

## Enthusiasts crawl natural fiber trail

Natural fiber enthusiasts or anyone who wanted to enjoy a visit to a farm that raises natural fiber animals had that opportunity during the first Bluegrass Yarn and Fiber Crawl, July 29-Aug. 7.

The crawl comes under the umbrella of the Kentucky Sheep and Goat Development Office and outreach of the Kentucky Natural Fiber Trail, which weaves art with agriculture.

"The trail is a group who are passionate about natural fiber," said Kathy Meyer, a trail member and crawl participant. All crawl members are trail members, but not all trail members opted to be part of the crawl. Meyer said trail membership is available to any entity in the state that offers natural fiber value-added products that start with a raw fleece and continue to artisan creations. The \$50 membership fee gives members several different marketing opportunities.

Sarabeth Parado, natural fiber marketing director for the development office, said the crawl is held during the summer to help generate sales in a normally slow month.

"While many trail members welcome visitors and are open by appointment only, the crawl gave Kentucky's natural fiber industry the chance to have a concentrated effort for exposure," she said.

The crawl had 25 locations with a blend of agritourism, fiber producers, fiber artisans, and retail shops, all pinned on an interactive map on the crawl's website. Each location noted specific dates and times open to crawl visitors. While most of the sites were a short drive from Lexington, there were stops as far south as Glasgow, as far east as Paintsville, and even across the Ohio River in the Cincinnati area.

Sweet Home Spun Fiber near Pleasureville was open as part of the Henry County Harvest Showcase on the first weekend of the crawl. Joanne Adams carded wool from her blue-faced Leicester sheep as folks stopped by to watch and see her assortment of hand-knitted items. Sweet Home Spun was open on two other crawl dates at the farm location. At the farm, visitors would see the family's entire flock and visit the unique craft and art studio housed in a reconstructed low country Dutch meeting house.

A 25-minute drive toward Frankfort was Morgan Farm, a family business. The Morgans – Phillip, Sher-



Paul Slaninka demonstrates the gentleness and affection the alpaca possesses.

yl, and Karen – raise Jacob and Shetland Sheep and all have a specific role in the operation of the natural fiber business.

The Morgans chose these two breeds because they are in "threatened" status by the Livestock Conservancy. While the farm is open by appointment, daughter Karen produces the natural fiber products and sells them through Etsy. She doesn't have a brick-and-mortar store. The crawl provided a perfect opportunity to show off her many natural fiber items

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## Two Ky. beef bulls die from tick disease

**FRANKFORT** – Two cases of a new, potentially dangerous, disease of cattle has been detected in Kentucky, according to Kentucky State Veterinarian Dr. Katie Flynn.

*Theileria orientalis* Ikedia, which is a protozoon known to be carried by the Asian Longhorned tick, has been diagnosed in two beef herds, one in Fleming County and the second in Hart County. In each instance, a beef breed bull fell ill and died. There is no relationship between the herds.

"The Kentucky Department of Agriculture and the Office of the State Veterinarian is working closely with agriculture producers to contain these incidents and protect our herds across the state," Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles said. "Protecting the health of livestock in the commonwealth is a top priority of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture."

*Theileria* is a tickborne protozoa that infects red and white blood cells causing severe anemia in cattle as well as abortions, stillbirths, weakness, reluctance to walk, and death. Physical examination may reveal pale mucus membranes, high fever and elevated heart and respiratory rates. *Theileria* can be confused with *Anaplasma marginale* infections because both cause anemia. A blood test can distinguish the two diseases.

Once an animal is infected with *Theileria*, it becomes a carrier, which is a source of infection for other cattle in the herd. There is no approved effective treatment or vaccine for the disease, making prevention and biosecurity imperative.

Though a threat to cattle, the disease is not a threat to human health. Humans cannot become sick from contact with affected cattle, and consuming meat from affected cattle is safe provided the meat has been cooked to an appropriate temperature.

The Asian Longhorned Tick has been found to be a primary carrier for this disease. The tick has previously been detected in Boone, Metcalfe, Floyd, Martin, Madison, Breathitt, and Perry counties in Kentucky. It is possible that the tick is

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JoAnne Adams, demonstrates wool carding for visitors at the Henry County Harvest Showcase during the Yarn and Fiber Crawl.

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to visitors, and she moved her inventory to the family home's garage.

The Morgans were open just the first weekend but were very pleased with the number of visitors who had stopped. They sold several skeins of yarn, a fleece, and even a breeding ewe and had visitors who just wanted to see a farm.

An easy drive down Hwy. 127 to Harrodsburg brought crawl goers to Black Watch Alpaca Farm, owned by Paul and Deb Slaninka. The Slaninkas moved

their herd to the Harrodsburg area in 2013 when they relocated from a farm in Maine.

The herd developed as show animals but they have transitioned their selection criteria to fiber.

They had no livestock experience, and thanks to assistance from a neighbor who raised alpacas and their veterinarian, they have mastered the husbandry of alpaca farming.

Deb's well-appointed Little Shoppe on the Farm was once a simple out-building. She said she wanted the shop

on the farm to educate customers and offer the opportunity to see the herd. Black Watch farm welcomes visitors at all times.

Black Watch had five groups of visitors by mid-afternoon on the first Saturday, and one customer commented as she completed her purchase that she and her husband planned to visit at least one crawl stop each day of the crawl.

Lavender Springs Alpaca, located near Oil Springs in Johnson County, is a bit off the beaten path but had a very successful crawl.

Wife and husband Ashley Osoway and Richard Brothers moved in 2020 from upstate New York to begin a sustainable farming operation with alpacas as the foundation. On the first Saturday, 90 people visited Lavender Springs. Ashley noted that most were local but several were from the Lexington area and even as far away as Illinois.

She said there was a broad mix of peo-

ple who were customers as well as families who wanted to see the alpacas. The crawl was the opportunity for the official opening of the farm store. She said the crawl was a domino effect for the Paintsville Farmers' Market. When she told visitors Lavender Springs Alpacas is regularly at the small market, the next market day, she had new visitors to her booth who also shopped at other market vendors.

At the conclusion of the crawl, Sarahbeth Parido said the crawl proved to be the marketing opportunity she hoped for.

"The crawl allowed Kentucky producers, artisans and shops to show what they have to offer and the Kentucky Natural Fiber industry has many examples of local production within an easy driving distance."

