

Grayson County Cooperative Extension Service

Agriculture Extension NEWS

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- **Nov 15** | KSBA Fall Conference, Owensboro
- **Jan 11- 13, 2026** | Fruit & Vegetable Conference, Bowling Green
- **Jan 15, 2026** | KY Commodity Conference, Bowling Green
- **Jan 15-16, 2026** | KY Cattlemen's Convention, Owensboro
- **Feb - Mar 2026** | marketing for all 3.0 course, Leitchfield

loan items

castration banders & bands
cattle chute*
cattle scales
freeze branding materials
grain moisture tester
hay moisture probe
hay probe
pH meter
sheep shears
soil penetrometer
soil probe
windrow moisture tester

monthly meetings

Grayson County Beekeeper's Association:
last Thursday of each month

Grayson County Cattlemen's Association:
second Thursday of each month

Master Gardener Association of Grayson County:
third Monday of each month

seasonal Information

- [Plant Pathology Publications](#)
- [Navigating Carbon Market Resource](#)
- [Sanitation Practices for Disease Management in Commercial Specialty Crop Production](#)
- [KY Grain Crops Website](#)
- [KY Bull Assessment Tool \(CAIP\)](#)
- [KY Pest News](#)

Is there a program or topic that you would like to learn more about?

Contact us today to request programs!



Whitney L. Carman

Whitney Carman,
Grayson County Agent for
Agriculture and Natural Resources

**Cooperative
Extension Service**

Agriculture and Natural Resources
Family and Consumer Sciences
4-H Youth Development
Community and Economic Development

MARTIN-GATTON COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT

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Disabilities
accommodated
with prior notification.

KSBA FALL CONFERENCE
Saturday, November 15, 2025
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT

Stock Up on Supplies with Vendors:

- Dadant
- Growing Success Bee Company

Join the Honey Tasting Contest: Bring a small jar of honey of any size or shape, and EVERYONE will get to judge and vote on their favorite.

Join the Honey Swap:
 Bring a jar to participate.

Coffee, donuts, snacks and lunch is included with registration.

Keynote Speaker Dr. Jim Tew
Healthy Colonies- What are they?
The Honey Bees' Private World

Grants & KQBBAI - Dr. Tammy Horn Potter

Advanced Beekeeping Track

- Hive to Shelf: The Beekeeper's Guide to Creating and Selling Everything Bee to Zee - L. Augustine
- The Honey Bee Immune System: Complex and Efficient - Jake Barker
- Improving Overwinter Survival - Steve Hahus

Beginner Beekeeping Track

- Introduction to Bees - Larry Stone
- Equipment & Tools - Destiny Hulsey
- Acquiring & Hiving Bees - Kent Williams
- 1st and 2nd Years - Curtis Simpson

Location:
 Owensboro Community & Technical College
 4800 New Hartford Rd., Owensboro, KY 42303

Hotel Options:

- Green Field Inn & Suites, Standard \$79.99 + plus tax (270)685-2433
- Holiday Inn Riverfront, Standard \$119 + tax, Corner Suite \$134 + tax (270)683-1111 (Use code BEE)

Please Register:
 Scan the QR code or visit:
[2025 Fall Conference](https://kybees.org/2025-Fall-Conference)

CERTIFIED Kentucky Honey

KENTUCKY STATE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

KY State Beekeepers Association Annual Fall Conference

November 15, 2025 | 8 AM – 5 PM CT

Owensboro Community
 & Technical College
 4800 New Hartford Rd.
 Owensboro KY 42303

Cost: \$20 for KSBA and CKHP
 Members; \$30 for non-members

To register, scan the QR code, or visit

<https://kybees.org/2025-Fall-Conference>

From the Woods Today

is a weekly internet show co-hosted by Renee' Williams and Billy Thomas and the UK Forestry and Natural Resources Extension team. From pest prevention while outdoors to wood expos, to mushroom varieties, to all variety of flora and fauna found in Kentucky, Williams and Thomas cover a wide range of fascinating topics related to Kentucky's Natural Resources.

Full episodes can also be found on YouTube at

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvOmkebY7k2XComjEPXPIIVnWOMV_fCQh&si=8grb8wCV8qFkL_IT



To tune in live or watch past episodes, visit
www.fromthewoodstoday.com

UK Beef Management Webinar Series

November 13 | December 11 | January 8 | February 12 | March 12

Webinars start at 7 am CT

To register, email **dbullock@uky.edu** with subject line "Beef Webinar Series". Include your name and county in the message to receive a Zoom link and password the morning of the webinar. Those who have previously registered do not need to re-register.



