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Howard County Agri-Business

Breakfast

by **Maura Cahill**,

Breakfast Program Coordinator

The next Howard County Agri-Business Breakfast is scheduled for **8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2013** in the Dining Hall at the Howard County Fairgrounds. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to join us.

Our guest speaker for this informative session will be Mr. Brian Magness, director of Development for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Maryland, College Park, MD. He plans to speak on, among other things, "The Campus Farm Revitalization Project". This will be a great opportunity to ask questions and keep up with some of the many changes taking place on the College Park campus.

As customary, breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m. and the program is scheduled for 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. Please **RSVP by noon, Tuesday, November 12th** by calling either Charlotte

Mullinix, at **(410) 489-4510** or Martha Clark at **(410) 531-3455**.

The cost of the breakfast is \$10.00 per person, payable at the door. The program normally concludes by 9:00 a.m. We hope to see you on Thursday, **November 14** at the next Howard County Agri-Business Breakfast.

Message to Members

by **Howie Feaga, President**

Howard County Farm Bureau

As I write this, another day of rain! Since it's too wet to do much anything else, it gives me a chance to organize my thoughts and write this message. At this time we have already received a little over 4 inches of rain. The weather just won't let you predict its outcome. Mother Nature has her own agenda, and we have no say in what we get, so the best we can do is to accept what she gives us, and deal with that, as best that we can.

Regarding Mother Nature, I am reminded to send a message to all of the women who have

a connection to Farm Bureau. Did you know that every family membership includes a membership to the Farm Bureau Women? The Howard County Farm Bureau Women can really use some help carrying out some of those very important programs that they offer leadership roles in. For instance, there is the Miss Howard County Farm Bureau Contest, the Little Miss Howard County Farm Bureau and the Future Howard County Farmer contests. There are other exciting programs that you can participate in such as the Annual MFB Convention in Ocean City. None of these programs take an excessive amount of time, and the returns cannot be more rewarding.

The generation of men and women in the Farm Bureau is changing, just like farming itself is changing. We must adapt to changing times. We must innovate, create and hand down to the next generation new traditions and new ways of life on our farms. Farm Bureau must adapt to these changes. We currently have several younger members, both men and women, on our Howard County FB Board of Directors, and I believe that they are adapting to these changing times and have stepped up to the task. I also believe they have enjoyed helping make those decisions that are important to them and to the organization.

I believe it would be the same, with the Farm Bureau Women, if given a chance. I encourage you to take part in Farm Bureau Women activities. You will not regret it. If interested in assisting with these important programs, please do not hesitate to contact Merhlyn Barnes, Annette Fleishell, or even me.

I know that by the time you read this, the harvest will be in full swing and we will all be pushing just a little bit harder to get

everything done. But, resist getting in too big of a hurry. That's when we become vulnerable to making mistakes. Be careful. Take your time and try not to get too anxious. You will still get all of your work done. You always have.

When Thanksgiving arrives, you will have much to be thankful for. And if the harvest is still underway, then slow down and take time to enjoy a good meal. Take a well-earned short break. Then get back to it in a day or two. When Christmas arrives, then you'll be ready to enjoy your family and friends once more, and hopefully, you will still be in one piece.

In early December, we will be heading over to Ocean City to take part in the Annual Maryland Farm Bureau Convention. Every year we gather with our fellow farmers to work out policies that help us to work with legislators, so that we can either defeat or support the legislation that is being put before us. Some laws are good, but others are bad. Discussing and making decisions early will help us to better deal with them.

I hope that everyone will have a great Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

Always remember. "Keep your plow in the ground. We're all pulling for you."

Miss Maryland Agriculture **Contest - 2013**

During opening festivities of the Maryland State Fair at Timonium this past August, the 2013 Miss Maryland Agriculture title was bestowed upon Miss Gabrielle Cory of Leonardtown, St. Mary's County. But Howard County was also faired well. We are quite

proud of our own candidate for that honor, **Miss Laura Thomas**, of Ellicott City.