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Field Reporter

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#### Feeder Cattle:

**Steers:** Medium and Large 1-2: 13 Head, 450-491#, 174.00-176.00; 5 Head, 602-610#, 153.00-165.00; 1 Head, 720#, 130.00. Medium and Large 2-3: 3 Head, 635-642#, 137.00-140.00.

**Heifers:** Medium and Large 1-2: 9 Head 292# 148.00; 6 Head 395# 163.00; 5 Head 410-448#, 147.00-153.00; 11 Head 455-461# 169.00-172.00; 14 Head 510-543# 158.00-160.00; 14 Head, 560-583# 152.00-156.00; 7 Head 649# 147.50; 8 Head 650-665# 123.00-131.00; 1 Head 685# 146.00, Value Added; 4 Head 723# 118.00-120.00; 12 Head 761-773# 138.00-139.00; 2 Head 855#, 117.00; 2 Head 988# 114.50. Medium and Large 2-3: 1 Head 360# 146.00; 5 Head 469# 158.00; 9 Head 511-567# 134.00-140.00; 1 Head 640# 128.00; 2 Head 700# 120.00.

**Bulls:** Medium and Large 1-2: 6 Head 330-340# 155.00-159.00; 8 Head 361-382# 150.00-160.00; 11 Head 441# 168.00; 3 Head 475# 140.00; 10 Head 511# 165.00; 13 Head 591-599# 137.00-145.00; 4 Head 631# 135.00; 7 Head 672# 139.00; 5 Head 727# 129.50; 8 Head 774# 124.00. Medium and Large 6 Head 442# 147.00; 3 Head 518# 147.00.

#### Slaughter Cattle:

**Cows:** Breaker 75-80%: 12 Head 1150-1985# 71.50-78.00 Average; 4 Head 1400-1505# 79.00-85.00 High. Boner 80-85%: 27 Head 900-1355# 70.00-79.00 Average; 23 Head 1025-1495# 80.00-93.50# 85.24 High; 1 Head 1295# 67.50 Low. Lean 85-90% 16 Head 700-1170# 60.00-68.50 Average; 14 Head 915-1060# 71.50-83.00 High; 8 Head 695-1000# 50.00-58.00 Low; 3 Head 765-1020# 40.00-44.00 Very Low.

**Bulls:** 1-2: 3 Head 1290-1490# 104.00-114.00 Average; 4 Head 1545-1990# 119.00-124.00 High; 4 Head 1140-1485 83.00-100 Low.

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# Disease affecting cattle detected in Kentucky

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present and undetected in additional Kentucky counties. The tick has been found to attach to livestock, wildlife, dogs, cats, birds and humans. Cattle producers should consider tick control measures to lessen the likelihood of Theileria infections in their cattle herds.

Tick control measures include keeping pastures mowed and cattle restricted from wooded areas. Regular inspection of cattle for ticks and use of acaricides, such as ear tags, pourons, or back rubs, are helpful. Long-acting macrocyclic lactones (ivermectin, moxidectin, eprinomectin) have shown to be effective in tick control in field research trials. Use of clean needles for every injection reduces the spread of bloodborne pathogens. A veterinarian should be notified in the instance of animals showing signs of lethargy or weakness.

In partnership with the University of Kentucky, Tick Laboratory, University of Kentucky Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, Murray State University Breathitt Veterinary Center, and Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine Diagnostic Laboratory, the Office of the State Veterinarian is coordinating a passive surveillance system of tick and blood

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samples from cattle with clinical signs to help identify the presence of the Asian Longhorned Tick and Theileria orientalis Ikeda in Kentucky.

The Office of the State Veterinarian has also created an [alert flyer](#) for cattle owners and coordinated no cost testing of blood for Theileria. Results are available to producers. Information gathered will be used to create maps that depict the spread of the ALT and Theileria across Kentucky. Farm and ownership information will remain confidential.

To submit tick samples for identification or cattle blood samples for Theileria testing, contact Kentucky Deputy State Veterinarian Dr. Kerry Barling at [Kerry.Barling@ky.gov](mailto:Kerry.Barling@ky.gov) or call 502-782-5291 for more information.

## Agricultural Finance Corporation approves \$2 million in loans

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation (KAFC) approved \$2,056,000 for 10 agricultural loans for projects across the commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

### Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program (AILP)

An Agricultural Infrastructure loan totaling \$50,000 was approved for a recipient in Nelson County. KAFC participates with lenders to provide financing to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects through the AILP. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures with attached equipment that improves the profitability of farming operations. Producers may be eligible for up to \$250,000 not to exceed 50 percent of the project.

### Beginning Farmer Loan Program (BFLP)

Nine Beginning Farmer loans totaling \$2,006,000 were approved. Loan recipients were in Barren (\$126,000), Bourbon (\$250,000), two in Graves (\$250,000, \$250,000), Hardin (\$130,000), two in McLean (\$250,000, \$250,000), Shelby (\$250,000), and Webster (\$250,000) counties. The 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 of farm real estate; or to invest in a partnership or LLC.



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I met with several agriculture teachers during their recent summer conference at the Galt House to talk about our Pride in Ag Education program, which provides The Farmer's Pride to classrooms across the state.

I came away refreshed and enthusiastic about our program after hearing from seasoned teachers as well as new teachers who shared great ideas about how they use or will use the Pride in class.

My favorite comment came from a teacher who said her classrooms prefer the print edition over a digital version and said students are tired of computer screens. The Pride may be the only newspaper ink they are getting on their young hands but it gives me hope!

One comment that concerned me came from a teacher talking about the challenge students face when they research specific topics to prepare for speeches. So much of the readily available information they can find online either includes misinformation or it comes from sources very negative about production agriculture.

We talked about ways we can provide even more information for students as they prepare for speech competitions, but the conversation also made me reflect on the work our commodity groups do to inform consumers about the industry and the methods used to produce goods as well as the quality of the goods provided.

Checkoff funds can only be used for education and research, and those funds help combat the misinformation that is so relatively easy to find. A great place to see farmers' educational funds at work starts today at the Kentucky State Fair. AgLand has a whole new look and I can't wait to see it!

Our commodity groups, FFA, 4-H and other farm-related groups have a huge investment in the state fair. It's the most positive and effective opportunity we have to shine a spotlight on our farmers and the dedication behind the work that goes into producing safe, healthy food and fiber.

Those funds are at work year-round, however, and a lot of great information is available online thanks to Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom, a collaborative effort of Kentucky's farming community.

