The University of Maryland Extension (UME) Garrett office is open from 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. As always, we are here to answer any questions you might have related to agricultural production, nutrient management, home horticulture, food safety, nutrition, financial management, and 4-H youth development.

4-HER’S SUPPORT AUTUMN GLORY FESTIVITIES
It was a beautiful fall weekend for the annual Autumn Glory festival. Many 4-H members and clubs jumped in to support the weekend festivities.

- North Glade 4-H Club sold refreshments at the craft show held in the Ag Heritage Hall at the fairgrounds.
- Garrett Hoof Prints 4-H Club assisted with parking during the Grand Feature Parade.
- Several 4-Hers volunteered to walk in the parade carrying banners letting people know about winning entries for floats and band sponsors.
- Elisa Frazee won second place in the amateur oat category with a display of her 4-H entrepreneurship project, MeMe's Mini Market.
- Country Explorers 4-H Club and G-FORCE FTC Robotics team members were busy helping at the downtown Farmer's Market.

We also enjoyed seeing many 4-H members riding on the beautiful float for the fair queen and her court and driving the antique tractors.

**KEEPING KIDS ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL**

In the summertime, it's easier for kids to be active. As school begins, staying active can be a challenge. There are many benefits to being physically active. Regular exercise helps children build strong bones and muscles, maintain a healthy weight, focus better on schoolwork and homework, sleep better at night, reduce stress, and build confidence. There are a lot of ways you can help your kids to be active. Click **HERE** for ten ideas to encourage an active lifestyle.

**CELEBRATING AUTUMN’S GLORY WITH DECORATIONS**
Ashley Bodkins, Master Gardener Coordinator worked with Community Action Garrett Neighbors Coordinator, Neil Bender to provide a program on Fall Decorating for __ residents at 6 different facilities in the Oakland area. Each participant received a potted Chrysanthemum of their choice and had the opportunity to learn how to create a decorative bow. Tips on shopping for Chrysanthemums, after-purchase care, and the history of the flower were discussed at each session.

**SUCCESSFUL BRUNCH AND LEARN FORESTRY APPLICATIONS OF SUAS (DRONES)**

In recent years, the use of small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS - aka drones) has become increasingly popular in natural resource applications. Technology advancements have led to the rapid increase in the development of low-cost aircraft that have capabilities of remote sensing, high precision data recording, and delivering specialized payloads - all with reduced cost, labor, and human risk. Melissa Nash is a forester with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and Garrett Project manager, she will discuss ways in which the MD Forest Service and other mid-Atlantic states are utilizing sUAS to aid in the management of forest resources.

In case you missed it, you can check out the [recording](#).
The University of Maryland Department of Animal and Avian Sciences together with Maryland Extension will be holding a comprehensive calving workshop for all interested cattle producers at the Garrett College Outreach Center in Grantsville on December 1, 2022, from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm. The goal of this workshop will be to cover all areas of calving including, prepping for the farm for the upcoming calving season, common calving management techniques, as well as strategies for handling issues that may come up.

*This workshop is open to youth participants with a parent/guardian present.
Dr. Jesse Ketterman, AFC will be attending and presenting at the annual Association for Financial Counseling & Planning Education (AFCPE) symposium on Nov. 16th-18th. While at the conference, he is coordinating a Pre-Symposium to bring Extension Financial Professionals from across the country to discuss current issues and receive updates from a panel of national leaders. He will be co-presenting with Maria Pippidis, University of Delaware Cooperative Extension on building financial resilience.

Registration is required. Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

Positions Available

- **Full-time Administrative Assistant I** (Position 103551) with University of Maryland Extension- Allegany County located in Cumberland, MD. This is a full-time, non-exempt, regular staff position responsible for moderately complex administrative support to 4-H, Agriculture, and Family & Consumer Sciences programs. Responsibilities include financial management/accounting, marketing, event management, office operations, etc. Proficiency with Microsoft Office required. A High School Diploma or GED and two years of administrative support experience are required. The minimum salary is $37,418, and an extensive State of Maryland benefits package. For more information and to apply, click [here](#). Closing date 11/14/22. EOE.

- **Tech Extension Educator/Navigator** (Position 127628) UME is seeking to fill positions, one of which is based in Western Maryland (Garrett, Allegany, or Washington County). For more information, click [here](#). Look for position #127628.
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