



OCT - DEC 2024

**UK** Martin-Gatton  
College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment

# AGRICULTURE/HORTICULTURE

## WHITLEY COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE



*In this issue:*

- Oct, Nov, Dec Calendar of Events
- Small Scale Logging Demo
- Maple Syrup Demo
- Winter Tips and Reminders
- Winter Preparation for gardeners
- Master Gardener Graduation
- Ky State Beekeepers / Hive for Heroes
- Veteran's Day Dinner
- Farmers Market
- Mine land Reforestation
- Beginning Beekeeper Grant
- Whitley County Beekeepers Association
- SEKSPA
- Cook Wild KY
- Cost Share Equipment



*In this issue:*

### Cooperative Extension Service

Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development

### MARTIN-GATTON COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT

Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status, physical or mental disability or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Reasonable accommodation of disability may be available with prior notice. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. University of Kentucky, Kentucky State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Kentucky Counties, Cooperating. Lexington, KY 40506












Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.





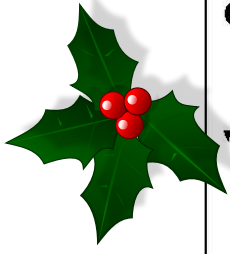
# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  Corbin 5-8pm	2	3	4	5 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm
6	7  6-8pm Kentucky Extension Master Gardener KENTUCKY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	8  Corbin 5-8pm	9	10	11	12
13	14  Beekeepers 6pm Pumpkin Carving 5-8pm	15  Small Farms 7pm	16	17 	18	19 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm
20	21	22	23	24  Laugh and Learn Ages 3-5	25	26 Horticulture Hike @ 7:30am (Great Smoky Mountains)  End Of Year Vendor's Meeting 11am
27	28	29	30	31  Cattlemen 7pm		

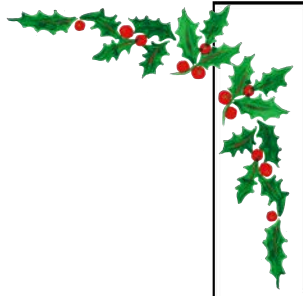
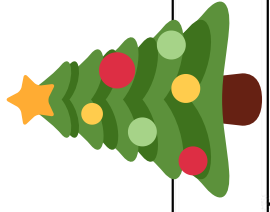












# November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm  Small Scale Logging Demo 10am
3 Daylight Saving Ends	4	5 Election Day 	6	7 Holiday Cooking School 5-7pm (Limited number of Tickets available \$25) 	8  Horticulture Hike 0930 (Big South Fork, Heron Loop)	9
10	11 Veterans Day Dinner 1700 (5:30) 	12 6-8pm 	13	14	15  Graduation 5pm	16 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm
17	18	19 	20	21 	22  Wreath Making 10-6pm (Registration Required)	23
24	25 Maple Syrup Workshop 5pm 	26	27	28 	29 	30 13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Breeding for the future Bull and Female Sale 1pm Cattlemen's Livestock Russellville, KY



# December 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm
8	9 Beekeepers 6pm 	10	11	12 Cattlemen 7pm 	13	14
15	16	17 Small Farms 6pm 	18	19	20	21 Small Animal Swap 10-3pm
22	23	24	25  	26 	27 	28
29	30 	31 New Year's Eve 	1 New Year's Day 	2		



# Small Scale Logging Demo

## 2 November @ 10am

### Whitley County Extension Office

### 4275 N. Hwy 25W, Williamsburg, KY 40769

We will be discussing and demonstrating log skidding attachments that can be attached to a farm tractor, 4 wheeler or utility terrain vehicle (UTV).

Attachments like the ones we will display can greatly improve the safety and productivity while working in woodlands.

They also provide more options for landowners and entrepreneurs with small acreage properties to achieve their management objectives.