Executive Director Jennifer Elwell helps coordinate the educational efforts that provide resources to teachers, students and consumers in general. You can learn about edu-

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# Interest in bees, FFA grants part of State Star's journey

I believe that a shared joy of life on the farm and in the agriculture classroom is the hope of a new crop and a fresh start. There is excitement around planting seeds, researching and implementing new ways to make the crops grow better while still relying on the faithful methods used every year.

We all know raising a crop of any kind isn't all happiness. There's a lot of worry, concern, ups and downs. The feeling of a successful harvest is quite satisfying; all the hard work and labor finally paid off. It's the same in agriculture education.

The seeds are new students, joining FFA for the very first time. Teachers are excited to try new ideas and class projects, full of hope while they count on the faithful methods that grow students. Those experiences, like joining FFA, learning the Creed, competing in a contest, starting an SAE, well, we know those experiences grow leaders. Advising and teaching an agriculture student throughout high school isn't without worry either. There are ups and downs in student engagement, the normal highs and lows of teenage life. Then there's the "harvest" at graduation. Hopefully we launch into the world young people ready to lead and create their own successful futures... ideally, in the agriculture industry.

It's the hope of new students, a fresh start, a new crop, another chance to be better that keeps me enthralled with agriculture education and FFA for the last 20 years. I am not currently a classroom teacher, but I do get the chance to watch our students grow and the FFA Foundation has a role in providing opportunities to them. No matter how many student success stories I witness, I never get tired of hearing and sharing them.

Recently I was able to spend the day with our Kentucky FFA State Stars as our sponsor, Tarter Farm and Ranch Equipment, filmed videos of their projects. The State Star is the highest award that Kentucky FFA bestows, recognizing graduating seniors who are obtaining their State FFA Degree, earned by years of hard work and growth of their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) Projects. Our State Star Farmer is sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America and the State Star in Agricultural Placement and State Star in Agribusiness is sponsored by Ken-



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online programs at [teachkyag.org](http://teachkyag.org), and you can find an abundance of resources for students at [KyFoodandFarm.com](http://KyFoodandFarm.com). Of course, that information is readily available for people who seek it out, but the state fair reaches people who aren't necessarily in search of information about food and farming. They may be passing through on their way to ride rides, attend concerts, look at quilts or shop, but they end up playing fun games, hanging out with animals and learning something new about farming. They may come to the state fair for a donut burger or a turkey leg, but they leave with a newfound appreciation for the American farmer. For me, the state fair is about visiting with friends and grabbing photos of some livestock ....and a walk through the booths in the South Wing to buy something I do not need....but it's an event I admire because Kentucky does the state fair so well! See you at the fair!

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# 'Funeral by funeral, theory advances'

In 1970, Paul Samuelson became the first American awarded the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences. The honor came to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology economist because he had “simply rewritten considerable parts of economic theory.” True that Samuelson had already written what would become the best-selling college textbook on the subject, Economics, (now translated into 45 languages) and soon would enjoy success as a magazine columnist, writing about the Dismal Science with both wit and wisdom. A hallmark of his writing was clever wisecracks like the pointedly true “The stock market has predicted nine of the last five recessions” and the economically profane “Every good cause is worth some inefficiency.” Both jabs sting yet today. Inside the profession, Samuelson was known for sparring with the equally famous (Nobelist, too) Milton Friedman. And, boy, did Government Supporting Samuelson disagree with Old Free Markets Friedman. When it came to public policy, however, Friedman usually won because his biggest economic convert, Ronald Reagan, rose to power preaching the Friedman doctrine of “government is the problem, markets are the answer.” A generation of Reagan acolytes then dominated conservative politics for 40 years. Samuelson, however, never bought into the Friedman tenet that “markets can regulate themselves... On the contrary,” he said, “there can be no solution without government.” That’s not so much a partisan statement as a simple fact of life. The last several weeks confirm it, again. For example, in late July, Congress finally approved the CHIPS and Science Act, which authorizes the government to invest \$52 billion in U.S.-based semiconductor manufacturing. The final Senate vote was decidedly bipartisan; 49 Democrats and 24 Republicans. Why are taxpayers giving some of the richest U.S. corporations \$52 billion? Because, under free market globalism, American semiconductor companies invested billions in

cheap-labor, offshore manufacturing facilities to virtually abandon the U.S. Under CHIPS, taxpayer billions will flow to companies that invest in “essential American technology and national security” here, noted the Boston Globe on Aug. 8. Farmers know how this works. Entire sectors in U.S. agriculture—like ethanol, high fructose corn syrup, crop insurance, biodiesel, supplemental food aid, foreign export markets, and natural resource conservation—have thrived under protective government umbrellas for decades in the name of national security. Additionally, extraordinary federal farm programs costs, like the Trump Administration’s recent trade war “assistance,” arise periodically. That spending, separate from the standing Farm Bill cost, totaled \$115.5 billion between 2018 and 2021. And that type of additional spending is neither unique nor unusual. Just last week, another \$40 billion in climate change spending for the U.S. Department of Agriculture was pushed through Congress by Democrats. A large chunk of that still-baking pie will go to alternative farm-based fuels like ethanol, biodiesel, wind, and solar while more billions will go directly to farmers and ranchers who adopt climate-friendly changes in farming practices. Almost every national, state, and local ag group endorsed the climate bill while rural America’s overwhelming Republican congressional delegation ran from it. Only one major ag group, the American Farm Bureau Federation, opposed it. In explaining the opposition, AFBF President Zippy Duvall sounded more like Milton Friedman than any farmer and rancher. “Farmers and ranchers support voluntary, market-driven programs,” he announced, “...not an increase in taxes... at a time when the country is entering a recession.” Duvall is partly right; farmers and ranchers do support voluntary, market-driven programs. But they also



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tucky Farm Bureau.

This year the Kentucky FFA State Star in Agribusiness is Katherine Woodard from Logan County FFA. When Katherine started her FFA journey as a freshman in high school, she didn't have an SAE project. She grew up in the country on a farm but didn't have a project she was actively engaged in already. The summer before her sophomore year, during an SAE visit with her agriculture teacher, Wesley Estes, she told him she may be interested in bees. With the help of her parents and agriculture teacher, she enrolled in a BeeKeeping 101 class. That year, she applied for the Kentucky FFA SAE Launch Grant, a \$500 grant to help FFA members grow projects. With that money she bought the supplies she needed to get started, hives and an extractor, and she got to work.

