# Washington County Homemaker Newsletter





**MAY 2025** 

The Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association is a volunteer organization that works to improve the quality of life for families and communities through leadership development, volunteer service, and education.

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# Note from the President

Hello Homemakers,

The month of May is always a busy one. Some families have graduations. Some families have weddings.

The first day of May, "May Day" celebrates friendships. You may give or be offered flowers on this day!

The first Saturday of May is the Kentucky Derby. Even if you don't attend the Derby, itself, you may host or be invited to a Derby party.

Mother's Day will be Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. When we honor our Mothers and all those who have mothered us.

You can see that will all these days in May, flowers might be involved. We usually say that after Derby Day, it's safe to plant or put out flowers and our vegetable garden. The risk of frost is passed.

Hope you enjoy the month of May! Sue Clements



The KEHA State Meeting theme is "Discover KEHA – A Hidden Treasure." The Lincoln Trail Area was tasked to provide centerpieces for one of the events and they decided to create treasure chests. Thank you to everyone who donated jewelry to contribute to the centerpieces! Special thanks to those who helped on the Lincoln Trail Area Work Day on April 29 to assemble the centerpieces and to everyone who helped to make the yo-yo keychain favors for the KEHA State Meeting. Your time and efforts are very much appreciated!



Thoughts of the Month come from lyrics to songs about transportation or travel from the 1960s to the 2000s to fit the theme of Blazing the Way with KEHA

# Thought of the Month:

"There's no load I can't hold. A road so rough, this I know I'll be there when the light comes in. Just tell 'em we're survivors."

-Life is a Highway Rascal Flatts, 2006 or Tom Cochrane, 1991



Listen for someone from the Washington County Extension Office on Tuesday mornings around 8:30am & radio tips during commercials!

# Book of the Month

from the 2024-2025 Homemaker Book List The History of the Kentucky Derby in 75 Objects by Kentucky Derby Museum, Jessica K. Whitehead, et al. (2024)

One hundred and fifty years have passed since the Thoroughbreds of the inaugural Kentucky Derby sprang from the starting gate to race beneath the iconic Twin Spires of Churchill Downs. But the story of the greatest two minutes in sports is more than the pageantry of the horses and thrill of the people who love and celebrate the event.



# Cooking through the Calendar

Laura Milburn, SNAP-Ed Program Assistant, will hold monthly recipe demonstrations and tastings during 2024. Everyone is welcome to come! Past recipe demonstrations will remain available to watch at facebook.com/WashingtonCountyNutritionEducation.

May 22 - 4pm - Banana Pancakes Washington County Public Library

Do you need new meal ideas?

# Join the Free Recipe Club

Sign up to receive 5 free seasonal Kentucky Proud recipe cards each month. Call the Extension Office at (859) 336-7741.

# Community Baby Shower

OPEN TO ANY PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO ARE EXPECTING OR WITH BABIES UP TO ONE YEAR OLD I MEETS HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

# MAY 8 • 4-6:30 PM



5:30pm - Car Seat Safety 6pm - Final Door Prizes

Throughout the event, vendors will be available & prizes will be drawn!





