

News Release

PHOTO RELEASE: Comptroller Brooke Lierman Tours Somerset County

Comptroller tours Extension Research and Education Farm and visits historic marker in Crisfield

ANNAPOLIS, Md (September 25, 2024) — Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman continued her Take a Look with Brooke tour on Wednesday in Somerset County. Comptroller Lierman began the day by touring the University of Maryland Eastern Shore Extension Research and Education Farm in Princess Anne. There, the Comptroller learned about the Small Farm Outreach and Small Ruminant Programs that provide educational opportunities, training and technical assistance to the region's farmers.



Comptroller Lierman toured the UMES Extension Research and Education Farm in Princess Anne.

Next, In Crisfield, Comptroller Lierman met with the Rev. Emanuel Johnson and community members who worked to erect a historical marker in honor of the 600 African American women crab pickers who called a strike in 1938 to protest their pay being cut and fought for union recognition. The strike lasted five weeks until the owners of the packing house reversed their decision. Shiloh United Methodist Church, located across from the site of the marker, served as a refuge and meeting place for the striking crab pickers.



Comptroller Lierman with Pastor Emanuel Johnson of Shiloh United Methodist Church in Crisfield.

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