



Maryland 4-H Updates

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Maryland 4-H Livestock Round-Up Registration Open

The 2nd annual Maryland 4-H Livestock Round-Up will be held July 6-8, 2010 at the Frederick County 4-H Camp and Activity Center, Frederick, Maryland. This 3-day, 2-night event is for 4-H youth, ages 11-18, who would be interested in learning about livestock animals in a fun, camp setting.

The Round-Up is being planned by a committee of 4-H members from across Maryland and will feature workshops focusing on Beef, Goats, Sheep and Swine. It also will feature field trips to area animal-related businesses, a BBQ and game at the Frederick Keys Baseball park, a Barnyard Olympics, a Junior Stockman's Event, camp recreation activities, a Round-Up BBQ, and more.

Registration is limited to the first 80 youth to turn in their registration packet. All registrations must be received by June 15, 2010. The registration fee is \$120.00 which includes 2-nights cabin lodging, snacks and meals, field trips and more. Registration materials are available on the Maryland 4-H website home page at <http://www.maryland4h.org/> . Contact Chris Anderson at canders2@umd.edu for more information.

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MARYLAND 4-H HORSEMEN'S PARTY AWARDS

The Maryland Horsemen's Party Planning Committee is now accepting nominations for the Horsemen's Party Awards. This is a great opportunity to nominate 4-H volunteers, horse industry leaders, or anyone else who you think has made a difference in the MD 4-H Horse Program and it takes very little time to complete the application. The application is due by Friday, June 18, 2010 and can be found at <http://www.4horse.umd.edu/activities/HorsemensParty.html> . Awards will be given at the MD Horsemen's Party on Sunday, September 26, 2010 at Ten Oaks Ballroom in Clarksville, MD.

We are accepting nominations for the following awards:

Maryland 4-H Youth Development Award:

The nominee is an individual of outstanding character who has contributed significantly

to the development of youth horse interests in the Maryland 4-H Horse Program. Through their positive contributions in helping youth to become competent, caring and responsible individuals, the nominee has inspired others to do likewise.

Maryland 4-H Horse Program Volunteer of the Year Award:

The nominee is a University of Maryland Extension Volunteer that has made significant contributions to the Maryland 4-H Horse Program in the area of youth development and horsemanship. The nominee displays great initiative, leadership, and dedication to the Maryland 4-H Horse Program with the ability to make a difference in the lives of youth, families and their community.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

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Put Some SPARK in your Club Meetings

Want to add some activity to 4-H meetings or maybe at afterschool programs or camp? Maybe you have some interest in a Jump Rope Group or a Jump for Heart Group. This free lesson and assessment comes from SPARK. The SPARK Program team began studying elementary physical education in 1989, and today, the name SPARK represents a collection of exemplary, research-based physical activity/nutrition programs. The original SPARK study was supported by the Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health and San Diego State University. www.sparkpe.org They offer a free download each month. SPARK your enthusiasm for the "Health H".

WALK Across Maryland

Every month Sandy will get an update on the 4-H programs across the state participating in the WALK challenge. As presented at our 4-H Team Retreat, the Human Science Program Committee encourages everyone to start walking! Log in as a Teacher or Individual. Set up a profile and you're ready to take the first steps! Virtually visit Maryland Landmarks. AND – Rebecca Davis, developer of the program and website here in Maryland, is open to your suggestions to customize Walk Across Maryland for our 4-H Youth Development ideas!!

Contact Rebecca (rdavis3@umd.edu) or Sandy (corridon@umd.edu). They have pedometers to give to the first 25 4-H youth or volunteers who log on and START WALKING! www.walkmaryland.umd.edu

Summer Out-of-State Trips

Did you know that we have six Maryland 4-H Older Youth who will be traveling this summer to Virginia Tech, to Michigan and to Jackson Mills, West Virginia as a result of their outstanding 4-H portfolios, their essays and their interviews? Congratulations again to Breanne Lippy – Carroll County and Samantha Brown – Montgomery County, who will be traveling to Michigan to Camp Miniwanca in August. Will Tomlinson – Charles County and Jennifer Malkus – Harford County, will travel to the West Virginia Older 4-H Members Camp in June. And Virginia Tech is the site of the Virginia 4-H Congress that

Emily Ogg – Carroll County and Katelyn Gnegy – Garrett County, will be attending in June.

As you promote the achievement of your 4-H Older Youth, and encourage them to participate in the 4-H Portfolio program, call on some of these State 4-H Winners to speak about their experiences attending these trips!

2010 State 4-H Fashion Revue

The initial Committee Meeting for the State 4-H Fashion Revue to be held on Labor Day at the Maryland State Fair was this past week via conference call. The minutes of this meeting will be posted on the Human Science page under Fashion Revue. We'd welcome any additional 4-H members, volunteers or educators to join our Committee.

Plans are to improve on our 2009 Fashion Revue using the same day, same location as the basis for a bigger and better production for 2010.

Contact the Fashion Revue Committee Chairs (Lacie Ashby, lashby@umd.edu ; Shante Stokes, [sstokes@umd.edu](mailto:ssstokes@umd.edu); or Sandy Corridon, corridon@umd.edu , with your ideas!

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Grant Opportunities

America's Promise Alliance



LOWER THE DROP OUT RATE: Ask the Kids, and Get a Grant!

A national grant opportunity funds high school students who develop creative strategies for lowering the high school drop out rate.

The America's Promise Alliance is offering "My Idea" grants to high school students who develop an idea, and implement that idea through a local nonprofit organization, to reduce the number of high school dropouts.

Grant Range: \$10,000 - \$20,000

Deadline: June 11, 2010

More Info: <http://www.americaspromise.org/myideagrants>

Best Buy Community Grants



BEST BUY.

Grant squad! The Best Buy Community Grants program funds a wide range of youth programs that promote education, life skills, leadership skills and relationship development.

Grant Range: \$3,000 - \$5,000

Deadline: Between June 1, 2010 - July 1, 2010

More Info: http://www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com/our_foundation.htm

Autism Speaks

Autism disorder dollars: Autism Speaks funds Family Services Community Grants supporting programs that enhance the lives of youth who are affected by autism spectrum disorders. Programs can include education, recreation, community activities and youth services.

Grant Range: \$5,000 - \$25,000

Deadline: June 10, 2010

More

Info:http://www.autismspeaks.org/community/family_services/grants.php



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2010 Maryland State Fair

The 2010 Maryland State Fair will be held August 27-September 6 at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. 4-H/FFA entries begin arriving at the fair on August 25th. Visit the Maryland State Fair website for complete information at

<http://www.marylandstatefair.com/> . 4-H/FFA information can be found by selecting the "Competitions" tab from the Fair's home page and then selecting "4-H" from the side tabs. Contact Chris Anderson at canders2@umd.edu or Linda Garner at terp23@umd.edu for more information.

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University of Maryland Extension's 4-H Final Enrollment Statistics for 2009

University of Maryland Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program is pleased to announce the final enrollment statistics for 2009. Thanks to the great work of the Extension Educators and volunteers, 84,924 Maryland youth were enrolled in 4-H this past year. For a complete breakdown of the enrollment information and supporting outcome information, an enrollment briefing paper can be found at: <http://www.maryland4h.org/Faculty%20and%20Staff/Marketing%20Materials/index.cfm>

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