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## Special Winter Meeting Edition I

## 8th Annual Small Farm Conference November 4 & 5, 2011

**8th Annual  
Small Farm  
Conference**

Sustaining Small Farms . . . 360 Degrees

Friday & Saturday  
November 4 & 5, 2011  
University of Maryland Eastern Shore

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION  
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE

### Registration

**ADULTS:** \$25 per person or \$40 per couple.

**YOUTH:** Registration is free with registered parents.

For youth who will not be accompanying a registered parent, registration is \$10.00 per child.

All registrations should be received no later than Friday, October 28, 2011.

We recommend that you register early.

For registration information, please contact us at 410-651-6206/6070 or you may email us at

[mce@umes.edu](mailto:mce@umes.edu)

## *Saving Energy Workshop:* Extreme Season Extension with Greenhouses & High Tunnels November 5, 2011

High in the mountains of Western Maryland, local fresh fruits are typically available for around six weeks during the summer. Unheated high tunnels have extended the growing season for some farmers. To take advantage of an even longer growing period, adding heat to the high tunnel can make it more productive and further extend the fresh fruit season. Adding heat typically requires the burning of fossil fuels, which is costly and adds carbon dioxide to the environment.



*Join us on **Saturday, November 5th** to see how two innovative farmers are using "extreme season extension" with little to no use of fossil fuels.*

### **To register for the event:**

Call the Garrett County Office of the University of Maryland Extension at 301-334-6960. The event is free including lunch but please register so that we can get a count for lunch. If you have any questions or need additional information or directions, please call.

**Mid-Atlantic Crop  
Management School**  
November 15-17, 2011



The **Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School** will be held at the *Princess Royale Hotel in Ocean City* on **November 15-17, 2011**.

You may also register on line at:  
<http://www.psla.umd.edu/extension/crops/home.cfm>

**LOVEVILLE  
PRODUCE  
AUCTION**



**Loveville Produce  
Auction  
Annual Growers  
Meeting**  
December 9, 2011

This Annual **Loveville  
Produce Auction**

**Buyer/Grower Meeting** will be held on **Friday, December 9, 2011 at 9:00 am** at *Martin Supply 25120 Dove Point Lane, Leonardtown, MD 20650*.

For more information or to register contact Ben Beale at the St. Mary's County Extension office at 301 475-4484.



**Mount Top Fruit &  
Vegetable  
Conference**  
January 20, 2012

Make plans to attend the **Mount Top fruit & Vegetable Conference** on **Friday, January 20, 2012** at *Garrett College*.

For full conference details, contact Willie Lantz, Extension Agent, Garrett County Extension Office at 301 334-6960.



**Central Maryland  
Vegetable Growers  
Meeting**  
January 27, 2012

This well sponsored, large grower meeting always offers a great deal of vegetable industry information.

The **Central Maryland Vegetable Growers Meeting** will be held on **Friday, January 27, 2012** from **8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** at the *Friendly Farm Inn, located on Foreston Rd. in Upperco, MD*. Pesticide recertification credits are awarded for attending this meeting.

For full meeting details, and to register call the Baltimore County Extension Office at 410 666-1024.

**Southern Maryland  
Vegetable & Fruit  
Production Meeting**  
February 8, 2012



Make plans to attend the **Southern Maryland Vegetable and Fruit Production Meeting** on **Wednesday, February 8, 2012**. This year the meeting will be held in Anne Arundel County at the Bowie Elks Lodge from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

This meeting sponsors will showcase their products and services, and state vegetable organization leaders will be present to recruit and answer your questions. Please attend and make this meeting the best ever. Pesticide recertification credits are awarded for attending this meeting.

For full conference details, contact Dave Myers, Extension Agent, Anne Arundel County Extension Office at 410 222-6759.



**Bay Area Fruit School**  
February 15, 2012

Attention all fruit growers! Plan to attend the **Bay Area Fruit School** on **Wednesday, February 15, 2012** at *the WYE Research and Education Center in Queenstown, MD* from **8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Pesticide recertification credits are awarded for attending this meeting.

For full meeting details and registration call Debbie Dant, WYE REC at 410-827-8056, Ext. 115.



**Eastern Shore Vegetable Production Meeting**  
February 21, 2012

Make plans to attend the **Eastern Shore Vegetable Meeting** on **Tuesday, February 21, 2012** at the *English Hall, Eastern Shore Hospital Center in Cambridge, MD*. Pesticide recertification credits are awarded for attending this meeting.

For full conference details, contact Jim Lewis, Extension Agent, Caroline County Extension Office at 410 479-4030 or Sudeep Mathew, Extension Agent, Dorchester County Extension Office at 410 228-8800.

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