**Questions call Stacy White 549-1430**



**INFO: UKForestry.org**

# MAPLE SYRUP WORKSHOP



**Monday, November 25th @ 5PM**

**Learn how, why & when trees  
produce sap. Plus how to tap  
and cook it up!**

**Whitley County Extension Office  
4275 N. HWY 25W  
Williamsburg, KY 40701**

**Questions give us a call  
549-1430**

*Please plan to attend, participants will receive a  
free beginners Maple Syrup Tapping Kit*

Cooperative  
Extension Service

Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development

MARTIN-GATTON COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT

Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of economic or social status  
and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political beliefs, sex,  
sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status,  
physical or mental disability or receipt of public or private benefits. Reasonable accommodations for individuals with  
disabilities are available. For more information, contact the local Extension office or the National Center for  
University of Kentucky, 1000 State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Kentucky Cooperative Extension  
Lexington, KY 40546



# **Winter Tips and Reminders**

***Tips for the Winter Season - The winter is a time of adaptation for farmers in Kentucky. We have to change the way we manage our livestock in order to sustain the animals as well as preserve our pastures for the coming spring. As forage becomes less available throughout the months of December, January, and February, supplemental feed is the main alternative for most farmers. Some pastures become unavailable for grazing and careful thought should be put into how to efficiently maintain livestock. Here are just a few things to keep in mind as you prepare for the winter.***

- ***Check hay quality before feeding***
- ***Move cattle often to avoid compaction and destruction of pasture area***
- ***Move cattle according to weather conditions to avoid heavy traffic on pastures***
- ***If possible, feed cattle on an all-weather surface or feeding pads***
- ***Consider feeding hay in feeders that don't allow much waste***
- ***Plan for any changes to your grazing system that will be made in the spring***
- ***If you are planning on frost seeding clover, the best time to seed is February-early March***
- ***Apply fertilizer according to soil tests***
- ***Apply nitrogen in February to promote early grass growth if needed***

***Reminders for Winter Watering - Keeping watering systems from freezing during the winter months has been a challenge for as long as domesticated cattle have been raised in cold climates. Mature beef cattle can consume as much as 30+ gallons of water in a day. The amount will fluctuate depending on the weather, how much the cow is eating, distance to water, or if the cow is lactating. Hydration keeps the digestive tract functioning.***

***Below are ways to keep water available during the winter.***

- ***Check waterers daily for any freezing that may occur.***
- ***Be aware of location (if system is not in a building). Watering systems that aren't exposed to any sunlight will stay frozen much longer than those in a sunny area. Also pay attention to elevation as a lower elevation will stay at a lower temperature in the early part of the day.***
- ***Check your watering system for contamination on a regular basis. Food particles often contaminate water as well as fecal material/urine.***
- ***Utilize insulation: Indoor watering sheds, insulated buckets/troughs, and insulated water tanks. Take advantage of buildings and terrain that are already available to you.***
- ***Avoid ball waterers if you have recently weaned calves in your herd. A calf is unable to push down the ball if it freezes and will not be able to access the water.***
- ***Keep water pipes from freezing. Make sure any exposed pipe that is capable of freezing is insulated.***
- ***Burying water lines is the most common way farmers utilize insulation, although some use hay or fabric and surround the pipe with these materials.***
- ***Geothermal heating of troughs can be an alternative to conventional insulation, though this can take time to set up.***
- ***If any heating elements are being used, check to see if they are keeping water at the desired temperature. While doing this, make sure there is no electrical current in the water from a malfunctioning heating unit.***

# **Winter preparation gives gardeners a jump on spring**

***As winter draws to a close, it is time for vegetable and flower gardeners to start preparing for the spring planting season, said Rick Durham, associate extension professor for consumer horticulture at the University of Kentucky.***

***The vegetable growing season is fast approaching for some areas of the state. Gardeners can plant peas as early as late February in western Kentucky, and they can plant cabbage, broccoli, lettuce, spinach greens and onions as early as mid March, he said. Central Kentucky gardeners can start planting peas in early March and eastern-area gardeners can begin planting in mid March.***

