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## **CRITTENDEN COUNTY AG NEWS**

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### October

- 23- Master Small Ruminant Nutrition; 6 PM, Annex\*
- 31- KY Grazing Conference; Elizabethtown\*

#### November

- 7-Poultry Webinar; 2 PM, Annex\*
- 7- Beef Quality Assurance; 6 PM, Annex\*
- 9- Fencing School; Soybean Office, Princeton\*
- 9-Growing Your Farm & Food Business; Caldwell Co.\*
- 13- Amaryllis Bulbs; 5:30 PM, Annex
- 20- Floral Pumpkin Centerpiece; 4:00 PM, Crittenden County Public Library
- 23-24 Office Closed for Thanksgiving

#### December

- 5- Poultry Webinar; 2 PM, Annex\*
- 5- Small Ruminant Profit School; 6 PM, Annex\*
- 7- Evergreen Wreaths; 2 PM & 5:30 PM, Annex
- 11- Beef Quality Assurance; 6 PM, Annex\*
- 12- Small Ruminant Profit School; 6 PM, Annex\*
- 14- Beef Cattle Confinement; Hardin Co. Extension\*
- 19- Small Ruminant Profit School; 6 PM, Annex\*
- December 25- January 1- Office Closed for Holidays
- \*Program qualifies as a CAIP education credit



# MONEY FOR FARM IMPROVEMENTS



#### **Eligible Investment Areas:**

Agricultural Diversification
AgTech & Leadership Development
Large Animal - Small Animal
Farm Infrastructure
Fencing & On-Farm Water
Forage & Grain Improvement
Innovative Ag. Systems
On-Farm Energy
Poultry & Other Fowl
Value Added & Marketing

Administered by: Crittenden County Conservation District

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# COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CAIP)

Applications for cost reimbursements are available for Crittenden County's CAIP, to assist farmers in making important farm investments.

Application Period:

beginning September 15, 2023

Informational meeting Oct. 20 at 7:30 am at the District office on Bellville St.!

Application Available from:

Crittenden County Conservation District 118 E. Bellville St., Marion Monday – Friday (8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

Applications will be accepted first-come, first-serve until funds are used.

#### For More Information:

Contact Robert Guess at 270-965-3921 or email Cynthia.Jenkins1@usda.gov

All applications are scored based on the scoring criteria set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

### **GROWING YOUR FARM & FOOD BUSINESS**

## GROWING YOUR FARM AND FOOD BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

Join KCARD staff and partners for a workshop focused on how to grow your agribusiness with topics including business planning, funding, and more!

November 9th
Caldwell County

November 14th
Clay County

December 5th & 7th Virtual

CARD

Kentucky Center for Agriculture and Rural Development



Kentucky Center For Agriculture and Rural Development is presenting a program called Growing Your Farm And Food Business. Topics include essentials of business planning, qualities of a good grant proposal, and key grant programs across the state. Representatives from USDA, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky State University, and the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy will discuss their programs. For the in-person workshops, lunch will be provided. Registration will be \$20 and you can call the office and Dee will send you the registration information.

## FALL GRAZING CONFERENCE

# **Grazing Conference**

Low Stress Livestock Handling for Serious Graziers

October 31, 2023
Elizabethtown
Hardin County Extension Office
7:30 AM - 3:30 PM CDT

November 1, 2023
Lexington
Fayette County Extension Office
7:30 AM - 3:30 PM EDT



For more information please visit KFGC.ORG

Tickets:
\$45 Advance
\$60 Onsite
\$15 Student
Call the office to learn
how to register.

Anyone interested in attending the Elizabethtown location is invited to sign up to ride with Dee. Must sign up by October 26 by calling Crittenden County Extension Office at 270-965-5236.

Participants who ride in the van still must register and pay the \$45 advance fee.

## 2023 KENTUCKY FENCING SCHOOL

This program is designed for producers and agriculture professionals to learn the newest fencing methods and sound fencing construction through a combination of classroom and hands on learning. The program will focus on high tensile and fixed knot woven wire fencing. Registration is \$35. Call Crittenden County Extension office to learn more details. 270-965-5236



November 9 KY Soybean Office 1000 Hwy 62 W Princeton, KY 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

### **BEEF CONFINEMENT CONFERENCE**

Managing Cattle in Confinement Conference will be at Hardin County Extension Office in Elizabethtown on **December 14.**Registration starts at **3 PM ET**.

