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# Mercer County Farm Bureau Federation Quarterly News

*"The Voice of Agriculture"*

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## Josh Hazelwood Named Outstanding Young Farmer 2016



Josh Hazelwood, accepted the 2016 Mercer County Young Farmer of the Year award presented by President Zack Ison.

*Photo courtesy of The Harrodsburg Herald/April Ellis*

The Mercer County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting was held September 12, 2016 with over 175 members in attendance. Highlights of the evening included the youth contests, officer and board member elections, and presentation of the Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year Award to Josh Hazelwood.

Josh is a fifth generation farmer. He bought his first set of calves and raised his first crop of tobacco when he was 14 years old. Josh and his wife, Allison, purchased their 105-acre farm in 2015 and lease another 300 acres. They raise cattle, grow corn for silage and grow 100 acres of alfalfa to square bale to sell. They have an 8 -year old son, Jackson and a 4 -year old daughter, Jentry.



Contestants for the Outstanding Farm Bureau Youth Competition: (left to right) Chase Cocanougher, Loren Hahn, Jonathan Pinkston, Chance Flach, Isaac Rogers, and Julia Weaber.

*Photo courtesy of The Harrodsburg Herald/April Ellis*

## Salute to Our Young People as Winners in the Outstanding Youth Contest and Variety Contest

A total of six students competed in the Outstanding Farm Bureau Youth Contest, participating in a judge's interview and presenting speeches on agriculture. This year's winners were Chase Cocanougher in the male division and Julia Weaber in the female division. Jonathan Pinkston and Loren Hahn placed second in their respective divisions.

In the Variety Contest this year, we had six contestants. Bliss Swabey won first place with her vocal performance, and Amelia Ellis was the runner-up with her solo.

Several members of the Mercer County Farm Bureau staff were in attendance, as well as Kentucky Farm Bureau's President, Mark Haney, Eddie Melton, 1st Vice President, Fritz Giesecke, 2nd Vice President, David S. Beck, Executive Vice President and Jeff Harper, Public Affairs Director. The Mercer Co. Farm Bureau board also approved legislative resolutions and elected the board members and officers for 2017.



Contestants for the Variety Contest: (front row) Landon Howard, Bliss Swabey, Marlee Henson; (back row ) Amelia Ellis, Presley Boyne and Ashley Howard. *Photo courtesy of The Harrodsburg Herald/April Ellis*

### KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU MISSION STATEMENT

*Farm Bureau is a voluntary organization of farm families and their allies dedicated to serving as the voice of agriculture by identifying problems, developing solutions, and taking actions which will improve net farm income, achieve better economic opportunities, and enhance the quality of life for all.*

# COMMUNITY AG NEWS



**MERCER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT** on 227 Morris Drive is offering Tree Rebate Certificates to promote conservation in the county. Each landowner can receive **50% of tree cost (with \$50 cap)**. Trees can be purchased from Reynolds Nursery in Salvisa and Gardenscapes in Harrodsburg. The District has three Haybuster No-Till Seed Drills for rent. The drills rent for \$6 per acre or a minimum of \$60 plus a \$30 delivery fee. The District also has one Broyhill 200-gallon sprayer with power takeoff for use **free of charge**. There is a **\$30 delivery fee**. This sprayer is for **2,4-D spray** only which controls thistles and broadleaf weeds. The GrassWorks Weed Wiper rents for \$75.00 per day. Use

ONLY Roundup/glyphosate herbicide with Dawn washing liquid. Contact Equipment Manager Johnnie Bailey at **859-613-6889** for scheduling of this equipment. **For more information, call Linda at the local Conservation Office at 734-6889.**

## News and Notes from FSA



- Remember - If you have **cattle or other livestock losses**, you MUST notify the FSA office within 30 days from the date of loss in order for the loss to be considered for program eligibility. Documentation can be provided at a later date, but notification must be made within **30 days**.
- Ballots for County Committee election will be mailed sometime in mid-November and should be returned to the county office no later than **December 5, 2016**.
- If you have a **change of address** or change banks, DON'T FORGET to notify our office. Also, if you have an email account, go online and subscribe to our online newsletter and keep informed! [www.fsa.usda.gov/subscribe](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/subscribe)

**For more information, contact the Harrodsburg FSA Service Center located at 225 Morris Drive or call 859-734-4326 or 1-888-758-6777.**

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### Mercer County Extension Office UPCOMING EVENTS

**November 5.** 4-H Holiday One Stop Shop, 10 am to 2 pm  
**November 8,** 4-H Fundraiser—Election Day Pancake  
 Breakfast 6 am to 12:30 pm. Tickets \$5.00 Each

**Mercer Co. Extension Council Holiday Open House Dec. 13, 3-6 p.m.**  
 Come out for some crafts, light refreshments, door prizes,  
 and giveaways and learn more about what the Mercer  
 County Extension Office can offer you!

