



Share the Road Symposium features safety

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ky. – Farmers, emergency personnel and FFA students learned highway lessons and laws at the “Share the Road: Saving Lives by Regarding Lights” farm safety symposium at Dixie Fire School recently.

Michael Pointer, executive director of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, said he witnessed an accident while on the way to speak at the symposium.

A driver crossed the median ahead of him, and Pointer pulled his vehicle onto the shoulder and turned on his emergency lights.

“Most cars didn’t even slow down or get over,” Pointer said.

Jared Newberry, public affairs officer of Kentucky State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, said this is a recurring problem.

Kentucky’s “move over law” went into effect in 2000.

“If a vehicle has a flashing light on top, whether it be an ambulance, fire truck, police car or wrecker, the law says you must either move over to another lane or slow down if another lane isn’t available.

“If it is blinking on the side of the road,” Newberry said, “move over or slow down.”

Pointer also shared Newberry’s opinion.

“For EMS, if you see an ambulance

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Farmers attending a technology conference watched a drone demonstration last week. Agriculture is expected to become a major user of unmanned aircraft in the near future.

Farmers see latest at ag tech conference

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky. – A flying drone in the parking lot of the Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service is a great example of the technological advances used in agriculture production today.

The drone, or unmanned aerial vehicle, was demonstrated during the Center of Kentucky Ag Technology Conference and Trade Show held March 6. Adair, Taylor and Green County agriculture and natural resource agents coordinated the tri-county event.

The trade show featured an array of products designed to increase efficiencies on the farm, including precision planting technology and remote monitoring sensor control systems for silos.

Erik Ryan, a tobacco and grain farmer in Greensburg, said he enjoyed everything about the conference and trade show.


“It’s nice to have this come to our community,” Ryan said. “Usually you have to go to Louisville to see stuff like this.”

Ryan said farmers in the area have benefitted since Extension in Green, Adair and Taylor counties began working together to bring informational meetings to the region.

At the ag technology conference, farmers were able to hear the latest technology information for beef, dairy and grain from University of Kentucky specialists.

The drone demonstration topped off the day, followed by comments from

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Photo by Toni Humphress

Jared Newberry, public affairs officer of Kentucky State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, uses an FFA student to show the dangers of distracted driving at the Share the Road: Saving Lives by Regarding Lights farm safety symposium at Dixie Fire School.

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(coming up behind you), pull to the right, be aware, know what's around you and most importantly, share the road," Pointer said. "The road is dangerous; we all know that."

Michael Oliver, managing partner with Seven Springs Farms in Cadiz, spoke of times people he knew have been involved in fatality accidents.

A friend of his who was driving a tractor died after being hit by a drunk driver.

At another time, Oliver said he got a call about a bad automobile accident near where some of Seven Springs' land and equipment was.

"I started calling people," Oliver said. "I knew if it wasn't us, it was someone we knew."

Oliver said a close friend was moving equipment when a group of young people in a car came around

a curve and collided with the tractor. The car went under the tractor and the young people died.

Oliver stresses safety to his employees, and all employees of Seven Springs Farms must take a minimum of four hours of safety training a year.

"This is real stuff," Oliver said, "I want everyone to know how dangerous the roads are."

By Toni Humphress
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Buyers, Kentucky Department of Agriculture staff, Kentucky Cen-

ter for Agriculture and Rural Development staff and others will be in attendance.

Registration is \$25 and includes class materials, refreshments and lunch.

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News from the Kentucky Corn Growers Association and Kentucky Corn Promotion Council

"Know Before You Grow" offers updated information important to planting decisions



The National Corn Growers Association released a revised version of its "Know Before Your Grow" website recently to offer growers updated information to help inform planting decisions in light of the release of new seed varieties currently unapproved in some export markets. The information provided allows growers to make informed decisions on potential marketing restrictions well before harvest.

"In a globalized agricultural economy, it is important that farmers understand the delicate balance that must be struck in trying to ensure access to the technologies necessary to combat production challenges while also ensuring export markets remain open to U.S. corn," said NCGA Trade Policy and Biotechnology Action Team Chair Jim Zimmerman. "In the case of China, the balance can prove challenging given that country's asynchronous approval system for biotech traits, and its current trend toward falling behind even the normal asynchronous approval timelines. While we must make robust efforts to maintain market access, be it through controlled limited release of new products or even delayed release, farmers should remain aware of the importance of these products to their operations as

they face difficulties caused by biological stressors. Both biotechnology and export markets play a key role in maintaining profitability and making decisions based on solid information will be key moving forward."

NCGA stands solidly true to its policy in maintaining all new events must have approval in the United States and Japan prior to release. Additionally, the trait provider must be actively pursuing approval in all other markets for U.S. corn.

Over the winter months, the NCGA Trade Policy and Biotechnology Action Team and the Corn Board worked tirelessly to examine all aspects and implications of the possible introduction of biotech traits not approved in China or the EU to the U.S. corn market. In doing so, TPBAT and the Corn Board sought to find a balance between the importance of timely availability of needed technology to farmers and the importance of maintaining export markets.

In the 2012/2013 marketing year, exports to China represented 0.8 percent of the total U.S. corn supply.

In examining the specific case of Agrisure Duracade, the team looked at the importance of products to combat intense rootworm pressure seen in some areas. While the need to maintain export markets remains of great importance to NCGA, it also saw the potential difficulty farmers would face if a regulatory system that is not functioning overseas could bar farmers' access to necessary technologies indefinitely. In light of these circumstances,

NCGA asked that Syngenta develop a controlled limited release of the trait that would keep corn grown using Agrisure Duracade seed out of export channels in a closely monitored fashion.