Out of 22 candidates competing for the honor, Laura was named **second runner up**. She thus became one of four contestants named to Miss Maryland Agriculture's court. She ably assisted the state winner during the State Fair and will continue to represent Farm Bureau throughout the coming year.

*Congratulations to
Laura Thomas*

Showcasing Maryland Farming

If you haven't already seen or heard about it, beginning this fall, Maryland Public Television & Maryland Department of Agriculture will be showcasing MD Farming in a 13-part series. Below is the YouTube promotion video for the series. All 13 segments of the series will air on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. and then be repeated on MPT2 as follows:

- Thursdays at 11:30 p.m.
- Sundays at 6:00 a.m.
- Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

The program will run for thirteen weeks, rest for thirteen weeks, repeat for thirteen weeks, rest for thirteen weeks and then possibly have a premiere for season 2 in November, 2014. Check it out!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7mxM_tCuFtw&feature=youtu.be

Maryland 4-H Wins at 2013 National 4-H Engineering Challenge

Maryland won first places in the Small Engines and Aerospace Events and second places in the Bicycle and Lawn Tractor Events. The Maryland 4-H Engineering Team has returned from a successful trip to Lafayette, Indiana, for the 63rd National 4-H Engineering Challenge, September 29 – October 1, 2013.

The 12-member team participated in individual and team events and a team of 7 competed in the 4-H Engineering Bowl. They also attended educational workshops at Purdue University and educational field trips in Indiana to Rea Magnet Wire and Dixie Choppers (lawn mowers). The event had 55 youth from 9 states competing in nine project areas. Safety is a major component of the 4-H Engineering Challenge.

Most of the Maryland team members were the state senior grand champions in mechanical science events in Division V, 4-H Engineering Events, at the Maryland State Fair in August 2013. These events include agricultural tractor operator safety, lawn tractor, arc welding, small engines, electric/energy, computer, robotics, aerospace and bicycle. The youth first competed in their counties. Most counties offer these 4-H activities. The national website is <http://www.four-h.purdue.edu/naengr/naengr.html>.

The Robotics Event had 16 contestants on five state teams. The robotics team of Reese Boynton, Hannah Kiesel and Arden Qiu (all from Carroll County) competed in both a remote control challenge and an asynchronous (pre-programmed) challenge, winning third place in both. Mr. Brian Kiesel, Volunteer from Carroll County, was MD robotics coach at the national event. This is part of an effort toward SET - science, engineering and technology educational programming.

Maryland's Payton Dixon (Garrett County) won

first place in the Small Engines Event. Benjamin Wolf (Carroll County) won second place in the Lawn Tractor Safety (Learn to Earn) Event while his brother, Tom Wolf (Carroll County) placed second in the Bicycle Safety Event.

The Maryland Aerospace Team of Luke Basom and Joshua Driesman (both of Howard County) individually placed second and third, respectively, but together were the first place team. Mr. Andrew Driesman, Volunteer in Howard County, served as Aerospace Coach for the team on the trip. The challenge was to build a rocket from materials given at the event and to achieve an elevation of 200 feet in flight. Contestants tried out a flight simulator and had other aerospace activities.

Matthew Larrimore (Cecil County) and Steven Talbert (Carroll County) placed eighth and tenth, respectively, in the Agricultural Tractor Operator Safety Event. In the Arc Welding Event, Levi Lantz (Garrett County) placed third and Ryan Weishaar (Carroll County) placed fifth. The Maryland Team placed second in the Engineering Bowl Competition. Maryland did not have senior contestants in Electric/Energy and Computer this year. The Computer Event has a new area for the development of an app.

Each event included a written exam, either a presentation and/or parts identification test, a practical exam, and a demonstration of skills component (operation of a vehicle, computer programming, or welding).

Dr. David S. Ross, Professor Emeritus and Extension Agricultural Engineer (retired), Department of Environmental Science and Technology, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, was the Maryland Group Coordinator and Chair of the National Bicycle Safety Event. Mr. Dwayne Murphy, Faculty Extension Assistant, 4-H Youth Development, Baltimore County, University of Maryland Extension, was Co-Coordinator and Chair of the Welding Event.