***One of the things vegetable gardeners can do during the late winter is to have their soil tested. If the soil test indicates a nutrient is lacking, gardeners can add it to the soil. This is especially true if a pH change is needed. Nitrogen, which is the most commonly needed nutrient, is an exception to late winter nutrient application. It should be added just before or during planting, he said.***

***Late winter and early spring is also the time to incorporate organic matter into gardens, which enhances the soil's productivity, Durham said. Organic matter can be obtained from either commercially available sources that include composted manure and other composted products, such as leaf mold, or compost produced by gardeners since the last growing season. Gardeners should apply compost up to two to three inches deep in their garden and then work it into the soil until it reaches 10 to 12 inches in depth.***

***Gardeners should also remove debris from their beds to prevent potential pest problems in the spring.***

***“Debris can serve as an overwintering place for pests, both insects and diseases,” Durham said. “Insects and their eggs can be hidden in the debris, and the diseases can produce spores once they begin growing again, which can infest gardens.”***

***Those with flower gardens may already be seeing signs of spring as bulbs, such as tulips and daffodils, start to send up shoots. Many other garden perennials will begin showing signs of growth soon.***

***“As the plants begin to grow, if you mulched a lot in the fall, pull the mulch back around the crown of the perennial,” Durham said. “If you didn't mulch in the fall, you should mulch this spring.”***

***Unlike perennials, most annuals shouldn't be planted until after Derby Day, or the first of May, to prevent damage from a late spring freeze.***





**UK** Martin-Gatton  
College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment  
University of Kentucky.

**YOUR INVITED TO**

**C L A S S O F**

**2 0 2 4**

*Master Gardeners*

**GRADUATION**

**CEREMONY**

---

November 15

5 PM

---

Whitley County Cooperative Extension

---

4275 N. Hwy 25W

Williamsburg KY 40769

**WHITLEYCOUNTYEXTENSION**

**Cooperative Extension Service**  
Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development

Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status, or physical or mental disability.  
LEXINGTON, KY 40546



Disabilities  
accommodated  
with prior notification.

# KSBA FALL CONFERENCE

**November 9, 2024**  
**8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

Free for KSBA and CKHP Members

### Location

Laurel County Extension Office  
 200 County Extension Rd.  
 London KY 40741



### Keynote Speaker

**Dr. Jay Evans**

- Natural Products for Bee Disease
- What's Hot in Bee Research

### Dr. Leonard Davis

- Double Screen Boards: 5 Uses That Increase Colony Success



### Neil Hunt

- Chasing Feral Bees



Registration is appreciated but not required. **Not a KSBA or CKHP member?** No problem. Show up the day of, as all are welcome. You can join and pay membership at the door.

### More Information:

Scan the QR code or



### Visit Vendor Booths:

- Dadant
- Honey and Bee Connection
- Kentucky Queen Bee Breeders Association, Inc.
- Hives for Heroes

### Join the Honey Tasting Contest:

Bring a small jar of honey of any size or shape and EVERYONE will get to be a judge and taste all the honeys and vote on the favorite.

### Join the Honey Swap:

Bring a jar to swap

### Lunch:

Lunch is on your own from 12:00 to 1:30. Time to visit vendors and network.

### Hotel

Quality Inn  
 400 GOP Street  
 London, KY 40701  
 Phone: 6068774466

KSBA Fall Conference Rate \$75 per night, total with tax \$82.64



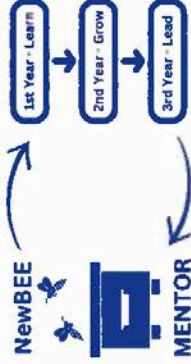
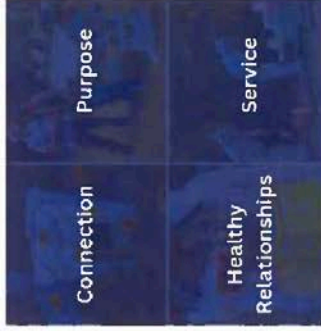
*Supporting our nation's Heroes!*



One Mentor  
 One NewBEE  
 One Hive

@HivesForHeroes

### Core Values



Mentor and NewBEE relationships are developed, building upon their ability to serve others, instilling a purpose greater than self.