Katherine learned everything she could, grew quickly and even specialized in honey by zip codes, in order that customers could buy honey specifically from their area. It took no time for her to outgrow the small space in the barn where she originally set up shop. Katherine had some big ideas and in 2021 applied for the Kentucky FFA Shark Tank Grant, a \$5,000 grant for growing SAE projects. She interviewed with our panel of "sharks" and received one of the offered grants. With that \$5,000 she built a "Honey House," a storefront where she not only sells her honey but dozens of Kentucky Proud products including produce, meat, eggs, cheese, canned goods, coffee and more!

## 'Funeral by funeral, theory advances'

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support government ag spending that underwrites key sectors of U.S. agriculture – like alternative fuels, crop insurance, exports and food aid.

And it's not just agriculture; this "industrial policy" reality is a key element in U.S. business sectors like energy, defense, infrastructure, finance, banking and now, tech.

Samuelson accepted this basic truth but Friedman never did. In fact, after Friedman died in 2006, the still sassy Samuelson noted, "I wish Friedman were still alive so he could witness how his extremism led to the defeat of his own ideas."

Which in classic Samuelson wit proved yet another of his oft-quoted axioms: "Funeral by funeral, theory advances."

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It doesn't stop there. Katherine wanted to provide a better marketplace for her honey while showcasing Kentucky Proud products and other local vendors, so she decided to host a "Honey Fest." For the last two summers, Katherine has hosted dozens of vendors and over 1,500 guests on her family farm. Her achievements are incredible, but the part that shocks me is that Katherine was a student who started with a blank slate and told her ag teacher in 2020, "I think I'm interested in bees." With a successful agriculture education program, supportive parents and two grants from the Kentucky FFA Foundation, she's established a very successful agribusiness, provided a market for dozens of other growers and, best of all, she's just getting started.

The Kentucky FFA Shark Tank grant was an idea that began in 2019. Kentucky FFA has always given SAE grants in some form or fashion, but we became very deliberate in SAE funding the summer of 2020 with our SAE Launch Grant program. In 2021, the foundation awarded over \$80,000 to enhance student

SAE projects and we are on track to fund even more in 2022. The funding is derived in its entirety from donations and sponsors. It's an investment in the future of Kentucky's agriculture industry, entrepreneurship, and young leaders. The long-term impact is difficult to measure, but let me assure you, it's off the charts.

As we enter harvest season on the farm, I send all our FFA alumni, friends and donors on the farm warm wishes for a successful harvest. It's always a great time to reflect and thank all the folks that lend a hand and invested in you. If you get the itch to plant some "seeds" in the form of funding SAE grants, the Kentucky FFA Foundation is a faithful steward of your gift, which can be made at [www.kyffa.org](http://www.kyffa.org). Applications are available to FFA members beginning in mid-September from their agriculture teacher to begin the process of applying for funds.

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When was the last time you prayed in earnest and laid it all out on the table like Hannah? It is not easy to be gut-wrenchingly honest with God, but it's what we must do if we want Him to act. For God knows our hearts and our intentions regardless what we say.



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**2-3** large cucumbers

**2** tomatoes

**1** yellow bell pepper

**1** small red onion

**¼ cup** chopped fresh cilantro

**½ cup** black beans

**½ cup** fresh whole kernel corn, cooked

**1 ounce** package dry ranch dressing mix

**⅓ cup** cider vinegar

**2 tablespoons** sugar, optional

**Wash** all vegetables. Finely **chop** cucumbers, tomatoes, pepper, and onion. **Combine** in a large mixing bowl with chopped cilantro.

**Drain** and rinse beans and add to chopped vegetables. **Add** corn. If using canned corn instead of fresh, **drain** off liquid prior to adding to vegetables.

**In a small bowl**, mix together ranch

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**1 pinch** salt

**1½ cups** sugar (divided)

**1 cup** skim milk

**½ cup** unsalted butter

**4 cups** fresh peeled peaches

**1 tablespoon** lemon juice

**1 teaspoon** ground nutmeg or cinnamon

**1. Preheat** the oven to 375° F. **Combine** the flour, baking powder, salt and ¾ cup sugar in a large mixing bowl. **Add** the milk and mix only until the dry ingredients are wet.

**2. Melt** the butter and **pour** into a 13 x 9 inch baking dish or pan. **Add** the flour mixture on top of the butter. Do not stir.

**3. In a saucepan**, **heat** the peaches, ¾ cup sugar and lemon juice until the sugar is dissolved and the peaches are coated. **Pour** evenly over the flour

mixture. Do not stir. **Sprinkle** with nutmeg or cinnamon.

**4. Bake** for 40 minutes or until crust is golden brown. **Remove** from oven and serve warm.

**Yield:** 12 servings.

**Nutritional Analysis:** : 190 calories, 8g fat, 5g saturated fat, 80 mg sodium, 20mg cholesterol, 32g carbohydrate, 1g fiber, 24g sugar, 2g protein.



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# Can I really afford to apply nitrogen this fall?



Can you afford to apply high-cost nitrogen fertilizer to stockpile tall fescue as seen in this December scene from eastern Fayette County? Choice of field, presence of soil moisture, early nitrogen application and strip grazing are major factors in making stockpiled tall fescue pay this year.

Applying nitrogen onto rested fescue pastures in August and September is known as stockpiling. Stockpiling is simply growing forage now for later use.

Tall fescue is the best grass for fall stockpiling because it responds well to nitrogen and holds its quality longer into the winter than any other grass. However, the historically high prices for nitrogen have made many question if this is an economic practice this year.

Before we attempt to tackle the economics, let's outline the steps for successful stockpiling. First identify a tall fescue-dominated pasture field that has not been overgrazed this summer (Overgrazed pastures respond poorly to fall nitrogen). Second, apply nitrogen in August or by early September for the greatest production of dry matter per pound of nitrogen applied (more on this later). Next, allow grass to accumulate until late fall or early winter. Finally, strip graze this forage, allocating a three to four day supply of grass at a time.

Now on to the economics. All of the steps above play a major role in getting an economic return on fall-applied nitrogen. First, well-rested fescue fields respond the best to nitrogen application. Well-rested fields are those that have always maintained at least four inches of residual grown this season. Timing matters, too. The dry matter

produced per pound of nitrogen is 25 pounds when applied by mid-August. This efficiency declines to 19:1 by Sept. 1 and about 10:1 by Oct. 1. Finally, strip grazing will make the fall fescue stockpile last longer into the winter because animals waste less. A University of Missouri study found that allocating a three-to-four day supply rather than a 7-day supply increased grazing days by 45 percent.

