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Kentucky State Fair wraps up

LOUISVILLE – After shifting to a participant-only event due to COVID-19, the Kentucky State Fair wrapped up a successful show featuring youth livestock competition and the World's Championship Horse Show. With 642 livestock competitors and 1,442 equine entries, the modified Kentucky State Fair celebrated Kentucky's agricultural roots and equine heritage.

"In the face of unprecedented challenges, we focused on the core elements of the fair. Shifting to a participant-only event allowed us to safely celebrate the agriculture heritage of the Kentucky State Fair and strong traditions of the World's Championship Horse Show," said David S. Beck, president and CEO of Kentucky Venues.

FFA and 4H exhibitors from across the state participated in the Championship Drive, which awarded 20 banners across four divisions of market animals. This year's champions are:

Grand Champion Goat -

Madison Goecke from Bracken County FFA

Grand Champion Hog -

Justin Arnett from Montgomery County FFA

Grand Champion Lamb -

Ty Jones from Allen County 4-H

Grand Champion Steer -

Paisley Cooke from Bracken 4-H In order to help the 4/H/FFA youth compete, Farm Credit Mid-America stepped up as a presenting sponsor for the junior livestock shows. In recognition

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Photo by Toni Riley

Tour highlights pasture system for grass-fed beef

CALLOWAY COUNTY, Ky. – While many University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension programs are providing farmers educational programs virtually – the third annual Western Kentucky Summer Forage Tour, held August 6, was live and "in color" at the farm of Michael and Stacie Palmer Farm.

Located near Almo in Calloway County, the tour high-lighted the Palmers' extensive pasture management program that feeds the farm's custom grass-fed beef operation.

The Palmer family was one of the first to settle in the Almo area and are fourth generation farmers. Michael Palmer said his grandfather was a dairyman. Michael was literally born into producing good quality forage, which he used in his cow-calf operation after the dairy closed in 1991.

After several years of selling commercial calves as part of a diversified tobacco and hay operation, the Palmers developed their grass fed beef program in 2011. When Stacie sold eight open heifers as freezer beef as fast as she could get them processed, they recognized a new opportunity.

"We had been hearing about this grass-fed thing and decided this is something we need to be doing here – this is easier than raising tobacco," Michael said. They also raise 15 acres of dark-fired tobacco.

The Palmers have now developed a three-year crop rotation program that provides two years in pasture and one year in tobacco. The pastures support a 40 head cow-calf operation with four calving seasons as well as the finishing program. Palmer does not calve out in the dead of winter nor heat of summer.

Once a calf enters the finishing program, it usually takes two years to finish to a high select, low choice quality grade. Within the finishing herd are 1-and 2-year-old calves for a continual revenue stream.

While Michael manages the pastures, Stacie markets

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Summer tour highlights grass fed beef operation

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Palmer Farms Beef. She found that she could make the operation more profitable by selling beef cuts rather than quarter and half carcasses. She sells at the Murray-Calloway County Farmers' Market and at Mom's Food Co-op in Evansville, Ind.

The farmers' market has people who just want a good steak for the weekend, while the co-op customers are on a budget and want ground beef and roasts.

"The two different markets are a good balance to be able to sell 1,000 pounds of beef a month," she said.

Stacie also talked about providing a quality product.

"When we first started, I heard a lot of people explaining and almost apologizing for their grass-fed beef and how it was cooked different, and I thought I wouldn't buy that."

She said that the farm's steaks are as well-marbled as grain feed; it just takes them a little longer.

"I don't like lean beef, and I don't think

most people do."

As the tour began, the group of 85 participants walked the three-fourths mile of five stops to ensure COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

The first stop featured crabgrass and ryegrass demonstration plots. While crabgrass may conjure up an untidy lawn to homeowners, it provides high-quality summer forage when adequately managed.

A warm-season annual, crabgrass acts like a perennial with its abundant reseeding. The demonstration plot expanded Micheal's crabgrass pasture to feature four varieties, which were frost seeded into established ryegrass in February. Michael plans to turn the pasture back into ryegrass in the fall.

Effective pasture rotation management requires a properly designed fencing system. A fencing demonstration showed how a permanent fixed knot high tensile fence with an electrified offset would support a movable electric fence necessary for pasture rotation.

Palmer Farms uses ensiled annual rye-

grass and some wheat silage as the conserved forage for their finishing system. They are also green chopping forage in fields without fencing and transporting that forage to the cowherd on an experimental basis. Palmer and his son bale several acres of hay, which they sell, adding to the farm's diversity.

A traditional feature of the summer forage tour is the summer annual test plots. The five plots featured two mixes of summer annual grasses and legumes and three monocultures and were seeded in late June. Dr. Chris Teutsch, Extension forage specialist who organized the tour, said the summer annuals are a useful tool for farm pasture rotation, but a rotation should not be based solely on summer annuals.

"We don't talk enough about the need for a way to get ready for the new novel endophyte-free tall fescue when we are reseeding pastures. A summer annual pasture can be a bridge between getting rid of the old endophyte and reseeding with the new novel fescue," he added.

Teutsch also pointed out that toxic en-

dophyte Fescue -31, which is prevalent in many Kentucky pastures, can significantly reduce average daily gains in a finishing operation.

Michael Palmer summed up the farm's success by answering the question, "What's it take for good forage."

"Here's the secret – It all goes back to the Jersey cow. If she can make lots of good milk then you have figured out the formula good pasture – all goes back to soil health and fertility. If your soil is not healthy, you won't have a good pasture grazing plan."

By Toni Riley Field Reporter







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Bred Heifers: Medium 775.00, Medium 825.00, Medium 900.00-950.00, Common 560.00-750.00, Common 650.00 Jersey, Common 725.00.