Extension Agricultural Engineers and 4-H professionals and volunteers from participating states conducted the Event. Lincoln Electric, Landis and Gyr, Stuart C. Irby Company and John Deere, are national sponsors and the University of Maryland Extension; Maryland 4-H Foundation; Fair View Farm; Maryland Agricultural Fair Board and equipment dealers are local sponsors of this program.

Manure Pit Safety

Penn State (PNST) has developed two demonstrations that address hazards and ventilation of confined space manure storages. The first video is for storages with a solid cover over the storage and is approximately 24 minutes long. The second video is for storages with a partial or a fully slotted floor.

This 27 minute video has three parts. Part 1 is for when there is a low level of gas in the manure storage before ventilating. Part 2 is for when there is a high level of gas in the manure storage before ventilating. The third part is to show the effect of using an outside source of fresh air to ventilate manure storages.

We highly recommend viewing all three parts of this video.

Right click and "save link as" to download for educational use. The videos may also be viewed online by double clicking. <http://www.manurepitsafety.psu.edu/edvideos.html>

The "Introduction" video is for those users who are unfamiliar with manure storages.

Source: PNST Extension, Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering, Agricultural Health and Safety Program

Consternation!

by **Timothy S. Barkley, Sr.**
JD, CFP, CSA
Attorney at Law

“Well, thank you for your time, your Honor.” The hearing on emergency guardianship had concluded in manner not entirely satisfactory to Susan and her brothers.

“All rise!” directed the bailiff, as the judge departed the courtroom. Mary smirked at her siblings and left, wheeling her mother out. Susan turned to the lawyer with a stunned expression: “What just happened?”

“Well,” began her attorney, “basically the judge didn't seem to think that there was anything so wrong with what Mary was doing that he had to issue an emergency order without more evidence.

“Nobody expected Mom to be there, and I must say she sounded mentally 'with it' to me. When she told the judge that she was happy with everything Mary was doing, that totally deflated our case.”

“But I know Mom can't keep spending money like Mary's spending it for her! What happens when she runs out?”

“Let's take this one step at a time. First, we need to get Mom to doctor to see if she is able to make decisions for herself. The Court can't grant a guardianship unless Mom is certified to be incapable of making her own decisions by two doctors. The judge did order her to be examined, which is a victory for us, since she had refused – or, really, Mary had refused for her.

“The judge also did appoint an attorney for Mom, and that attorney should meet with

Mom so she can make a recommendation to the Court. She might also talk to you and your brothers and to Mary, so she can get a feel for the family dynamic.”

“When do we find out what Mary's spent out of Mom's money?”

“When guardianship is granted, if it is,” replied the lawyer. “Mom's financial situation is private, and the law doesn't make that public unless it's found necessary.”

“What happens if the judge decides Mary's spent Mom's money on herself?”

“The judge can order her to pay it back if he decides that it was inappropriate. In one case I had, the attorney referred one of the children to the State's Attorney for prosecution for embezzlement.”

Susan looked thrilled. “You mean Mary could go to jail!?”

“Don't get excited,” cautioned the lawyer. “Sounds like you are just looking for a way to get at Mary. This isn't it. Too often, people in these situations are still trying to work out childhood angst. They just end up making themselves and everyone else bitter.

“And all this costs money. The doctors should be covered by insurance, but Mom's lawyer won't be. If Mary gets a lawyer, and you have a lawyer, that can mean that the only 'winners' are the lawyers.”

“How's that fair,” challenged Susan. “Mary always got away with everything when we were little, and Mom always gave her whatever she wanted. Mom was even supporting her until she got married. It wasn't until Mom had a big

argument with Mary's ex-husband that we could get Mom away from her. And now the only way to stop her from taking over again is to spend boatloads of money on lawyers!"

The lawyer nodded. "It seems unfair, but remember that the law hasn't already decided that Mary's a crook. If she is a crook, or maybe just a greedy person, the Court can try to correct things, but the law isn't a perfect system. Bad people can always try to get away with bad things, and sometimes they do. We don't get perfect justice on this planet.