KY State Leaders Email: [Ky@hivesforheroes.org](mailto:Ky@hivesforheroes.org)



Hives for Heroes® is a national non-profit service organization focusing on sustainability, conservation, and providing a healthy transition from service. Through our national network of beekeepers, we provide connection, purpose, and healthy relationships, through access, resources, and funding for Active Duty, Veterans, and First Responders.

[www.HivesForHeroes.org](http://www.HivesForHeroes.org)

**UK** Martin-Gatton  
College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment  
University of Kentucky

# VETERANS DAY ANNUAL DAY Dinner

MONDAY

11 NOV 2024

1730-1930

(5:30-7:30PM)

Call 606-549-1430 to register

Please communicate  
the total number of guest  
coming in your party

Registration opens October 10th

Join us as we celebrate our Veterans with a  
Free Chilli Dinner, Desert and Drinks  
Veterans and their families are invited to attend

WITH RESPECT HONOR AND GRATITUDE

THANK YOU VETERANS



Cooperative Extension Service  
Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development

Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status, or physical or mental disability.



Disabilities  
accommodated  
with prior notification.

LEXINGTON, KY 40546

# Thank you for a fantastic season!

This market season has been absolutely wonderful, brimming with delightful gatherings with friends, family, and delectable food. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who joined us, including our generous sponsors and dedicated vendors. Anticipating an even better time next year!

Corbin Tourism  
Freeman & Childers  
Attorneys at Law  
Owen's Auto & Truck  
Service  
State Farm Agent  
Mallory Davis  
State Farm Agent  
Michael Davis  
State Farm Agent  
Mike Sparks  
Southeast Eye Care  
Jamie Norvell  
Hometown Bank  
Grace Health  
Elks Lodge  
Cheryl Ellis  
Whitley County  
Extension Office  
Ben Prewitt  
Andrew Modica  
Mawnie Belcher  
Reagan Weedman  
Linda Burgard  
Kellene Turner Art

Tracey Scott Designs  
I Bead 4 U  
Prewitt Family Farms  
Cecilia & Doug Marshall  
Smith Farm  
Subzero Snack Shack  
Pork Chops Pit BBQ  
Kentucky Cottage Bakery  
Pete Lambdin  
Eversole Family Farm &  
Produce  
Bent Pine Farm  
Knots & Nails Woodwork by  
Logan  
Sherry Middleton  
A Cottage Below  
Bee Creek Woodworks  
Fae's Fantastic Feasts  
Goodthymes Organic Farms  
Chickens are Dinosaurs

Clover Hollow Farm  
Modica Family Farm  
Rustic Ridge Homestead  
idlewhims  
Dailee Rose Farm  
Whitley County FFA  
Barbara Willingham  
Soap Made Simply  
Jesus Loaves You  
Coddiwapple Farm  
Falls Branch Farm  
Be.Leachercraft  
Tony Baker  
The Blingsisters  
Kim Walden  
Meagan's Pottery  
Creative Blues  
Moonbow Crystals  
Tom the Knife Sharpener  
Fralely Farm  
Jennifer Smith  
Doodle Dreamland  
ANB Acres  
Finn & Remi's Place