Register with the QR code or by calling the Extension Office at 859-336-7741













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# Dates to Remember

#### **Wits Workout**

May 2 & 16 WC Public Library - 10am

#### **KEHA State Meeting**

May 6-8 - Hyatt Regency in Lexington

#### **Adult Sewing Group**

May 7 - WC Extension Office - 6pm

#### **Community Baby Shower**

May 8 - TEL Center - 4-6:30pm

#### **Washington County Homemaker Meeting**

May 15 - WC Extension Office - noon

#### **Monthly Food Distribution**

May 15 - Idle Hour Park - 8:30am

#### **Quilting Club**

May 17 - WC Extension Office

#### **Senior Celebration**

May 22 - Pritchard Community Center in Hardin County - 9am-2pm

#### **Cooking through the Calendar**

March 27 - WC Public Library - 4pm

#### **Wits Workout**

June 6 & 20 WC Public Library - 10am

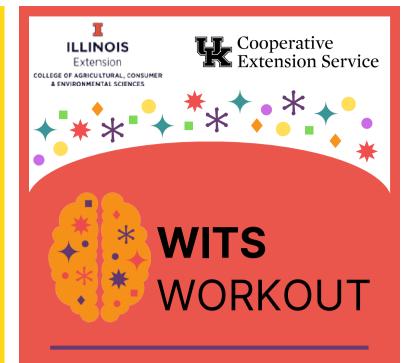
#### **Homemaker Potluck Picnic**

June 5 - WC Extension Office - noon



# **Annual Reporting**

Please bring your Homemaker Yearbook on May 15 so that we can compile our annual reports. This helps us to show the impact of your work in the community!



Join us for free sessions to learn about brain health & exercise your wits with fun games!

There is no physical activity.
This is a workout for your mind!

# All sessions will be held at the Washington County Public Library

1st & 3rd Fridays at 10am

May 2 & 16 June 6 & 20

Taught by Cabrina Buckman,
WC Extension FCS Agent
Questions? Call Cabrina at 859-336-7741
Registration is not required for this program.



# **KEHA News & Notes**

#### **State Meeting**

KEHA State Meeting is May 6-8, 2025, at Hyatt Regency in Lexington. The theme is "Discover KEHA – A Hidden Treasure." Northeast is the host area. The 2025 State Meeting has reached capacity. No more registrations are being accepted. If you have sent money for registration, sessions, or shirts, and it did not reach the treasurer before capacity was reached, that money will be returned.

#### **Other Meeting Notes**

- Each county is encouraged to bring an item for the silent auction. Proceeds will benefit the 4-H Foundation. Please bring only new items.
- Each area is asked to provide a themed gift basket for the State Meeting raffle. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the proposed 2026 Leadership Academy. As always, thank you for your generosity!
- Members are invited to make a 12-inch finished quilt square for entry. Details are available in the state newsletter. Proceeds will help offset the costs associated with the KEHA State Meeting.
- Cultural arts check in will be from 8:30-11am
   Tuesday in five groups of areas. Check out will be 4-5pm Wednesday in two groups.
- Raising Hope will provide free health screenings on Tuesday from 9am-3:30pm and Wednesday from 8am-4pm.

#### Things to Bring to the State Meeting

- Bring your device (tablet or laptop) if you want help with social media or other assistance. A Tech Help Lounge will be open Tuesday and Wednesday during set hours to offer help.
- · Bring auction items or quilt squares to donate.
- Bring cash or checks for quilt squares, raffle, and auction items you might purchase!
- Support our vendors! New this year, Snippy Jim will be sharpening scissors and garden tools, so (safely) bring your items for a sharpening fee.
- Wear the colors of jewels to the opening luncheon to show your enthusiasm for meeting theme and keynote speaker.
- Bring a sweater, as venue temperatures vary.

#### **2025 KEHA State Elections**

Qualified credentials were received and nominations are now closed for the following positions: Secretary and 4-H Youth Development Chair. A candidate is still being sought for Management & Safety Chair. Details and links to the credential form and position descriptions are at https://keha.ca.ukv.edu/2025-state-boardelections. Credentials must be submitted to the nominating committee prior to the opening session of KEHA State Meeting on May 6. Email credentials to Secretary Wanda Atha at wanda.atha@ky.gov before May 6, or present them in person prior to 9:30 a.m. ET on May 6. Any candidates for these positions whose credentials are deemed to be in order will need to be nominated from the floor by a voting delegate during the business meeting.

#### **Quilts for Courageous Kids**

The Center for Courageous Kids in Scottsville, Ky., needs new twin bed quilts. Needed size is 66 inches by 83 inches and can be homemade or store bought. Drop off at the Center in Scottsville or bring to KEHA State Meeting's collection point.

