

Montgomery County Association for Family & Community Education Late September 2026 Notes



We hope that no goblins will get into your holiday treats. But watch out for ghosts that might haunt your yarn and fabric and make a mess! Get it cleaned up quickly so you can make that next blanket.

Sixty-two (62) students and adults came to blanket day. We received 69 blankets, 48 infant hats, 29 teen/adult hats, 6 scarves, 8 pairs of socks, and donations of yarn and fabric. FCE awarded 210 SSL hours to 6 students. Thank you for all you do.

Our late September 2026 distribution was as follows:

- 24 blankets and 24 hats to the Gabriel Project
- 5 blankets, 29 hats, 6 scarves, 1 pair of gloves and 8 pairs of socks to St Camillus Food Pantry
- 23 blankets, 24 infant hats and 20 toiletries to Adventist Community Services
- 2 blankets to Meals on Wheels
- 15 blankets and 24 infant hats to the D.C. Diaper bank

We need yarn and FLEECE, so if you know of anyone that has some to donate, we would greatly appreciate it.

Our next blanket day is **Friday November 20th 10 AM to 8 PM** at the Agricultural History Farm Park. We don't meet in October due to the Extension office being used for a 4th grade education program all month.

Attached is our 2027 calendar and it is up on our web site. www.mdafce.org

November 20	Friday	10 AM to 8 PM
January 8	Friday	10 AM to 3 PM
February 4	Thursday	10 AM to 8 PM

For fall and winter, we will be accepting socks (any size), adult hats, scarves and gloves/mittens. They can be dropped off at blanket making and any of our informational programs through March.

CRAFT sale, October 23 and 24 (Friday and Saturday) at 15500 Gallaudet Avenue. Silver Spring (see flyer). We will sell our handicrafts, jewelry and holiday items to secure funds for our scholarship and blanket project. Hope to see you there.

On November 10th, Christian Murgia, Education Program Manager of Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park will discuss Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park, which has been in continuous use since its founding over 200 years ago. From the site of a boarding school to a Quaker plantation with an enslaved population to current operations with Montgomery Parks, many different voices have echoed throughout the grounds. All are invited. Meeting at the Agricultural History Farm Park. (See flyer.)

We are working on developing Programs for 2027. Included are:

- Making Valentines for Hospice Care
- Bees and beekeeping (tentative)
- DC Diaper Bank (one of the organizations we give blankets and baby hats to)
- Spring Luncheon — farms and the MOOseum
- International Day- — learn about Poland and Mongolia
- Meet Dr. Stonestreet, a 19th-century Rockville physician.
- Cookie Exchange

More information will be available in the future.

Have a safe and “trick-free” Halloween. And remember there are only 87 days until Christmas!

Hugs,

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