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November 2018



Your Guide to Farm Fresh Tours, Markets & More!

Greetings, Kim!

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and the Ag Marketing team at UMD Extension in Prince George's County is grateful for all of the spectacular farm and food events taking place in gorgeous Prince George's. For those of you who will be hunting for Christmas trees later this month, be sure to check out our <u>Christmas Tree Farms</u> page. You also don't want to miss the Southern MD Agricultural Development Commission's <u>Holiday Guide</u>.

We have a great deal of exciting events and news to share so please dive right on into this month's newsletter. One event not listed below is our **2019 Annie's Project**. Registration is now open for this dynamic risk management program for women (and men) looking to start a new farm enterprise.

Also, here's a quick reminder to join our <u>Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC Farms & Food Community</u> on Facebook and follow us on our other other social media accounts to stay up to date on the latest farm and food news and events in Prince George's County throughout the year. Always feel free to tag us (@farmpgc) and hashtag us (#farmpgc) on your social media posts so that we can share YOUR local food and farm experience with our Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC community.

Think FRESH, Eat LOCAL, Have FUN!

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P.S. Enjoy a few of our favorite 'Grammable' moments from our local farms and farmers markets sprinkled throughout this newsletter!

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Fresh Farm & Local Food Events



Weekend Wine Tastings!

<u>Gemeny Winery</u> (Fri, 1-8pm, Sat & Sun, 10am - 6pm) <u>Janemark Winery</u> (Fri, 1-6 pm, Sat, 11am - 6pm, Sun, 12-5pm)

Robin Hill Farm (Sat, 12 - 6pm, Sun, 12 - 5pm) Romano Winery (Fri, 1 - 6pm & Sat, 12 - 6pm)

<u>Fall Wine Happy Hour Fridays with Gemeny</u> (Oct - Dec) Kick off the weekend with Gemeny every Friday from 1-8pm in their tasting room.

<u>Prince George's County Farm Bureau Annual</u> <u>Meeting</u> (Nov 8)

The Farm Bureau will hold its annual meeting at the Baden Firehouse. A light meal starts at 6:30 followed by the meeting at 7pm.

Running Club with Calvert Brewing Company (Nov 8)

Join us to run or walk 2 - 3 miles starting and ending at Calvert Brewing. Quench your thirst with them post-run!

Music in the Vineyard & Food Truck Friday with the Romano's (Nov 9)

Join us for wine, food trucks, and music, 6-9pm!

Parents' Night Out at Janemark Winery & Vineyard (Nov 9)

Parents' Night out is a fun way to raise money for St. Mary's Catholic School while supporting your local winery!

Sign-up for a Clagett Farm CSA Share for 2019

Each week, from mid-May to mid-November, CSA members pick up their fresh, organic vegetables at the farm or in the Dupont area of Washington, D.C.

Underspace! The Science of Soil (Nov 10)

Join the Accokeek Foundation for an immersive, glow-in-the-dark exploration of the intricate web of life that resides in beneath your feet.

Veteran's Day Celebration at Robin Hill (Nov 10)

Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards will have live music, a food truck, and their seasonal mulled spiced wine. All Military retired & active - receive 10% off all purchases.

Beyond Needleart Tea (Nov 10)

Enjoy a prix fixe menu of fine finger sandwiches, scrumptious cakes and pastries, buttery scones, and your choice of two quality loose-leaf teas, all served on china and tiered stands.



Beers, Blues & Burgers (Nov 10)

Join Marietta House Museum in enjoying various styles of beer, along with the sounds of blues musicians, Higher Standards Jazz & The Lovejoy Group.

Snowman! Brandywine, Janemark Winery with Artist Katie Detrich (Nov 11)

Join Artist Katie Detrich, owner of Welcome to Neverland School of Imagination, at Janemark Winery. Katie will guide you though the creative process while you enjoy time with friends and family and JWV wine.

Secrets of 1770 with the Accokeek Foundation (Nov 11, 12, 17, 18)

Explore the domestic side of the 18th century with friends of the Bolton family. Experts from the community will demonstrate their heritage trades and skills on the National Colonial Farm.

