

**4-H Youth  
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**NORTHEAST REGION**

**MASSACHUSETTS 4-H NEWSLETTER**

**Summer 2016**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- July**
- 1 **Deadline** for Middlesex 4-H Fair Scholarship <http://4hmiddlesexfair.org/stokowski-scholarship>
  - 1 **Deadline** State 4-H Photography Contest Waltham
  - 14 **NEW**State & Big E Horse Show Entries Due to Meagan Welch Coyne 240 Beaver St Waltham 02452
  - 18 Shirley Kane Memorial 4-H Golf Tournament Holden
  - 31 Middlesex County Fair Entries Forms Due Westford
- August**
- 7 Middlesex County 4-H Fair Chaperones Meeting 7pm Westford
  - 10 **Deadline** to order Big E 4-H Day tickets for members and volunteers: [dcomeau@umext.umass.edu](mailto:dcomeau@umext.umass.edu)
  - 15 Topsfield Fair Entry Forms due to: Diane Krafton, 9 Union St. Andover, MA 01810
  - 23 Middlesex 4-H Fair Static Entries 5:30-9:30pm Westford
  - 24 Middlesex 4-H Fair Livestock Entries 5:30-9:30pm Westford
  - 25-27 Middlesex County 4-H Fair Westford
  - 31 **Deadline** Annual 4-H Club Reports (including Financial report & proof of 990N) Waltham

Coming in the Fall..... Deadline for publication in the Fall Newsletter will be Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>

**September**

- 1 **New 4-H Year – Re Enroll at [www.ma.4honline.com](http://www.ma.4honline.com)**
- 6 & 9 Topsfield 4-H Fair Static Entries (Wed. 6-8pm; Sat. 9am-12noon) Topsfield
- 15-Oct. 1 Eastern States Exhibition (Big E) W. Springfield
- 16 4-H Day at the Big E (see deadline above. Order form link: [www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org)) W. Springfield
- 19 Middlesex 4-H Fall Kick-Off Night 7-9pm Westford
- 28 Topsfield 4-H Fair Horticulture & Food due 5-7pm (Judging starts at 7pm) Topsfield
- 30 Topsfield Parade- Meet at the Church at 8am Topsfield
- 29-Oct. 9 Topsfield Fair: 4-H Exhibits in the Grange Building Topsfield

**October**

- 1 **MA 4-H Records Due**
- 1-8 National 4-H Week (MA 4-H Community Service Drive Kick Off) USA
- 4 National 4-H Science Day USA
- 7 4-H Day at Topsfield Fair (Wear Clovers & Contact 4-H office for pass) Topsfield
- 10 Pick up all Topsfield 4-H Fair Entries 12-5:30pm Topsfield
- 25 Essex County 4-H Open House Information Night 7-9pm Topsfield
- 28 Scavenger Hunt/Open to All-11 to 5 Clubhouse at the fairgrounds Topsfield

Meetings: Call Office 781-891-0650 or Check Websites to Confirm before traveling!

- Essex Advisory Sept 9 - Noon Topsfield
- Middlesex Fair, Inc. check [www.4hmiddlesexfair.org](http://www.4hmiddlesexfair.org) 7PM Westford
- Middlesex Advisory check [www.4h-middlesex.org](http://www.4h-middlesex.org) 7PM Westford
- Middlesex HAC horse events will be listed on [www.mass4h.org](http://www.mass4h.org) under Horse Program



### State 4-H Visual Presentations

*Congratulations!* To all our Northeast 4-Hers for their enthusiasm and success in being chosen to participate in the 2017 MA 4-H Visual Presentation Program! Of course, due to the unusual April snow this event could not take place – these are our members who were chosen at the county level to compete at State 4-H VP Day::

## Those Selected by County:

### Essex County:

FIRST	LAST	JRSR	CLASS
Abe	Adelman	JR	VP33
Alaina	Adelman	JR	VP13
Audrey	Bond	JR	VP49
Oliver	Bond	JR	VP09
Lindsay	Cullinane	JR	VP05
Nina	Dakin	SR	VP37
Abigail	Dixon	JR	VP45
Alexandra	Enos	SR	PS02
Emily	Fabre	SR	VP33
Sarah	Jackson	JR	VP41
Alea	Jalal	JR	VP11
Brenna	Joseph	SR	VP27
Cole	Kraus	SR	VP39
Brandon	Manning	JR	VP44
Maureen	Manning	JR	VP39
Brianna	McLaren	JR	VP32
Jessica	Melanson	SR	VP49
Cayla	O'Sullivan-Place	JR	VP08
Morgan	O'Sullivan-Place	JR	VP44
Lance	Ponikvar	JR	VP44
Angelica	Sciuto	JR	VP19
Alexis	Tripp	JR	VP03
Margaret	Turpel	JR	VP15

