



Mercer County Farm Bureau Federation Quarterly News

"The Voice of Agriculture"

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"Thank A Farmer"

**Mercer County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
@ Devine's Corn Maze at 623 Talmage Mayo Rd**

Saturday, August 13, at 6:00 pm

Business meeting from 6 pm-6:15 pm

Featuring Taylor Belle's Ice Cream Truck

Hamburgers from local beef and locally grown corn

Live Entertainment from Be Square

**Entrance and food FREE for Mercer County Farm Bureau
Members and Farm Families**

Over \$1,000 Worth of Door Prizes!!!



Mercer County Farm Bureau Bill Waggener Scholarship Fundraiser Golf Outing

Sunday, October 16, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Bright Leaf Golf Course, Harrodsburg, KY

\$50 per person—(\$200 Per Team)

1st Place-\$400 & Wedges/2nd Place-\$200

Entry Fee Includes: Cart and Green Fees,

Food and Soft Drinks

All money raised will go to the Bill Waggener Young
Farmer Scholarship Fund

For more information or to sign up contact Beth Kelly
at 859-734-4341 or 859-319-9417



KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU MISSION STATEMENT

Kentucky Farm Bureau is a grassroots organization dedicated to serving our membership family and their communities. As the Voice of Agriculture, we identify problems, develop solutions, promote economic success, and enhance the quality of life for all.

COMMUNITY AG NEWS



Mercer County Conservation District at 227 Morris Drive in Harrodsburg has **for rent** five no-till seed drills. Four 10ft. Haybuster drills will plant cool season grasses. The 10ft. Truax drill will plant native warm season grasses. The drills rent for \$6.50 per acre or a minimum of \$65 plus a \$36 delivery fee. Also, the district has one Broyhill 200 gallon power take-off sprayer. **This is for ROUNDUP spray only.** The new 300 gallon Best Way sprayer will be used for **2-4D spray only.** Both sprayers will rent for \$50.00 per day, and a \$36.00 delivery fee.

The Grass Works Weed Wiper rents for \$75.00 per day, plus \$36.00 delivery fee, and the John Deere 2-row Corn Planter rents for \$70.00 first day, \$50.00 additional days plus \$36.00 delivery fee. The Wheatheart Post Driver rents for \$200.00 per day or \$275.00 per weekend. Contact Equipment Manager, Johnnie Bailey at 859-613-2668 to schedule delivery.

The district also offers a Tree Rebate Certificate. The purpose is to provide all Mercer County tax payers a way to improve their properties and promote conservation in the county area. Each landowner can receive 50% of cost of tree (**with \$75.00 cap**). The trees can be purchased from Reynolds Nursery at 219 Kirkwood Road, Salvisa, Ky 40372 or Garden Scapes. 547 Legion Dr. Harrodsburg. Call the conservation office at 859-734-4326 ext. 8111 and speak with Linda for more information.

The State Cost-share Program is a continuous sign-up with deadline of Friday, Sept. 30, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. for the 2023 ranking period. Call Linda or Brandon at 859-734-4326 Ext. 3 for more information.



KFB celebrates its 27th year of offering the Certified Farm Market Program! This program was established in July 1996 as a way to help farmers market their fruits and vegetables directly to consumers. Mercer County is home to one of the 75 plus certified farm markets in this program across the Commonwealth. Mercer County's member is Devine's Farm & Corn Maze. The list of all of the 2022 Certified Roadside Farm Markets across the state is available online at kyfb.com/federation/certified-farm-market.

YOUTH INVESTMENT

The 16th annual Mercer County Investment in Youth Sale will be an online auction this year along with a dinner on September 6th. The Mercer County Farm Bureau Federation board of directors has set aside \$3,000 in this year's budget for the sale.

Youth participating in the sale this year will be selling pigs, goats and country hams (hams will be sold later). Each participant is allowed to sell only 1 project and has a strict set of requirements that must be met prior to the sale in order to qualify their animal or ham.

Anyone interested in being a buyer at the sale or a donation sponsor can call the Mercer County Cooperative Extension Office at 734-4378.



Mercer County Extension Office Summer Open House

August 11, 5-7 PM, Mercer County Extension Office

Join us to sign up for extension programs and learn more about all your extension office has to offer. Meal provided. Please RSVP by calling 859-734-4378.