Springer Heifers: Common 700.00-850.00.

Open Heifers: Approved 325# 260.00, Approved 575# 410.00, Approved 625# 550.00.

Bull calves: 87 head 5.00-80.00, 8 head 140.00-240.00 beef cross, 11 head 50.00-110.00 crossbred, 22 head 5.00-40.00 Jersey.

<u>Heifer calves:</u> 6 head 10.00-60.00, 5 head 150.00-190.00 beef cross, 10 head 40.00-120.00 crossbred.

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Large Kentucky corn, soybean crops expected

LOUISVILLE – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service released its crop production report Friday from the September Agricultural Yield Survey conducted at the beginning of the month. Based on Sept. 1 conditions, the report showed corn production is expected to be up 6 percent from last year, and soybeans 30 percent higher.

"There is potential for a record large corn production this year," said David Knopf, director of the NASS Eastern Mountain Regional Office in Kentucky. "Corn harvest is just beginning, so it's never certain until the corn is in the bin, but farmers are optimistic at this point."

On Sept. 1, corn and soybean conditions were 10 points or more above the 5-year average.

Corn production in Kentucky is forecast at 259 million bushels, unchanged from the August forecast but up 6 percent from 2019. Yield was estimated at 181 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month and up 12 bushels from the 2019 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 1.43 million acres, down 20,000 acres from 2019.

The U.S. corn production is forecast at 14.9 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the August forecast and up 9 percent from last year's record production. Based on conditions as of Sept. 1, yields are expected to average 178.5 bushels per acre, up 11.1 bushels from 2019.

Area harvested for grain is forecast at 83.5 million acres, down 1 percent from the August forecast but up 3 percent from 2019.

Soybean production for Kentucky is forecast at 101 million bushels, up 2 percent from the August forecast and up 30 percent from 2019. Yield was estimated at 55 bushels per acre, up 1 from last month and up 9 bushels from a year ago.

Acreage for harvest was estimated at 1.84 million acres, up 150,000 acres from the previous year. U.S. soybean production is forecast at 4.31 billion bushels, down 3 percent from the August forecast but up 21 percent from last year.

Yields are expected to average 51.9 bushels per acre, down 1.4 bushels from last month but up 4.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 83 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast but up 11 percent from 2019.

Kentucky burley tobacco production is forecast at 61.2 million pounds, down 6 percent from the August forecast and down 21 percent from 2019. Yield was projected at 1,700 pounds per acre, down 100 pounds from last month and down 200 pounds from the 2019 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 36,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from last year's crop.

For the burley producing states, production is forecast at 71.8 million pounds, down 23 percent from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 41,800 acres, down 14 percent from 2019. Yields were expected to average 1,717 pounds per acre, down 193 pounds from last year.

Production of Kentucky dark fire-cured tobacco is forecast at 23.2 million pounds, down 2 percent from the August forecast but down 16 percent from the previous year. Dark air-cured tobacco production is forecast at 14.7 million pounds, down 6 percent from the August forecast but down 18 percent from last year.





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ONE VOICE

Sharon Burton

Relying on social media to get a message out guarantees that the message will be mixed in with a whole lot of other things you probably don't want to be part of.

he public health director of Grayson County stopped posting daily health department updates on Facebook recently after some people responded with offensive comments and one person even made a threat. Instead, he started sending those updates to radio stations and newspapers.

Our staff is constantly monitoring social media posts for our local newspaper. We allow the opinions but we do delete profanity and libelous comments. We did get one semi-threat, if you consider some nasty comments then a "you know where to find me" kind of comment a threat.

We have been accused of sharing false information when we share data from our health department, but we leave the comments online as long as they aren't using offensive language. Free speech is there for the informed and the uninformed, after all.

This is the world of social media. While Facebook is a great place to find information about events and news, it's also a place to find hate and an abundance of false information.

As a journalist, I want to call up the Grayson County public health director and ask him why he was surprised by the response. After all, it's Facebook.

If you want information passed along in a reliable fashion, you need to use a reliable news source.

Relying on social media to get a message out guarantees that the message will be mixed in with a whole lot of other things you probably don't want to be part of.

I would love to do away with my social media accounts and I have heard others who have tried to do that. Those people often find their way back, sadly, because they need information that can only be found there.

If the local government meetings are closed to the public and can only be found on Facebook, you have to go to Facebook. If the little league only posts notices about sign-ups on social media and decides the local press is no longer relevant, they are sending families to Facebook. When school teachers and administrators say, "check our Facebook page" for students to know a schedule or a curriculum plan, they make Facebook a must.

So now those families are wading through the Russian trolls and hate-filled social media experts to find relevant information.

It sure was nice when you could rely on the staff of the local newspaper and local radio station to filter out the junk and just

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2020 takes the cake

t seems like every year we talk about the challenges that we face as tobacco growers, but I believe 2020 might take the cake as the most challenging year of all.

Yet through the chaos of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Council for Burley Tobacco has continued to engage with tobacco company leaders, work with our legislators, and do our best to be an advocate for our burley producers.

This summer, the Council for Burley Tobacco and the Tobacco Growers Association of North Carolina came together to create a partnership to take over the administration of the Tobacco Administrative Grading Service. In an agreement with the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, the two organizations will work together with a third party to provide burley and flue-cured growers the service of scheduling and grading tobacco for insurance purposes.

The Council reached out to our congressional delegation in the winter to raise awareness of the issues growers faced during the 2019 marketing season. Political pressure from Kentucky's congressional leaders, along with tobacco leadership communicating with the companies about the devastating effect the marketing season had on tobacco growers, led Altria to provide growers with an additional payment at the end of the season. As we continue to see the number of our burley growers decrease, we have realized the importance of all tobacco growers organizations – burley, flue-cured, and dark fired – working together and engaging our congressional leadership to be advocates for our industry.