Open House at the Institute of Applied Agriculture: Launch Your Ag Career (Nov 12)

With a Certificate of Applied Agriculture, you can jump-start your career in the agribusiness, sustainable agriculture, horticulture, landscaping, and turfgrass industries. This program provides valuable hands-on training for first-time college students, green industry professionals, and career-changers alike.

Dine & Learn Cooking Class: Holiday Recipe Makeover (Nov 14)

Join the Health Department of Prince George's County, MNCPPC and Suburban Hospital as they help promote a healthy lifestyles through nutrition, physical activity and health education through the Dine & Learn Program!



6th Annual Winter Festival of Lights Trot for a Turkey (Nov 17)

Enjoy a unique opportunity to help families in need by running or walking through the beautiful Winter Festival of Lights. Register to walk or run through the 3.1 mile course and see the dazzling light displays up close.

Beginners & Power Yoga on the Farm (Nov 17)

Join us at Tripple Springs Farm for an hour outdoor yoga and healing class! Relax in nature and good vibes while nourishing your body and spirit.

<u>Orchid Diagnostic & Repotting Clinic at Behnke's</u> <u>Nurseries</u> (Nov 17) Food for Profit Workshop | First PGC Distillery to Open | Holiday Farmers Markets - Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC November 2018 Newsletter

If you have a question about your orchid or need it repotted (for a fee) The Orchid Lady is here to help!

Small Business Saturday at Robin Hill (Nov 24)

Unwind after the Thanksgiving Holiday, take the family somewhere fun (like to Robin Hill Farm & Vineyard), and shop local businesses to get a head start on that holiday list!

Vino 301 Wine & Cheese Tour - Legacy Wine Trail (Nov 24)

Your adventure begins with a cheese and wine pairing, where Romano's finest wines will be paired with P.A. Bowen Farmstead's award-winning raw milk artisan cheeses. Your next destination will take you to one of southern Prince George's County local vineyards (Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards, JaneMark Winery & Vineyard, or Gemeny Winery & Vineyard).

Make an Easy Fresh Green Christmas Arrangement (Nov 24)

Behnke's Nurseries Carol Allen will teach you how to make a delightful Christmas arrangement for your holiday dinner table. Join Behnke's for their Christmas Open House, too!

Small Business Saturday at Janemark (Nov 24)

Join Janemark Winery & Vineyard for Small Business Saturday on November 24th for an afternoon of wine, live music, shopping from local vendors, and a delicious meal from a local food truck.

Prince George's County Food Equity Council Meeting (Nov 27)

Want to change the food system for the better in Prince George's County? Join our monthly meeting!



Unwined with Yoga Friday's at Janemark (Nov 30)

UnWINEd on Friday evenings with yoga at Janemark - We're hosting Yoga Fridays in the vineyard every last Friday of the month!

Beginner Hands-On Bonsai Class at Behnke's Nurseries (Dec 1)

With a focus on care and maintenance, learn all the basics of bonsai design. You will learn how to transplant, and discover what the art of bonsai is all about as you create your very own bonsai to take home.

Food for Profit: Introduction to Starting a Food Business (Dec 4)

Food for Profit is a one-day workshop designed to help you work through the maze of local and state regulations, food safety issues, and business management concepts that all must be considered in setting up a commercial food business.

Linden Hill Christmas Tree Season (Nov 18 - Tag Day, Nov 23 until sold out)

We are a family owned farm featuring Douglas Fir, White Pine, Norway Spruce, Concolor Fir and Canaan Fir Only. Pre-cut Douglas and Fraser Firs also available.

Holiday Tea at Montpelier Mansion (Nov 8)

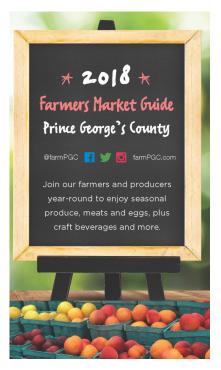
See Montpelier all decked out for the holidays, then enjoy a prix fixe menu of fine finger foods and loose leaf teas.