"I've handled cases like this before. This is going to be hard to hear, but don't forget that Mary believes that she's doing exactly the right thing. She's taking care of Mom at home, and that really is what Mom said she wanted at our first meeting. Remember?"

"But not this way!" protested Susan. "Mary just can't get away with spending Mom's money like this."

"Is that what really bothers you?"

"Yeah. Mom and Dad worked hard, and they always said it was so they could leave us something. If Mary goes through all Mom's money, then there won't be anything to leave to the kids."

"So you think the best way to spend Mom's money is on assisted living, and Mary thinks it should be spent keeping Mom at home. Who's right? Who should be in control?"

Be sure to watch for this continuing scenario in the next issue of [The FB Newsletter](#).

Country Christmases of the 1940s and 1950s

by Allan Bandel

Aside from the obvious religious aspects of the Holiday season, Christmas Day was really special for our family, particularly while my brother and I were in our youth growing up on our paternal grandparent's Howard County farm. The magical days prior to Christmas were charged with excitement. With rising anticipation, we looked forward to that wondrous season for many weeks in advance.

Still recovering from the Great Depression, times were challenging in the 1940s. We did not expect many brightly wrapped gifts to be found under the Christmas tree in those days. Nevertheless, there was much anticipation. The colorfully decorated tree, a freshly cut pine, was set in an old dented tin pail filled with water to keep the tree fresh throughout the season. Our brightly decorated tree was usually found in the living room. Providing a pleasant fresh pine aroma throughout the house, it was normally placed near the foot of the stairs that lead to our bedrooms on the floor above.

In the 1940s, we always had a real tree, not an artificial one like so many homes have today. We harvested it from the thick pine woods located across the county road from our farm. This hilly forested land was part of an abandoned estate owned by some absentee members of the Carroll family, descendants of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. The land owners were rumored to be making their homes in France and had not actively managed this property in decades.

Once this steep, eroded land had been judged unsuitable for farming, it was planted to white

pine seedlings, thousands of them. The planting was done during the Depression in the 1930's by crews of unemployed men hired by the Civilian Conservation Corps, more popularly known as the CCC. Hundreds of long straight rows of pines were planted by hand. By the 1940s, most of these young trees had grown too tall for use as Christmas trees. Occasionally, we might still find a specimen small enough to serve as our "perfect" tree. But if our search, more often than not, was unsuccessful, then we'd hunt for a perfectly shaped top to remove from a taller tree.

In some areas, a lush growth of dark green foliage known as crow's foot covered the thick mat of brown pine needles beneath the tree canopy. These vines made perfect green Holiday decorations for inside the house. Since crow's foot grew horizontally from a ground-hugging stem, or stolon, we could easily harvest long lengths of the vine for use as green trim inside the house.

We looked forward to a Holiday tradition in which Dad took my brother and me across the road and into that mysterious woodland to find that perfect Christmas tree and some crow's foot. We'd stuff a large burlap feed bag full of the fresh green vine. Later, after Dad bought a tractor, he'd hitch it to a small trailer, and with Donny and me onboard, we'd follow some of those old CCC woodland access roads until we came to just the right tree, cut it to size, and then proudly haul our Holiday treasures back home.

There was something magical about a 1940s era Christmas. Mother and Dad always started the day well before sunrise. They were up and dressed far ahead of us kids. Even so, excitement brought Donny and me out of our restless sleep well before we were allowed to

venture downstairs. Dad, who was out of bed first, headed to the barn to milk and feed the cows. Mother stoked the fire in the big wood stove to warm the house. Then, she started preparing our traditional Christmas breakfast. It was a treat that featured oyster stew and crackers. As long as Donny and I lived at home on Christmas, and for many years thereafter, we still looked forward to enjoying Mother's savory oyster stew and her crispy fried oyster patties on Christmas Day.