November 13

Winter Feeding Approaches: Matching Strategy to Your Herd and Resources - Dr. Katie VanValin, Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky



December 11

Shooting the Bull: Answering all your Beef-Related Questions! - Updates and Roundtable discussion



January 8

Making the Most of the Good Years: Profits, Reinvestment, and Tax Management in Beef Cattle - Jonathan Shepherd, Agricultural Extension Specialist, University of Kentucky



February 12

Impact of Bull Nutrition During Development on Semen Quality - Dr. Pedro Fontes, Associate Professor, University of Georgia



March 12

Bull Selection Practices in Kentucky: What are we Doing Right and What Could we Improve! - Dr. Darrah Bullock, Extension Professor, University of Kentucky

Tri-County Winter Grain Day

December 9, 2025 | 9 AM - 1 PM ET

To register, scan the QR code or call/ text: **270-765-4121**



Marketing Plans Risk Management

Dr. Grant Gardner
Ag Economist,
Grain Crops
UK College of Ag
Food & Environment



Seed & In-Furrow Treatments Grain Update

Dr. Chad Lee
Grain Crops
Specialist
UK College of Ag
Food & Environment



Ag Laws Right - of - Way Pesticide Laws

Clint Quarles
Legal Counsel
Kentucky
Department of
Agriculture



Register [Here](#) by December 5th
Or call/text: 270-765-4121
Lunch provided by Hardin County Grain Committee

Hardin Co. Extension Office
111 Opportunity Way
Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Sheep and Goat Management Calendar

Limited Quantities Available

A new batch of 2026 Kentucky Sheep and Goat Management Calendars have arrived at the Extension Office. Quantities are limited and available on a first-come-first-served basis.

Pick up yours today at the Grayson County Extension Office



Grayson County Soybean Survey

Survey open until 8am on Monday, November 10th, 2025

With the recent announcement of China's agreement to buy more US soybeans, Chad Lee, the Director of Grain and Forage Center for Excellence at the University of Kentucky is hoping to gather information on how many Kentucky farmers have already harvested their soybean crop and how many have the ability to store soybeans on farms within their own county.

Your answers will provide UK with knowledge regarding how effective this new agreement will be in helping Kentucky farmers.

Take the Survey Here:

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1BP31Ki7w4jSbNc

master your marketing with **marketing for all 3.0**

*Join the Center for Crop
Diversification for our 6-week
marketing course to develop and
refine your skills as a direct-to-
consumer small-business marketer.*

Farm Branding | 02-19-2026

Product & Brand Photography | 02-26-2026

Graphic Design for Marketing | 03-05-2026

Web Presence & Design | 03-12-2026

Online Sales & Strategies | 03-19-2026

Email Marketing | 03-26-2026

This course is designed to give you dedicated time to work on your farm marketing alongside the Center for Crop Diversification team and other growers in your area. It is designed to work for people at any stage of their farm business.

***Are you ready to take
your marketing to the
next level?***

This in-depth marketing course is for Kentucky producers at any point in their business.



***Lunch: 11:30 AM CST
Educational Program:
12:00 - 2:00 PM CST***

**Grayson County Extension Office
| 64 Quarry Road |
Leitchfield, KY 42754**

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KENTUCKY SOYBEAN BOARD – FREE SOYBEAN CYST NEMATODE TESTING

Beginning in the Fall of 2019, the Kentucky Soybean Board funded a pilot program for free soybean cyst nematode (SCN) testing for Kentucky soybean farmers. This program is continuing for the 2021/2022 growing season. The Kentucky Soybean Board is working closely with University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension to implement this program. With this program, each county has a limited number of free samples. Farmers must contact their local County Extension Office for information on how to receive free SCN testing for one of their fields.

HOW TO COLLECT SOIL SAMPLES FROM A FIELD FOR SOYBEAN CYST NEMATODE TESTING:

- Use a soil probe to collect soil 6 to 8 inches deep from at least 20 locations within the sampling area (i.e. 20 sub-samples).
- Follow a “zig-zag” pattern when sampling.
- If you are sampling a field that has most recently been in soybean, collect the soil cores from the soybean root zone area.
- Once the sub-samples have been collected, mix the contents in a bucket and immediately place at least one pint in a soil testing sample bag or in a double-plastic bag and then seal the bag.
- Mark the field name / sample number on the bag.
- Protect the sample from extreme heat. If not sending for analysis immediately, refrigerate sample until sending for analysis. Do not freeze sample.
- Use the special Kentucky Soybean Board sample submission form for the free soybean cyst nematode samples
- Send samples to: University of Illinois Plant Clinic, S-417 Turner Hall, 1102 S. Goodwin Ave., Urbana, IL 61801. Tel: 217-333-0519.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SOYBEAN CYST NEMATODE VISIT:

The SCN Coalition at www.thescncoalition.com

UK's Plant Pathology Resource at

<https://cropprotectionnetwork.org/publications/an-overview-of-soybean-cyst-nematode>