NCGA urges members to examine the traits approved in export markets prior to planting. With current gaps in trait approvals abroad, farmers should make well-informed planting decisions to avoid potentially difficult situations should elevators again decide not to accept corn with these traits at harvest.

As specific issues have arisen from the release of Agrisure Duracade, which currently is not approved in China or the European Union, NCGA reminds growers that corn used in ethanol production also often enters export streams as distillers dried grains. DDGS are a valuable feed ingredient gaining popularity in China and other export markets. While planting decisions involve a multitude of factors, it is important to factor in potential issues which could be faced marketing grain unapproved for markets supplied through elevators with which one does business.

Growers should read their grower agreements before planting and communicate with their grain buyers. This is why NCGA works with technology providers to publicize regular updates on the approval status of these events. Regardless of export status, there is an ample market for U.S. biotech corn.

To find out more, visit www.kycorn.org.



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NCGA's bi-annual Corn Utilization and Technology Conference will be held June 2-4, in Louisville, Ky. The conference focuses on wet and dry milling technologies and new corn uses. Attendees can expect to identify new business contacts, learn about the latest cutting-edge research and new applications. Session topics include genetics/biotechnology, grain quality, new processing technologies for ethanol production, new processing technologies for wet and dry milling, enzyme technology, new uses for starch, nutrition, biopolymers, nutraceuticals, and integrated biorefineries. To learn more or to register, visit www.corntechconf.org.

KAFC approves more than \$1.6 million

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation approved \$1,612,375 in 13 agricultural loans for projects in the commonwealth during its regular monthly business meeting.

Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program

Through AILP, KAFC participates with lenders to provide financing to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures with attached equipment that improves the profitability of farming operations. Five agricultural infrastructure loans were approved for a total of \$326,500 and in-

cluded recipients from Hickman, Hopkins, McLean (2) and Ohio counties.

Beginning Farmer Loan Program

BFLP is designed to assist individuals with some farming experience who desire to develop, expand or buy into a farming operation. Beginning farmers may qualify for financing to purchase livestock, equipment or agriculture facilities; to secure permanent working capital; for the purchase farm real estate; or to invest in a partnership or LLC. Beginning Farmer loans totaled \$1,035,875 and included six recipients from Bourbon, Daviess (2), Hickman, Montgomery and Woodford counties.

New Agriculture Enterprise Loan Program

NAEL is designed to provide loans for Kentucky farming operations as they enter into a new agriculture enterprise to take advantage of market opportuni-

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Woodlands meeting set for March 31

The Kentucky Woodland Owners Association will celebrate its 20th anniversary during an annual meeting held March 31 through April 1 at the Pine Mountain State Resort Park in Pineville.

The meeting gets underway at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 31 with a session on woodland certification and the status of certification demand in the region. Christopher Reeves, extension staff associate at the University of Kentucky, will make the presentation.

At 12:30 p.m., visitors will tour the area, hosted by the Kentucky Division of Forestry, Bell County Cooperative

Service and UK Forestry Extension.

An anniversary program will be held that evening, which includes award presentations and dinner.

On Tuesday, April 1, reports will be provided from various cooperative organizations. Jeff Foley, a craftsman who specializes in heirloom wooden toys, will be featured. Topics covered during the day include engaging in the next generation of forest management and conservation in action. Meetings adjourn at noon.

For more information, go online to kwoa.net, email KWOA.pb@gmail.com or call 606-876-3423.

Act stops release of poultry, livestock information

WASHINGTON – On March 6, United States Reps. Rick Crawford (R-Ark.), Lee Terry (R-Neb.), Mike McIntyre (D-NC) and Jim Costa (D-Cal.) introduced legislation to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from disclosing the private and confidential information of livestock and poultry producers to the public.

The Farmer Identity Protection Act (H.R. 4157) comes in response to the EPA's release of livestock and poultry producers' names and other personal information to three radical environmental groups through a Freedom of Information Act request in February and again in April 2013. The release divulged names, addresses, geographic coordinates and in some cases telephone numbers and email addresses of over 80,000 producers in 29 states. EPA has plans to release information on thousands more farmers and ranchers in the future.

"There is no justification for the bla-

tant disregard of our privacy," said NCBA President Bob McCan. "To turn this type of information over to anyone who has a computer is not just reckless, but it poses serious agro-terrorism threats."

EPA claims it lacks statutory authority to protect livestock producers' personal information. The Farmer Identity Protection Act would unequivocally provide the agency with the ability to prevent such farm-specific releases from happening in the future, allowing the agency to provide information to outside parties only in aggregate without individual identifying information, or with the producer's consent.

"Once this information is released, you cannot take it back," said McCan. "With EPA planning to release more information as soon as it is able, Congress must step in and provide relief to livestock producers."

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Kentucky FFA President Brian Chism (left), former UK Wildcat Kenny "Sky" Walker, and Big Sandy FFA Vice President Kasin Burnett greeted guests during the Seed Days Customer Appreciation Event at Hinton Mills in Fleming County.

Hinton Mills celebrates seed days, 96 years of business

Hinton Mills, a 96-year-old farm supply business based in Flemingsburg, celebrated its annual seed days recently and earned recognition on the floors of Congress.

The week-long celebration is a time for customers to make purchases in time for spring planting, but it's also a chance for the business to show its appreciation to customer and the community.