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## Our county counts.

Let your voice be heard. Vote.

KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU

**Real Pink Pumpkins For Sale**

The Mercer County Farm Bureau Women's Committee is selling these pumpkins to raise funds for the local Freear's Hope Foundation at the Commonwealth Cancer Center in Danville. This foundation provides financial assistance such as rent, electric, food, etc. while the patients are taking treatments. The pumpkins are \$5 for 1 & \$8 for 2. Please stop by the office or contact Beth at 734-4341

### AARP DRIVING CLASS

Mercer County Farm Bureau Insurance is hosting a safety driving class October 25, 2016 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Mercer County Extension Office in meeting room "B". Upon completion you could receive a multi-year discount on your insurance premium. \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members.

Call Penny at 734-4341 to make your reservation.

**KY Farm Bureau Credit Monitoring Service**

KFB is offering a credit monitoring service yearly for \$50 for individuals & \$80 for a family. Go to [kfyb.com/idtheft](http://kfyb.com/idtheft)

## FREE LOANER EQUIPMENT

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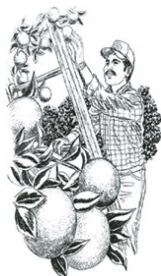
GPS (measures acreage) • Tobacco Moisture Tester • Dremel Electric Engraver



## Mercer County Farm Bureau Local Membership Discount Program

### Farm Bureau – it pays to be a member!

The Mercer County Farm Bureau Federation has partnered with about 30 local businesses to offer significant discounts to our members. Please give the merchant your member number on your membership card in order to take advantage of the valuable discounts listed at [kyfb.com/mercer](http://kyfb.com/mercer).



### Another Member Service from Mercer County Farm Bureau

#### 2016 CITRUS FRUIT PROGRAM

Mercer County Farm Bureau Federation is participating again this year in the Citrus Fruits & Nuts Program. This produce is delivered directly from Florida. Orders must be received by November 1 at your local Farm Bureau office: 226 Morris Drive. Payment can be made when fruit is picked up at the local office. Cash or check payments are accepted. We are unable to process credit cards. Delivery will be made to our Farm Bureau between December 5 and 9 and will be announced on the WHBN-AM Radio. We will also attempt to call each customer at the time of delivery. **Thanks for your business! PLEASE NOTE: Only the items listed below are available this year.**

# SINGLE	# CASES	DESCRIPTION	PRICE PER SINGLE ITEM	PRICE PER CASE	COST
		Navel Oranges, 4/5 Bushel	N/A	\$29.00	
		Navel Oranges, 2/5 Bushel	N/A	\$18.00	
		Red Grapefruit, 4/5 Bushel	N/A	\$24.00	
		Red Grapefruit, 2/5 Bushel	N/A	\$15.00	
		Hamlin (Juice) Oranges 4/5 Bushel	N/A	\$24.00	
		Hamlin (Juice) Oranges 2/5 Bushel	N/A	\$15.00	
		"Sunburst" Tangerines, 2/5 Bushel	N/A	\$24.00	
		Grand Slam Gift Box, 2/5 Bushel (6 red apples, 6 pears, 3 golden apples, and 16-20 navel oranges)	N/A	\$24.00	
		Holiday Gift Box, 2/5 Bushel (10 navel oranges, 11 grapefruit, 10 red delicious apples)		\$24.00	
		Premium Gift Box, 2/5 Bushel (6 navel oranges, 11 red grapefruit, 6 red apples & 3 Di Anjou pears)	N/A	\$24.00	
		Mixed Citrus Box (20 navel oranges, 11 red grapefruit)	N/A	\$24.00	
		Citrus Trio Box (10 navel oranges, 10 tangelos/ tangerines, 11 red grapefruit)	N/A	\$24.00	
		Southern-Fried Skinless Peanuts, 12 - 16-oz. Cans	\$3.75/can	\$45.00	
		Honey Krunch Peanuts, 12 - 12-oz. Cans	N/A	\$42.00	
		Peanut Brittle Bites, 12 - 12-oz. Cans	\$3.75/can	\$45.00	
		Butter Toffee Peanuts, 12 - 12-oz. Cans	N/A	\$42.00	
		Mixed Nuts (50% Peanuts), 12 - 1-lb. Cans	\$5.75/can	\$69.00	
		Peanut Gift Pack, (6 - 3 Pkg. per Case)	\$10.50	\$63.00	
		Select Whole Cashews, 12 - 1-lb. Cans	\$8.25	\$99.00	
		Chocolate Covered Pecans, 12 - 12-oz. Bags	\$6.75/bag	\$81.00	
		Fresh-Shelled Pecan Halves, 12 - 16-oz. Bags	\$9.25/bag	\$111.00	
		Caramel Corn with Nuts 6 - 20-oz. Decorative Cans	N/A	\$51.00	
		Chocolate Nut Gift Pack, 6 - 2-can Packs (10 oz. chocolate covered cashews & 10 oz. chocolate covered almonds)	\$11/2 pk.	\$66.00	
		Roasted Almonds 12 - 9-oz. Cans (natural & salted)	\$5.00/can	\$60.00	
		Berry Nut Trail Mix 6 - 15-oz. Tins per Case	N/A	\$51.00	
		Chocolate Covered Peanuts 12/12-oz. Cans	\$3.50/can	\$42.00	
		Gourmet Honey Roasted Mixed Nuts 6/30-oz tin cans	N/A	\$72.00	
		Honey Roasted Pecans 12/8.5 oz. cans	\$6.25/can	\$75.00	