Our efforts to meeting with tobacco companies in person were hindered by the pandemic this spring and summer. I did have the opportunity to participate in Altria's virtual shareholders meeting in the spring, on behalf of tobacco growers.

Altria representatives also joined the Council's July board meeting via Zoom to discuss the overall changes in the industry and the marketing challenges growers may face in 2020, due to COVID-19 restrictions. Altria is committed to work with growers to provide open communication and support, as we all navigate the uncertainty of

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Focus turning to demand



MARKET WATCH

Dewey Strickler

Soybeans continue to trend upward amid strong demand from China. Production prospects for corn continue to decline, but even if ending stocks fall to nearly 2.4 billion bushels, as many expect, they would still be the second highest in over 20 years. Global stocks are falling as well but remain elevated. That said, for corn values to trend upward, it is important for exports to improve.

Last week, export inspections were mundane at 30.7 million bushels.

However, values in China are at a 5-year high and expectations are they may have a production shortfall of 20-30 million tons because of flooding. If so, they may have to import up to 10-12 million tons, which would give U.S. export prospects a boost down the road.

In other developments, the rating for corn fell one point last week to 61 percent of the crop in good-to-excellent condition. This point, the ratings have run their course as to being a significant influence.

Soybeans continue to trend upward amid strong demand from China. As mentioned in a previous comment, China's imports are expected to rise 3 million tons, while Brazil's exports are projected to increase 2 million tons. This leaves a 2 million gap in which the U.S. could get the lion's share of the business.

Looking at last week, export inspections were healthy at 47.6 million bushels with China taking 30.4 million bushels. In the meantime, production prospects in the U.S. are declining as well as those globally. That said, all eyes will be on South America at planting and during the growing season.

In other developments, the rating for soybeans fell one point last week to 65 percent of the crop in good-to-excellent condition. Like corn, at this stage of development, they are becoming irrelevant.

Wheat has met resistance recently from improving production prospects in Argentina and Australia. Although the U.S. has been missing out on wheat sales to Egypt, cumulative shipments are 6.6 percent above a year ago. Last week, inspections were a marketing year high at 25.5 million bushels with shipments on track for 1.057 billion bushels versus USDA's projection of 975 million bushels.

The decline in the dollar since March has been a tremendous help. In other developments, spring wheat harvest is winding down at 82 percent complete compared to the average of 87 percent.

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We're not very good students

I f experience is the best teacher, then surely we have learned a few important, unforgettable lessons in this otherwise forgettable year.

If it isn't a good teacher or we are uncaring students, then we've squandered most of the year, over \$4 trillion, and almost 200,000 lives on lessons still needing to be learned.

That's not just regrettable; it's borderline criminal for several reasons.

For example, America's abdication of leadership on climate change has put the world even further behind in nature's fire-and-brimstone future for our children and grandchildren. So far, 2020 has delivered:

- Back-to-back destructive hurricanes on the U.S. Gulf Coast.
- Daytime temperatures in southern California of 115 degrees F. or more that, in turn, now fuel more than 400 wildfires in the state.
- Straight line winds, called a derecho, that either damaged or destroyed millions of crop acres and hundreds of millions of dollars in property from Nebraska to Ohio.
- And, perhaps most remarkable of all, each of these once-in-a-generation, climate-related disasters happened in just one month, August.

If that weather-fueled havoc proves anything, it proves how vain and foolish we are when Mother Nature smiles and how puny and vulnerable we are when she doesn't. But we deny climate change during both.

Farmers and ranchers are learning another costly lesson that most already knew: trade wars aren't just unwinnable, they're damnable. The proof is anytime any one of them looks at any current futures market chart or any monthly bank statement.

More proof arrived Sept. 2 in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2020 Farm Income Forecast. It showed that annual federal farm program payments in each of the last four years, FY2017 through FY2020 respectively, were \$11.5 billion, \$13.7 billion, \$22.4 billion, and \$37.2 billion.

That's what an outdated federal ag policy trapped in an ill-advised trade war wrapped inside a still-spreading global pandemic looks like in U.S. farm country: \$85 billion worth for bandages and iodine – \$60 billion in the last two

years alone – with more of both promised in 2021.

On a nationwide percentage basis, direct federal payments to U.S. farmers and ranchers were 11.3 percent of FY2017 net farm income. This year they made up a record 31 percent of the nation's net farm income.

And that's the good news; the bad news is that it's a solid bet to be even higher next year.

The biggest reason is that the billions for ag and the trillions for other sectors were meant to buy time to build a levee against an all-but-certain second wave of coronavirus predicted to hit this fall.

But for any number of bad reasons – too hasty reopenings, too little mask wearing, too many mass gatherings, and almost no coordination between states – the wave hit in the middle of summer.

The deeply divided Congress responded by doing little, then nothing, and now COVID-19 deaths in the U.S. likely will surpass 200,000 by the end of September and, experts – who have been spot-on so far – predict, 410,000 by year's end.

That's 120,000 more than all American "battle deaths" in World War II, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

If that number still doesn't move our political, farm, and community leaders to take today's pandemic seriously, then we all are doomed to even more government debt, business failure, and death.

What should puzzle us now, however, is that all of this was predicted: how 2020 was going to be a punishing year for climate change; how the trade war would devastate American farm income; how the pandemic's rapid spread, virulence, and cost would hit America like nothing ever seen before.

Worse, after all the pain, suffering, and debt, we have not learned 2020's stark lessons well enough to change course. In fact, we have spent the year going in a circle and are now back where we started in February.

Only this time, the lessons will cost double and triple or more.



FOOD & FARM FILE

Alan Guebert

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For good or evil

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provide you with what you wanted or needed to know.