This year marks the 31st annual Seed Days and included a visit by University of Kentucky Basketball's second all-time leading scorer, Kenny "Sky" Walker, live radio shows broadcasts from various Hinton Mills locations, as well as two current state

FFA officers stopping by to assist in the festivities.

In addition to savings and customers socializing with other farm families, each day saw a different high school or collegiate FFA program serving food to customers. The week concluded with 6th District Congressman Andy Barr honoring four generations of Hinton Family and their nearly 50 current employees before Congress for their continued contribution to the local community.

Hinton Mills was founded in 1918 and their locations consist of Frank L. Hinton & Son, Jabetown Mill, May's Lick Mill and Fleming County Farm Supply.

Extension hosting aquaculture/pond management workshops

PRINCETON, Ky. – Even in a landlocked state, there are plenty of aquatic systems that need to be properly managed, including more than 200,000 ponds. To help landowners better manage their water resources, the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and Kentucky State University will host two aquaculture programs in western Kentucky.

The first, an aquatic plant and algae control training program, will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CDT March 21 at the University of Kentucky Research and Education Center in Princeton.

Presenters will be William Wurts, Forrest Wynne and Bob Durborow. All are KSU extension specialists for aquaculture. Discussion topics will include identifi-

cation, methods of control and herbicide and algacide use.

"The program will emphasize proper chemical selection, application techniques, applicator safety and record keeping," Wurts said.

On March 22, Extension and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will host a workshop on pond management that will include information related to farm use, recreational fishing and small-scale aquaculture. The workshop will be from 8:30 a.m. CDT until noon at the Grayson County office of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service.

"The pond management workshop should give attendees a good understanding about what can be done with properly constructed, well-managed ponds," Wurts said.

Jeremy Shiflet, a fisheries biologist with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and Adam Charlton, a representative from an aquatic chemical company, will join Wurts, Wynne and Durborow as workshop presenters.

Both workshops and trainings are free and open to the public. Preregistration is not required, but to ensure they receive workshop materials, potential attendees should contact either Wurts at 270-365-7541, ext. 200 or wwurts@uky.edu or Wynne at 270-247-2334 or fwynne@email.uky.edu.

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March 7, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

93 hd. 507# 216.00 blk-charx
96 hd. 516# 215.75 blk-charx
58 hd. 862# 158.25 blk-charx
26 hd. 879# 155.25 blk-charx

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

43 hd. 541# 188.50 blk

Blue Grass East

Mt. Sterling, KY

March 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1

53 hd. 695# 185.95 blk-charx-red

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1

63 hd. 627# 176.75 blk-charx

Holstein Steers: Large 3

48 hd. 502# 147.50

Blue Grass Stockyard

Lexington, KY

March 11, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1

23 hd. 745# 170.25 blk
60 hd. 784# 167.90 bbwf
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60 hd. 869# 159.75 mixed
27 hd. 870# 154.25 mixed
56 hd. 877# 159.60 mixed
60 hd. 907# 156.80 blk-charx-red
63 hd. 931# 155.00 charx

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1

20 hd. 684# 166.00 blk-charx
35 hd. 808# 151.50 bbwf

Holstein Steers: Large 3

43 hd. 626# 144.75

Blue Grass South

Stanford, KY

March 10 & 13, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

84 hd. 629# 197.25 blk
41 hd. 656# 183.00 mixed
21 hd. 689# 187.00 blk-charx
40 hd. 693# 187.00 blk
30 hd. 777# 167.75 charx
58 hd. 790# 167.85 blk-charx
58 hd. 917# 155.00 blk
55 hd. 964# 153.00 blk-charx

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

94 hd. 510# 194.00 blk-charx
23 hd. 602# 184.50 blk
39 hd. 669# 166.75 blk
24 hd. 684# 171.50 blk-charx
30 hd. 705# 164.75 blk
46 hd. 760# 162.25 blk-charx

Holstein Steers: Large 3

54 hd. 535# 156.75
48 hd. 630# 148.75

United Producers Owenton

Owenton, KY

March 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

41 hd. 885# 154.10 mixed
Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2
42 hd. 610# 181.25 blk

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March 10, 2014

Holstein Steers: Large 3

29 hd. 705# 137.90
44 hd. 758# 131.80
61 hd. 870# 129.70

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

20 hd. 719# 163.50 blk

Christian Co. Livestock Auction

Hopkinsville, KY

March 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

39 hd. 416# 227.00 mixed

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

86 hd. 575# 186.25 blk
77 hd. 654# 162.25 mixed
20 hd. 711# 153.00 mixed

United Producers Irvington

Irvington, KY

March 10, 2014

Holstein Steers: Large 3

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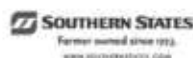
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United Producers Bowling Green

Bowling Green, KY
March 11, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

37 hd. 554# 210.50 blk
89 hd. 593# 193.75 blk
42 hd. 623# 181.75 blk
78 hd. 680# 181.00 blk
65 hd. 688# 178.00 blk
24 hd. 734# 168.00 blk-charx
23 hd. 739# 168.50 blk
38 hd. 797# 157.50 blk
25 hd. 918# 152.00 blk

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

30 hd. 445# 185.00 blk
42 hd. 525# 182.60 blk-charx
26 hd. 553# 178.75 blk
76 hd. 623# 170.00 blk
38 hd. 702# 157.00 blk-charx
30 hd. 786# 150.50 blk-charx

