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Agriculture and Natural Resources Newsletter

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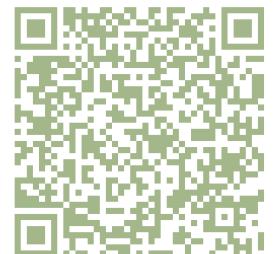
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Notes from the Agent

June is officially here! That means our annual Dairy Month celebration is right around the corner. Please take a minute to look at this flyer as we have done some rebranding for this event and have added a **Pop In** to say “Hello” to our new staff assistants and an early “Happy Retirement” to Darice and Cheryl!

I will be out of the office for our state ANR agent meeting June 4th-7th but will still be available via email!

Planning to sell hay this year? We are hoping to create a local hay resource guide to connect sellers with buyers! Complete the form by scanning the QR code to be added to the list. Not comfortable with QR codes? Call the office and we will complete the form for you.



IMPORTANT DATES

June

5th-7th: Beef Processing Workshop, Lexington

10th: Pregnancy Diagnosis, Jackson

12th: Electric Fence Troubleshooting School, Morgantown

19th: Juneteenth, Office Closed

20th: KSU Third Thursday Thing, Frankfort

21st: Agventure Day

27th: Producing Hay for Horse Markets, Carlisle

June is National Dairy Month

June Herbicide Weed Control

- Pigweed
- Wild Carrot (Queen Anne's Lace)
- Cocklebur
- Dogbane
- Goldernrod
- Ironweed
- Jimsonweed
- Marshelder (Sumpweed)
- Pokeweed
- Ragweed
- Sneezeweed
- Tickclover

KSU THIRD THURSDAY THING

 COST-SHARE APPROVED

Join us for Third Thursday Thing: Agriculture Technology and Juneteenth Celebration!

The monthly sustainable agriculture workshop will be on Thursday, June 20, at the Harold R. Benson Research and Demonstration Farm, at 10 a.m. If you are unable to join us in person, the program will be viewable at a later date at [YouTube.com/kysuag](https://www.youtube.com/kysuag).

The Harold R. Benson Research and Demonstration Farm is located at 1525 Mills Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601.



Timely Tips

Grazing

- Clip pastures for weeds and seedheads as needed.
- Use portable fencing to increase paddock numbers to allow for longer recovery periods.
- When present, crabgrass and johnsongrass can provide high-quality summer grazing.
- Begin grazing native and annual warm-season grasses. Start at 18-20" and stop at 8-10".



Small Ruminants

- June is a good time to evaluate the dewormer you are using for any resistance among your animals. You can do this by having a fecal egg count done before and after worming.
- High-risk months for parasites are July and August so be prepared!

Cattle

- Prevent/control Pinkeye
- Maintain a clean water supply and check it routinely.
- Maintain salt-mineral feeders. Provide a free-choice mineral mix at all times.
- Monitor ponds, streams, and riparian areas throughout the grazing season to assess cattle impact.
- Ensure access to shade for very hot and humid days.



WASHINGTON COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

AGVENTURES DAY

June 21st, 2024
12 pm to 3 pm

Activities Include:

- FREE Ice Cream
- Popcorn
- Bluegrass Bessie
- Mobile Science Center at 12:00 and 2:00
- Outdoor Games
- Inflatables
- Health Screenings
- Live Animals

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For more information:

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Call: 859-336-7741





FREE

Ben's Jammin Ice Cream

ONCE YOU ARRIVE SIGN IN AT THE CHECK-IN TABLE TO RECEIVE A TICKET FOR A FREE ICE CREAM CONE

POP IN TO SAY HELLO AND GOODBYE

Join us in welcoming Kara Lewis and Melissa Riley to our team. Also, a great way to say HAPPY RETIREMENT to Cheryl Mattingly and Darice Russell!