## **SMALL RUMINANT PROFIT SCHOOL**

Crittenden County Extension is sponsoring Small Ruminant Profit School Series in conjunction with KY Sheep and Goat Development Office. SRPS covers a broad range of topics that will assist new sheep and goat producers succeed in the small ruminant operation.

**Time: 6 PM Extension Annex** 

**Dates & Topics:** 

**December 5-** US & KY sheep and goat industry overview, marketing tips, breeds of sheep & goats, and guardian animals

December 12- Health management, foot rot & hoof trimming, quality assurance

**December 19-** Nutrient requirements, reading a feed tag, feeding to meet the needs, purchasing hay, facilities and fencing

**January 2-**Parasite management and mating systems

January 9- Reproduction and care for newborns

January 16- Genetics and selection criteria, birthing difficulties

January 23- Production systems for sheep and goats

### FLORAL PUMPKIN CENTERPIECE



Join us for this fun class that is a partnership with Crittenden County Public Library

### POULTRY WEBINARS



Join us as we watch live webinars presented by Extension professionals and nationally known veterinarians. Each program is at 2 PM and will be viewed at the Crittenden County Extension Office or you can watch from home, please call to register.

## November 7- Designing a Small Flock Poultry House December 5- Managing Poultry Flock on Pasture

## **OCTOBER FORAGE TIMELY TIPS**

- Feed hay to allow cool-season pastures to accumulate forage growth for winter grazing.
- Do NOT harvest or graze alfalfa fields in Oct.
- Inventory and test each hay lot for nutritive value and consult a nutritionist to design a supplementation program as needed.
- Remove ruminants from pastures that contain Johnsongrass when frost is expected (also sorghum-sudangrass and sudangrass) Even small patches of johnsongrass that have been frost can cause prussic acid poisoning.
- Begin strip grazing early planted small grain and brassicas (turnips and rape) mixes by the end of this month.

## SOUTHERN AG TODAY: A RESOURCE FORA FARMERS & POLICY MAKERS BY: JORDAN SHOCKLEY, UK EXTENSION SPECIALIST

The Department of Agricultural Economics here at UK is proud to be a part of Southern Ag Today. The 13 Southern Land Grant University Extension Programs in collaboration with the Southern Extension Economics Committee, the Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M, and the Southern Risk Management Education Center at the University of Arkansas officially launched a new digital platform to provide timely, concise, insightful analysis on issues facing southern agriculture.

This daily email aims to keep producers and policymakers informed in easy-to-read articles to fit their busy schedules. While Southern Ag Today officially launched on June 1, 2023, the effort has been under development since October 2021. Since then, 130 different authors from 20 different states have published over 420 daily articles. Sign up today at https://southernagtoday.org/ or follow on Twitter @SouthernAgToday, Facebook #southernagtoday or LinkedIn @southernagtoday.

### **UPCOMING HORTICULTURE CLASSES**



## **Amaryllis Care Basics**

Learn how to care for this tropical bulb that many utilize in their Holiday decorations. Participants will learn how to care for the bulbs, blooms and how to utilize the plant outdoors next summer.

November 13 5:30 PM

## **Evergreen Wreath Class**

Learn how to make your own evergreen wreaths using items from your yard. Participants will make a wreath to take home. Two class times to choose from. Cost is free.

December 7

2 PM

or

5:30 PM





#### **Roast Venison**

- 4 pounds venison roast
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons oil
- ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 onion, sliced
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- 4 cups low-sodium canned tomatoes
- ¼ teaspoon browning sauce, if desired

Season roast with salt and roll in flour. Brown on all sides in hot oil in a heavy skillet. Place in a slow cooker and add remaining ingredients. Cook on low for 10 hours or on high for 6 hours.

Leftovers ideas: cold sandwiches, heated in barbecue sauce for hot sandwiches, or diced into soup or stew.

Yield: 12 servings

Adapted from Venison Recipe Collection, Compiled by Becky Nash, Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences

#### **Nutrition Facts** 12 servings per container Serving size 5 ounces (255g) Amount per serving Calories % Daily Value\* Total Fat 6g Saturated Fat 2g Trans Fat 0g 43% Cholesterol 130mg Sodium 300mg 13% Total Carbohydrate 10g 4% Dietary Fiber 2g 7% Total Sugars 5g Includes 2g Added Sugars 4% Protein 36g 0% Vitamin D 0mcg Calcium 11mg 0% 30% Iron 5mg Potassium 498mg 10% The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutriel in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.