Feeder Bulls: Medium & Large 1-2

31 hd. 446# 206.00 blk
25 hd. 504# 190.50 blk
20 hd. 675# 164.50 blk

Farmers Livestock

Glasgow, KY
March 10, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

66 hd. 404# 230.75 mixed
26 hd. 430# 218.00 blk
27 hd. 513# 208.00 blk
21 hd. 565# 192.50 mixed
30 hd. 585# 193.25 blk
21 hd. 699# 175.00 blk
42 hd. 724# 172.50 blk

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

21 hd. 358# 200.00 mixed
40 hd. 376# 199.75 blk
30 hd. 446# 185.00 mixed
67 hd. 448# 194.00 blk
23 hd. 456# 193.00 mixed
60 hd. 512# 182.75 blk
38 hd. 549# 167.75 mixed
28 hd. 591# 174.75 blk

Feeder Bulls: Medium & Large 1-2

20 hd. 361# 215.00 mixed
52 hd. 444# 210.50 blk
24 hd. 457# 200.00 mixed
58 hd. 518# 197.75 blk
32 hd. 560# 175.50 mixed
31 hd. 597# 177.75 blk

KY-TN Livestock Auction

Guthrie, KY
March 13, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

20 hd. 497# 212.50 bbwf
44 hd. 548# 203.25 bbwf

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

26 hd. 372# 200.00 bbwf
20 hd. 446# 186.00 bbwf
59 hd. 456# 193.00 bbwf
51 hd. 540# 183.00 bbwf
24 hd. 623# 160.25 bbwf

Feeder Bulls: Medium & Large 1-2

38 hd. 456# 208.50 bbwf
26 hd. 474# 206.50 bbwf
50 hd. 544# 191.25 bbwf

Mid-KY Livestock Market

Upton, KY
March 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

21 hd. 534# 192.75 blk-charx
Feeder Bulls: Medium & Large 1-2
33 hd. 466# 199.50 blk

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

25 hd. 412# 205.50 blk
33 hd. 469# 192.75 blk

Paris Stockyards

Paris, KY
March 13, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

26 hd. 535# 202.00 mixed

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

34 hd. 357# 197.50 mixed

Russell County Stockyards

Russell Springs, KY
March 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

25 hd. 604# 198.00 blk
25 hd. 647# 191.00 blk
33 hd. 823# 163.00 blk
60 hd. 875# 154.60 mixed

Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

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Blue Grass of Campbellville

Campbellville, KY
March 8 & 12, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

20 hd. 567# 197.25 blk
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Kentuckiana Livestock Market

Owensboro, KY
March 10, 2014

Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

22 hd. 430# 210.50 blk
26 hd. 530# 193.00 blk

Feeder Bulls: Medium & Large 1-2

22 hd. 443# 203.50 blk
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Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

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Blue Grass Maysville

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Feeder Steers: Medium & Large 1-2

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Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

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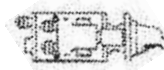
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USDA enhances farm storage facility loan program

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced the expansion of the Farm Storage and Facility Loan program, which provides low-interest financing to producers.

The enhanced program includes 22 new categories of eligible equipment for fruit and vegetable producers, and makes it easier for farmers and ranchers around the country to finance the equipment they need to grow and expand.

This is part of a broader effort to help small and mid-sized farmers and ranchers, as announced recently by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

Producers with small and mid-sized operations, and specialty crop fruit and vegetable growers, now have access to needed capital for a variety of supplies including sorting bins, wash stations and other food safety-related equipment.

A new more flexible alternative is also provided for determining storage needs for fruit and vegetable producers, and waivers are available on a case-by-case basis for disaster assistance or insurance coverage if available products are not relevant or feasible for a particular producer.

Additionally, Farm Storage and Facility Loans security requirements have been eased for loans between \$50,000 and \$100,000. Previously, all loans in excess of \$50,000 required a promissory note and additional security, such as a lien on real estate. Now loans up to \$100,000 can be secured by only a promissory note.

“The Farm Storage and Facility Loan program has helped American farmers and ranchers to finance on-farm storage for almost 13 years,” said Farm Service Agency Administrator Juan M. Garcia. “We anticipate these changes will increase the number of individuals who qualify for these loans and help them access new market opportunities.”

The low-interest funds can be used to build or upgrade permanent facilities to store commodities. Eligible commodities include grains, oilseeds, peanuts, pulse crops, hay, honey, renewable biomass commodities, fruits and vegetables. Qualified facilities include grain bins, hay barns and cold storage facilities for fruits and vegetables.

Other new changes to the Farm Storage and Facility Loan program will allow FSA state committees to subordinate Commodity Credit Corporation’s lien position.

These changes to the program were issued via an official notice to state and county Farm Service Agency offices and are effective immediately.

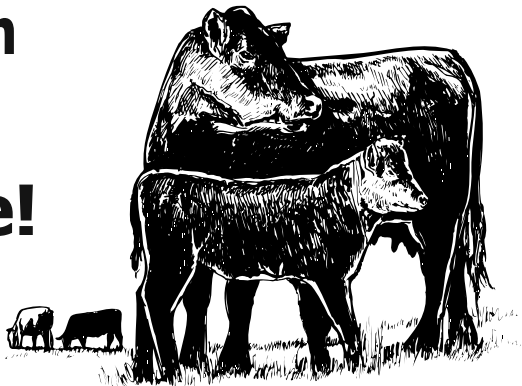
More than 33,000 loans have been issued for on-farm storage, increasing grain storage capacity by 900 million bushels since May 2000.

