



## Welcome Home 4-H Agent Mrs. Jan Garrett!



Lee County Extension Office wishes the warmest of welcomes to, Mrs. Jan Garrett, our newest 4-H agent! You might recognize her, as she has been a vital part of our team in the past. After working with Lafayette County, she is now returning to Lee County and a place she can call "Home".

As a youth, Jan was an active member of the Lee County 4-H Horse Club, earning many awards through showing, judging, public speaking, and with her record book. Through the years, 4-H has remained close to her heart. As a mother, she made sure her children were involved in 4-H also. She was always there to help with whatever horse or livestock needed tending while guiding and cheering on them and others along the way.

After all her years of involvement with 4-H in one capacity or the other, she has accumulated knowledge that helps her daily in the tasks of being a successful 4-H agent. She combines her hands on experience with her degree from Mississippi State University to bring a unique combination of education & skills to our office. In her capacity as 4-H youth agent, her emphasis will be in agriculture directed programming, including horse, livestock, poultry, and shooting sports.



Photo by Mary Farris  
HORSE SHOW PARTICIPANTS — Roseanne Maxcy of Benton, left, and Jan Dillard of Tupelo were high point winners at the District 4-H Horse Show recently in Louisville. Miss Maxcy won the junior high point individual award. Miss Dillard won the senior high point individual award and her horse, Night Rocket 1, was the senior high point horse. The two members qualified for state competition.

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# What's NEW?



North Mississippi Research & Extension Center in Verona is hosting:

## 2025 North Mississippi Producer Advisory Council Meeting, February 20th, 10AM

In support of the missions of MAFES & MSU Extension, the mission of the North Mississippi Research & Extension Center is to improve the lives of the people of Mississippi by responding to their needs, including collaborating to conduct and share innovative agricultural research; offering practical education for individuals, families, & young people; and serving communities and businesses. The Annual Producer Advisory Council Meeting allows producers to communicate concerns, identify needs, and express opinions & feedback to allow Mississippi State University to better meet your needs.

Preregistration is available until February 19th through the Extension registration portal for February 20th:



[https://reg.extension.msstate.edu/reg/event\\_page.aspx?ek=0081-0004-338a971b4b2b4620a2a732f8081d2059](https://reg.extension.msstate.edu/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0081-0004-338a971b4b2b4620a2a732f8081d2059)

## 2025 Mississippi Vegetable Short Course, February 25th - 26th, 8AM - 5 PM

Current & prospective commercial vegetable growers can learn about specialized production methods. The course will be held at the Magnolia Building each day. It is open to greenhouse, high-tunnel, and field vegetable producers throughout the Southeast. Participants will attend educational sessions and participate in hands-on activities. Topics include microgreens, nutrient management, pesticide safety, growing systems, and insect and disease issues. Speakers will also present information on current tomato, strawberry and lettuce research. Vendors will offer various goods and services. Online preregistration is \$40 per person. On-site registration is \$50 (2 days) or \$25 (1 day) per person. The fee covers conference materials, lunch and refreshments both days.

Preregistration is available until February 15th through the Extension registration portal for February 25th-26th:



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## Available Lee County Programs hosted by the Lee County Extension Office:

**Bloom at Noon** provides workshops & instructional meetings to help extend your knowledge in many different areas with meetings the second Tuesday of each month at 12 PM. Call ahead to reserve your seat!



**Lee County Cattlemen Association** connects local cattlemen and provides access to learning and knowledge for the betterment of their cattle herds, from farm to plate. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 16th at 6 PM. Call to reserve your seat by Tuesday, January 14th.



**Private Pesticide Applicators Training & Testing** on Monday, January 27th, 10 AM-2 PM.

The cost is \$60 with lunch provided. Please contact our office to sign up or follow this link:

[https://reg.extension.msstate.edu/reg/event\\_page.aspx?ek=0081-0004-eb84f6b4173d414dbea218b6ca126b36](https://reg.extension.msstate.edu/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0081-0004-eb84f6b4173d414dbea218b6ca126b36)



**Lee County Forestry Association** brings together local land owners interested in proper land & timber management. The next meeting will be Monday, February 3rd at 6 PM. You will need to call by Friday, January 31st, to reserve your seat.



We also offer many opportunities for youth ages 5-18 through our 4-H programs.



Please call us at 662-841-9000 for more information or to reserve your seat at our next program!

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JANUARY



2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	01 <i>New Year's Day</i>	02 <b>OFFICE OPEN</b>	03	04
05	06	07	08 Crochet Club 10-18 4:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	09 Expressive Arts 8-18 3:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	10	11
12	13 Cloverbuds 5-7 & Junior Leaf 8-13 4:30 PM Rabbit Club 8-18 6 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	14 Bloom at Noon Clothoppers 14-18 5 PM Aggies Club 8-18 6 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	15	16 Cattlemen's Meeting 6:00 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office NE District Livestock Show NMSREC Verona	17 NE District Livestock Show NMSREC Verona	18 NE District Livestock Show NMSREC Verona
19	20 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Martin Luther King Jr Day Inauguration Day Ropes & Reins 6:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	21	22	23 Jr Master Gardener 8-13 4 PM Shooting Sports Safety Training 6 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	24	25 Shooting Sports Safety Training 9 AM Lee Co. Ext. Office
26	27 Pesticide Applicators Training & Testing 10AM - 2PM STEM Club 5-13 4:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office Dixie National Jr Roundup Begins in Jackson, MS	28	29	30	31	01

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FEBRUARY



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
02 Groundhog Day	03 Forestry Meeting 6 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	04 Foodie 4-H 10-18 5 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office - Back Kitchen	05 Crochet Club 10-18 4:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	06 Dixie National Jr Roundup Ends in Jackson, MS	07	08
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16	17 President's Day Ropes & Reins 8-18 6:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	18	19	20 2025 Producer Advisory Council Meeting 10 AM NMSREC Magnolia Bldg. Verona	21 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	22 Washington's Birthday
23	24 STEM Club 5-13 4:30 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	25 2025 MS Vegetable Short Course 8 AM-5 PM NMSREC Magnolia Bldg. Verona	26 2025 MS Vegetable Short Course 8 AM-5 PM NMSREC Magnolia Bldg. Verona	27 Junior Master Gardener Ages 8-13 4 PM Lee Co. Ext. Office	28	01

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