### Middlesex County:

FIRST	LAST	JRSR	CLASS
Hannah	Allender	JR	VP41
Kaylie	Armstrong	JR	VP01
Giana	Biaglioni	JR	VP46
Emma	Blanchard	SR	PC03`
Grace	Blaufuss	JR	VP11
Olivia	Blaufuss	SR	VP26
Abby	Brown	JR	VP27
Jessica	Carter	SR	PS02

Clarice	Carter	JR	VP42
Allie	Cassarino	SR	VP41
Jackie	Celestino	SR	VP37
Ellie	Cheek	JR	VP15
Ben	Cooper	JR	VP34
Ben	Couvee	JR	VP39
Isabella	Cronin	SR	VP42
Caitlyn	Curry	SR	VP28
Hannah	Denison	JR	VP48
Anthony	DeScenza	SR	VP46
Isabella	DeScenza	SR	VP49
Grace	Desrochers	JR	VP19
Emily	Deyst	SR	VP43
Grace	Dolan	SR	VP23
Susan	Doubek	SR	PS03
Shannon	Driscoll	JR	VP36
Megan	Driscoll	SR	PS02
Ian	Dunn	JR	VP20
Lili	Evans	JR	VP23
Ali	Evans	JR	VP27
Bobby	Evans	JR	VP44
Joshua	Farnsworth	SR	VP07
Vernon	Gibbs	SR	VP49
Sophie	Glavine	JR	VP22
Olivia	Gonzalez	JR	VP03
Kelly	Greenwood	JR	VP16
Jordan	Harris	Jr	VP07
Alice	Hathaway	SR	VP03
Christian	Hatke	SR	ES01
Sarah	Jengo	JR	VP48
Sam	Juergens	SR	VP06
Lian	Juergens	JR	VP40
Hyden	Kane	JR	VP06
Curry	Kautz	SR	VP42
Naia	Kolodziej	Jr	VP04
Frederick	Lake	JR	VP19
Caitlin	Maloney	SR	VP28
AnaRose	Martel	JR	VP25
Colleen	McAnespie	SR	VP25
Mira	McManus	Jr	VP09
Cleo	Mead	Jr	VP14
Megan	Mendenhall	JR	VP39
Delaney	Mills	JR	VP01
Maggie	Maloney	JR	VP08
Maggie	Mullen	JR	VP38

Middlesex	Selected	VPs	Cont'd:
Graham	Nielson	JR	VP07
Maggie	Nielson	JR	VP15
Kate	Norrish	JR	VP06
Sophia	Palmer	SR	VP28
Jordan	Parry	SR	PC03`
Katherine	Paxton	JR	VP08
Regina	Peters	SR	ES01
Rose	Peters	SR	VP33
Andrews	Peters	JR	VP31
Margaret	Peters	JR	VP34
Stephen	Peterson	SR	VP31
Kelly	Regan	SR	VP22
Caroline	Robinson	SR	VP44
Lucy	Santaella	JR	VP21
Kathryn	Scollo	JR	VP05
Eva	Scollo	JR	VP13
Timmy	Seale	SR	VP11
Meghan	Stagnone	SR	VP44
Vivian	Stripp	JR	VP25
Hannah	Swanson	JR	VP22
Abby	Tarr	JR	VP21
Brady	Tripp	JR	VP20
Lizzie	Tripp	JR	VP41
Nora	Tripp	JR	VP49
Priscilla	Vo	JR	VP42
Edith	Volz	JR	VP35
Allison	Wakefield	SR	VP28
Danielle	Walburn	JR	VP13
Ethan	Washington	JR	VP09
Annie	Wiener	JR	VP40
Jenna	Wolf	SR	VP48
Anna	Young	JR	VP46
Josie	Zeeb	SR	VP45
Andrew	Zeng	JR	VP44

## 4-H FAIRS

### ...all about Educating the Public

The UMass Extension 4-H Program and local Fair authorities are partners in presenting members' 4-H Exhibits and Animal Projects to the general public. **The 4-H Fair exhibits serve as a unique showcase for 4-Hers' various projects completed throughout the year.**



Encourage your members to make posters or create exhibits that will help inform the public about what we do in 4-H. It is especially important at fairs to follow food safety guidelines and proper animal care. **See the handouts on Food Safety and the "Leader's Guide on Animal Welfare for Fairs, Exhibitions, and Shows" provided by UMass Extension:** <http://mass4h.org/volunteers/volunteer-resources>

