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Notes from the Agent

I hope your October was great and that you were able to enjoy Halloween! This month I was able to attend some exciting trainings that sparked some ideas for future programs. As always, if you have any ideas/thoughts about programs please feel free to contact me!

As we transition into November and cooler weather you should ensure you have everything prepared for winter. Now is a great time to prepare your pastures, machinery, and shelters. I have attached an article with some helpful tips on calculating hay needs for the winter. If you have any questions please reach out!



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IMPORTANT DATES

November

5th: Election Day, Office is CLOSED

6th: County Extension Council Meeting

7th: WCCA Annual Meeting

7th-21st: North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville

12th: Shooting the Bull Webinar

13th: Growing Your Farm and Food Business with KCARD

28th-29th: Office CLOSED for Thanksgiving

December

6th-12th: Holiday Assistance

10th: Hay Contest Results, Liberty

25th-31st: Office is CLOSED for the Holidays

January

1st: Office is CLOSED for New Year's Day

16th-17th: KCA Convention, Owensboro

20th: Office CLOSED for MLK Day

21st-23rd: Estate Planning Series

Beef Management Webinar Series

If you are interested and would like to be registered send an email to dbullock@uky.edu with Beef Webinar Series in the Subject and your name and county in the message to receive a Zoom link and password. You will receive an invitation and password the morning of the presentation.

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Shooting the Bull: Answering all your Beef Related Questions!

Updates and Roundtable discussion with UK Specialists

December

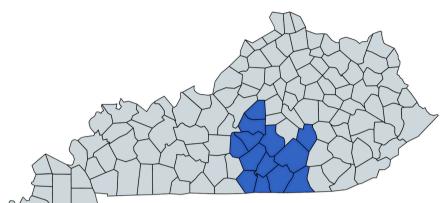
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Winter Feeding Strategies to Extend Short Hay Supplies
Dr. Lawton Stewart, Professor, University of Georgia





SOUTH-CENTRAL KY



Hay Contest Awards & Educational Program

December 10th at 6:00pm EST

Casey County Extension Office Educational Building
1517 S. Wallace Wilkinson Blvd

Liberty, KY 42539

A meal will be provided.

Call 606-787-7384 to register.

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Leaving Your Legacy

Free Estate Planning Class Series



Agricultural Estate Planning

January 21 - 6pm - Washington Co. Extension Office
Presented by: Steve Isaacs, UK Extension Professor, Farm Management and
HR Specialist

- · Transitioning the Family Farm
- Opportunity vs Obligation (Family Conversations)
- Assembling a Team



Transferring Cherished Possessions

January 22 - 6pm - Washington Co. Extension Office Presented by: Cabrina Buckman, Washington Co. FCS Agent

- Ideas on Distributing Your Assets (non-titled property)
- Working with Loved Ones to Divide Cherished Keepsakes
- · Tips for Communicating without Conflict



Estate Planning 101

January 23 - 6pm - Washington Co. Extension Office Presented by: Nichole Huff, UK Assistant Extension Professor of Family Finance and Resource Management

- · Estate Planning Basics for a General Audience
- 3 Key Steps to Estate Planning
- Tools to Help You Get Started

Register by calling the Washington Co. Extension Office at 859-336-7741

245 Corporate Dr., Springfield, KY 40069

Free Dinner Included with Registration







THINK AHEAD TO MEET WINTER HAY NEEDS

Testing is the first step to knowing how much will be necessary to meet the nutritional needs of the animals they feed, from horses to cattle to goats. Hay is tested primarily for crude protein, acid detergent fiber, neutral detergent fiber, total digestible nutrients, and relative feed value. Get your hay tested by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture to determine if you need to buy additional hay. For more information, refer to University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service publication "Interpreting Forage Quality Reports".

Farmers typically feed hay from mid-December until mid-March, approximately 110 days, though that will vary due to weather, pasture conditions, and the needs of different animals. To reduce waste, you should get hay, whether round or square bales, off the ground, either by using pallets, feeders, or hay carts. Doing this will help you reduce wasted hay by almost half. If that is not possible, feed in long rows so hay is immediately consumed, rather than leaving a round bale out for animals to pick at over time. They will consume the center of the round bale, which has remained dry and protected, first, and that judicious eating will greatly increase waste.

To determine hay needs:

- Calculate the number of days animals will need feed.
- Weigh a random sample of bales using scales at feed mills or truck stops so you know the average weight of your bales.
- With the results of a hay test, calculate how many pounds each animal will need daily.
- Determine the total amount of hay the herd will require over the winter.

Forward planning and good management practices will help ensure an adequate hay supply during the winter. Because hay is a commodity, with a price that relies on supply and demand, it is unlikely that prices decrease in the coming winter months. So, if you do not have enough, you should buy it now, before more buyers move into the market.

For more information, review the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service publication "Quality Hay Production".

HOT TURKEY SALAD

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 can (10 ounces) low-sodium cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup fat free mayonnaise
- 3 cups cooked and shredded wild turkey meat
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup fresh sliced mushrooms, or 1 (8 ounce) can no-salt-added mushrooms, drained
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 1 cup sliced almonds
- 12 toasted whole wheat buns



Directions:

To cook turkey breast, preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Add vegetable oil to roasting pan. Place turkey breast in roasting pan. Season meat lightly with garlic powder and black pepper. Cover with lid or aluminum foil. Cook at 325 degrees F until internal temperature is 165 degrees, about 1 ½ to 3 ½ hours for 4 to 8 pounds of meat. Let meat cool in pan for 15 minutes before shredding. Mix cream of chicken soup with mayonnaise. Add turkey, celery mushrooms, cheese and almonds. Stir until well mixed. Spray a 2 quart casserole dish with coking spray. Spread turkey mixture in dish. Bake 30 to 40 minutes at 350 degrees F. Serve on toasted buns.

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Wreath Making

December 12th

Stop by and make a wreath with LIVE greenery anytime between 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Cost: \$25 (Bow included)
Call the office to reserve your spot!





4th: Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 PM