Accokeek Foundation: Winter's Eve (Dec 8)

Tour the National Colonial Farm by candlelight while its halls are decked for the holidays, listen to caroling around the bonfire, and roast-your-own chestnuts.

View Local Events

Support Your Local Farmers Markets



<u>Visit our website for details</u> or check out our <u>2018</u>
<u>Farmers Market Guide</u>, available for download or at your local community center, Extension office, or farmers market.

Cheverly Community Market

<u>Holiday Markets</u> - Nov 17 & Dec 8 <u>Franklin's Fundraiser</u> - Nov 13

College Park Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 5 - Nov 17

Downtown College Park Farmers Market

Sundays, April - Nov

Glen Dale Farmers Market

Saturdays, April 28 - Nov 17

Greenbelt Farmers Market

Sundays, May 13 - Nov 18

The Greenbelt Farmers Market continues each Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until the last regular season market on the Sunday immediately before Thanksgiving, November 18. Fresh free-range turkeys ordered from Ferguson Family Farms are delivered that day. After a Thanksgiving breather, we have a brief but brilliant renaissance for our Holiday Market on Sunday, December 2 in our usual 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. slot. This market takes place in coordination with the Arts and Crafts Fair of the weekend-long Greenbelt Festival of Lights. The Farmers Market is in the parking lot adjacent to the Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Road in whose gym the craft fair is held. The Holiday Market expands its usual producer-only mandate to include more crafts and gift items that are hand-made and often food related. We have a mix of our usual vendors and some new hopefuls dipping their toes in the water. Remember, a gift you can EAT reduces post-holiday clutter.

Hollywood Farmers Market

Saturdays, April 21 - Nov 17

Riverdale Park Farmers Market

Thursdays, Jan - December Holiday Market - Dec 15, 12-8pm

The Farmers Market at Maryland

Wednesdays, April 4 - Nov 14

<u>Holiday Farmers Market</u> - Dec 5, 10am - 1pm Stamp Student Union in the Prince George's Room



Visit Our Farmers Markets

What's Fun on the Menu?



Romano Vineyard & Winery gets a nod in the Washingtonian

Romano Vineyard & Winery was featured in the *Washingtonian's* "Eight Grape Getaways."

<u>Brittney Drakeford talks about her experiences at</u> <u>the Cottage City Community Garden</u>

This year, the Cottage City Community
Garden partnered with Soilful City DC to grow and
harvest Fish Peppers for Soilful's Pippin Sauce. Fish
Peppers are a native to the Caribbean and became
popular in the Baltimore Region in the 19th Century
in the fish and oyster houses.

<u>Hope Honey Farm Scheduled to Appear on MD</u> Farm & Harvest TV

Check out Hope Honey Farm on Maryland Farm & Harvest TV (MPT) on November 13 at 7pm. Also, be sure to check out the scenery closely as Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards was selected for farm background shots for this season!

Prince George's County's First Distillery Prepares to Open

Rebecca Cooper of the Washington Business Journal recently met with the owners of Sangfroid Distilling to discuss its upcoming opening as it joins Hyattsville's "craft drinking hub."

ECO City Farms teaches composting in 'Armed to Urban Farm' program

Prince George's County's ECO City Farms participated in an initiative led by the U.S. Botanic Garden and the

National Center for Appropriate Technology to help veterans explore urban farming as a viable career choice.

Love & Carrots is Hiring!

11/7/2018

Love & Carrots is searching for a full-time farmer/gardener starting February 2019. Their Urban Farmers are responsible for the maintenance

of their clients' organic vegetable gardens, ensuring that they are beautiful and productive!

Denizens Begins Construction in Riverdale Park

A recent article by Ryan Teague Beckwith of *The Hyattsville Wire*, mentions Silver Spring-based Denizens

Brewing Co. and their expansion to Riverdale in Prince



George's County. They broke ground on construction on its second location at 4550 Van Buren St in Riverdale Park Station.

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