Every year 4-H Members and Volunteers work hard to prepare the grounds and buildings for the pleasure of the viewing public. Please be aware that many hands make the work easier on everyone, and that we in 4-H have pledged our "Hands to Larger Service". **Everyone involved in 4-H should be putting in a few volunteer hours at their local 4-H Fair to support the kids in the program.**



At the **Topsfield Fair** we need *both 4-H adults and members* to pitch in and sign up for their work assignments in the Grange exhibit hall and other locations during the 11 day Topsfield Fair. Exhibits have space limitations and the new rule book explains all the details. Contact Nancy McCarthy for more information or a copy of the rules at [nmccarthy@umext.umass.edu](mailto:nmccarthy@umext.umass.edu) Details about this year's Topsfield Fair 4-H Challenges will be sent out via email. Reading the Fair Premium Book is critical for your child's success at the Fair!

In Westford at the **Middlesex County 4-H Fair** the all-volunteer Middlesex 4-H Fair Board is once again busy making sure this year's fair continues to be a great success for participants as well as the public. Every Monday night is designated a "Work Night" and all 4-Hers are expected to come to at least four over the summer and help ready the grounds. *Do not bring pets!* Starting at 6pm you can sign in at the Fair Administration Building to get your assigned project. *Come prepared to work.* Remember to wear clothes suitable for raking, painting and cleaning and don't forget bug spray! Can't make Monday work nights? Send an email to [fairgroundops@4hmiddlesexfair.org](mailto:fairgroundops@4hmiddlesexfair.org) to find out how to help "Make the Best Better". *In addition, during the three day 4-H Fair, every exhibiting member and [one] adult are expected to sign up for work assignments.* "Fair Worker" forms are found in the **Premium Book** which will be available to all on the website: [www.4hmiddlesexfair.org](http://www.4hmiddlesexfair.org) **There is a required all Chaperones Meeting Aug. 7 at 7pm.** Premium Books are available for download at <http://4hmiddlesexfair.org/> in the "For Exhibitors" section. Each Club and Department Chairman will receive one complimentary copy of the Premium list; additional copies should be preordered from the Fair Board for clubs and exhibitors at a cost of \$5.

Please Like and Share our **Facebook page: Middlesex County 4-H Fair, Inc.**



## Middlesex County 4-H Horse Shows

All the Middlesex County Horse Shows are open shows. Class Lists are up on the MA State 4-H Website: <http://mass4h.org/programs/horses> or just click on the show name below and it will take you there.

[HAC Spring Show-Middlesex County July 11, 2017](#)

[4-H Regal Riders Horse Show-Middlesex County July 23, 2017](#)

[Stoneybrook Saddle Club Horse Show-Middlesex County August 13, 2017](#)

[Stokowski Scholarship Show-Middlesex County October 8, 2017](#)

### **NEW PROCEDURE FOR BIG E HORSE SHOW**

- Applications to Megan Welch Coyne by 7/14
- Enclose \$50 check to 4-H Horse of MA
- Details at <https://ag.umass.edu/mass4h/programs/animal-science-program/horses/horse-show-resources>

### **Northeast Region 4-H Higher Education Scholarships**

#### **Middlesex 4-H Fair Memorial Scholarships**

The Middlesex 4-H Fair offers a Scholarship for your higher education: The Robert J. Stokowski, Jr. Memorial Scholarship was established in 1975. Please note that applications must be received or postmarked by the **Deadline, JULY 1, 2016**. The application is posted at <http://4hmiddlesexfair.org/stokowski-scholarship>



#### **Middlesex County 4-H Advisory Council 4-H Scholarships**

**June 2017**

*Submitted by Janet Bersani*

Congratulations to Vernon Gibbs, Abby Rapijko, and Charlotte Schmaltz, the 2017 recipients of the Middlesex County 4-H Advisory Council Higher Education Scholarship. All three recipients have shown great dedication to the ideals of the 4-H pledge by participating extensively in community service and leadership activities in local and state 4-H and other community programs.

Vernon is a graduate of Littleton High School and will continue his education at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. He has been a member of the Acton C.R.A.F.T and Z.I.N.G.E.R.S. COMPACT 4-H clubs for 8 years with a commitment to community service, Visual Presentation competitions and assisting at Winter Forum. Vernon received the MA 4-H Key Award in recognition of his accomplishments.