Who is going to perform at the annual festival? It's on the front page of the newspaper. What happened at the city council meeting? The newspaper had a reporter there. What events are taking place this week? Check out the calendar in the newspaper.

That role of the local media hasn't

changed. Radio stations are still reporting the latest calendar of events and newspapers are still writing about local news. If the sources of that news, however, decide to "just post to Facebook," then they are telling you that you must go to Facebook to get the information.

There is good and evil on Facebook. I'm personally sick of the evil and wouldn't care if I never opened the page on my computer again. I like people better when I spend more time with people in

person and less time with people online. Somehow the keyboard transforms perfectly good people into people you want to avoid.

If you are in charge of sending information to others, I urge you to use local media as well as your own website. If you are the collector of information, try going directly to the websites of the organization you want information from. Get in the habit of checking relevant websites daily instead of relying on social media to send you to that informa-

We have given social media applications way too much power. Do you really want to trust a social media application algorithm to tell you what you need to know? There are over 1 billion websites on the worldwide web; we should all spend less time on the social media ones and more time elsewhere. We will learn more and hate less.

SHARON BURTON is editor of The Farmer's Pride.

120 takes the cake

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marketing our burley this season.

While the Council's annual membership meeting in March was cancelled due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, I am excited to have the opportunity to host this meeting outside on my farm in Versailles, Kentucky. The Council's annual meeting will take place on

Tuesday, Sept. 29 beginning at 10 a.m. EDT. We will have representatives speaking about the TAGS program for the 2020 marketing year, and we will have a short business meeting to elect two grower representatives to the Coun-

To meet all state COVID-19 guidelines, we require all members attending to RSVP for the meeting by visiting

councilforburleytobacco.com and follow the registration link on the home page. Registration is free for all burley tobacco farmers, but pre-registration is required to attend the meeting. Deadline for preregistration is Friday, Sept. 25.

I want burley growers to know that – even with all the changes in 2020 - they still have an organization they can reach out to as issues arise.

I encourage all growers to visit the website at councilforburleytobacco.com and update your membership; also, follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/CouncilForBurleyTobacco to get up-to-date information on all burley issues.

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State fair wraps up in the commonwealth

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of the unusual challenges the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, Kentucky Farm Bureau, Kentucky Soybean Board, Kentucky Pork Producers, and Kentucky Corn Growers increased their support this year.

"FFA members prepare all year long for those few moments that they get to spend in the ring, and always dream of getting to show at the Kentucky State Fair. Our members could not be more grateful for the opportunity that they have been given to continue pursuing their passions of livestock and showmanship," said Mallory White, Kentucky FFA president.

Even without in-person spectators, the World's Championship Horse Show hosted the diamond-caliber competition, culminating in crowning "I'm Lookin At You," owned by Nissa and Kelli Sultan and ridden by Matt Shiflet, the 2020 World's Grand Championship Five-Gaited Champion.

The Oak Ridge Boys performed the National Anthem at the World's Championship Horse Show finals, keeping their 45-year streak of performing at the Kentucky State Fair alive.

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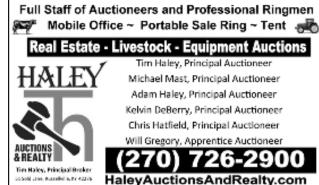
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The Lord is my Shepherd

"Life is not fair," some claim. When they try to place the events of life on a balance sheet, the total seems to be much larger on the negative side of the ledger. They prove their point: Life is indeed unfair.

And if we stop reading Psalm 23 at the end of verse four, it seems that the struggles of life end in victory with no celebration. The battle is over and we sit silently in comfort and security - but alone. Not so! Our Shepherd becomes a Host and we are seated at a lavishly set table with an abundance of food.

After a successful battle in the days of David, the victor would be seated in a banquet hall as the ones he defeated stood and watched as he dined before them. They would watch but not enjoy. They were the losers and could not enter into the joy of victory.

So our Lord will one day seat us in the presence of those who would have destroyed us. Not only is there the celebration of a feast that signifies victory, but the honor of being anointed with "oil," the sign of a true celebration. Then we read that our "cup" will be overflowing, a picture of the goodness and grace of God that demonstrates Him giving the very best to His child whom He bought at a great price.

In the New Testament, the banquet table is a sign of salvation. We conclude this Psalm with a vision of being seated at a banquet with our Savior and Shepherd. A banquet where we will celebrate the joy of our salvation and being with Him forever.

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Recipe courtesy of allrecipes.com

Honey-garlic slow cooker chicken thighs

4 skinless, boneless chicken thighs 1/2 cup soy sauce 1/2 cup ketchup 1/3 cup honey
3 cloves garlic, minced
1 teaspoon dried basil

1. Lay chicken thighs into the bottom of a 4-quart slow cooker.

2. Whisk soy sauce, ketchup,

honey, garlic, and basil together in a bowl; pour over the chicken.

3. Cook on Low for 6 hours.

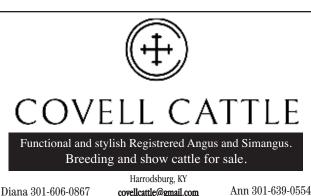




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PRIDE IN AG EDUCATION

What are the true impacts of your food choices?

By Jennifer Elwell for engAGe Kentucky

There are many factors that influence our food purchase decisions and we hold each of those factors at different levels of importance. Some buy food purely based on cost, while others may look for labels that deem a food more nutritious, humane, or environmentally responsible.

Current events may also impact food purchase decisions. The pandemic, for instance, has had many people concerned about food distribution, availability, and safety. Meat supplies dropped due to processing and packing plant closures. Farmers had to take drastic steps to manage livestock they were not able to send for processing. Consumers were limited on what they could purchase, and prices increased, yet farmers were not seeing increased profits.

