

The Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, Inc.

The Buzz!

An Educator's Newsletter for Events, Opportunities, Grants , and More!

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The New Buzz!

Welcome to the new look for our educator's newsletter! The new format and delivery system should address issues of duplicate and/or filtered emails due to surpassing our listserve capacity. Let us know what you think - and be sure to Pass On The Buzz! Invite your friends to subscribe or unsubscribe below if you no longer wish to receive this e-newsletter.

Ag Discovery 2013 at University of Maryland College Park!

For high school students, July 7 - 26 at UMD/College Park, to learn about plants and animals, the importance of protecting America's food supply from insects and disease, the role of regulation in genetically engineered organisms, and the challenge of managing and resolving wildlife conflicts. The 3-week program at the University of Maryland's College Park <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/agdiscovery/> campus provides an educational odyssey exploring food, culture, and the environment. Participants also receive 3 hours of university-level course credits through the Young Scholars Program. Funding is provided by several offices within APHIS.

For more information please contact:

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Cecil College Hort Club Spring Workshop!

Saturday March 16 join the CC Horticulture Club for their Annual Spring Workshop featuring guest speakers from the Cecil County Dept of Public Works "The North East River Watershed Assessment" and Al Milliner "Edible Wild Plants" Explore exhibitors displays and talk to experts for landscaping, horticulture, forestry, and Master Gardeners! CC North East Campus Technology Building Room 106!

For more information contact Dr. Veronica Dougherty at vdougherty@cecil.edu or Dr. Judith Owen at jowen@cecil.edu.

17th Annual Gas & Steam Show!

April 13, 10am - 5pm and April 14, 10am - 3pm in Derwood, Maryland!
A great day filled with agricultural heritage, history, and fun! Steam tractors,
tractor driving contests, tractor pulls, 4H "Activities Back In Time", live
music, hay rides, great food! Free admission, free parking, Saturday Parade!

For more information see <http://www.friendsofthefarmpark.org/>

Washington FFA Leadership Conference Scholarship!

The Maryland FFA Alumni is excited to offer a \$500 grant to be awarded to a deserving FFA member to use toward the cost of registration for the 2013 National FFA Washington Leadership Conference. Located in our nation's capitol, the Washington Leadership Conference is a five-day event that trains FFA members to make a positive impact in their school, local community, state and country. The conference focuses on knowing your purpose, valuing people, taking action, and serving others.

Applications will be scored on FFA and leadership experience and the applicant's desire to attend the Washington Leadership Conference.

Please make sure your completed application and letter of reference from a FFA Advisor are mailed together in one envelope, POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN April 5, 2013 to Maryland FFA Alumni Scholarship Committee
Attn: Brooke Ridinger
2404 Tabor Drive
Middletown, MD 21769

For an application please contact Terrie Shank, Assistant Director High School/Post-Secondary Programs, MAEF at tshank@maefonline.com

Dr. Ronald J. Seibel Scholarship!

This \$1,000 scholarship, established by the family and friends of Dr. Seibel in recognition of his 26 years of service as Director of the Institute of Applied Agriculture at the University of Maryland, will be awarded to a student enrolled in a Maryland college agricultural program during the school year 2013-2014. Preference will be given to Maryland residents with an FFA background enrolled in the Institute of Applied Agriculture. Other eligible applicants are those attending a community college or four year institution leading to a degree in agriculture education.

To apply contact MAEF or the Institute of Applied Agriculture for an application. It is available in electronic form or will be forwarded via fax or mail upon request. Look for postings on the Maryland FFA website at www.mdffa.org and the MAEF website at www.maefonline.com. Applications may also be obtained by contacting gdhyman@umd.edu, or aforce@maefonline.com.

All completed applications and supporting documents must be mailed in advance of the deadline to:

Maryland Ag. Ed. Foundation, Inc.
Attn: Education/Scholarship Committee
PO Box 536
Havre de Grace, MD 21078.
Applications will not be accepted by email.