While we were kids, Mother always lit the Christmas tree early, well before daylight. The colorful lights cast a soft glow from downstairs, adding to the magic of Christmas morning. We did our best to be patient lying in that darkened bedroom at the top of the stairs until Mother finally invited us to come down. We never needed a second invitation to find out what surprises Santa might have left for us by the tree. From the darkness at the top of the stairs, we could see the inviting soft glow from the multi-colored Christmas lights in the room below. We were never disappointed, that I can remember, even though we rarely received exactly what we had wished for in our pre-Christmas dreams.

Our bright red and white Christmas stockings with our names neatly stitched near the top, were hung from the back of a rocking chair by the tree. They were filled with a delightful assortment of surprises. There were many small items such as number two school pencils (sometimes personalized with our names printed on them), crayons and colored chalk, wrapped candies, e.g., peppermint sticks or chocolate Hershey bars, and maybe a pair of new winter socks, or a toy whistle. And there would always be a juicy fresh Florida orange or a tangerine treat, possibly even some hard-shelled walnuts to crack, all nestled deep in the

toe of the stocking. Many of these items might seem unexciting, or dull, to kids today. But, they were a thrill for us to discover, and marvel at, back in the 1940s.

There was also an array of colorful packages stacked under the tree, some wrapped, and some not. Some of the brightly wrapped packages contained new clothes which the postman had delivered weeks earlier in response to a mail order that Mother had placed with Montgomery Ward or Sears & Roebuck. The clothes were a necessity. But there was also usually a new toy or a game or two to occupy our time and our minds, and sometimes Dad's as well, on Christmas day.

Some of the more memorable toys that we received back then included a big colorful carton of Lincoln Logs. Another time it was a large tube of Tinker Toys. Once we received a special game that we asked for, Monopoly, and another time, it was a polished wood Carom Board with red and green wood playing rings and green nets in each corner.

One memorable Christmas morning, there was an A.C. Gilbert No. 6 Erector Set in its sturdy green metal case under the tree. The No. 6 was not the biggest Erector set available. But it was by no means the smallest either. With the included plans, we could build quite a few complex projects, e.g., a Ferris wheel, or a drawbridge. We could use our imaginations to create "inventions" or engineering designs of our own. Dad had left strict orders with Mother that morning that we **were not** to remove any of the pieces from the box until he had returned from milking. I suspect that Dad might have wished for an Erector Set himself back when he was a kid and was just as excited and anxious as we were to begin building something with the hundreds of

beams, girders, wheels, axles, nuts and bolts in that wonderful Erector Set. The set even included a small electric motor to power some of the larger, more complex projects.

One Christmas morning when I was about eleven, I was surprised to find a shiny new Schwinn bicycle by the tree. That sturdy single-speed two-wheeler, painted dark blue with light cream trim, was one that I had dreamed of ever since I first saw one like it on the back of a comic book. Its wide balloon tires featured rugged treads that resembled the links of two heavy log chains placed side-by-side. Encouraged by those magazine advertisements, I imagined that with those rugged tires I could ride over just about any kind of terrain that I might encounter. My new bicycle even had a small battery-operated headlight on the front fender. A big red reflector was attached to the rear fender. So, I imagined that I could ride it at night too.

Another Christmas, Donny received an American Flyer electric train. This highly detailed 4-6-2 steam engine with its string of freight cars produced realistic steam engine sound effects as it circled around the track. It actually puffed out real smoke from its smokestack, often making perfect smoke rings. One very realistic feature was that the track had just two rails. Most model trains in those days, such as the popular Lionel models, used a third rail for the electricity. Although the Lionel trains were of high quality, that third rail tended to ruin the realism of the model train in our opinion.

One toy that I wished for on more than one occasion, and never received, was a little tin wind-up toy bulldozer with "real" rubber cleated tracks. It was colorfully advertised in many mail order Christmas catalogues. Santa

Claus never seemed to get my message about that special wish. The toy had a colorful tin driver perched on the tractor's seat. The tractor boasted a real transmission with working gears. By shifting gears, the little dozer could run forward or backward. It would have probably never survived to this day if I had received it because I know that it would have been played hard with. Cheaply made, those little toy tractors, if still in good condition, would probably now be worth many hundreds of dollars to toy collectors.