Abby's 12 years in 4-H have resulted in numerous awards and achievements, among them representing MA on the teams competing nationally in Horse Bowl and Communications and receiving the MA Key Award. She served in almost every office of her 4-H clubs, Woodville Trailbusters and Crafty Cats. Abby was also the first recipient of the Kent Lage Scholarship given for Communication and Leadership. Abby plans to attend Siena College to study biological sciences.

Charlotte's 4-H leadership skills have been obvious through her involvement with Middlesex Advisory Council as its Correspondence Secretary, as a Junior Fair Director and at Winter Forum. She has been a member of 4-H for 7 years in both the Westford F.U.N. club and Backyard Poultry 4-H, and has also been active in her high school's theater arts program. Charlotte will be continuing her education at Mount Holyoke.

The **Scholarship Committee** would like to remind current 4-H members that if they are still enrolled in 4-H for 2017-2018 they can apply for the scholarship next year even if they have graduated from high school.

For more information about the scholarship, or to donate money to the permanent scholarship fund, please visit the Middlesex County website: <http://www.4h-middlesex.org>

### **Essex County 4-H Advisory Council 4-H Scholarships**

The Essex Advisory Council is proud to announce this year's recipient of its higher education scholarship: Congratulations to *Lisa Barbaro* of the Great Scott's Rabbit and Cavy 4-H Club. Lisa will be attending Merrimack College in the Fall.



#### **Fourth H Race**

To everyone who participated in this year's Race -- GREAT JOB!!!

KEEP ON EXERCISING and ENJOY your summer!

RESULTS, just in: 1<sup>st</sup> place, Fast and Furiest (Pocket Pets) 2<sup>nd</sup>, Black Walnut, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mytochondrias (Science Pirates)

**NOTE: Come! Be Part of the NEW Race Committee**

Contact Debbie Seale at [Debbie.seale@verizon.net](mailto:Debbie.seale@verizon.net) if you are interested in Chairing or Serving on this Committee. We need additional support for the Race to be able to continue



### **NORTHEAST REGION 4-H NEWS**

For more information about the Massachusetts 4-H Program in the Northeast Region

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We encourage all 4-H families and friends to check out the MA 4-H Foundation website: [www.mass4hfoundation.org](http://www.mass4hfoundation.org)



### [Shirley Kane Memorial 4-H Golf Tournament](#)

**July 18, 2017** at the Holden Hills Country Club

Named in memory of the late Shirley Kane, a generous and unwaivering advocate for 4-H, the Shirley Kane

Memorial 4-H Golf Tournament is in its 14th year. The tournament raises money in Shirley's honor for all the 4-H programs across the state to which she was so dedicated.

**The Massachusetts 4-H Foundation Supports YOU!**

### **4-H LEADERS... TAKE NOTE!**

**Important Dates and Re-enrollment Process!**

#### **REMINDERS:**

- ✦ The 4-H year begins September 1
- ✦ 4-H records are due October 1
- ✦ Re-Enroll by November 1 Early-bird enrollment fee (\$50) ends November 1

#### **ENROLLING:**

Families will re-enroll their children online through 4honline. Families with members enrolled in 2016–2017 will receive

instructions via email in early September. Follow these instructions carefully!

*Brand new members* will enroll by completing paper forms since original signatures need to be on file.

#### **4-H Fall Information Evenings**

- Information Updates for coming year
- Club Enrollment Information
- Statewide Community Service Information
- Networking for all adult and teen leaders
- Hearing directly from 4-H Ambassadors
- What we can do together as Advisory Councils
- Welcoming new volunteers, parents and youth

#### **Middlesex**

MAC presents our annual **Fall Kick-off Evening of 4-H Information for all 4-H Club Leaders and Volunteers**

**Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm**  
**48 Main St. Westford**

Please R.S.V.P. to Pam LeFave at 781-891-0650 ext. 15 or [plefave@umext.umass.edu](mailto:plefave@umext.umass.edu), especially if you *cannot* make it.

#### **Essex**

EAC presents our annual **Fall Kick-off Evening of 4-H Information for all 4-H Club Leaders and Volunteers**

**Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm**  
**Clubhouse Topsfield Fairgrounds**

Please R.S.V.P. to Nancy McCarthy at 978-498-4825 or [nmccarthy@umext.umass.edu](mailto:nmccarthy@umext.umass.edu), if you *cannot* make it.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDER to 4-H Leaders!**

**Annual Club Report for the period from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Deadline is August 31!**

**Also provide proof that you filed your 990-N**  
**Every club needs to file these, even if you have no money and no bank account.** If you *do* have a bank account, have one other adult sign the Financial Page showing that the balance is in agreement with your bank statement as of 6/30/2017

Feel free to ask Pam any questions: Call 781-891-0650 x 15



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