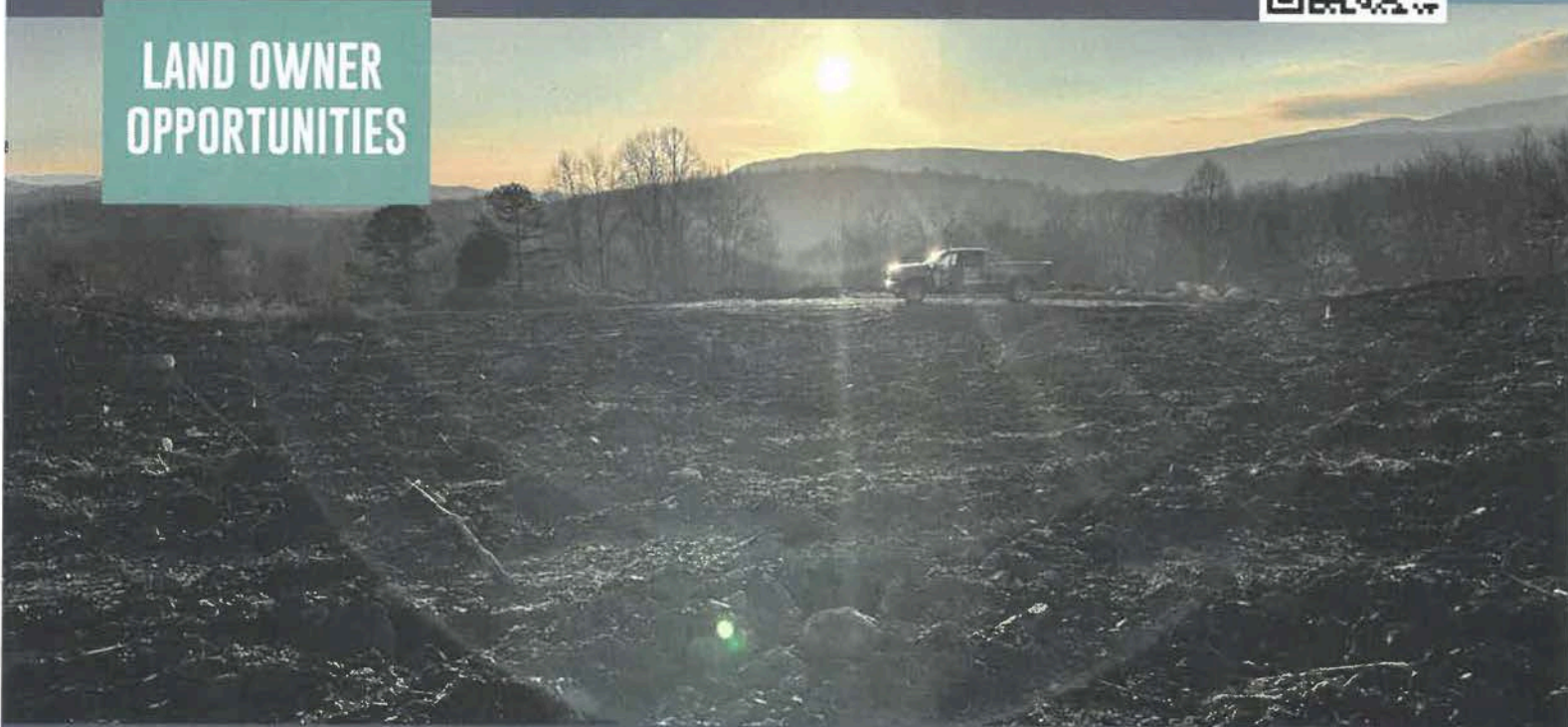


**CUMBERLAND  
RIVER COMPACT**

# MINE LAND REFORESTATION



**LAND OWNER  
OPPORTUNITIES**



**SEEKING PREVIOUSLY MINED LAND TO REFOREST - NO COST TO LANDOWNERS!**

## LAND QUALIFICATIONS

- 40+ contiguous acres
- Located in the Cumberland River basin
- Bond released
- Privately owned
- Poorly restored, currently dominated by non-native species, and lacking ecological diversity
- Preferred that land owner holds mineral rights