To curtail worry, many consumers looked to buy meat directly from farmers. Consumers found out quickly, however, that many local farmers and processors were not equipped to serve the dramatic increase in demand.

This is just one example of how complex our food system is, and thankfully markets are slowly returning to pre-pandemic balance with some insightful adjustments.

EngAGe Kentucky will submit an article each month in the Pride in Ag Education section that looks at food choices. We will explore the science and economics of sustainability, environmental impact, production location (local food), animal production issues, biotechnology, chemical and antibiotic use, and more.

We encourage teachers to use the Food for Thought activity – found at www.teachkyag.org – to gauge what is currently important to their students when it comes to food decisions. As more information becomes available to them through these articles, we suggest using the activity again at the end of the school year to see if their preferences have changed and what factors influenced the change.

Our first topic is sustainability. You will see that it is a three-legged stool. If any leg is missing, the stool falls over. Many that demand sustainable food, however, typically focus only on environmental impact. We hope that the information here, provided by USDA's Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education, sheds some light on the term.



Photo by Jennifer Elwell

What is Sustainable Agriculture?

Every day, farmers and ranchers around the world develop new, innovative strategies to produce and distribute food, fuel and fiber sustainably. While these strategies vary greatly, they all embrace three broad goals, or what SARE calls the 3 Pillars of Sustainability:

- Profit over the long term
- Stewardship of our nation's land, air, and water
- Quality of life for farmers, ranchers, and their communities

There are almost as many ways to reach these goals as there are farms and ranches in America.

A cattle rancher might divide his rangeland into paddocks in a rotational grazing system to better manage soil and water resources while improving animal productivity. A field crop farmer might implement a rotation to break up pest cycles, improve soil fertility and cut costs, or use cover crops – non-cash crops grown for their benefit to the soil and ability to suppress weeds. A fruit and vegetable grower might try a new marketing approach such as selling di-

rectly to restaurants in a nearby city to gain a larger share of the consumer food dollar.

No one recipe works on every farm and ranch.

Digging Deeper

To learn more about the sustainability and conservation efforts of our Kentucky farmers, we encourage you to read the profiles of the many Kentucky Leopold Conservation Award winners and nominees at

kyfoodandfarm.com/sustainability. Google Classroom quizzes on these articles are available. Please send an email to jennifer@teachkyag.org to request access.

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Hay Testing – Just Do It.

Testing hay is not the norm. Past surveys have borne this out, as have unofficial 'show of hands' surveys in meetings. Yet testing hay is a vital part of an efficient livestock forage operation. If you have not done so, there is plenty of time to get hay tested and reap the benefits during the coming hay-feeding season.

I do understand reluctance to test hay, especially hay that you may think is bad. I can almost hear farmers saying 'I know my hay is bad. Why should I pay to learn something I already know?' That's a good question. Here are my top 10 reasons.

- It saves feed costs. Overwintering costs are the single biggest cost in a cow-calf operation. UK budgets place the hay cost of overwintering a cow at \$150 (2.5 tons at \$60 per ton). Since much of the profit in a cow-calf operation comes from saving money, it makes good sense to know what is in your hay and to not purchase nutrients you don't need.
- It keeps livestock healthy. By preventing underfeeding, you keep cows in better condition and they can better handle the disease stresses of winter.
- It tells you about your legume content. The calcium to phosphorous ratio will indicate how much legume is in the hay. If calcium and phosphorous are present in similar amounts (in other words the ratio is 1 to 1), your hay is mostly grass. If it is 2 to 1 or greater, you have a significant amount of legume.
- You get more calves. In other words, skinny cows don't rebreed. Testing hay and feeding accordingly lowers the risk of cows losing significant body condition over winter. Even when supplementing according to the hay test, keep observing cows for individual condition scores in case they are not consuming as much hay as the ration program estimated.

– It is a scorecard for your hay program. Hay quality is something you can do something about but only if you get it tested. Comparing current values to historic values for your hay quality will red flag production issues before you find out about them in the form of fewer calves or thin cows.

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- It can make you money. A hay test can help leverage higher prices for cash sales. Having a hay test says to potential customers that you are a serious forage producer.
- It can tell you if your hay got hot. A hay test can tell you if your hay got hot in storage, if you specify the correct assay when



you submit the sample. Commonly used terms for heat damaged protein are acid detergent insoluble protein (ADICP), acid detergent fiber crude protein (ADF-CP), acid detergent insoluble nitrogen (ADIN), heat-damaged protein (HDP) and insoluble

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crude protein (ICP). All of these represent the same thing – the amount of insoluble nitrogen associated with the acid detergent fiber in forage. All forage will have some insoluble nitrogen in the acid detergent fiber, but if it is more than 10 percent of the total, then you have experienced some heat damage to the protein and you may need to compensate for with supplements.

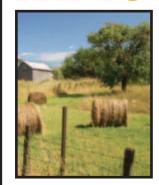
- It helps you use your hay efficiently. You will be able to feed the best hay to the livestock that need the most nutrition.

- It helps diagnose storage problems. Getting around to all your hay barns and storage locations will give you a chance to make note of any barn leaks, water encroachment from poor drainage, and other problems.
- It will impress (and maybe shock) your county agent, your ag dealer and even your neighbors.

Don't be normal – get your hay tested. Your county agent or ag supply store can tell you how.

Happy foraging.

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

Kentucky corn harvest brings hope for many farmers

began with reason for optimism in our industry. The signing of the USMCA trade deal, emerging corn purchases by China, a successful challenge to EPA granting RFS waivers and approval of year-round sales of E15 had us all looking for an economic rebound.

Then the unthinkable happened as a pandemic stunned the world. Through it all farmers have answered the bell, responding in admirable fashion, putting us on track to produce an abundant crop.