I suspect that many of the items that we received at Christmas over the years were simply items of necessity that our parents held back on giving us as much as they could so that we would have lots of exciting packages to open on Christmas morning. Nevertheless, all of those brightly wrapped packages sure helped to make Christmas Day more memorable and a special time back then, a time that we looked forward to with great anticipation and excitement.

Christmas day excitement wasn't always just for us kids. On one such holiday, Mother received a special gift that was made all the more exciting for the rest of us because it was such a surprise for her.

In the early 1950s, Mother really needed a new electric sewing machine. She was still using her old-fashioned foot-treadle machine to do the family's sewing. She really needed something better, something more modern and more efficient. One of her close friends had recently acquired a new electric Singer sewing machine. Mother really admired it. So, Donny and I suggested to Dad that perhaps we could get her one for Christmas. But first, we must find a way to keep it a secret from her!

How could we ever manage to keep such a big item concealed from her? A sewing machine was simply too big to hide in our house. She knew every good hiding place and would certainly discover it quickly once it was brought home. If she found it, as she certainly would, that would surely be the end of any surprise that we had planned for her.

In desperation, we mentioned our dilemma to one of her close friends, someone who could keep a secret. She readily offered a solution by suggesting that we have the new sewing machine delivered to **her** house rather than to ours. Traditionally, we were always invited to her friend's house for Christmas dinner anyway. Mother could find her new sewing machine under the tree at her friend's house then on Christmas Day. And what a great surprise that would be for her.

It was almost impossible for Donny and me to keep that huge secret to ourselves in anticipation of how Mother would react when she saw what "Santa" had for her. But we did keep the secret. And sure enough, when we arrived at our neighbor's house for Christmas dinner, there was Mother's new sewing machine by the tree in her friend's living room. And her friend had even attached a bright red ribbon and bow around it. The new machine's polished wood cabinet came with a matching stool and a red plastic seat cushion. Mother was overcome with surprise. We all rejoiced with her over her obvious delight with that totally unexpected, and forever memorable, Christmas gift.

There was another Christmas tradition that had its origins back at a time when we still lived on the "Old Bandel Home Farm". This was a Bandel family Christmas Day supper (now more formally referred to as dinner).

In addition to all of the other exciting activities and preparations that Mother had to contend with on Christmas Day, for so many years she also prepared a fantastic evening meal for the four of us as well as for numerous aunts, uncles and city cousins who descended on our house. She often fed more than 20 happy, hungry relatives and friends at those delightful gatherings. Even today, we still marvel at how she ever managed to accomplish all of those preparations, get all of the food prepared on time, and still seem to enjoy her loud, boisterous guests so much. Her organizational skills were obviously superb.

Those annual family visits were also looked forward to by us kids. At first, the additional guests included just a few aunts, uncles and cousins. But, as time passed, our cousins began bringing their dates, later their spouses and eventually, even some of their children. Everyone was welcome.

Those many, usually modest, but always highly traditional events, have combined over the years to make our family Christmases of the 1940s and 1950s pleasantly reminiscent of an earlier, almost magical era. Those happy recollections, most assuredly, have long highlighted our Christmas Holiday memories, and hopefully, will continue to do so for many more memorable Christmases to come.

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Calendar of Events

- Nov 5 **Nutrient Applicators Voucher Training/Recertification.** 10 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 3 pm. Frederick County Extension Office, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD. For info: (301) 600-3576.
- Nov 6 **Private Pesticide Applicator Training.** 10 am to 12 noon. Exam November 13 at 10 am. Frederick County Extension Office, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD. For info: (301) 600-3576.
- Nov 6 **Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification.** 1 pm to 3 pm. Frederick County Extension Office, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD. For info: (301) 600-3576.
- Nov 7 **Annual Banquet, Howard County Farm Bureau.** 7:00 pm, Lisbon Volunteer Fire Company Social Hall, Lisbon, MD. Contact: Leslie Bauer **no later than October 30th** at (410) 531-6261.
- Nov 7, 14, 21 **Agricultural Entrepreneurial Business Plan Course.** 6:30 to 9:00 pm, Carroll County Extension Office, 700 Agriculture Center, Westminster, MD 21157. Register by November 4, 2013. For information: call (410) 386-2760.
- Nov 13 **Private Applicator Certification Training.** 10 to noon, Carroll County Extension Office, 700 Agriculture Center, Westminster, MD 21157. Contact: (410) 386-2760 to register.

