of-school time providers but open to elementary and high school providers as well. Using a hands-on, interactive skill-building approach, the training provides introduction to tools and resources to help staff enhance communication, management, and delivery of positive youth development enrichment programs.

Sites in Calvert, Caroline, Howard, and Washington counties will host trainings on Saturday, September 25 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. The registration deadline is Wednesday, September 15, 2010. Clock hours can be earned by attending the full-day program.

Participants can choose three concurrent sessions offered on a range of topics including 4-H science, health, nutrition, the arts, and sessions focused on positive youth development, team building, and program management. In addition to concurrent sessions there will be presentations from the MOST Network on "Quality Standards for Out of School Time Programs" and from the Johns Hopkins Center for Adolescent Health. A copy of *The Teen Years Explained: A Guide to Healthy Adolescent Development* will be provided for all conference participants.

Partial funding for the training has been provided by the MetLife Foundation through its partnership with National 4-H Council.

Concurrent sessions are provided by University of Maryland Extension faculty and staff, A \$10 registration fee covers lunch and break refreshments and program materials.

To obtain a registration form, visit: <http://www.maryland4h.org/> or call The Maryland 4-H Center at 301-314-9070.

University of Maryland Extension programs are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, gender, disability, religion, age, sexual orientation, marital or parental status, or national origin.

For additional information, contact Kendra Wells, [klwells@umd.edu](mailto:klwells@umd.edu).

## **Money Smart Impact Team Inservice-Reading Makes Cents Educator Training**

Date: September 15, 2010

Location: Maryland 4-H Center

Time: 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$15.00 (lunch and resource materials)

Registration deadline: September 7, 2010.

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The Money Smart Impact Team will be hosting an In-Service September 15th, 2010 on the National 4-H Curriculum, Reading Makes Cents (RMC). *Reading Makes Cents* is a financial literacy and reading curriculum for children in grades 3-5. The curriculum, activities and selected books support standards for K-12 Personal Finance Education (Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy) and Standards for English Language Arts (International Reading Association). Each RMC activity relates to a theme and highlights a specific financial concept, value, or practice (e.g. saving, spending, sharing, earning, borrowing, lending and managing).

*Reading Makes Cents* has received University of Maryland IRB approval and has been piloted by Money Smart Impact Team members this past spring and summer. During the inservice the Money Smart team plans to share how to best incorporate and

utilize this National Curriculum for youth financial literacy education.

Thanks to support from Sandy Spring Bank and the Maryland 4-H Foundation, all educators participating in the Reading Makes Cents/Money Smart Inservice will receive a teaching toolkit for use in implementing the curriculum. In addition, all trained educators will have the opportunity to apply for a Reading Makes Cents/Money Smart mini-grant to further support this educational outreach.

Register online at:

<http://agnradmin.umd.edu/training/description.cfm?ID=168>

## **4-H Animal Science Program Committee Meeting Highlights**

The following are highlights from the July 13, 2010 meeting of the Maryland 4-H Animal Science Program Committee. Please contact Chris Anderson, Kristen Wilson or Kiera Finucane if you have questions regarding the Animal Science program items highlighted below.

### **4-H Dairy Related Updates**

- International Dairy Judging trip went very well. There are funds remaining from the trip that will be split between the Dairy Program account and International Judging Accts.
- An all new Dairy Judging Reunion Ice Cream Social (fundraiser) will be held at State Fair –on Friday Sept. 4 at 6:30pm

### **4-H Horse Related Updates**

- Horse Jamboree – 80 youth attended – The committee raised \$3,000 in sponsorships. About 90% of jamboree participants participated in the communication contest – event went well.
- Standards Examiner Training – Next session will be July 31st at Queen Anne’s 4-H Park.
- Horse Standards - Deadline for testing for 2010 State Fair and for awards given at the Maryland Horsemen’s Party will be August 20.
- Horsemen’s Party – in Clarksville at Ten Oaks Ballroom on Sept 26. Flyers are out. More registration information to follow. Karol Dyson will receive the Youth Development Award and Sabrina Ginn will receive the Volunteer of the Year Award.
- Amelia Grace Dashiell Memorial Scholarship applications must be postmarked by July 15th.

### **Other Updates**

- Online Quality Assurance Pilot - Four counties are currently participating in the pilot (Frederick, Howard, Anne Arundel and Baltimore). 543 registered users as of July 12. System has worked well. Will remain open through Aug 15 but counties may have earlier deadlines. An evaluation of the system will be completed in the fall, but overall reactions have been positive.
- The 4-H Livestock Round-Up - held July 6-8 went well according to participant evaluations – there were 33

youth in attendance. The event offered 16 workshops and tours to the Ron Holter Farm and the Marion DuPont Scott Equine Medical Center.

- RFID Pilot Test – Three counties tagged with RFID tags in sheep, goats and swine this year as part of the pilot test. They are Frederick, Montgomery and Howard. Their use will be incorporated into animal processing at the State Fair.
- State Fair – Plans are moving along well. The Supt. Meeting was held June 30. Supts. should be reminded of the fair's request to complete Fire Marshal's Crowd Managers Training on-line and send copies of completion certificate to Chris Anderson or Linda Garner.
- Livestock Bonanza - this new fundraiser will be held Saturday, September 18 during the Eastern Nationals at the State Fairgrounds. More information will be forthcoming.
- Volunteer Forum Ocean City – Deadline to submit workshop proposals extended to July 21. We are asking committee members (and others) to consider submitting proposals for teaching animal related workshops.
- 2010 Animal Science Staff In-Service – scheduled for December 9 – Plans are being made for the agenda. A survey will be sent to staff to identify topic suggestions for the staff in-service for 2010.
- 2011 Animal Science Leader's Forum - Tentative date for January 29 (February 5 – snow day). Maybe have species tracks? We are planning to survey Animal Science leaders to identify topics they would like to have offered at the Forum. We plan to continue to offer workshops on club management, youth development, subject matter specific to work with animal science projects.
- Animal Science Project Records - We plan to update the Animal Science project records for 2012. We would like to involve volunteers and youth if possible in the process. We are going to be requesting counties to send copies of the animal science records they are using locally. We will begin by reviewing collected records in October at our meeting.
- On-Line Animal Science Guidebook – currently under development. Plan to have ready to launch for the December Staff In-service.
- Dairy Youth Project Records - Gail Yeiser presented drafts of the revised Youth Dairy Project Record Instructions and Record Book. Corrections will be made as needed and then following final review the new Records will be distributed.

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