More information about tools and resources available to small and mid-sized farmers will be rolled out in the coming months, including information about access to capital, risk management, food safety, and locating market opportunities on USDA’s Small and Mid-Sized Farmer Resources webpage.

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80%

MEAL

The primary component of soybeans is meal.

20% OIL

The other soybean component is oil.



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ANIMAL FEED



97% of U.S. soybean meal is used to feed poultry and livestock.

3%

FOOD PRODUCTS



3% of soybean meal is used in food products like protein alternatives and soy milk.

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Ag tech conference held in Taylor Co.

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Tim Stombaugh, extension professor at UK's College of Agriculture, Food and Environment department of biosystems and agricultural engineering.

Stombaugh said the latest technology for drones uses multiple rotor platforms instead of fixed wings. The one demonstrated in Taylor County had four rotors and one UK has been working with has six.

Drones can help grain producers monitor their crops for disease and pinpoint problem areas. So far, however, data is limited.

"We are able to find the problem...we are a long way from identifying what the problem is," he said. Sensors that interpret data are too heavy at this point for the drones to carry, Stombaugh said.

The agriculture industry is expected to be a huge market for drones. In a report by the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International, precision agriculture and public safety are the most promising commercial uses for unmanned aircraft systems (AUS). The flying objects are expected to grow into an \$82 billion industry in the U.S. by 2025.

Laws regulating drones have not kept up with technology, however. The Federal Aviation Authority has yet to develop regulations to integrate unmanned aircraft systems into the nation's airspace. The FAA currently does not allow any commercial use of AUS, but a recent court case ruled in favor of the operator who was fined by FAA, Stombaugh said.

Permits are required to even do research with AUS and are difficult

to acquire, Stombaugh said. The FAA has been directed by Congress to develop regulations in 2015 but they have already missed one deadline. Those regulations would regulate how AUS would be inserted into national airspace.

"Until then, or whatever day they actually get those out, we wait," Stombaugh said.

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Quint Pottinger (right), with Sideline Systems in New Haven, speaks with Green County farmer Erik Ryan about the latest precision planting technology.



By Sharon Burton

Pride in Ag Education



1. Why has the National Corn Growers Association revised the "Know Before You Grow" website?

2. How can the release of new biotech traits affect markets for corn growers?

3. The Kentucky Corn Growers is launching a new program to promote the industry on grain trailers. Do you know of any local haulers who may be interested in this program?

4. What is the primary component of soybeans?

5. How is 68 percent of soybean oil used? What other uses are there and at what percentages?

6. How are drones expected to be use for agriculture purposes?

7. What is the Kentucky Agriculture Water Quality Act and why is it important that farmers comply?

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When government is at its worst, we hope we can find a paper trail to provide us with the truths they try to hide.

I remember someone once telling me you can only use Kentucky's open records law to get documents. That may sound a bit simple, but the conversation was about how the public can know what the government is doing.

It's impossible to know every conversation or behind-closed-doors action that takes place by elected officials. We have federal and state laws to help insure that our government is transparent and open, but it's an imperfect system. At its best, the most we can hope for is a commitment by government officials to do business openly. When government is at its worst, we hope we can find a paper trail to provide us with the truths they try to hid.

This week is Sunshine Week, a time when we are all encouraged to talk about government transparency.

I believe I have something in common with the founders of this nation: I don't trust the government. You may laugh at that statement, but I think the level of trust a person has in government shows in his or her support for certain policies. If, like me, you tend to believe government messes up more than it fixes, you tend to support less government and encourage solutions through the private sector.

People who are more trusting tend to look toward their government for more laws and regulations to solve our nation's problems.

I believe our founding fathers lacked confidence in government by the simple fact they secured the freedom of the press in the Bill of Rights. They understood the need for a watchdog that is completely independent from government. They also preserved freedom of speech and a checks and balance system within government. They understood the need for government in our lives, and just as importantly, they understood the need for our involvement in our government.

I am thankful for this great nation and I am grateful for the wonderfully imperfect system we enjoy.

SHARON BURTON is the Editor of *The Farmer's Pride*.

4-H made me do it

About a month ago I was sitting in front of the Kentucky House Agriculture and Small Business Committee meeting talking about leadership within the farm community, and I was thinking to myself, how on earth did I – the child of low income, blue collar parents – get here?

The answer is quite simple: 4-H. It is amazing to look back at the course of my life to realize that one factor has had so great an impact.

My parents purchased a small farm just outside Louisville when I was seven years old. We had horses, goats, chickens, and rabbits. I spent most of my days outside with the animals and enjoyed time on horseback. Despite my chores, life was great fun.

A few years later, my mom wanted to get serious about her horses and develop a training and boarding business. Going to shows was part of that plan, but we had no experience. So the fateful question was posed to us: Do you want to join the 4-H horse program? It was a no-brainer. I would get to enjoy the horses and learn more about them in the process. I was 12 years old when we joined the East Jefferson 4-H Horse Club.

Now I may have already had a competitive spirit in me, but 4-H sent it into overdrive. I participated in judging, quiz bowl, arts and crafts, public speaking, hippology (the study of the horse), and of course, horse show competitions. It was my goal to become better and better at the task at hand, and it translated to my school life as well. I began participating in school clubs and academic competitions, many times taking on leadership roles. 4-H gave me the confidence to do many things in my young life.

Once it was time to look at college and consider my future from a practical point of view, I ended up at the University of Kentucky. After all, UK was the land grant institution that provided me my 4-H experience, and it seemed like a wonderful place to make my home for the next several years.

