



Prince William 4-H

Our Clubs, Our Community



November 30, 2022

Upcoming Events

- Dec 1 - Embryology
Registration Opens
- Dec 4 - PW 4-H Recognition Day
- Dec 13 - PW 4-H Teen Club & Homemade Holiday Gift Night
- Dec 17 - Wreaths Across America
- Jan 1 - Horse Enrollment Project Deadline
- Jan 12 - PW 4-H Teen Club - Citizenship
- Jan 14 - Clover(bud) Club
- Jan 17 - 4-H Association Meeting
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Prince William 4-H Recognition Day is Sunday

FLANNEL, FROST & 4-H

Prince William 4-H Recognition Day
Sunday, December 4th, 2-4 pm
Windy Knoll Farm, 11602 Kettle Run Rd., Nokesville, VA

All Prince William 4-H Members Are Invited!

Join us in celebrating the youth, volunteers, members and leaders that exemplified the 4-H motto during the 2021-2022 4-H Year! All members are welcome to participate in the festivities as we share *Our 4-H Story*.

Beverages will be provided. Please bring a treat to share.
Please RSVP by Monday, November 28th. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

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Please RSVP!

4-H Recognition Day is one of our favorite days of the year. Why? Because we get to celebrate **YOU!**

And by **YOU**, we mean **EVERYONE** in our program....new members, seniors, outstanding members, All Stars, competitions participants, outstanding service, and more! We also present our annual scholarships (see the [Dec 8, 2021 Newsletter](#) for a glimpse into the festivities) and hear the fascinating 4-H Stories from our graduating seniors.

Beverages will be provided. Bring a treat to share. Wear flannel. And come ready to celebrate our growing Prince William 4-H Story!

[Click here to RSVP.](#)



Call for Musicians!



Add to the festivities by sharing your musical talents! Prince William 4-H is looking for a few 4-H'ers to play music at Recognition Day on December 4th as families arrive, and during the reception after, to enhance the holiday spirit. Volunteers must provide their own instruments and music.

Please contact Pam Hardin, 4-H Youth Educator, at phardin@pwcva.gov to volunteer or for more information.

Prince William 4-H Important Dates for Your Calendars



DEC 1: EMBRYOLOGY PROGRAM REGISTRATION OPENS

Registration opens on December 1st. There are limited eggs and incubators - be sure to register early. See [PAGE 3](#) for important information, key dates, and links. This program is available to Prince William 4-H Clubs, county schools, Manassas City and Manassas Park schools. [Click here to register on December 1st.](#)



DEC 4: 4-H RECOGNITION DAY - FLANNEL, FROST & 4-H!

This is an annual event not to miss! Celebrate how much we've grown at the Prince William 4-H Recognition Day this Sunday. See [PAGE 1](#) for details. Please RSVP

TODAY so that we can prepare. [Click here to RSVP.](#)



DEC 13: HOMEMADE HOLIDAY CRAFT NIGHT & TEEN CLUB

Start working on your homemade holiday gifts at our new, Prince William 4-H Homemade Holiday Craft night! All craft supplies provided by 4-H and there is no fee to participate. Please RSVP TODAY so that we have enough supplies for everyone. See [PAGE 4](#) for details. [Click here to RSVP.](#)



JAN 12: PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H TEEN CLUB - CITIZENSHIP

SAVE THE DATE! Our January 4-H Teen Club will jump start an exciting month focusing on Citizenship. 4-H'ers will engage in exciting activities in preparation for 4-H Day at the State Capitol. All Prince William 4-H teens age 14-19 should attend this meeting (whether or not you are attending 4-H Day at the State Capitol). *More information coming soon.*



JAN 14: PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H CLOVERBUD CLUB

SAVE THE DATE! Prince William 4-H Cloverbuds are invited to the Homemade Holiday Craft Night on December 13th for a family-friendly evening making crafts, snacking on pizza, and sipping hot chocolate with your 4-H friends. Our next official meeting will be on January 14th. *More information coming soon.*



JAN 17: PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H ASSOCIATION MEETING

SAVE THE DATE! The Prince William 4-H Association meeting is for all youth and adult members. The meeting reviews upcoming programs and opportunities and is an excellent to network with other 4-H'ers. See [PAGE 5](#) for more information and consider volunteering for an important leadership role!



JAN. 18: VIRGINIA 4-H DAY AT THE CAPITOL

SAVE THE DATE! This popular annual event for Prince William 4-H'ers ages 9-19 is an exciting full day of civic engagement at the Virginia State Capitol. Thanks to VA 4-H'er Harper Miller who lobbied the VA General Assembly last year, 4-H youth have an excused absence from school to participate...and it's the law! *More info coming soon!*

SPIN Club Anyone?



A 4-H SPIN Club is a **SP**ecial **IN**terest club where five or more young people learn about a topic of interest. Topics vary and include interests such as nature, science, photography, gardening, and more. SPIN clubs are led by volunteers who have a passion and want to share their knowledge with young people. We have lots of ideas for exciting programming in 2023. What inspires you to participate or volunteer this year? Please contact [Pam Hardin](#) or [DeeAnn Strand](#) with your ideas and interests.



PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H

Embryology Project



The "**Beginning of Life**" 4-H Project is designed to help youth obtain a better understanding of life and embryonic development. 4-H educational materials guide students through each step of the hatching process from preparing the eggs for incubation to building a brooder for the newly hatched chicks. These educational materials address Standards of Learning (SOLs) for math, science, English, life science, and computer technology. 4-H will provide fertilized eggs, guide you through training, support you during the hatch, and then collect the chicks to be sent to a local farm.

Click here to register your 4-H Club or PWCS, Manassas City, or Manassas Park school class.

REGISTRATION OPENS DEC 1



IMPORTANT DATES

Embryology Registration
Dec 1st - Jan 31st

In-Person Leader Training
TBD

Incubator Pickup (if rented from 4-H)
PW4-H, 8033 Ashton Ave, #105
Feb 21 or Feb 22, 1-4pm

Egg Pickup
PW4-H, 8033 Ashton Ave, #105
Feb 27 10 am-12 pm or 3-6 pm
Feb 28 9 am-12 pm

Hatch Days: March 19th- 21st!

Chick Drop Off
PWC Fairgrounds
Mar 25 9 am - 12 pm
Mar 30 12 - 3 pm

CONTACT INFORMATION

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[Prince William 4-H Embryology Project](#)
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COME JOIN US FOR A

HOMEMADE HOLIDAY *Craft Night*



ENJOY A FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENING
MAKING HOLIDAY CRAFTS WHILE
SNACKING ON PIZZA, POPCORN, AND
SIPPING HOT CHOCOLATE WITH YOUR
4-H FRIENDS!

Tuesday

13 DEC.
6-9 PM



PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H

McCoy Conference Room
8033 Ashton Ave.
Manassas, VA 20109

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

STRING ART ❄️ YARN ORNAMENTS ❄️ REINDEER THUMBPRINT ORNAMENTS
WRAPPING PAPER & GIFT BAGS



**PLEASE REGISTER BY
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5TH**

All craft supplies provided by 4-H
and there is no fee to participate.



Prince William

4-H ASSOCIATION



HEAD
HEART
HANDS
HEALTH

SUPPORT OUR 4-H YOUTH

The Prince William 4-H Association is a non-profit organization that supports our county's 4-H youth programs. Through fundraising efforts, the Association provides scholarships, learning opportunities, and educational programming to our members and the greater Prince William community. The Association is comprised of a dedicated volunteer group of both youth and adult community members.

4-H Grows Here!

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Support your community, gain leadership experience, and build your resume by volunteering for a Board position within the Prince William 4-H Association. The following positions are vacant and need your support:

4X	more likely to give back to their communities
2X	more likely to make healthier choices
2X	more likely to participate in STEM activities

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE

All adult and youth Prince William 4-H members are encouraged to attend the bi-monthly meetings to learn more about upcoming programming, opportunities, and network across county clubs.

LEADERSHIP NETWORKING INFORMATION
FUN!

YOUTH LEADERSHIP VACANCIES



Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

ADULT LEADERSHIP VACANCY



Secretary

CONTACT MARYBETH LERCH FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Prince William 4-H Association Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17TH
7 PM

Prince William 4-H
McCoy Conference Room (upstairs)
8033 Ashton Ave.
Manassas, VA 20109
RSVP link coming soon



Wreaths Across America Ceremonies: December 19th



[Please click here to find your Prince William 4-H Club's page and to sponsor a wreath.](#)
[Click here for a Veteran's Wreath coloring activity.](#)
[Click here to learn more about Wreaths Across America.](#)

Wreaths Across America is a Prince William 4-H community service initiative. Their mission is to **REMEMBER** our fallen US veterans, **HONOR** those who serve, and **TEACH** our children the value of freedom. We invite you to honor a veteran in your life by sharing their stories and your memories of them, sponsoring wreaths in their name at Quantico or Arlington Cemetery, and by encouraging others to do the same.

Virginia 4-H All Stars

Virginia 4-H All Stars is an honor and service organization for teen and adult leaders who are actively involved in expanding and enhancing the 4-H programs in their communities and statewide. Being tapped as an All Star is the highest recognition that a 4-H'er in Virginia can achieve. To prepare to apply to be a Virginia 4-H All Star takes about three years of active participation in your club, leadership positions and detailed project records and portfolios, community service and more.

[Click here to learn more about Virginia 4-H All Stars.](#)



2023 STATE 4-H ALL STAR FORM REVIEW

Date: Wednesday, December 14th, 10 am

Location: Goochland Extension Office, Goochland, VA

[Click here to RSVP.](#)

This is a great opportunity to gain insight into the nominations process and how to complete the nomination forms. A virtual review will also be available for those that can dedicate a couple of hours during the day but are unable to travel. All 4-H All Stars are encouraged to assist with the review process.



