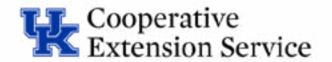
## Trimble County Extension June 2025 ~ Newsletter

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



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# JOIN US AT THE COUNTY FAIR

June 16 6:00 PM Beef & Swine Show

June 17 6:00 PM Goat & Sheep Show

June 18 6:00 PM Horse Show

June 19 6:00 PM Rabbit & Poultry Show

June 20 7:00 PM 4-H Livestock Auction

Come show support for our youth who have worked hard with their show animals all year.

All events at Trimble County Park 3114 Hwy 421 N Bedford, KY

June 16 9:00 - Noon 4-H/Open Class Exhibit Entry

A list of 4H /Open exhibit entry classes can be obtained at the Extension office.





#### Cooperative Extension Service

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

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## **Agriculture & Natural Resources**

### Thank you, Trimble County!

I want to share with everyone that my last day with the Trimble County Extension Service is June 13th. I have been offered and accepted the position as the Kenton County Extension ANR Agent, starting on June 16th. This office will be much closer to my home and family. I can't thank you all enough for inviting me into the County and making me feel welcome and appreciated here. The amount of support and encouragement this county has given me is unforgettable. I truly appreciate you all for attending my programs, helping me to plan and grow new ANR programs, and inviting me to your home and farms. Leaving Trimble County is an incredibly hard decision to make, but I feel that it will be the best for me at this time. I hope you all know that the past three years of being in Trimble County have been absolutely amazing!

I look forward to our paths crossing again and to hopefully coming back to visit! Thank you, Regina Utz

## **ANR Upcoming Dates**

June 24th: Henry County Cattlemen's Field Day, 4:30 p.m.

Henry County Extension Office Pavillion & Foree Farm rsvp: (502) 845-2811

July 28th: Trimble County Cattlemen Association, 6:00 p.m. Trimble County Extension Office rsvp: (502) 255-7188

Save the Date: October 7th Regional beeef Field Day: Foxhollow Farm, Oldham County



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

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

#### Administered by

**Trimble County Conservation District** 511 West Street Bedford, Ky 40006 (502) 255-7114

#### **COUNTY AG INCENTIVE PROGRAM (CAIP)** YOUTH AG INCENTIVE PROGRAM (YAIP)

Applications will be available for Trimble **County's Cost-Share Program to assist farmers** and youth in making on farm investments.

> **Anticipated Application Period** June 2 - June 30, 2025

Applications require a USDA Farm Service Agency number and Conservation Ag Water Quality Plan

### Applications available at:

**Trimble County Conservation District** Mondays (8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

#### For More Information:

**Contact Tammy Nixon at (502) 379-9956** or email: tnixon.trimblecd@gmail.com All applications are scored, based on the scoring criteria set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.



## **Kentucky's 2025 Periodical Cicada Emergence**

2024 was famous for the Double Brood Emergence, but Kentucky will see more cicada action in 2025. Nearly every county east of Ohio County in western Kentucky will see some periodical cicada activity. These amazing insects have been below-ground for 17 years, what can we expect when they start to emerge?

## Things will start around mid-May...

Periodical cicada nymphs start moving out of the ground when soil temperatures reach about 64 degrees. This matches up with the spring bloom of irises. Then, Brood XIV will arrive!

## Periodical cicada fast facts

Cicadas "count" the seasons below ground to know when to emerge

There are three different species that will emerge in 2025

Snakes, turkeys, foxes, and lots of wildlife devour them

The cicadas that emerge next year were born in the year 2008



## Common questions and concerns about periodical cicadas

When millions or billions of bugs come out of the ground, people have questions! Luckily, there is very little to worry about with these insects but let's cover some specific FAQs.



Safe for pets? Dogs and cats can safely consume cićadas in moderation.



found near oaks by streams, creeks, and rivers. Also by fruit trees.



Male cicadas sing together to attract females, the noise is a bug concert.



Usually they can mulched or mowed into landscape.



If you don't have a shellfish allergy, eat them after cooking and in moderation

## Cicadas and new trees

Periodical cicadas lay their eggs in tree branches by cutting slits in the bark. Big, mature trees can handle this. New trees or fruit trees should be protected though. The best option is to purchase "cicada netting" which is gauged to exclude females from trees. Secure excess netting to the tree around the trunk where there are no branches. It will look a bit like a lollipop when finished.

#### How do you select your bulls?

#### Darrh Bullock, University of Kentucky and Matt Spangler, University of Nebraska

Bull selection is one of the most important decisions that a beef producer makes and can have a lsting impact onprofitability. Factors such as the market endpoint of calves (e.g., newly weaned or finished cattle), whether replacements will be retained, and the level of nutritional management provided to the cow herd all impact which traits should be selected for and at what level. Understanding this complex relationship can be the difference between buying a "good" bull and buying the right bull.