My passion for learning, gaining experience and leadership continued through school, preparing me for the meaningful and successful career I enjoy today.

The reason I am writing this is to bring some attention to the youth and agriculture programs we have for future generations and encourage you to give that \$10 donation when you renew your Kentucky farm plates. Proceeds are shared by 4-H, FFA and the Kentucky Proud program.

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KDDC MILK PROGRAM

A dynamic initiative

The Market Incentive Leadership for Kentucky, (MILK) Program is one of KDDC's premier initiatives. There is no doubt the program has had an impact on Kentucky dairy farmers by distributing over \$4.1 million since its beginning. We think it has done significantly more. In this article we will identify the program's original goals and highlight some very interesting facts that have resulted from this dynamic program.

KDDC MILK Program goals are threefold:

- Increase the amount of milk produced locally to decrease the cost to supply processors' demand from out-of-state sources. (Kentucky dairy farmers produce about 1.2 billion pounds a year, while local processors use about 2.5 billion pounds. (Producing more in-state milk saves significant transportation cost and increases value of milk to all local farmers.)

- Enhance Kentucky dairy farmers' competitiveness by producing higher quality milk. (In 2006, Kentucky dairy farmers' average Somatic Cell Counts hovered around 400,000 ml/1,000 for DHI herds while the national avg. was 288,000 ml/1,000.)

- Empower Kentucky producers by utilizing production and business records.

The information below was gleaned from the MILK Program records accumulated since 2007. These facts are significant and the information surpasses even our best expectations.

Enrolled 28 percent participation of all dairy farmers in the state. (215, Nov. 2013)

More than 48 percent of all milk produced in Kentucky annually is represented in the program.

More than 7,025 tanker loads (50,000 pounds each) of milk over base production has been produced by MILK Program farmers since 2007. (Total of 351,267,216 pounds of milk).

Approximately \$7 million in transportation cost savings by producing an additional 7,025 tanker loads of milk locally. (Using Transportation Credit subsidies at \$0.05/cwt./mile/avg. load traveling 400 miles generates savings of \$1,000 per load.)

Increased income of more than \$66.9 million to producers for additional milk over base. (Federal Milk Marketing Order 5 Mailbox Price avg. over period, \$19.07/cwt.)

Distributed over \$4.1 million in total premiums directly to participating Kentucky dairy farmers.

Instrumental in lowering SCC of Kentucky produced milk to 251,000 ml/1,000 by utilizing regional dairy consultants and collaboration with University of Kentucky Dairy Extension. This ranks Kentucky second in the Southeast U.S. in milk quality.

Every producer must have six DHI test a year and one per quarter to receive premiums.

The KDDC MILK Program has had an economic impact on dairy farmers, their communities and the state; but how much? When combining the \$4.1 million in quality premiums with the \$66.9 million from additional milk produced by program participants, the total is over \$71 million to Kentucky dairy farmers. Using Kentucky's 5.8 percent marginal tax rate the \$71 million would then generate over \$4.1 million in new tax revenues. Given that the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund Board invested \$2 million in the program, a 100 percent return on investment was an excellent business decision.



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Safe, not sorry

Almost everyone in American agriculture, from farmers to ranchers to the top executives of the biggest transnational grain trading and meatpacking firms, loves to say the United States is home to the cheapest, safest food supply in the world.

Of course, the global commodity slingers love cheap. It's the yeast that makes their dough rise because, in a cutthroat business defined by uniformity, cheap sells.

Farmers and ranchers, on the other hand, aren't in the cheap business. Cheap isn't an ally; it's the enemy. So why brag that America has "cheap" food when cheap carries no benefit other than being, well, cheap?

The definition of safe food, like cheap, is relative; its value lies in the eye of the beholder.

For example, from Jan. 10 through March 7, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety Inspection Service issued 20 recalls on food products that totaled 12,569,000 pounds.

You read that right: USDA has recalled an astounding 12.6 million pounds of various beef, egg, chicken, pork or meat-containing products due to unsafe or questionable quality in the first nine weeks this year.

In 2013, USDA recalled 11,992,236 pounds of meat, poultry and other foods for safety reasons. That, too, is an astounding number. But here are two equally staggering aspects to it.

First, according to USDA data, only 534,886 pounds of the almost 12 million pounds of recalled food was actually returned. That means 5,732 tons of it either remains out here or was consumed. Yikes.

Second, the amount recalled by USDA does not include the food recalled by the Food and Drug Administration. For example, the "Enforcement Report-Week of March 5, 2014" on FDA's website, lists 50 or so recalls for items as diverse as cheese, cactus leaves and ready-made waffles. (Links to documents are posted at <http://farmandfoodfile.com>.)

Fifty; 5-0. For just one week.

So, the "safest" food in the world?

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention doesn't think so. According to its latest data, from 2011, "...the overall annual estimate of the total burden of disease due to contaminated food consumed in the United States is 47.8 million illnesses, 127,839 hospitalizations, and 3,037 deaths."

And, reports the CDC, already "the 2012 data showed a lack of recent progress in reducing foodborne infections and highlight the need for improved prevention."

So, if unsafe food sickens one in six Americans every year and the system that delivers so much illness continues to show a "lack of recent progress," why is USDA charging ahead with implementation of inspection regimes that promise fewer federal inspectors and faster slaughter line speeds?