# National Volunteer Outreach Network (NVON) Conference

The 26<sup>th</sup> annual NVON Conference will be July 8-10, 2025, in Springfield, IL. Any KEHA member is eligible to register and attend. Meeting details are available at https://www.nvon.org/nvon-conference. Meeting registration deadline is June 1 and hotel registration deadline is June 7.

#### **Dates to Remember**

- May 6-8 KEHA State Meeting in Lexington, Ky.
- May 15 990N Deadline for 501(c)(3) organizations with fiscal year ending Dec. 31
- June 1 Registration deadline for NVON Conference
- June 7 Registration deadline for NVON hotel
- July 8-10 NVON Conference in Springfield, IL

# 2020 Census Quilt

KEHA has produced a booklet about the 2020 Census Quilt that provides details on each quilt square. Using information and images from the booklet, we will feature a couple of quilt squares each month to learn more about our Kentucky counties.

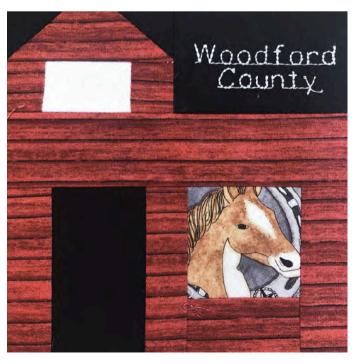


# Wolfe County

**Creator:** Heather Graham **Pattern:** Pieced Block

Description: The Wolfe County block was made during a

block of the month class using bright colors.



# **Woodford County**

**Creator:** Shirley Denney

Pattern: Barn

**Description:** The horse barn was chosen to represent the importance of the equine industry in Woodford County and the beauty of the horse farms located across the county.

Mother's Day Word Search

GENEROUS
FLOWERS
CARD
CARING
STRONG
CHOCOLATE
THOUGHTFUL
HELPFUL
FAMILY
JEWELRY



SEGNIRACWGTTS
RKTYLIMAFHYUV
ESRACMLROJORP
WDTALUQUNRWYK
OPRRFOGPERRMD
LDBPOHCNYLVMT
FVLTTNEOEMMNN
GEJFMGGWHDBDW
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# **Carrot Cake Smoothie**

- 1 medium frozen ripe banana
- 2 medium carrots, chopped
- 1/2 cup cannedin-juice pineapple tidbits, drained
- 1/4 cup low-fat vanilla yogurt
- 1/2 cup nonfat milk
- **4-5** ice cubes
- Dash cinnamon (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract (optional)

**Wash** hands with soap and warm water, **scrubbing** for at least 20 seconds. **Rinse** carrots under cool running water and scrub with a clean vegetable brush to remove any dirt before chopping. **Add** banana, carrot, pineapple, yogurt, milk, ice, and cinnamon and vanilla (if using) to a blender, and **blend** until smooth. If needed, **add** more milk to encourage blending. **Refrigerate** leftovers.

**Yield:** 2, 1.5 cup servings. **Nutrition Analysis:** 160 calories, 1g total fat, 0g saturated fat, 5mg cholesterol, 90mg sodium, 36g total carbohydrate, 4g fiber, 26g total sugars, 2g added sugars, 5g protein, 6% DV vitamin D, 10% DV calcium, 6% DV iron, 15% DV potassium.



# Stretch it Out

Here's a simple calf stretch:

- 1. Stand at arms length and lean against a wall or fence.
- 2. Put one leg straight back and the other bent underneath you.
- 3. Keep back straight and lean hips forward.
- 4. Keep rear leg straight with heel on ground.
- 5. Repeat for other leg.

Ease into each stretch until you feel the tension in the muscle you want to stretch and hold until it feels looser.

Source: "Family Time!," Families on the Move- fcshes.ca.uky.edu/files/familiesonthemove\_1\_2023\_0.pdf