With urea at about \$720 per ton, one pound of nitrogen costs 78 cents. That same pound applied in mid-August will produce 25 pounds of dry matter, which calculates to just over 3 cents per pound of dry matter. Factoring in some loss due to waste, stockpiled tall fescue costs about 5 cents per pound of dry matter. That equates to a \$100 per ton hay price (Note, I am not accounting for waste in hay feeding here. Doing so raises the effective cost of hay, sometimes significantly).

I am told that there is a lot of hay available for \$30 a roll (roughly \$60 per ton). If so, how can stockpiled tall fescue be economical? Besides price, there are several other factors to consider when determining the actual cost or value of grazing versus hay feeding.

Even with cheap hay, I maintain that applying modest amounts of nitrogen to tall fescue this fall is economically justified. Here are some reasons why.

First stockpiled tall fescue is going to

be much higher in quality (approaching 20 percent crude protein and 65 percent TDN) than any \$30 hay roll you can find. Second, with stockpiling, the

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# Unsung Heroes: Brittany Hendrix



Brittany Hendrix, seen here completing the installation of an underground electric fence conduit in a gate area, is a senior research technician working with Dr. Chris Teutsch in Princeton. Brittany is an 'Unsung Hero' of the UKY forage program.

Unsung heroes are essential but often go unrecognized. This is the fifth and final (at least for now) in a series of articles about the behind-the-scenes people in the UKY forage program that really make it work. Brittany Hendrix is one of our unsung heroes.

Brittany is a senior research technician working for Dr. Chris Teutsch at UK's research and education center in Princeton. Brittany is a graduate of North Carolina State University, where she majored in animal science.

Brittany moved to Kentucky in 2021 when her husband got a job as a wildlife outfitter specialist. Once here, Brittany started looking for a job. That search led her to the UKY Princeton station where she hoped to put her degree to work. "She just walked in," said Chris Teutsch, when asked how he came to meet her. "She saw our position announcement and came by to find out more about it." After a two-hour tour of the station, he knew she would be com-

petitive for the job. After talking more, Brittany applied and was offered the position.

Chris Teutsch can rattle off a long list of Brittany's admirable qualities, such as proficient at fence building and repair, outstanding equipment operator, very fast learner, and being kind, compassionate and helpful to others. "Brittany has exceptional interpersonal communication skills and is truly an indispensable part of our forage team," says Chris.

Chris smiles when he talks about Brittany's initiative. "When we first talked about the job, she admitted that she did not have tractor driving skills. When I told her that skill was necessary, she went home and found someone who would let her practice tractor driving!" I am not sure who offered up their tractor for a newbie operator to learn on, but we are all glad they did.

As Chris said, Brittany is a fast learner. Part of her job is to help him put

on the Kentucky Fencing Schools, a new and high impact program that Dr. Teutsch started. Not content just to help, Brittany decided she needed to master the topic herself. "Now when we are out and see fences across Kentucky, Brittany can and often does point out the flaws in design and installation," said Chris.

As the main support staff for Dr. Teutsch's wide ranging research and extension program, Brittany has had to learn a lot of new skills. These include operating a \$100K plus forage harvester, collecting and summarizing data, analyzing forages for nutritional content using a near infrared spectrophotometer, assisting with projects of various graduate students and summer interns and, of course, fixing fence!

The December tornado that destroyed the station added new duties. Dr. Teutsch was placed in charge of organizing and carrying out the cleanup of the extension damage of the station grounds and pastures. And Brittany was right there beside him, every day, pick-

## The Forage Doctor



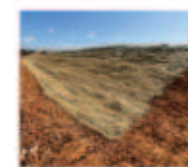
By Jimmy Henning

ing up debris. Trust me, it is grueling to pick up trash for one 8-hours a day, much less every day for months.

Most likely, it is already apparent that Brittany is a bright individual, interested in learning new things and becoming more knowledgeable in agriculture. When she took my graduate forages class online, her homework assignments were so complete I could use them to grade by.

Like the rest of those in this 'heroes' series. Brittany makes herself indispensable. Like Gabriel Roberts, Tom Keene, Gene Olson and Krista Lea, Brittany's contributions are vital in making the UKY forage program among the best in the nation. Brittany Hendrix is truly an unsung hero.

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# Henry County showcases ag community

**EMINENCE, Ky.** – From antique tractors to zinnias, the Henry County agriculture community proudly displayed its agriculture commodities and artisans at the 22nd Henry County Harvest Showcase in July.

Melissa Blankenship led the nine-member, all-volunteer planning committee and explained how the showcase began.

“The community wanted to highlight our farmers’ market, and we had a few grills pulled in on a Saturday and drew a crowd to the courthouse square in New Castle.”

From there, the showcase grew and moved to its present location with slightly more than 100 vendors at this year’s event—the showcase bills itself as the longest-running agriculture festival in the state.

There is an overwhelming sense of agricultural pride in this community event. Committee members, vendors and visitors say they want to support the agricultural heritage of the community.

One of the strict stipulations for a vendor is they must be from Henry County and their products from Henry County commodities. Take, for example, the very popular Rotary Ice Cream

Booth. The four flavors, peach, blueberry, strawberry, and cantaloupe, are from fruit grown in Henry County. Local peaches are hard to come by in Henry County in July, and the Rotary Club buys the local peaches later in the season and freezes them for next year. What about the milk and cream? All purchased from local groceries – no trip to the out-of-county big box store.

The organization doesn’t take credit for the unusual ice cream and the success of the ice cream booth. The Chester Stivers family began the sales and turned the ice cream churn crank over to the Rotary seven years ago. The family raised cantaloupe for grandchildren to “have something to do.” They began selling the value-added cantaloupe ice cream and it was a showcase hit.

“It’s the best,” said Shayna Gibson, whose 8-month-old daughter, Paisley, was about to enjoy the popular flavor. The 18-member organization uses proceeds to fund scholarships at the two local high schools.

Like the Rotary Club, the Henry County Cattlemen’s Association was busy cooking hamburgers and ribeyes from locally sourced beef. For several reasons, Chris McBurney, association president, said it’s important for the cattlemen to be at the showcase.

