Anne Arundel County Resident,

Discover University of Maryland Extension, a partnership between the University of Maryland, College Park, the Anne Arundel County government, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The University of Maryland Extension offers education programs in:

- Family and Consumer Sciences
- 4-H Youth Development
- Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Master Gardener Program

These programs are designed to help improve the quality of life enjoyed by county residents.

The Extension educators and staff provide crucial information to consumers through scheduled programs and by request. We reach clients through:

- one-on-one office visits
- on-site farm visits
- phone consultations
- workshop tours, demonstrations, and fairs
- newsletters, newspaper columns, and articles
- educational publications and
- the Anne Arundel County UME web site

Our goal, as stated in our slogan, is to provide “solutions in your community.” We look forward to serving you.

Karol Dyson
Area Extension Director

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EXTENSION MISSION

University of Maryland Extension is a statewide educational organization funded by federal, state, and local governments. Our mission is to support Maryland's agricultural industry; protect its valuable natural resources; enhance the well-being of families and individuals, both young and old; and foster the development of strong, stable communities.

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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

- Educates people on the importance of money management.
- Educates people on the importance of financial planning.
- Assists consumers in selecting healthier options in the grocery store while being smart shoppers.
- Teaches nutrition life skills to encourage youth to select healthier lifestyles.
- Teaches residents how to protect their homes from health and safety hazards.

For more information, contact Vanessa Bright at vbright@umd.edu or call (410) 222-3903 or visit the Family and Consumer Sciences web page.

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

- Educates the public on agricultural production and management for field crops, horticultural crops and livestock.
- Alternative agriculture and farm enterprise development.
- Offers certified pesticide applicator training.
- Teaches the importance of conservation practices for our water, soil and natural resources.

For more information, contact R. David Myers at myersrd@umd.edu or call (410) 222-3906 or visit the AGNR web page.

MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

- Provides information to home gardeners.
- Helps design and maintain community and demonstration gardens.
- Provides instruction to community groups and garden clubs.
- Teaches gardening skills to students at various elementary schools in the county.
- Speakers Bureau

For more information contact D. Michael Ensor, Master Gardener Coordinator, at mensor@umd.edu or call (410) 222-3906 or visit the A.A. County Master Gardener web page.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

- Involves youth in 4-H camp and other natural resource activities.
- Educates youth on raising crops and caring for livestock.
- Teaches craftsmanship and creative arts.
- Encourages participation in the county and state fair.
- Teaches bicycle safety and other outdoor skills.

4-H is open to all youth ages 8-18. For more information, contact Amanda Wahle at awahle@umd.edu or call (410) 222-3900 or visit the 4-H Youth Development web page.