Nov 14 **Howard County Agri-Business Breakfast.** 8:00 to 9:00 am, Dining Hall, Howard County Fairgrounds, Fairground Road, West Friendship, MD

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Nov 20 **Private Applicator Certification Exam.** 10 to noon, Carroll County Extension Office, 700 Agriculture Center, Westminster, MD 21157. Contact: (410) 386-2760 to register.

Jan 12-15 **American Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting and Convention.** San Antonio, TX.

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Dec 5 **Carroll/Baltimore Field Crops Day.** 8:30 to 3:30 pm, Friendly Farms, Upperco, MD. Will count towards Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification. More information to follow.

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Dec 6-8 **Maryland Farm Bureau Young Farmers Retreat.** Clarion Resort Hotel, Ocean City, MD.

Dec 8-10 **Maryland Farm Bureau Convention.** Clarion Resort Hotel, Ocean City, MD.

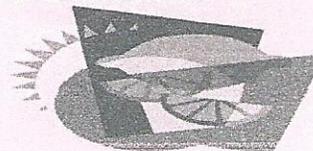
[NOTE]: Some programs require pre-registration and/or a fee. For programs sponsored by University of Maryland Extension, if you need special assistance to participate, please contact the person indicated at least two weeks in advance of the event.

Jan 9 **Howard County Agri-Business Breakfast.** 8:00 to 9:00 am, Dining

Maryland Farm Bureau

A Farmer - to Farmer Agricultural Commodity Marketing Service through
Maryland Farm Bureau Service Company and Florida Farm Bureau.

- *Florida Citrus is thinner skinned than others,
giving a more edible product.
- *Fruit must be kept cool.



Citrus Deadline November 28, 2013
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Glenelg, MD 21737

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Citrus Delivery December 9 - 13 - Pick-up at Howard County Fairgrounds

"FLORIDA'S BEST"	Price	Quantity
Navel Oranges 4/5 bushel	\$27.00	_____
Red Grapefruit 4/5 bushel	\$23.00	_____
Tangelos 4/5 bushel	\$23.00	_____
Hamlin Juice Oranges 4/5 bushel	\$23.00	_____
Tangerines (Sunburst) 2/5 bushel	\$22.00	_____
Grand Slam Gift Box New! (16-20 Navel Oranges, 6 Red Delicious, 6 Di Anjou Pears, 3 Golden Delicious)	\$22.00	_____
Orange Juice Concentrate 24/12 oz cans	\$46.00	_____
Peanut Gift Pack (3 can pack)	\$10.00	_____
Gourmet Honey Roasted Mixed Nuts New! 30 oz tin	\$11.25	_____
Pop-O-Pop caramel popcorn with nuts New! 20 oz tin	\$9.75	_____
Berry Nut Trail Mix New! 15 oz tin	\$9.75	_____
Honey Roasted Pecans 8.5 oz can	\$6.25	_____
Whole Cashews 1 lb can	\$7.25	_____
Skinless Peanuts 17.5 oz can	\$4.00	_____
Roasted Almonds 9 oz can	\$4.00	_____
Brittle Bites 12 oz can	\$3.75	_____
Honey Krunch Peanuts 12 oz can	\$3.25	_____
Mixed Nuts 1 lb can	\$5.25	_____
Pecan Halves, Fresh Shelled 12 oz bag	\$7.25	_____
Chocolate Covered Pecans 12 oz bag	\$7.25	_____
TOTALS		_____

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