“First, we want to remind everyone we are one of the largest agriculture commodities in the community,” he said.

Perfect weather with temperatures hovering in the low 80s and overcast skies helped nearly fill the parking area by the 9 a.m. kick-off. A steady line of cars was turning into the Henry County Fairgrounds on Castle Hwy. Visitors come from several counties away and especially Louisville.

A locally sourced meal would be no problem coming from the commodity vendors along Farmers’ Market Row. A meal complete with meat, an impressive array of vegetables, cheese, herbs, honey, eggs, baked goods, jams, and jellies, finished with a glass of wine and a bouquet of flowers would be easy to plan.

Food booths weren’t the only part of the showcase. Craft booths lined the road with products made by local artisans, including young entrepreneurs from the “4-H Means Business” project.

A display of heritage animals, including draft horses and Highland cattle, was at



Antique tractors bring back memories of past agriculture days. The tractors parade the grounds during the day.



JoAnne Adams, cards wool from her flock as she talks to visitors.



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# John Hardin High School receives grant

The John Hardin High School agriculture education department recently was announced as one of the recipients of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2022 farm-to-school grants.

The JHHS agriculture team received \$48,071. According to agriculture education teacher and FFA advisor Jeremy Hall, the grant will be used to create a dual-credit horticulture course and school-based enterprise.

Hall said the school-based enterprise will be with Wisconsin-based Fork Farms, who he said has the "most premier, up-to-date, technologically advanced hydroponic systems in the nation."

"We are going to have five of their systems added to our already existing hydroponics program," he said, last week during an announcement of the grant.

Hall went on to read a statement from Fork Farms President and Founder Alex Tyink.

"Through our partnership with John

Hardin High School's FFA program students will be inspired to grow their own food, feed the community around them and positively impact the planet," Tyink said. "We know from research that when someone grows their food their positive perception of fresh food increases. This will result in a long-lasting health outcome for those students on top of practical agricultural science education. We're grateful to be a part of the impact being made at John Hardin benefiting these students in their career paths and personal development."

Dual credit students will also design a mobile hydroponic lab to serve as a hub for educational outreach to younger students and the community, Hall said. He noted everything is expected to be implemented over a course of two years.

Hall said the aim is to advance equity in farm-to-school programming and increase the availability of local foods in the school district.

"This is an amazing opportunity for

our students," he said.

"This will provide students with the knowledge of running a successful business and help them to understand that agriculture is more than moving earth. The dual-credit program will reward them with college-credit hours and will give them a boost when they begin the next chapter after high school."

Students in the JHHS agriculture program have raised lettuce for the last few years using hydroponic technology. Hall said the program then sells the lettuce to the school cafeteria for students to eat in salads at lunch.

After earning a \$10,000 grant from the Altec Innovation Challenge last school year, the students also raise tilapia for Warm Blessings, a local community kitchen that provides meals to shut-ins as well as the homeless.

By Mary Alford  
The News-Enterprise



John Hardin High School FFA chapter president Brayden Hall, speaks during a press conference about the school receiving a \$48,071 grant from the USDA.

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the livestock barn. Music filled the air all day with various music groups that any visitor would enjoy.

But the most appropriate throwback to the heritage of this community was a display of antique tractors and equipment. A line of pristinely maintained farm implements vied for the award for oldest and best renovated. Around noon the tractors cranked up and paraded through the showcase.

Blankenship couldn't narrow down

ton one part of the showcase that encompasses the spirit of the event. She said it was a hugely collaborative effort; everyone brings something to the table, and there is a lot to be proud of.

Jakob Beckley agreed.

"This is one of the best things we do in Henry County. It brings the best of everything to one spot – people, farmers, music, food, artisans, and it is so important to celebrate our rich agricultural heritage."

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cows harvest the feed themselves and you get the added bonus of auto-application of manure and urine in these winter-grazed pastures. Third, grazing stockpiled fescue avoids most or all of the mud and muck of feeding hay in lots. Finally, the real cost of feeding hay has to account for the loss during feeding and the extra labor of daily bale transport.

Perhaps the most economical way to utilize stockpiled tall fescue is to mimic what UKY animal scientist Kevin Laurent did in a simple demonstration in Christian County in 2006-7. In this demonstration, 41 spring calving cows were wintered on 71 acres as follows:

- Weaned the calves in mid-September, cow grazed stalks for 17 days then fed hay in a drylot for 70 days. Cows gained 135 lbs during the dry lot period and averaged 1345 lbs on Dec. 15.
- Cows grazed stockpiled fescue pastures from December 16 to March 31 (106 days) and began grazing new

spring grazing on April 1. No other supplements or hay was fed during this time.

- Cows calved out on stockpiled pasture and not around muddy hay rings.
- Body condition scores ranged from 5.2 (Dec 15) to 5.5 (March 5).
- Hay tested 10% protein and 51 percent TDN.
- Stockpile pasture averaged 14.6% protein and 62 percent TDN.
- 97 percent of cows calved before March 15, 2007.

Perhaps the most interesting result from this demonstration is that this producer wintered their cows on half the usual amount of hay.

So can you justify stockpiling tall fescue this year? Possibly, even probably, if you have a rested field, some soil moisture, and the ability to strip graze the resulting forage. For more information on stockpiling tall fescue, see UKY publication AGR-162 – Stockpiling for fall and winter pasture (ca.uky.edu/agc/pubs/agr/agr162/agr162.pdf).

By Jimmy Henning



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Its latest report, Farms Under Threat 2040, the trust “says this trend could accelerate further, due to high housing prices in metro areas and new opportunities for remote work,” Schafer reports. Farmers’ deaths also contribute to farmland loss. “Around 40 percent of the nation’s farmland is owned by people over 65, so up to 370 million acres

of farmland could change hands in the next 20 years,” Schafer reports. “That increases the possibility the land will be sold for development, according to the research.”