On March 6, more than 100 small farm and food advocate groups wrote the White House to ask President



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March 31 report will have impact



MARKET WATCH

Dewey Strickler

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The rally in corn met a roadblock when the USDA increased world ending stocks .7 percent to 158.4 million tons. In addition, traders were expecting a reduction in Argentina's production but it remained unchanged at 24 million tons. Brazil's crop was also unchanged at 70 million tons.

Meanwhile, U.S. 2013-14 ending stocks fell slightly to 1.456 billion bushels. While the USDA raised exports to 1.625 billion bushels, feed consumption stayed the same at 5.3 billion bushels. Because of the widespread PED virus in hogs, it will likely be lowered next month.

Export inspections last week were decent at 36.7 million bushels. The trend following funds were active last week as they added 275 million bushels to their long position, increasing it to 460 million bushels.

The next mover and shaker in corn will be the grain stocks and planting intentions report on March 31.

The rally in soybeans has been uprooted, suffering its biggest setback since the advance began in January. Factors contributing to the decline are prices being at their most overbought level since June 2013, and the funds sporting a long position of 890 million bushels.

In addition, USDA's 2013 ending stocks estimate at 145 million bushels was above expectations. While this is a tight number, many traders thought that it would be less. Brazil's production was in line with guesses at 88.5 million tons, down 1.5 million from last month. Argentina was unchanged at 54 million tons. Although world stocks are down 3.3 percent to 70.6 million tons, stocks-to-usage are 26.1 percent and in the upper third of the twenty-

year range. Export inspections remain robust at 55.3 million bushels with China taking 21.6 million bushels or 39 percent of shipments. However, this is the lowest percentage taken by them since mid January.

Be aware that China's economy is slowing as reflected by their exports in February falling 18.1 percent from a year ago. Although traders are focused upon potential cancellations by China, they are beginning to look toward the planting intentions report on March 31. The USDA's Ag Forum in February projected acres at 79.5 million, but it may be higher if lingering winter conditions delays corn planting.

The rally in wheat hit a speed bump when world-ending stocks were projected at 183.8 million tons, exceeding traders expectations. U.S. ending stocks were less than anticipated at 558 million bushels. However, we have since recovered and risen to a fresh high as traders are concerned about dry conditions in the southern Plains. This could become a factor when the crop breaks dormancy later this month and moisture is needed for plant growth. Export inspections were at the low end of estimates and below the average needed to reach USDA's projection of 1175 billion bushels. However, the pace of shipments is on track to meet their target. The trend following funds continue to unwind their short futures position as they bought 80 million bushels last week reducing it to 195 million bushels.

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KDDC MILK program

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There is one more statistic which stands out from the program. Most dairy farmers usually do business with folks in their local communities. This has an economic multiplying effect in those communities. Taken from the U.S. Markets and Outlook, May 2004 publication by Robert Cryan, an economic multiplier is a measure of the larger effect that a change in economic activity (like a factory closing or a new farm) has on the regional economy. According to the USDA/NASS; Bureau of Economic Analysis the economic output multiplier for dairy in KY is 2.5617. Using this output multiplier the total economic impact of the new or additional pounds of milk generated by the KDDC MILK Program would be \$182,125,911. Wow!

Is the KDDC MILK Program making a difference? Not only is it making a difference, it is returning big dividends for the Kentucky milk handlers and economy. It has increased Kentucky dairy farmers' profitability and helped them produce a more competitive, high quality product. We thank the KADF and all Kentucky milk handlers for making this unique program possible. We look forward to another successful year in 2014. Interested in signing up for the program? Contact 859-516-1129 and start receiving premiums in 2014.

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Barack Obama that very question. All want to recall USDA's pending "Modernization of Poultry Slaughter Inspection" rule that will "allow poultry company employees to do the job currently done by 800 USDA inspectors." Of the many changes the new rule ushers in, one—increasing slaughter line speeds—will mean that company employees will "inspect" up to 175 birds per minute compared to the 35 birds-per-minute now examined by USDA inspectors.

If that sounds like a sick idea, wait until you taste it.

Even worse is that USDA and its Big Ag Biz constituents view this "chicken"

change as the first step to implement similar changes in cattle and hog slaughter. Seriously.

This is not just bad news to consumers who are increasingly made ill by an overworked, under-staffed food inspection system but also to farmers and ranchers who claim the nation has the world's safest food.

If so, then America's most trusted food providers, farmers and ranchers, need to advocate for stronger—not weaker—food inspection rules. And, yes, that costs money.

But making one out of every six customers sick is too costly already.

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4-H made me do it

FROM PAGE 4

I also believe FFA is an outstanding program and is vital for the future of agriculture. Unfortunately, not every high school has an FFA program. So my second plea is to not forget the value of 4-H for producing the leaders within our industry. I am absolutely amazed at the poise and intellect of the young people I have met over the years, and am certain our future is in good hands.

While at the Capitol for my speaking engagement, I ran into 2012 Kentucky 4-H President Ryan Halligan. He was

there as an intern, and I am convinced he will do many great things in his lifetime. Seeing him reminded me that I wanted to share what 4-H has done for me.

This is my public thank you to the supporters, volunteers, and staff of Kentucky 4-H for all they provided to me, are providing for my children, and will provide to our future citizens and leaders. I appreciate you more than you can know.

JENNIFER ELWELL is the Director of Communications for the Kentucky Corn Growers Association and the Kentucky Small Grain Growers Association.

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David shows us how to deal in times of suffering

The school of suffering has many graduates. It seems that most of them provide insight into the grace and mercy of God for those willing to hear them speak.