Phone #s \_\_\_\_\_

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Please sign to confirm your order. ☒ \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print order form from [kyfb.com/mercer](http://kyfb.com/mercer). This order form will be printed one time only in the newspaper. Call 734-4341 or stop by the Farm Bureau office at 226 Morris Drive for additional order forms or more information. Please bring or mail in orders to your Farm Bureau office. Orders can also be faxed to 734-9936 or emailed to [Beth.Kelly@kyfb.com](mailto:Beth.Kelly@kyfb.com).

Thank You

Signed Orders due by Nov. 1



## Fall Fling Thank You to Devine's Corn Maze

The Young Farmer's Fall Fling was held on Tuesday, September 20, at Devine's Corn Maze which was open free to young, farm families.

We had food, hay rides, and free pumpkin picking plus door prizes. Many young families attended this enjoyable event.



MCFB Young Farmer committee is selling t-shirts for \$10 to raise money for the Young Farmer Scholarship. Adult & children sizes are available.



## DEER ARE DEADLY

Each year across the nation white-tailed deer are responsible for tens of thousands of injuries and deaths simply by causing car accidents. More than 47% of all collisions with deer in Kentucky take place during the months of October, November, and December. Buckle up and drive cautiously this fall. Deer can be deadly!





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## **If you ate today, THANK A FARMER!**

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### **Some Other MCFB Activities . . .**

♦ **Safety Day** - Mercer County Farm Bureau was proud to sponsor the Cooperative Extension Service's 6th Grade Safety Day by providing lunch to over 250 students and teachers in attendance on September 21.

♦ **FarmSCool** for preschool through 2nd grade and **4-H Farm Day** for 3rd graders was held on September 20 and 27, respectively. This program is conducted by Mercer County Extension with the help of Farm Bureau and Mercer FFA. The highlight of the week included farm animals, grains, and equipment at the school for students to see, touch, and learn about from volunteers.

♦ **Field Day** - Mercer County Agriculture Field Day was held September 8 at Eddie & Tonya Horn's farm. Topics at this year's field day included Novel Fescue, Warm Season Forages, Spring Development, and Corn & Soybean.

### **Community CHILI SUPPER & SILENT AUCTION**

**to Benefit the Love Tree**

**Saturday, Nov. 19, Serving 5-8pm**

**At the Mercer County Extension Office**

**Tickets \$5 in Advance or \$6 at the door**

**Advance Tickets available at Mercer County Farm Bureau**

**Please join us to support a worthy cause. The Harrodsburg Herald's Love Tree is a Christmas assistance program to help those less fortunate in our community. More than 300 children and their families need help this year. This event is hosted by the Mercer County Farm Bureau Young Farmer Committee. Please join us to support this worthy cause.**



### **Some Important Dates to Remember . . .**

- ♦ Signed fruit order must be placed by Nov. 1. Expected delivery date is Dec. 5-9. WHBN to announce.
- ♦ District 5 quarterly meeting and Outstanding Youth & Variety Contests will be on Oct. 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Anderson County High School, 1 Bearcat Drive, Lawrenceburg.
- ♦ KFB Annual Meeting will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 3, 2016 at the Galt House, 140 N. 4th St., Louisville.



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