Adventures SCHEDULE

12:00

Mobile Science Activity Center
Rubber Ball Making
Limited Space - Please RSVP

 **YAIP APPROVED**

2:00

Mobile Science Activity Center
Rubber Ball Making
Limited Space - Please RSVP

12:00 TO 3:00

Bluegrass Bessie
Live Animals
Outdoor Games
Inflatables
Mobile Science Activity Center - Dairy Walk-Through
Health Screenings Provided by Ephraim McDowell
Ben's Jammin Ice Cream
Pop In



FREE Health Screening

Sponsored by Ephraim McDowell Health

Washington County Extension Office

Open to the public for anyone 18 Years of age or older.

Friday, June 21, 2024
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- **Blood pressure**
- **Take home colorectal screening kits**
- **Cholesterol**
- **Body Mass Index**
- **Mental Health Testing**

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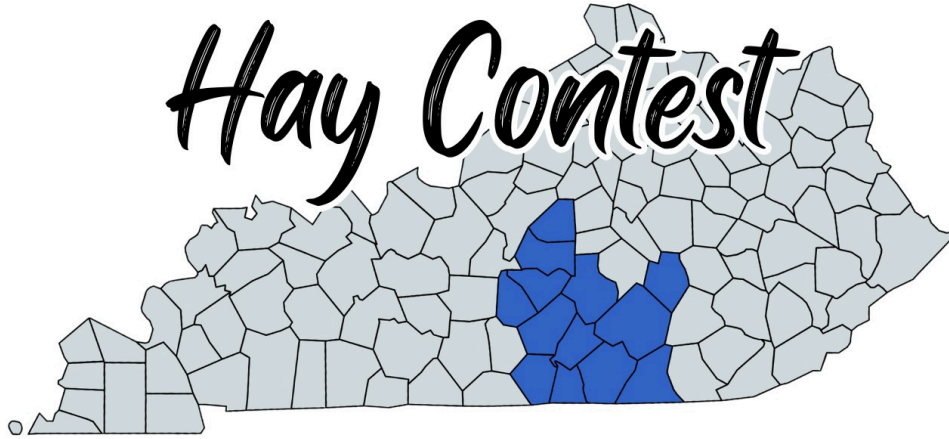
To sign up, please contact:
(859) 336-7741

Walk-ins are welcome!



SOUTH-CENTRAL KY

Hay Contest



Deadline for submissions is September 30th, 2024

The South-Central KY Area Hay Contest is offered to all individuals raising hay in Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, Marion, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Taylor, Washington, and Wayne counties.

This program aims to provide producers with free hay analysis results to aid in raising higher-quality forages and meeting livestock needs. Producers may submit samples in each contest area to their county agriculture agent. This is a free service, regardless of the number of samples submitted.

Basic analysis results will be sent to producers by November 1st, 2024. Results will include crude protein, DM, TDN, RFV, ADF, and NDF. Producers may be provided with livestock ration recommendations in addition to their results upon request. After completion of the program, an areawide event will be held to provide an educational overview of the program and present awards to contest winners. There will be one winner selected for the entire area for each hay class. Please check out the Washington County Extension Office website (scan QR code above) or call the office for more information.

BANANA "ICE CREAM"

Ingredients

- 2 bananas, sliced and frozen
- 2 tablespoons milk
- Toppings (optional)

Directions:

1. Peel and slice bananas, place in a freezer bag and freeze overnight.
2. Blend banana pieces and milk in a blender until smooth and creamy. (Turn blender off and shake or stir periodically if pieces aren't blending). It might take a few minutes for it to become the consistency of soft-serve ice cream.
3. Enjoy!



Notes: You can mix in a handful of sliced strawberries, a tablespoon of peanut butter, or a teaspoon of coconut flakes for a different flavor.



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Taylor Graves

Wheelbarrow Series
Thursdays @ 10:00 am

6th: How To: Living Wreaths

13th: Glorious Gladiolus

20th: How To: Draped Containers

27th: Ticks and Tick-Borne Diseases

**Register by calling the
Extension Office at
859-336-7741**

Bee Club

3rd: Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 PM