King David was a graduate of this school. What he learned about suffering is revealed in the sixth Psalm. He begins by describing his pain and the fear he has of his enemies. He shares with us a list of symptoms that most of us have experienced at one time or another: emotional stress, crying, sleepless nights, being attacked by others. However, when he cried out to God for help, God heard him and healed him.

Whatever brought about the distress of David was relieved when he called on God for His mercy. Here we find a pattern for us to follow when we need God to rescue us from our sin and suffering. First, he asked God not to abandon or punish him. Then he asked for God's compassion and care, admitting that he was weak, "sick at heart" and could not handle the situation by himself. He described his weeping as so intense that "my bed is wet with tears." He was remorseful for what he had done and what God might do to punish him. So, he cried out for God's "unfailing love" and knew that God heard him and he was able to declare with confidence: "The Lord has heard my crying and my plea (and) the Lord will answer my prayer."

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4 Porterhouse (bone-in loin) pork chops, about 3/4-inch thick
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 1/2 teaspoons ground chipotle chile

1 1/2 teaspoons coarse salt
Grated zest of 1 large orange
2 teaspoons garlic, minced
1/3 cup honey

In a small bowl, stir oil, ground chipotle, salt, orange zest and garlic together into a paste. Using a rubber spatula, spread chipotle mixture over both sides of pork. Let stand for 15 to 30 minutes.

Prepare a medium-hot fire in grill. Place chops on grill and close lid. Grill over direct heat, turning once, about 4-

5 minutes per side, until the internal temperature of the pork on a meat thermometer measures between 145°F (medium rare) and 160°F (medium). During the last 2 minutes, brush chops on both sides with honey.

Remove from grill and let rest for 3 minutes.

Coffee Toffee Heath Cupcakes

Cupcakes
1 cup water
2 tablespoons instant coffee
1 package (16.2 ounces) Devil's Food cake mix
3 eggs
1/3 cup vegetable oil
Ganache
1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
2 tablespoons instant coffee
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 package (8 ounces) English toffee bits

scraping bowl frequently. Then, beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Fill baking cups 2/3 full with batter.

Bake 16 to 18 minutes or until toothpick, inserted into the center, comes out clean. Cool cupcakes in pan 5 minutes. Remove from pan and place on cooling grid to cool completely.

For ganache, combine cream and instant coffee in small saucepan; stir to dissolve. Warm over medium heat until cream begins to steam; do not boil. Remove from heat and add chocolate chips; stir until smooth. Cool slightly.

Place 1/2 cup ganache in disposable decorating bag. Using the handle of a wooden spoon, create a small hole in the center of each cupcake; pipe in ganache. Dip tops of cupcakes in remaining ganache; lightly shake off excess. Immediately dip cupcake in toffee bits.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line muffin pan with baking cups.

In a small bowl, combine water and instant coffee; stir to dissolve.

In a large bowl, combine cake mix, coffee, eggs and oil. Beat with electric mixer on low speed for 30 seconds,

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Producers must comply with Ag Water Quality Act



Photo by Amanda Gumbert

Alternative water sources can be used as a best management practice in your Kentucky Ag Water Quality Plan

The Agriculture Water Quality Act was passed by the Kentucky state legislature in 1994. It states that landowners with 10 or more acres in agricultural production must develop a water quality plan.

If you farm 10 or more acres in Kentucky or plan to harvest trees on 10 or more acres, then you are required by Kentucky state law to implement an agriculture water quality plan.

This plan documents best manage-

ment practices being followed to protect water resources. These practices could include planned grazing systems for livestock, filter or buffer strips around crop fields, animal waste storage structures and nutrient management plans. It should also include plans to limit livestock access to streams, if it is a livestock operation. In addition, the document should include information about proper handling of herbicides and

pesticides, and proper maintenance of septic systems.

To implement a water quality plan, first look at the activities in your operation. You can use a web-based planning tool or a printed document to answer questions about the operation. By answering these questions, you can identify the appropriate best management practices needed. Then, implement these practices and document that these practices are being used and properly maintained.

Many of the best management practice (BMP) options included in the Kentucky Ag Water Quality Act make good agonomic sense for the farm. For example, Livestock BMP #1 Planned Grazing Systems (Rotational Grazing) provides benefits to pastures and livestock, as well as a water quality benefit. In many cases, proper practices are already in place, and creating an agriculture water quality plan provides a document stating that you are doing the right things to protect water quality on your farm.

Keep in mind that an agriculture water quality plan is not a voluntary document, and the Kentucky Ag Water Quality Act has not gone away. As a farmer, you have the flexibility of choosing practices that

best fit your operation, but you still must have an implemented plan. Periodically review and update ag water quality plans to reflect changes in farming and forestry practices or land ownership. Additionally, an ag water quality plan is required when applying for most cost share programs.

By implementing an agriculture water quality plan, you help to protect both surface and groundwater from agricultural contaminants. Keeping the water resources of the commonwealth clean protects human and animal health, and reduces the cost of treating drinking water.

For more information about developing an Ag Water Quality Plan, visit www.ca.uky.edu/awqa or visit your local Conservation District or Cooperative Extension Service office.

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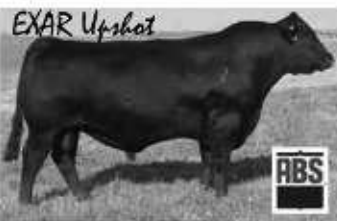
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