## CONTACT

**CAROLINE HUTCHINS**

Cumberland River Compact  
Working Lands Division Manager

caroline.hutchins@  
cumberlandrivercompact.org

**VISIT CUMBERLANDRIVERCOMPACT.ORG FOR MORE INFO**

# Kentucky State University Beginning Beekeeper Grant

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Individuals who are interested in applying for the KSU Beginner Beekeeping Grant must meet the following criteria:

- Eligibility requirements of the KSU Small-Scale Farm Grant program
- Current member of a local Beekeeper Association and/or KSBA
- Will submit regular progress reports
- Completes 6 beekeeping-focused educational courses and submits documentation (can be free with a membership to the Kentucky State Beekeepers Association)
- Is committed to improving the genetics of Kentucky bees by purchasing nucs/hives from local beekeepers and/or swarm trapping and by purchasing queens from the KQBBA (varroa mite resistant genetics)

## WHAT IS INCLUDED IN A BEGINNER BEEKEEPING GRANT?

- The beginner beekeeping supply materials for complete hives
- Basic tools required to maintain the beehives
- Basic personal protective equipment (PPE) for beekeeping
- EFB/AFB Test Kits

## CONTACT:

Tammy Potter: [tamara.potter@kysu.edu](mailto:tamara.potter@kysu.edu) | 502-545-6707



KENTUCKY STATE  
UNIVERSITY

Land Grant Program

This institution  
is an equal opportunity provider.

# ***Whitley County Beekeepers Association***

**Who We Are:** Beekeepers sharing successes, learning, knowledge, wisdom, ideas, tips, excitement, honey, recipes, and encouragement.

**What We Do:** Enthusiastically help new beekeepers get started, expand the knowledge of experienced beekeepers, share our passion for beekeeping, collect swarms, process and sell honey through local contacts and farmers markets

**When We Meet:** 2nd Monday of every month at 6 p.m.

**Where We Meet:** Whitley County Extension Office, 4275 N. Hwy 25 W, Williamsburg, KY 40769

**Facebook Page:** Whitley County Beekeepers Association

**E-mail Address:** [whitleycountykybeekeepers@gmail.com](mailto:whitleycountykybeekeepers@gmail.com)



**For more information contact:  
Whitley County Extension  
606-549-1430**

**Follow the Whitley County Beekeepers Association on Facebook**



**Mon. Oct 14–Business Meeting and 2025 Planning  
Mon. Dec 9–Holiday Party and Beekeeper of the Year**

**Subject to Change. See Whitley County Beekeepers Association Facebook for updates**



# SEKSPA Oct / Nov 2024



- October 1 - graded sale Paris, KY
- October 2 - SEKSPA presentation to Jackson Co FFA, McKee, KY
- October 2-4 - Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year)
- October 4 - graded sale Owenton, KY
- October 7 - Wayne County Chapter of SEKSPA meeting, Monticello, KY
- October 10 - graded sale Bowling Green, KY
- October 14 - graded sale Richmond, KY
- October 15 - graded sale Paris, KY
- October 17 - KSU Third Thursday Goat Field Day
- October 19 - Kentucky Annual Producers Conference - Flemingsburg, KY
- October 19 - graded sale Springfield, KY
- October 24 - graded sale Bowling Green, KY
- October 28 - graded sale Richmond, KY
- Oct 31-Nov 13 - North American International Livestock Expo, Louisville, KY
- November 1 - graded sale Owenton, KY
- November 4 - Wayne County Chapter of SEKSPA meeting, Monticello, KY
- November 5 - graded sale Paris, KY
- November 11 - graded sale Richmond, KY
- November 14 - graded sale Bowling Green, KY
- November 16 - graded sale Springfield, KY
- November 19 - graded sale Paris, KY
- November 21 - Sheep/Goat Educational Meeting & Lamb Dinner, Frenchburg, KY
- November 25 - graded sale Richmond, KY
- November 28 - Thanksgiving Day

### Wayne County Sheep and Goat Association Chapter of SEKSPA

- President - Tracy McCarty
- Vice-President - Allison Harter
- Secretary - Theresa Slagle