Dead Animal Removal Service: For any farmers experiencing death loss with livestock please call the Mercer County Road Department at 734-6340. Cost is \$25/head.

****FREE SOIL SAMPLE TESTING****



1007 Lexington Road
Harrodsburg, KY
Phone 859-734-4378
mercerc.ca.uky.edu/



Mercer County Farmer's Market at the Mercer County Fairgrounds

Open Wednesdays from 2 pm—5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am—1 pm





Mercer County is home to many farmers who sell their products directly to consumers. You will know exactly where your food is being grown or raised. Kentucky farmers provide us with safe and affordable food. Please feel free to contact them directly. If you would like to be added to this list, please contact Beth at 734-4341.

Meat, Fruits, Vegetables, Honey and Flowers

Beef

Reiss Baxter
270-300-2351
baxtersfarmky@gmail.com

Breezy Corner Farm
Jamie & Megan DeHart
Farm raised premium beef
859-265-0561
breezycornerfarm@hotmail.com
Facebook: Breezy Corner Farm

C & D Farms
Charlie and Derek Baker
Farm raised beef
859-812-0052 or 859-812-0105

Salt River Beef
Ken Ball
859-913-3003
saltriverfarm@hotmail.com

Bishop Farm & Produces
Jill & Clay Bishop
859-583-1167
jbishop@roadrunner.com
Corn, mums & pumpkins

Devine's Farm
Glenn & Martina Devine
623 Talmage Mayo Rd
859-613-5066
info@devinescornmaze.com
Strawberries, corn, green beans,
Pumpkins, etc.

McMaine's Riverhaven Farm
Ron & Linda McMaine
859-321-0241
lmcmaine@gmail.com
Zucchini, asparagus, beets, cucumbers, etc.
Sourdough bread, jams, jellies, etc.

Dividing Ridge Farm
Angus Freezer Beef
Elda Jackson
859-613-2333

Farmer Joe's
Joe Weber-859-321-1691
<http://Farmerjoesky.com>
joe@farmerjoesky.com
Fresh organic farm eggs, beef, chicken,
Turkey, ground lamb, and pork

Thompson Family Farms
Eli & Chrissy Thompson
Grass -fed & finished beef
Lamb and Chevon
859-612-7585

Stonewall Hollow Farm
Mary McCaffrey 859-734-6836
James, jellies, variety of produce, eggs, baked goods

Robertson Family Farm
Flower farm
<http://robertsonfarmky.com/>
emilyrobertson15@gmail.com
859-339-0072

My Harrodsburg Honey Co
Tim & Lori Sheehan 859-325-0808
tim.sheehan@icloud.com
Honey

Wild Roots Farmer Florist
Florist Farms- Alexis Amorese
wildrootsfarmerflorist@gmail.com

The Howard Family Farm
Michaela & Brandon Howard
859-350-5001 Facebook: The Howard Family Farm
Produce, honey, flowers, vegetable plants

Wade's Bees
Chad Wade Facebook: Wade's Bees—Honey

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Field Day

Mercer County Farm Bureau, Central KY Ag Credit, Farm Credit, Mercer County Extension Office and Mercer County Soil Conservation office will be hosting our annual field day at Donna Slack's farm at 8830 Mackville Road, Harrodsburg. It will be on Thursday, September 8, with registration at 5 pm and wagon rides starting at 5:30 pm.



Cost-Share Available for Farmers—Coming Soon

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CAIP)

Applications will be available for Mercer County's CAIP to assist farmers in making important on-farm investments.

Application Period:

(Watch newspaper and radio for advertising)

Application Availability:

Mercer County Conservation District
227 Morris Drive, Harrodsburg
Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



For More Information: Contact Paul Campbell, 734-4326,

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

Some Important Dates to Remember . . .

- ♦ **August 13, 2022** MCFB Thank a Farmer & Annual meeting, Devine's Corn Maze
- ♦ **August 25, 2022** KFB Day at the KY State Fair
- ♦ **September 6, 2022** Youth Investment Sale Online Auction and dinner
- ♦ **September 8, 2022** Mercer County Field Day at 8830 Mackville Rd, Harrodsburg, Ky
- ♦ **October 16, 2022** Mercer County Farm Bureau Bill Waggener Young Farmer Scholarship Golf Scramble