In response, KyCorn and the National Corn Growers Association are upping their efforts as well to reflect our concern for the business and mental health of growers, their families, and their communities.

We have shared information on COVID-19 management on the



farm, dealing with stress, and making sure you are fully utilizing the programs made available since the last farm program.

We are focused on keeping farmers in business. We continue to advocate on your behalf in Washington to get assistance for corn growers; work to get packers up and running; keep trade cranking and take the necessary steps to fire up ethanol plants.

Even as things begin to turn around, we are still committed to addressing the mid-term and longterm needs of farmers. May you have a blessed and safe harvest.



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BUSHEL MARKET POTENTIAL

It takes time to lay the groundwork and develop a solid foundation for future markets for corn. One of the primary areas of potential is in bioplastics.

NCGA has been communicating with industry and research partners on corn's value as a feedstock, and they are seeing advancements in this area of innovation.

If corn were to displace all petrobased ethylene with corn sugarsbased ethylene, for plastics such as water bottles and bags, the market potential could use more than 10 billion bushels.

Corn Farmer Checkoff Resources Dedicated to Increasing Corn Grind through Ethanol Infrastructure

Building out the infrastructure needed for future mid-level blends of ethanol continues to be a priority of the Kentucky (KyCGA) and the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA). Over the past three years, we have worked with Wayne Fueling Systems to produce and sell fuel pumps certified to deliver fuel containing up to 25 percent ethanol.

Thanks to this key partnership, KyC-GA, NCGA and other state corn associations have supported the sale of more than 50,000 new fuel pumps across the U.S., building out the infrastructure needed to support future mid-level blends of ethanol.

"This lays the groundwork for growing ethanol demand and moving the industry forward," said NCGA Market Development Vice President Jim Bauman.
"Corn farmers' support of NCGA's multi-year fuel pump infrastructure program supports the introduction of higher octane fuels delivered by low-carbon, affordable, corn-based ethanol."

Another infrastructure program supported by corn farmer resources is the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP), a USDA cost-shared biofuels infrastructure installation program. HBIIP has helped deliver awareness and technical assistance for installations representing more than 1,100 fuel dispensers across 21 states and 222 locations. Combined, these locations sell more than 250 million gallons of gasoline annually.

"We are laser-beam focused on building future demand for ethanol and corn farmers," said Laura Knoth, KyCGA Executive Director. "Our eyes are on the short game with direct retailer partnerships; and on the long game, if the U.S. were to move to a higher octane, mid-level blend of ethanol, our estimates indicate it could equate to 5 billion gallons of new ethanol demand, or 1.8 billion bushels of corn annually."



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22nd annual Ky. Poultry Festival

The Kentucky Poultry Federation has made the very difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Kentucky Poultry Festival. We are currently looking at alternative options to include a virtual annual meeting. We are still giving out our scholarships and accepting applications for the farm family environmental awards. More information will follow as plans are finalized.

However, we still need your help and support. If you would like to be a sponsor or donate to our scholarship fund, please contact the Kentucky Poultry Federation office at 270-404-2277 or e-mail jguffey@kypoultry.org.



Virtual 4-H egg preparation and demonstration contest

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to restrict the number of people who can gather in a single location, we have decided to hold the egg preparation demonstration contest virtually. The contest is open to all Kentucky 4-H juniors and seniors.

To achieve this, contestants need to prepare a 12minute long presentation that involves cooking an egg-based dish while discussing egg-related information. The presentations are then to be filmed at their county extension office.

We will then conduct the virtual contest on Saturday, Oct. 24 via zoom. Connection information will be sent prior to the contest. Contestants will be judged on presentation content and presentation skills.

There will be no sensory evaluation of product this year so the score will be out of 70 instead of the normal 100 points for the in-person contest. The Kentucky Poultry Federation has donated prize money for both junior and senior divisions.

The top individual will receive \$200, second place

\$100, third place \$75, fourth place \$50, and fifth place \$25. The checks and ribbons will be mailed to their county extension office for pickup.

It is our goal to have the best competition possible. Below are some helpful tools that should come in handy as you prepare for the contest. For more information, contact Dr. Jacquie Jacob (Jacquie.jacob@uky.edu).

Kentucky rules: https://afs.ca.uky.edu/event/eggpreparation-demonstration-contests

UK factsheet on egg preparation demonstration contests:

http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/4aj/4aj09po/ 4aj09po.PDF

A series of YouTube videos put together by the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service on Egg prep demos (which they call Egg Cookery) -

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8 boneless skinless chicken thighs 4 jalapeno peppers 8oz cream cheese 8 strips of bacon 1 stick of Real Butter BBQ sauce BBQ rub



Season each side with a good dose of my All-Purpose Seasoning. Split the jalapeño peppers in half lengthwise and remove the seeds and veins. Fill each half with cream cheese and sprinkle a touch of dry rub on top.

Place the stuffed pepper cheese side down in the center of each chicken thigh and form the meat around the pepper. Next wrap each thigh with a strip of bacon.

Spray the pan with cooking spray and place each thigh upright in the pan. Season the thighs with a little Killer Hogs Dry Rub and place a tablespoon of butter on each one.

Cook 300 degrees. After 45 minutes the bacon should start to brown, and the chicken will have absorbed enough smoke flavor. Cover the pan with aluminum foil and continue to cook until the internal temperature hits 165 degrees. At this point remove the pan from the smoker.

Be sure to where insulated gloves because it will be hot. Carefully take each thigh out of the chicken pan and re-season each side with BBQ Rub. Place the thighs on a chicken rack and back out on the smoker for 5-10 minutes. This gives the rub time to dry.