### Wool and Fiber Arts Chapter of SEKSPA

- President pro tem - Brenda Richardson
- Vice-President pro tem - Oliver Gibbon
- Secretary pro tem - Emily Merritt

### Perry County Sheep and Goat Chapter of SEKSPA

- President - Lester Brashear
- Vice-President - Daniel Sumner
- Secretary - Bill Combs

### SEKSPA Board Members & Officers

- President - Patrick Arigel
- Vice-President - Lester Brashear
- Secretary - Jessica Madison
- Treasurer - Emily Merritt
- Director - Daniel Bell
- Director - Janella Miller
- Director - Chris Pierce
- Director - Brenda Richardson
- Director - Guy Taylor

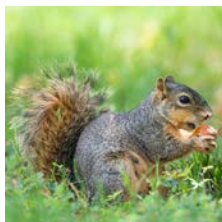
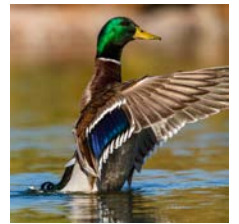
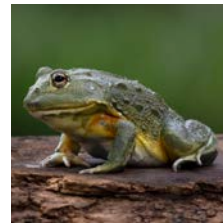
For more information about the above events call or text:  
606-312-5264  
or click here to send an email:  
[pangel9491@gmail.com](mailto:pangel9491@gmail.com)



# Cook Wild Kentucky



***Scan QR code for more recipes on Fish, Deer, Rabbit, Frog, Duck, Turkey, Squirrel, Beaver, Turtle and Dove***



# Available Equipment

Please Call to reserve Equipment 606-549-1430



**Manure Spreader**



**Tiller**



**Raised Bed Tiller**



**Chicken Plucker**



**Scalder**



**Small Mulch Layer**



**Mini Layer w/ Mulch Lift & Trailer (KSU)**



**Large Mulch Layer w/ Trailer**



**Seeder**



**Potato Planter**



**Potato Hiller & Sprayer**



**Potato Harvester**



**Vegetable Planter**



**Lime Spreader**



**Mulch Lift**

\*Lessee pays a refundable deposit of \$100, which will be refunded when equipment is returned clean



For weekly updates tune into **104.3 FM** every Tuesday around 7:15 am for the weekly AG report by **Agriculture Agent Stacy White** and **Horticulture Agent Ben Prewitt**



**Whitley County  
Cooperative  
Extension -  
*Agriculture & Natural Resources***



**Whitley County  
Cooperative  
Extension -  
*Horticulture***



The Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment is an Equal Opportunity Organization with respect to education and employment and authorization to provide research, education information and other services only to individuals and institutions that function without regard to economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, age, veteran status, physical or mental disability or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Reasonable accommodation of disability may be available with prior notice. Program information may be made available in languages other than English.

Inquiries regarding compliance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and other related matter should be directed to

Equal Opportunity Office, Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, University of Kentucky, Room S-105, Agriculture Science Building, North Lexington, Kentucky 40546,

the UK Office of Institutional Equity and Equal Opportunity, 13 Main Building, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0032 or

US Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410.



**Whitley County Cooperative Extension**  
**PO Box 328**  
**4275 N Hwy 25 W**  
**Williamsburg, KY 40769**

NON-PROFIT  
 ORG  
 US POSTAGE  
 PAID  
 WILLIAMSBURG, KY  
 PERMIT NO. 4



**Stacy J. White**  
 ANR Agent

[sjwhite@uky.edu](mailto:sjwhite@uky.edu)  
 Cell: 606-521-1705



**Andrew Modica**  
 ANR /Hort  
 Program  
 Assistant

[andrew.modica@uky.edu](mailto:andrew.modica@uky.edu)

Cell: 317-739-9497  
 Office: 606-549-1430



**Ben Prewitt**  
 Horticulture Agent

[ben.prewitt@uky.edu](mailto:ben.prewitt@uky.edu)  
 Cell: 606-521-0511