

For Immediate

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## Farm O Gram

**Winchester, VA ~ Feeder Cattle (\$/100wt.) (As of 03/14/2023)**

**Steers:**

300 – 400	\$221.00 - \$265.00
400 - 500	\$201.00 - \$265.00
500 - 600	\$178.00 - \$240.00
600 - 700	\$140.00 - \$229.00
700 - 800	\$160.00 - \$210.00
800 - 900	\$176.00 - \$181.00
900 – 1000	\$172.00

**Heifers:**

300 - 400	\$148.00 - \$201.00
400 - 500	\$179.00 - \$204.00
500 - 600	\$133.00 - \$194.00
600 – 700	\$140.00 - \$190.00
700 - 800	\$138.00 - \$162.00
800 - 900	\$159.00 - \$161.00

**Slaughter Cows:**

Breaker	\$77.00 - \$92.00
Boner	\$68.00 - \$90.00
Lean	\$55.00 - \$73.00

**Western PA (New Holland) Cash Grain Prices Per Bushel** (As of 03/14/2023)

#2 Shelled Corn	\$5.69 - \$7.36
#1 Soybeans	\$12.79 - \$14.64
#1 Wheat	\$6.93 - \$7.16

**Wolgemuth Hay Auction ~ New Holland Hay and Straw Prices Per Ton** (As of 03/13/2023)

Alfalfa – Large Squares	\$250.00 - \$380.00
Mixed Hay – Small Squares	\$290.00 - \$440.00
Mixed Hay – Large Squares	\$160.00 - \$400.00
Wheat Straw – Large Square	\$150.00 - \$175.00

**AG Happenings**

**Agricultural Scrap Tire Collection Event**

Maryland Department of Environment & Maryland Environmental Service is sponsoring a special agricultural scrap tire collection from April 10-24, 2023. GC farming residents will be able to bring any kind & any amount of tire, on or off the rim to two locations in Garrett County for recycling.

- Location 1: April 10<sup>th</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup> | Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Saturday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Sunday 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM  
Grantsville Refuse/Recycling Site  
13168 National Pike  
Grantsville, MD 21536
- Location 2: April 10<sup>th</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup> | Monday – Saturday 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM  
Garrett County Landfill  
3118 Oakland Sang Road  
Oakland, MD 21550

GC Landfill will have access to equipment if someone needs assistance unloading the tire off the truck or trailer. It is recommended that you should bring help with you to the site. Call Garrett County Solid Waste & Recycling at 301-387-0322 if you have any questions.

### **Agriculture Marketing Grant Money Available**

Garrett County Business Development is providing aid in promoting agriculture-based businesses in Garrett County. Example: signs, banners, pamphlets, etc. 4 grants of up to \$500 each may be awarded each fiscal year to fund up to 90% of the project's costs. For more information and to request an application, contact Melissa Bolyard, Agriculture Business Specialist, Garrett County Business Development at [mbolyard@garrettcounty.org](mailto:mbolyard@garrettcounty.org) or call 301-334-7285.

### **Drinking Well Water Education Programming for Maryland Farms**

The University of Maryland will conduct drinking well water educational programming for Maryland farms in 2023. We request your input by completing a short survey to provide Extension Educators with more information about drinking water wells on farms in Maryland and to develop educational programming to assist farmers in ensuring safe, good-quality drinking water. In addition, the project will be providing reduced cost (a \$720 value for only \$25) of well water testing for up to 75 farms that have wells of varied types and are located in varied regions of the state. We appreciate your time and feedback by completing this survey: <https://go.umd.edu/farmwellsurvey>. Your personally identifiable information is strictly confidential. If you have additional questions, contact Jeff Semler, UME Washington County Extension Agent, by email at [jsemler@umd.edu](mailto:jsemler@umd.edu) or call 301-791-1304.

### **2023 Master Gardener Basic Training Announced**

If you want to learn more about the science behind gardening, consider signing up for the Maryland Master Gardener Basic Training course that is scheduled for this Spring in Garrett County. This class is ~40 hours of classroom lectures, hands-on demonstrations, projects, and much more! Topics include native plants, small fruits, insects, growing tomatoes, and much more. The fee is \$150 and includes the purchase of an MD Master Gardener Handbook, background check, and all supplies for the class. Two training options. A week-long option from **April 24-28, 9 am to 4 pm, or a weekly 9:30 am - noon session from March 17 - June 22**. Choose whichever option fits your schedule. For a complete syllabus or questions, call 301-334-6960 or email [abachtel@umd.edu](mailto:abachtel@umd.edu).

### **Maryland Team Monitors Tick Populations and Offers Training Sessions**

Dr. Megan Fritz and her team of interns will once again travel around the state of Maryland to check outdoor spaces and livestock to monitor the current tick populations. The team will be checking for the invasive cattle tick, deer tick, lonestar tick (known to cause meat allergies), and dog tick. The team is encouraging individuals to share this information within their networks to those who might be interested.

If you would be interested in having the team out to check your farm or livestock, please fill out this form: <http://bit.ly/3KRNT6h>

In addition to monitoring tick populations, the team is adding something new to the program this year: training sessions. The training sessions will be held around the state to teach individuals how to "flag" their property, collect any ticks they find, and how to check their livestock. Dates for these sessions will be announced soon. For any questions or concerns, please contact Racheal Slattery, MS, Beef and Dairy Extension at the University of Maryland at office 301.405.1392, cell 443-584-6409 or email [rslatt@umd.edu](mailto:rslatt@umd.edu)

### **Owning Farmland Webinar Series**

The Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics (AREC) will host five webinars via zoom every Friday starting on Friday, March 31st, and ending on Friday, April 28th. The free webinars will cover those legal issues that Maryland landowners may face. A grant funds the program through the Northeast Risk Management Education Center. The webinars will feature Paul Goeringer, a Senior Faculty Specialist and Extension Specialist in agricultural law. He will address leasing, landowner liability issues, right-to-farm law, fencing laws, livestock liability, and estate planning. As well as additional feature speakers are Tim Bishton with Crow Insurance Agency, Stephanie Brophy with Dulany Leahy Curtis & Brophy LLP, and Brooke Schumm with Levin Gann, P.A.

“These webinars will be a great opportunity for landowners and other professionals in rural areas to learn about some of the basic legal issues that many deal with daily. They can understand their rights and responsibilities whether they are involved in agriculture or own land in a rural area,” said Goeringer.

Each webinar will begin at 12:00 pm and run to 1:30 pm.

The dates and topics are

- March 31- Negligence, Livestock, and Guests on Farmland
- April 7- Fencing and Right to Farm
- April 14- Agricultural Leasing
- April 21- Understanding Insurance
- April 28- Working with an Ag Law Attorney

Participants will receive copies of Extension fact sheets and other valuable documents as a part of the workshop series. To register, please visit <http://bit.ly/3I7CfRG>. For more information, please get in touch with Paul Goeringer at [lgoering@umd.edu](mailto:lgoering@umd.edu). This material is based upon work supported by USDA/NIFA under Award Number 2021-70027-34693.