The eBEEF.org team, a group of beef cattle geneticists from across the US, is trying to determine how beef producers are currently selecting their bulls and will use this information to develop educational materials to help improve this process. Knowing which traits to select for is often not the problem, it is the degree to which each should be emphasized that can be highly variable from producer to producer and can often be challenging to determine. Too often this process is more 'seat of the pants' rather than by factors affecting profitability. For example, trying to find the optimal level of calving ease without sacrificing profit by not emphasizing traits like sale weight of the calves enough.



To assess how beef producers are selecting bulls, within their level of management, we are asking you to fill out a brief survey. This should take approximately 10 minutes of your time and provide a wealth of information for the beef industry! This information will be used to compare the survey results to values generated by iGENDEC, a software package that determines the most profitable level of emphasis that should be placed on each trait within a specific production system.

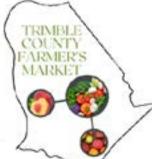
Several incentives are being offered to encourage participation in this survey. The first is a random drawing for five \$100 gift cards generously donated by the Beef Improvement Federation (beefimprovement.org). The second is a special webinar that will be offered to everyone that completes a survey, and provides their email address, to discuss the findings of the survey and resulting bull selection strategies. Lastly, and possibly most importantly, knowledge gained by beef producers by going through this process and the entire beef industry through better bull selection decisions.

#### Survey Link:

https://corexmsd9bfwdhxgbhmw.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_eFqYgoQpZMJLRLE



Or scan the gr code at right to complete the survey!



TRIMBLE COUNTY

## **FARMERS MARKET**



**Courthouse Square ~ Bedford, KY** 

Vendor Applications available at Trimble County

**Extension Service** 

Vendors will vary based on product availability

TLC Honey - local honey

Betsy Liston - produce

Tammi Meadows - home decor

Ken Cahill - military style meals

Doug Ginn - peaches, flowers

The Bakerry - cookies, scones, muffins, aprons

Loaring Farms - produce, sewn items Ken Stangle - dog treats

Kristen Francis- baked goods, flowers

Just for Fun Creations

Nixon Farm, Tammy Nixon - mums, hanging baskets

Blossom Ridge Flower Farm - flowers, produce

Bubbys Greenhouse, Christopher Young - produce, plants

Little Kentucky River Farm - garden plants, produce

Forest to Finish, Dudley Lush - wood products

Taylor Ridge Farm, Carrie Furnas - baked goods, potted plants



Financial aid available

KENTUCKY 4-H CAMPING CENTER LAKE CUMBERLAND KENTUCKY

Canoeing ~Swimming ~Shooting Sports ~High Ropes ~Hiking ~Endless Fun!

Now accepting camper applications for Youth ages 9 - 14. Counselor in Training, teen leader and adult applications also available.

Please call or stop by the Extension office to reserve your spot! Payment due by June 13, 2025

**Limited time and spots left!** 



## Family and Consumer Sciences



## **Trimble Thimbles Sewing Group**

**Trimble County Extension Service** 9:00 a.m. ~ 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month June dates: 6/14 & 6/28 ~ July dates: 7/12 & 7/26 New or experienced - All are welcome!

> Simply Sharing Homemakers Will not meet in June

July 16, 2025 10:30 a.m. *Topic to be determined* **Trimble County Extension Service** 

## Canning Basics

June 18, 2025 1:00 p.m. **Trimble County Extension Service** Must RSVP (502) 255-7188

Learn about the different canning methods: water bath, pressure canner and using a digital pressure canner.



#### Strawberry Salsa 1 tablespoon olive 2 cups, coarsely 2 cups chopped chopped fresh cherry or grape tomatoes strawberries 2 tablespoons white vinegar or white 8 green onions, ½ **cup** chopped fresh

½ teaspoon salt

balsamic vinegar

**1. Whisk** olive oil, vinegar, and salt in **Yield:** 7, ½ cup servings.

large bowl. 2. Add strawberries, green onions, tomatoes, and cilantro. Toss to sugar; 1 g protein; 60% of vitamin C.

3. Cover and chill for 1 hour.

4. Serve with tortilla or pita chips

**Nutrition Analysis:** 40 calories; 2 q fat; 0 g saturated fat; 0 mg cholesterol; 170 mg sodium; 6 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 4 g Source: www.fruitsandveggiesmatter.gov

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Join Dr. Alex Elswick, leading researcher and advocate in the field of substance use recovery. His work focuses on recovery capitalan assets-based framework helping individuals and communities support long-term recovery.

Join Dr. Elswick for an uplifting, easu-tounderstand presentation about what really helps people recover-based on the latest science and his own experience.

# The Many Pathways of Recovery

Tuesday - July 8, 2025

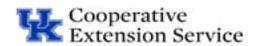
John Black Community Center 1151 KY-393 LaGrange, KY 40031

12:00 pm - Understanding Recovery: A Research Based Perspective (This is an invaluable opportunity for professionals working in behavioral health, social work, family services, and recovery programs to deepen their understanding.)

6:00 pm - A Message of Hope & Healing. Struggling with addiction? Supporting a loved one in recovery? (This session is for drug court participants, family members, and anyone seeking hope and healing.)

> RSVP or Learn More (502) 222-9453





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