For the finishing glaze use BBQ Sauce. Heat it in a small pan or in the microwave for 5 minutes stirring occasionally. Once the rub has set, dunk each thigh in the warm sauce and place it back on the rack to drain. The rack goes back on the Egg for a final 5-10 minutes. Just long enough for it to "tack up". If you see it getting dark remove the thighs immediately.

Let the thighs rest for just a few minutes and they are ready to serve these

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Grilled scotch eggs

4 hardboiled eggs (peeled)
1-pound sage breakfast
sausage
1 cup flour

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Divide sausage into four even portions and flatten each section into a disk. Lay one egg on each disk then gently form the sausage around the egg so that it is entirely encased. 2 eggs 1 tablespoon water 2 cups seasoned breadcrumbs

Place the egg and water into a shallow bowl and whisk to combine. Add the flour to a second bowl and the breadcrumbs to a third. Roll each sausagecovered egg in flour, then coat in egg wash, then cover with breadcrumbs.

Place the Scotch eggs on the cool side of the grill, cover the grill, and allow them to smoke for 20–30 minutes until the sausage is cooked through (it should be firm to the touch) and the breadcrumbs are lightly browned. Remove the Scotch eggs from the grill and serve immediately.



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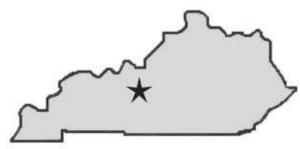
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By Jamie Guffey Kentucky Poultry Federation Director



Educational materials for virtual learning

Since many of you are looking for educational materials and things to keep the kids occupied while being healthy at home, we wanted to share our materials with you virtually. We have numerous videos, recipes, experiments, interesting and fun facts about the poultry industry. Take a look at the sites and apps we are recommending.

With everything going on, I have decided to make a small change to my recommendations for this edition. As a reminder, my criteria for recommending apps or other educational material are as follows: They must be free, it must be educational, entertaining, or helpful around the farm, and it must be agriculture and poultry friendly.

Give these a try: American Egg Board website; Kentucky Poultry Federation website/ Facebook; Kentucky Agricultural an Environment in the Classroom; Egg; and Farming Simulator 16.

KPF Webpage and Facebook kypoultry.org/, facebook.com/Kentucky-Poultry-Federation. Please follow us on Facebook for the latest recipes, videos, tricks of the trade, educational material and to increase your poultry knowledge.

Our web page is packed full of videos and

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other information about Kentucky's poultry industry. If you are staying healthy at home and the kids are in school virtually, this may be a great option to broaden their agricultural and poultry knowledge.

KAEC webpage - .teachkyag.org

Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom was formed in 1992 to provide agricultural, environmental, and practical living literacy programs across the Bluegrass. This is accomplished through developing partnerships with Kentucky's agricultural and educational organizations. Check out this website for the latest farm videos, projects, and educational materials.

Egg – This app is a poultry version of Super Mario. The first time I played the game, I laughed out loud. It is a good game to take your mind off things while you're waiting in line or to keep the kids occupied.

Farming Simulator 16 – is an improvement on the 15 prior versions. Enjoy driving farm equipment virtually while you try not to run out of fuel or leave too much of the crop in the field.

Backyard Tailgating this Football Season

After Labor Day weekend's yard work, seal-

ing the driveway, pool time and other activities with the family, we decided to have our own little tailgate party to watch the Navy football game.

The game did not turn out quite like we wanted, but the smoked chicken wings were on point. With college football starting back in some parts of the country, it is like a much-needed breath of fresh air.

We may not be able to attend the games and cheer on our teams but that does not mean we cannot support them from home. Below are some recipes to get you started. Just like the cheesecake from the last Sunny-Side article, we have tried a few of these. You should always give something a try and never be afraid to try something new. Who knows, you may like it.

It's like Dr. Gordon Jones, former professor in animal science at Western Kentucky University, used to tell us before we cooked for a block and bridle event, "Anybody can burn them; you are here to learn how to do it the right way." Whether you are smoking meat, cooking with propane, or you have decided to upgrade to a pellet smoker. Light the fire, sit back and enjoy the experience. You may learn something. YouTube is a great resource.

Green onion and sage turkey meatballs and cranberries

Bourbon-Soaked Cranberries
1-pint dried cranberries
4 ounces bourbon
16 ounces hot water
Turkey Sausage
3 pounds ground turkey
1-pound ground pork
12 ounces green onion
1-ounce sage
2½ tablespoons black pepper
2 tablespoons salt
12 ounces cranberries

10 ounces reserved soaking liquid
Sweet potato mustard
1 medium to large sweet potato
2 ounces yellow mustard seed
2 ounces brown mustard seed
2 cups champagne vinegar
2 cups water
1/8 teaspoon allspice
1 cinnamon stick

1 tablespoons salt
6 ounces pickling liquid
5 ounces pickled mustard
seeds
1 teaspoon yellow curry powder
3 tablespoons light brown
sugar
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
hot dog buns
Charcoal with Applewood

To make the bourbon-soaked cranberries, simply combine all ingredients and allow to sit overnight in the refrigerator.

For the turkey sausage, combine all ingredients in a large mixing bowl until thoroughly mixed. Once mixed, the sausage mixture can be formed into meatballs.

Build a charcoal fire for indirect cooking using Kingsford® Charcoal with Applewood by situating the coals on only one side of the grill, leaving the other side void. Preheat the grill to 400°F.

Grill meatballs over indirect heat and cooked for 10 minutes, or until the internal temperature reaches 160°F.

To make the sweet potato mustard, start by tightly

wrapping the sweet potato in tin foil. Place the wrapped sweet potato on the grill over indirect heat, close the lid and cook for 30 to 40 minutes, or until soft. Once cooled, scoop out of its skin and reserve 10 ounces of the grilled sweet potato.