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05/07/22 18,193

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Corn #2 Yellow	7.95-8.06	7.61-7.71	7.86	NA	7.64	7.96
Corn #2 White		8.46		NA		
Soybeans #1 Y	16.90	16.87	17.07-17.12	NA	17.12	17.13
Wheat #2 SRW	NA	11.15	NA	NA	NA	NA
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Corn #2 Yellow	7.17	7.09-7.24	7.09-7.14	NA	7.29	7.21
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Barley						

<b>Weekly Feed Ingredient Price</b> Wholesale prices, \$ per ton Rail or Truck FOB Location	<b>Owensboro Grain</b>  <b>05/23/2022</b>	<b>Commonwealth Agri-Energy Hopkinsville</b>  <b>05/23/2022</b>	<b>St. Louis Weekly Feed Region</b>  <b>05/20/2022</b>	<b>Memphis Weekly Feed Region</b>  <b>05/20/2022</b>	<b>Corn Belt Feedstuffs Region</b>  <b>05/20/2022</b>	<b>Daily Direct Hog Prices LM_HG218 05/23/2022</b> Barrows & Gilts Purchased Swine Receipts: 6,545 Base Price: \$104.00-\$108.00	<b>FOR DAILY LIVESTOCK AND GRAIN MARKET REPORTS</b>
Soybean Meal 48% Sol	459.20	—	431.90-474.90	449.90-469.90	424.90-467.90		
Soybean Hulls	220.00	—	—	230.00-270.00	—		
Corn Distillers Grain Dried	—	275.00	—	—	250.00-300.00	Wt. Avg. \$112.92	
Distillers Grain Modified	—	154.00	—	—	—		
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Corn Condensed Solubles	—	NA	—	—	—		
Corn Gluten Feed 20-21 pct	—	—	295.00	—	200.00-250.00	Compared to prior day, wt. avg. base prices were 5.14 higher.	
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	<b>Washington Co. Livestock</b> Springfield, KY May 16, 2022 <b>Holstein Steers:</b> Large 3 61 hd. 810# 129.90 <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 33 hd. 589# 159.25 blk 75 hd. 668# 151.60 blk-charx 78 hd. 672# 151.50 blk	<b>Farmers Livestock</b> Glasgow, KY May 16, 2022 <b>Feeder Bulls:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 24 hd. 452# 178.00 blk	<b>Blue Grass of Albany</b> Albany, KY May 18, 2022 <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 47 hd. 552# 170.20 blk
<b>Blue Grass of Campbellsville</b> Campbellsville, KY May 18, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 52 hd. 999# 134.00 blk <b>Holstein Steers:</b> Large 3 22 hd. 663# 131.00 <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 41 hd. 731# 146.50 blk 37 hd. 875# 132.50 blk	<b>United Producers Owenton</b> Owenton, KY May 18, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 54 hd. 693# 167.00 blk	<b>Blue Grass Maysville</b> Maysville, KY May 17, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 90 hd. 589# 183.35 blk-charx	<b>Blue Grass East</b> Mt. Sterling, KY May 18, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 42 hd. 651# 167.50 blk 59 hd. 880# 145.00 charx-blk
	<b>Mid-KY Livestock Market</b> Upton, KY May 17, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 24 hd.1041#123.00 mixed <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 23 hd. 463# 159.00 blk 29 hd. 669# 140.00 blk	<b>Russell County Stockyards</b> Russell Springs, KY May 18, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 69 hd. 842# 148.50 blk-bwf <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 69 hd. 782# 129.35 mixed 24 hd. 465# 171.00 blk	<b>United Producers Irvington</b> Irvington, Ky May 16, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 27 hd. 660# 165.25 blk 29 hd. 686# 163.50 mostly blk <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 22 hd. 650# 143.50 blk
			<b>Cattlemen's Livestock</b> Bowling Green, KY May 16, 2022 <b>Feeder Steers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 21 hd. 611# 167.00 blk

<b>Lake Cumberland Livestock</b> Somerset, KY. May 21, 2022 <b>Feeder Heifers:</b> Medium & Large 1-2 26 hd. 730# 137.00 blk
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STATE AVERAGES

Steers (M&L 1-2)	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Prior Week</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
350-400 lbs	188.46	195.68	162.85
400-450 lbs	190.44	188.44	158.71
450-500 lbs	184.46	185.17	155.80
500-550 lbs	176.76	178.85	151.66
550-600 lbs	171.61	174.16	148.14
600-650 lbs	164.51	162.80	141.13
650-700 lbs	157.26	158.49	136.09
700-750 lbs	149.02	148.14	128.65
750-800 lbs	145.03	142.77	127.77
800-850 lbs	142.40	143.88	121.40
850-900 lbs	141.45	145.10	118.75
Heifers (M&L 1-2)			
300-350 lbs	168.53	170.56	145.50
350-400 lbs	168.01	170.56	142.00
400-450 lbs	164.77	165.37	139.88
450-500 lbs	160.89	158.52	137.64
500-550 lbs	154.09	154.16	132.25
550-600 lbs	148.25	150.57	129.38
600-650 lbs	141.04	140.73	122.63
650-700 lbs	135.21	140.58	119.61
700-750 lbs	131.99	128.25	111.14
750-800 lbs	128.93	127.74	111.59

WEEKLY COW SUMMARY

Slaughter Cows	<u>Average</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Breakers	57.50-97.00	81.00-117.00	67.00-84.00
Boners	68.00-98.00	75.00-117.50	52.00-87.00
Lean	54.00-92.00	67.50-127.00	50.00-75.00
Slaughter Bulls	<u>Average</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Yield Grade 1&2	93.00-123.00	114.00-144.50	70.00-108.00

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**Producers Livestock Sheep and Goat Auction , San Angelo, Texas May 17, 2022**

Compared to last week slaughter lambs 20.00-35.00 lower. Slaughter ewes 10.00-20.00 lower. Feeder lambs not well tested. Nannies 10.00- 20.00 lower; higher quality kids steady, others 5.00-20.00 lower. Trading and demand only moderate at best. Prices declined as the day progressed.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS WOOLED & SHORN:** Choice and Prime 1-2 49 lbs 282.00; 71 lbs 280.00; 88 lbs 265.00; 94 lbs 250.00. Choice and Prime 2-3 109-113 lbs 156.00-222.00; 154-185 lbs 80.00-84.00. Choice 1-2 56 lbs 250.00; 63 lbs 235.00; 71 lbs 220.00; 86 lbs 220.00; 91 lbs 240.00.