2023 VIRGINIA 4-H ALL STAR AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

The Virginia 4-H All Stars recognize selected 4-H All Stars with several awards and a college scholarship annually. Two college scholarships are available this year. All Prince William 4-H All Stars are encouraged to apply for one of the awards. Applications/nominations are due by December 31, 2022 at midnight to Glenda M. Snyder at

gsnyder@vt.edu. Phone Number: 540-521-9647.

4-H All Star Awards:

- ★ [Virginia 4-H All Star Awards and Nominations Cover Sheet](#)
- ★ [Virginia 4-H All Star Hall of Fame Award](#)
- ★ [Bradshaw Service Award](#)
- ★ [Wayne M. Keffer Memorial Scholarship Application](#)
- ★ [C. Dean Allen Award for Excellence](#)
- ★ [Dottie Nelson Award for Excellence in International Programs](#)
- ★ [Virginia 4-H All Star Chapter Charter](#)



Virginia 4-H Alumni and Friends Newsletter

Virginia 4-H is inviting all 4-H Alumni and Friends to Connect and Engage. In this and future newsletters, learn about statewide 4-H programming efforts, volunteering opportunities and connecting with other 4-H Alumni and Friends. [Click here to read the November 2022 newsletter.](#)

Join our 4-H Alumni and Friends Network! We are in the process of forming the Virginia 4-H Alumni and Friends network. Stay connected about upcoming 4-H Alumni and Friends events, statewide 4-H programming efforts, volunteer opportunities and much more. [Click here to sign up to receive information from Virginia 4-H.](#)



2 FREE EVENTS!

NEABSCO CREEK REGIONAL PARK
15125 BLACKBURN RD, WOODBRIDGE

BOTH EVENTS RUN THROUGH DECEMBER 31

HOLIDAY WALK OF LIGHTS
FRIDAYS - SUNDAYS | 5:30 - 9 PM
OPENING NIGHT SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 26 | 5:30 - 9 PM

UNIQUE HOLIDAY TREE DISPLAY
KICKOFF EVENT:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 | VARIOUS TIMES
REGISTRATION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
HOLIDAY MUSIC & SELFIE STATION

PRINCE WILLIAM
— Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Virginia Dairy Princess Program Accepting Applications

Applications Due December 1st.

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#)

The Virginia State Dairyman's Association is currently accepting applications for the Virginia Dairy Princess Program. In addition to representing the VA Dairy Industry, serving as an advocate for animal agriculture, and traveling to Dairy events in Virginia, there are awarded scholarships to the successful applicants.



Virginia Dairy Royalty

DO YOU HAVE A
passion FOR Dairy?

Are YOU between the ages of 9-21?

Do YOU have a sincere desire to promote the dairy industry and dairy products and are you willing to learn about the dairy industry in order to become an informed advocate?

If so, join the Virginia Dairy Princess Program!

YOU will have the chance to earn scholarships, travel the state promoting dairy and YOU will be the face for VA Dairy Farmers!

FOR MORE INFORMATION
www.vsdonline.com/dairy-princess/
"LIKE" & FOLLOW US @vadairyroyalty  

A Taste of Farming December Moderated Q&A Session



Date: December 8th

Time: 7-8 pm

[Click here to Register](#)

FLORICULTURE

with Erin Small, Prince Edward County VCE Ag Agent

[Video is available to watch in advance!](#)

VINEYARD ESTABLISHMENT

with Beth Sastre-Flores, Loudoun County VCE Ag Agent

[Video is available to watch in advance!](#)

The Taste of Farming Series is a "learn as you go" online series designed to help you get a taste of different farming practices and concepts so you can explore your interests, gain a basic understanding of different farming topics, avoid common pitfalls, and get to know the Extension professionals in Virginia here to assist you. We posted two videos last week on "Floriculture" and "Vineyard Establishment" and are hosting a moderated Q&A Session in December with the presenters so you can hear more from them. Watch the videos in advance and bring your questions!

Please register to join us and spread the word to your friends and networks. [Click here to learn more about A Taste of Farming.](#)

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[Project Record Ages 13-15](#)
[Project Record Ages 16-19](#)

[Outstanding Member Form](#)



**2022-2023 PWC 4-H
Association Officers**

Youth Officers

Samantha Whysong, President
Vice President - Vacant
Treasurer - Vacant
Secretary - Vacant

Adult Officers

Susan Wolf, President
Alan Lerch, Vice President
Sydney Nguyen, Treasurer
Secretary - Vacant

Committee Chairs

Fundraising Committee - Samantha Whysong
Recognition Committee - Alan Lerch
Membership Committee - 4-H Staff



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opportunities
to build your
resume!**



**Support the Prince William County 4-H
Association while You Shop!**

1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "Prince William County 4-H Association" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app
5. Start shopping! A portion of select purchases will be donated to 4-H at no additional cost to you.



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