In a small pot, combine the yellow mustard seed, brown mustard seed, champagne vinegar, water, all-spice, cinnamon, bay leaves and salt, and bring to a simmer. Simmer for 45 minutes and allow to cool overnight in the refrigerator. Separate the now pickled mustard seeds from the pickling liquid, but do not discard.

Combine the sweet potato with the pickling liquid, pickled mustard seeds, curry powder, brown sugar,



and cayenne pepper. Mix well and set aside. The sweet potato mustard will hold for up to 5 days in the refrigerator

When serving, liberally spread sweet potato mustard on both sides of a hot dog bun and place your grilled meatballs inside. Serve hot.

Credit: Recipe created by Jean-Paul Bourgeois of Blue Smoke on behalf of Kingsford® charcoal.

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KENTUCKY GRAIN PRICES

LOUISVILLE AREA: Louisville & Bagdad; PENNYRILE AREA: Allensville, Auburn, Franklin, Hopkinsville & Pembroke; BLUEGRASS AREA: Bardstown, Lexington & Winchester; GREEN RIVER: Caneyville & Livermore; NORTHERN KENTUCKY AREA: Silver Grove at Cincinnati; PURCHASE AREA: Clinton & Mayfield. Opening bids at elevators and processing plants.

3.51-3.63 9.81-9.83 NA					Louisville	09/08/2020 4:00 pm est Bids for next day Cash Bids
	3.62	3.62	3.47-3.52	3.37-3.47	3.33-3.48	Corn #2 Yellow
1	9.78 NA	9.48 NA	9.68-9.78 NA	9.48-9.78 5.29-5.54	9.30 4.65-5.22	Corn #2 White Soybeans #1 Y Wheat #2 SRW Barley
						New Crop Delivery Contract
3.72	3.50	3.37	3.47-3.74	3.37-3.47	3.38-3.67	Corn #2 Yellow
9.65-9.67 NA	9.53 NA	9.23 NA	9.78-9.83 NA	9.28-9.63 NA	9.10 NA	Corn #2 White Soybeans #1 Y Wheat #2 SRW Barley
	9.53	9.23	3.92-4.17 9.78-9.83	9.28-9.63	9.10	Corn #2 Yellow Corn #2 White Soybeans #1 Y Wheat #2 SRW

Eastern Cornbelt Ethanol Plant Report 09/08/2020 Indiana Ohio Illinois

Yellow Corn Spot Bid 3.38-3.78

Dried Distillers Grain (\$/ton) 10% moisture 142.00-175.00

Modified Wet Distillers (\$/ton) 50-55% moisture 50.00

Kentucky Weekly Cattle Receipts as reported at local markets: 08/15/20 18,549

08/22/20 27.012 08/29/20 16,949

09/05/20 16,496

Weekly Feed Ingredient Price Wholesale prices, \$ per ton Rail or Truck FOB Location	Owensboro Grain	Commonwealth Agri-Energy Hopkinsville	St. Louis Weekly Feed Prices	Memphis Weekly Feed Report	Corn Belt Feedstuffs Report
	09/08/2020	09/08/2020	09/08/2020	09/08/2020	09/08/2020
Soybean Meal 48% Sol	322.40	_	336.00-341.00	309.40-330.40	303.40-316.40
Soybean Hulls	140.00	_	_	105.00	_
Corn Distillers Grain Dried	_	158.00		_	142.00-175.00
Distillers Grain Modified	_	88.00		_	<u> </u>
Distillers Grain Wet	_	52.00		_	_
Corn Condensed Solubles	_	NA		_	_
Corn Gluten Feed 20-21 pct	_	_	158.00-160.00	_	110.00-125.00
Corn Gluten Meal 60 pct		_	480.00	_	395.00-415.00
Cottonseed Meal 41 pct		_	265.00	230.00-235.00	_
Whole Cottonseed		_		210.00	_
Wheat Middlings		_	106.00-118.00	_	_

Eastern Cornbelt Hog Prices 09/08/2020 Barrows & Gilts Receipts: 5,173 Base Price: \$40.00-\$50.00 Wt. Avg. \$45.93 Compared to prior day, wt. avg. prices were 5.10 lower to 2.01 higher, market trend was not well established.

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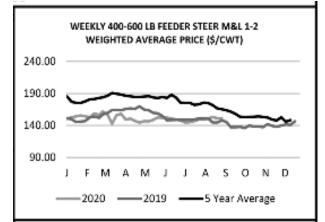
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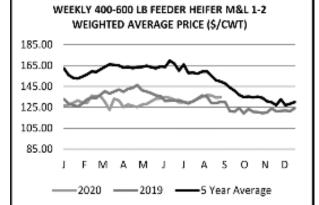


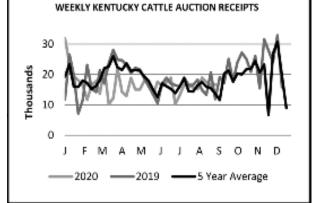
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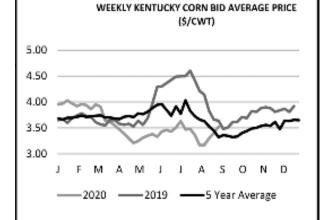
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Feeder Heifers: Medium & Large 1-2

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Campbellsville, KY Sept. 5, 2020

Holstein Steers: Large 3 22 hd. 677# 105.50

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August 31, 2020

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Albany, KY Sept. 2, 2020

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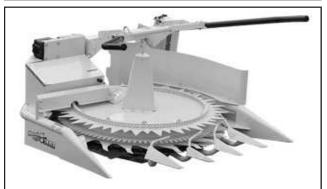


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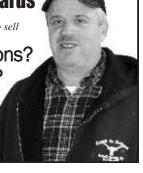
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