Agriculture & Natural Resources Newsletter

The Old Farmhand: Part II

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A Note from Jessica

I hope everyone has been staying warm and well through the recent snow and cold that we have had. I am very thankful for the frozen ground but have seen enough snow to do me for the rest of the year.

This month's newsletter contains several upcoming events, classes and program series, so please pay close attention as you look through. As always feel free to reach out to any of us at the Harrison County Extension Office for any program ideas you may have or areas that need to be addressed.

We look forward to seeing you at some of the upcoming programs!



6TH ANNUAL HARRISON COUNTY FFA ALUMNI

FARM MACHINERY
COSIGNMENT AUCTION



ACCEPTING EQUIPMENT

Wednesday Jan. 22nd

Thursday Jan, 23rd

Friday Jan. 24th

9:00AM-5:00PM each day

No equipment accepted day of sale

January 25th, 2025

Harrison County Fairgrounds 2849 US Highway 27 South Cynthiana, KY 41031

BRING YOUR TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE



10% COMMISSION - NO BUYERS PREMIUM

Marshall Tingle Principal Auctioneer 859 - 553 - 1908

David Mullen 859 - 983 - 5574 Danny Vallandingham 859-340-0009

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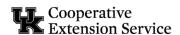
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BEGINNING FARMER SERIES

Harrison County Extension Service

- Recently purchased farmland and not sure what to do with it?
- New to farming?
- Diversifying your current farm?

This Free Series could be for you!



JANUARY 28TH 6:00 P.M.

Business Planning and Record Keeping with KCARD



FEBRUARY 25TH 6:00 P.M.

Local Funding Opportunities with Extension, FSA, and Soil Conservation



MARCH 25TH 6:00 P.M.

Farm Design and Layout with Dr. Steve Higgins





Harrison County Beef Cattle Memberships

It is that time of year where Harrison County Beef Cattle memberships are up for renewal! Joining the Harrison County Beef Cattle Association gives you access to an organization that supports and promotes the beef industry in and around Harrison County. It costs \$30 to join and that includes your state and local dues which gives you access to a discount card to several businesses around town as well as a \$10 gift certificate to Leono's. We greatly appreciate all of the participating businesses for their continued support each year. Stop by the Harrison County Extension Office today to join!

2025 Alfalfa and Stored Forages Conference

Fayette County Extension Office, February 25, 2025

NOTE: TIMES ARE EASTERN!

"Alfalfa Updates and Producing Grass Hay for Premium Markets"

Registration: General \$45; Students \$15 (Sponsorship: \$250 and \$500)

8:00 Registration, sponsors, and silent auction

8:45 Welcome and program highlights - Dr. Ray Smith, University of Kentucky

9:00 Everything I Ever Needed to Know about Armyworms – UK entomologist

9:45 Armyworm Control Methods: What to spray and when - Brett Reese, So. States, Paris

10:15 Break, visit with sponsors, and silent auction

10:45 What's New in Alfalfa Varieties - Dr. Don Miller, Mt. View Seeds, Commercial alfalfa breeder for over 45 years.

11:30 What do Horse Owners Want and Why - Dr. Bob Coleman, UK Horse Specialist

12:00 Lunch, Alfalfa Awards, KCA Hay Quality awards, and silent auction winners 12:45 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council update – Cody Rakes, KFGC President

1:00 What We Can Learn from the Results of the KY Hay Contests - Dr. Chris Teutsch, Univ. of KY

1:30 Emerging Markets for Unique Forage Species – Dr. Ray Smith, University of Kentucky

2:00 Producer Panel: How I Produce Quality Grass Hay – (Panelists – Brad Hines, Hart Co.- Timothy; Kevin Priddy, Grayson Co. – Orchardgrass; Allen Arthur, Harrison Co. - Teff hay; and Central KY producer – fescue and mixed grass hay) Each producer will take 10-12 minutes to explain the basics of how they produce quality grass hay including establishment, fertilizing, harvesting and marketing; And then open the floor to questions)

3:00 Take-Home Lessons from Today's Meeting - Dr. Ray Smith, Univ. of KY

3:15 Survey, pick up silent auction items

3:30 Adjourn

The 2025 Alfalfa and Stored Forages Conference will be held at the Fayette County Extension Office on February 25, 2025. If you would like to attend please register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-ky-alfalfa-and-stored-forage-conference-tickets-1105642810409?aff=oddtdtcreator. If you need help registering please feel free to contact the Harrison County Extension Office and we will be happy to help. I will also be driving the Extension Office Van to the conference so if you would like to ride please call the Harrison County Extension Office at 859-234-5510 to let me know you would like to ride.



2025 CENTRAL KENTUCKY GRAIN PRODUCER SEMINAR

Monday January 27th, 2025 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Location: Scott County Extension Office

1130 Cincinnati Rd. Georgetown, KY

Please RSVP: (502) 863-0984 **LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

Dr. Chad Lee

Grain Crops Specialist

Dr. Grant Gardner

Dr. Carl Bradley

Agriculture Economist Plant Disease Specialist

For more information and to RSVP contact the Scott County Extension Office at brittany.brewer@uky.edu 502-863-0984 or email

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9 a.m. to 3 p.m. CST, Feb. 6, 2025 - National Corvette Museum - Bowling Green, Ky. Kentucky Crop Health Conference

KCHC

Wade Webster

Topic: Fueling the Future: Driving Predictive Models for Tar Spot



Topic: Planting green and the influence of cover crop termination timing on







University of Nebraska-Li lustin McMechan

Topic: Unraveling eme

Topic: Stay one step ahead

University of Kentucky

Kiersten Wise









Topic: Research update University of Kentucky

Carl Bradley



Raul Villanueva

Topic: Management

Travis Legleiter

Topic: The fight aga



Tickets on sale Nov. 1, 2024 - breakfast and lunch included Conference sign-in begins at 8 a.m. CST

Scan QR Code or visit: https://kchc2025.eventbrite.com Tickets non-refundable after January 30, 2025

CCA and Kentucky Pesticide Applicator credits are pending



Alfalfa Grower Series

Come join us for the Alfalfa Grower Series at the **Harrison County Extension Office!** Every Thursday in March 2025 beginning at 6:00pm we will learn from University of Kentucky specialists about topics related to alfalfa production and how we can improve our overall production and yield.

Please, call the office to register if you'd like to attend!



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Every Thursday in March at 6:00 pm

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- March 6-Edwin Ritchey Fertility Requirements
- March 13-Travis Legleiter **Weed Control**
- March 20-Bob Coleman **Producing Horse Quality Hay**
- March 27-Ray Smith **Varieties & Considerations**

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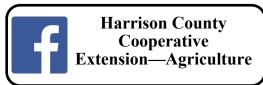








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