**HAIR BREEDS:** Choice and Prime 1-2 41-49 lbs 264.00-305.00; 50-59 lbs 260.00-312.50; 60-69 lbs 260.00-297.50; 70-79 lbs 246.00-302.50; 80-89 lbs 258.00-294.00; 90-98 lbs 242.50-285.00; 100-104 lbs 245.00 270.00. Choice and Prime 2-3 112-126 lbs 210.00-216.00. Choice 1-2 40-49 lbs 230.00-270.00; 50-59 lbs 220.00-270.00; 60-69 lbs 230.00-260.00; 70-79 lbs 200.00-246.00; 80-89 lbs 220.00-254.00; 90-99 lbs 216.00-240.00; 100-105 lbs 240.00. Good 64-68 lbs 220.00-230.00. **SLAUGHTER GOATS KIDS:** Selection 1 43-49 lbs 380.00-425.00; 50-59 lbs 380.00-445.00; 60-68 lbs 385.00-450.00; 70 lbs 385.00-430.00; 81-86 lbs 350.00. Selection 1-2 40-48 lbs 340.00-374.00; 51-59 lbs 335.00-375.00; 60-69 lbs 335.00-365.00; 75 lbs 340.00. Selection 2 40-49 lbs 260.00-330.00; 50-59 lbs 246.00-330.00; 65 lbs 300.00-330.00; 70 lbs 260.00-310.00.

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**New Holland Sheep and Goat Auction New Holland, Pa. May 23, 2022**

Compared to last week, woolled and shorn and haired lambs sold weak. Ewes sold steady. Hair ewes sold strong. Bucks and hair bucks sold steady on a light comparison. Buyer demand was moderate on a moderate supply for the slaughter sheep sale. All classes of slaughter goats sold steady. Buyer demand was moderate on a moderate to heavy supply for the slaughter goat sale.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS WOOLED & SHORN:** Choice and Prime 1-3 30 lbs 415.00; 50-57 lbs 310.00-325.00; 60-67 lbs 300.00-315.00; 73-78 lbs 300.00-315.00; 83-88 lbs 302.00-310.00; 90-98 lbs 300.00-345.00; 101-120 lbs 302.00-335.00; 150 lbs 260.00. Choice 1-3 39 lbs 260.00-285.00; 45-49 lbs 275.00-325.00; 50-58 lbs 260.00-300.00; 60-69 lbs 260.00-285.00; 70-79 lbs 260.00-295.00; 80-89 lbs 270.00-300.00; 90-99 lbs 260.00-294.00; 101-135 lbs 225.00-295.00; 135-148 lbs 170.00-215.00; 155-175 lbs 190.00-200.00. Good and Choice 1-2 36-37 lbs 200.00-215.00; 47 lbs 245.00; 51-59 lbs 235.00-255.00; 65 lbs 215.00-230.00; 70-73 lbs 225.00-255.00; 80-86 lbs 260.00-265.00; 95 lbs 205.00-250.00; 106 lbs 235.00; 115 -138 lbs 142.00-165.00; 155-165 lbs 135.00-160.00. **HAIR BREEDS:** Choice and Prime 1-3 61 lbs 325.00. Choice 1-3 44-49 lbs 240.00-270.00; 56-57 lbs 275.00-300.00; 62-67 lbs 255.00-282.00; 72-79 lbs 250.00-285.00; 81-84 lbs 260.00-275.00; 93-95 lbs 272.00-295.00; 100-122 lbs 275.00-295.00; 123 lbs 227.00. Good and Choice 1-2 61-65 lbs 230.00-240.00; 93-95 lbs 170.00-200.00; 100-120 lbs 145.00-210.00.

**SLAUGHTER GOATS KIDS:** Selection 1 30-39 lbs 100.00-130.00; 40-49 lbs 120.00-200.00; 50-59 lbs 155.00-280.00; 60-69 lbs 255.00-325.00; 70-79 lbs 295.00-345.00; 90-99 lbs 330.00-345.00. Selection 2 30 lbs 60.00; 40-49 lbs 50.00-110.00; 50-59 lbs 110.00-190.00; 60-69 lbs 190.00-260.00; 70 lbs 225.00; 80 lbs 265.00.

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**Blue Grass Stockyards of Richmond Graded Sheep/Goat Sale - Richmond, Ky. May 23, 2022**

Total Receipts 479

Light lambs sold down 50.00, heavy lambs sold solid with high demand. kid still sold strong with good demand. 479 graded animals.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS WOOLED:** Choice and Prime 1-2 58 lbs 290.00; 73-79 lbs 270.00-280.00; 91-99 lbs 290.00-302.50; 108 lbs 302.50. Choice 2-3 53 lbs 120.00.

**HAIR BREEDS:** Choice and Prime 1-2 55 lbs 295.00; 74 lbs 271.00; 93 lbs 277.50; 108-111 lbs 180.00-220.00; 112 lbs 185.00. Choice 2 48 lbs 325.00; 54 lbs 282.50; 62-65 lbs 220.00-261.00.

**SLAUGHTER GOATS KIDS:** Selection 1-2 62 lbs 420.00. Selection 2 49 lbs 372.50; 53 lbs 400.00; 65 lbs 345.00. Selection 3 55 lbs 260.00.

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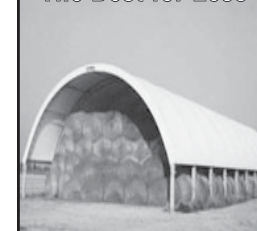
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The curriculum is a mix of classroom lectures, on-site demonstrations and hands-on exercises to help livestock producers maximize forages. UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment livestock, forage, engineering and economics specialists will join county extension agents, industry representatives and Natural Resources Conservation Service staff to lead the school. Each day begins at 7:30 a.m. EDT and ends at 5 p.m. The day starts at the Woodford County Extension office, with hands-on activities at UK's nearby C. Oran Little Research Center and on a local producer's farm.

"The grazing school allows producers to understand the whys and hows of improved grazing systems," said Jimmy Henning, UK plant and soil sciences specialist. "They will get hands-on experience laying out paddocks and

working with electric fences and temporary water sources. Our goal is for participants to be able to put these skills to use as soon as they get home."

During the first day's field exercise, participants will break into small groups with an assigned set of calves and calculate the amount of forage their calves need for a 24-hour period. At the research farm, participants will estimate the available forage in the pasture and set up a paddock using temporary fencing and water that provides enough forage for 24 hours. Cattle will graze the paddocks, and near the end of day two, participants will observe and report observations to the class. Participants will also work in small groups to design a grazing system for a local producer's farm and share their ideas with the group.

Participation is limited to 45 people. The cost to attend is \$60 per person and includes all educational materials, grazing manuals, breaks and lunch both days. The registration deadline is Sept. 6.

Individuals may register for the fall grazing school online at [https://www.](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fall-2022-grazing-school-tickets-377994741447)



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