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Food and Environment

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Agriculture & Natural Resources Events

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A Message From Your ANR Agent:

As the leaves turn and harvest winds down, fall reminds us of agriculture's rhythm—rest, renewal, and preparation. It's a great time to reflect on soil health, plan for spring plantings, and enjoy the bounty of local produce. Whether you're preserving garden herbs or scouting cover crop options, autumn offers plenty of ag inspiration

Please note: The Magoffin County Beekeepers Association will not meet again until Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6:00 PM. Mark your calendars—we'll be buzzing with fresh ideas for the season ahead!

Important Facebook Update: We're transitioning to one unified page for all our Extension updates and programs. Be sure to follow our "Magoffin County Cooperative Extension Service" page so you don't miss out on gardening tips, workshops, youth programs, and more!

Check out our website at <https://magoffin.ca.uky.edu> for more information about upcoming events.



Kristen Stumbo

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County Extension Agent for
Agriculture & Natural Resources
and 4-H Youth Development

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YOUTH 4-H LIVESTOCK CLUB



Tuesday
November 11th & 18th
3:30 pm- 4:30 pm

Call
(606) 349-1236
to Register!
7th-12th Grade

At the Magoffin County
Extension Office
15 Rockhouse Fork Rd
Salersville, KY 41465

Join us if you are
interested in
livestock,
vet science, or
livestock judging

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Creating a cozy garden and landscape: Fall chores that will lead to spring success

Source: Rick Durham, Department of Horticulture extension professor

As autumn settles in and temperatures begin to drop, it's time to prepare your garden for winter. Fall offers an ideal window to protect your landscape and lay the groundwork for a thriving spring. Here's a streamlined guide to help you get started.

Begin by clearing away fallen leaves, twigs, and plant debris. These materials can harbor pests and diseases, so remove and compost healthy matter while discarding anything that is infected. While most pruning of trees and shrubs should be left until late winter or early spring, fall is suitable for pruning dead or damaged branches. Remove any limbs that pose a risk during winter storms.

Soil preparation is also key. Incorporate compost or organic matter to improve structure and fertility. Consider testing your soil's pH and nutrient levels to guide amendments for optimal spring growth.

Fall is the best time to fertilize cool-season grasses like fescue and Kentucky bluegrass. Apply nitrogen in two or three doses spaced six weeks apart. Woody plants benefit from late-season feeding as long as soils are not frozen. Wait until the leaves on deciduous plants are turning colors to apply fertilizer to ensure proper hardening.

If you are looking to spruce up your landscaping, fall is an ideal time to establish perennials, shrubs, and trees. Spring-flowering bulbs can be planted between mid-October and Thanksgiving. Next, apply mulch to insulate your soil and tree roots. A two- to three-inch layer of organic material — such as wood chips, straw or ground leaves — helps regulate temperature, retain moisture and suppress weeds.

While mulching, assess frost-sensitive plants. Cover tender annuals and tropicals with frost cloth or burlap on cold nights and move potted plants to sheltered areas to prolong growth and flowering for a few days. Watering before a freeze can help, as moist soil retains heat better than dry soil.

Finally, consider wildlife as you winterize. Leave seed heads for birds, create brush piles for small mammals, and install feeders. Piles of fallen leaves may also provide overwintering sites for butterflies, their larvae or other beneficial insects. Berry-producing shrubs and ornamental grasses add seasonal interest while supporting local ecosystems.

By completing these essential tasks, you'll safeguard your garden through winter and ensure a vibrant return in spring.

To learn more about fall garden and yard landscaping care, contact the Magoffin County Extension office.

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Forest management plans: A roadmap to a healthier woodland

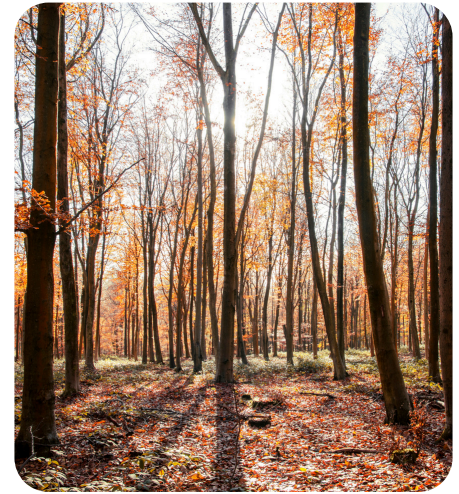
Source: Jacob Muller, assistant professor and extension forestry specialist

If you own woodland, you already know it's more than just trees — it's a living, breathing ecosystem full of potential. Whether your goals include timber production, wildlife habitat, recreation, or conservation, a Forest Management Plan is your most effective tool for bringing your vision to life.

Think of a Forest Management Plan as a roadmap. It outlines your long-term goals for your land and lays out the steps to achieve them. It helps you understand what resources you have, what your land is capable of producing and how to manage it sustainably. From hunting and hiking to timber harvesting and habitat restoration, your plan can be tailored to fit your unique objectives.

Creating a plan isn't a one-time event — it's a process. Here are 10 key steps to developing and implementing a woodland management plan:

1. Identify goals and objectives. What do you want from your woodland?
2. Conduct an inventory. Assess tree species, soil, water, and forest health.
3. Revisit objectives. Adjust based on what your land can realistically support.
4. Record area details. Map and document conditions by stand.
5. Designate management areas. Divide your land into zones based on use.
6. Select practices and schedule activities. Choose actions like thinning or planting.
7. Implement practices. Put your plan into action.
8. Keep records and evaluate. Track progress and forest response.
9. Refine as needed. Update your plan based on results and changing goals.
10. Enjoy Your Woodland! Spend time in it to better understand how it responds.



If developing a plan seems daunting, the good news is that you don't have to do it alone. In fact, a professional forester or natural resource manager is the best resource available to you to help you articulate your goals, assess your land's potential, and design a realistic, achievable plan. They'll also help you navigate challenges like invasive species, disease and access issues.

Costs may vary significantly depending on the size of your woodland and the complexity of your goals. Hiring a consulting forester to develop a plan may be beneficial, as it affords you, the landowner, some flexibility and ensures that someone visits your property in a timely manner. However, many state agencies, such as the Kentucky Division of Forestry, offer this service to landowners at no cost to them. One potential downside is that you may have to wait for a forester to become available to assist you in managing your woodlands.

Regardless of whom you work with, when it comes to implementing your plan, many state and federal programs offer financial assistance — and some even require a written plan to qualify. In Kentucky, for example, the Forest Stewardship Program offers technical and financial support to landowners who commit to sustainable management.

A Forest Management Plan isn't just a document — it's a commitment to your land's future. Whether you're managing 10 acres or 1,000, taking the time to plan today will pay off for decades to come. Contact your Magoffin County Extension office for more information.

Additional resources can be found at <https://forestry.mgcafe.uky.edu/Management-Plans>

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**ATTENTION
BUYERS AND
SELLERS**

2nd Annual East KY HAY

AUCTION 10:00am

December 13th

at The Robinson Research Station

130 Robinson Road

Jackson, KY 41339

Accepting Hay

December 11th and 12th

by appointment 8:00am -4:30pm

- **NO BUYERS PREMIUM**
- **10% CONSIGNMENT FEE**
- **WEIGHT AS RECEIVED**

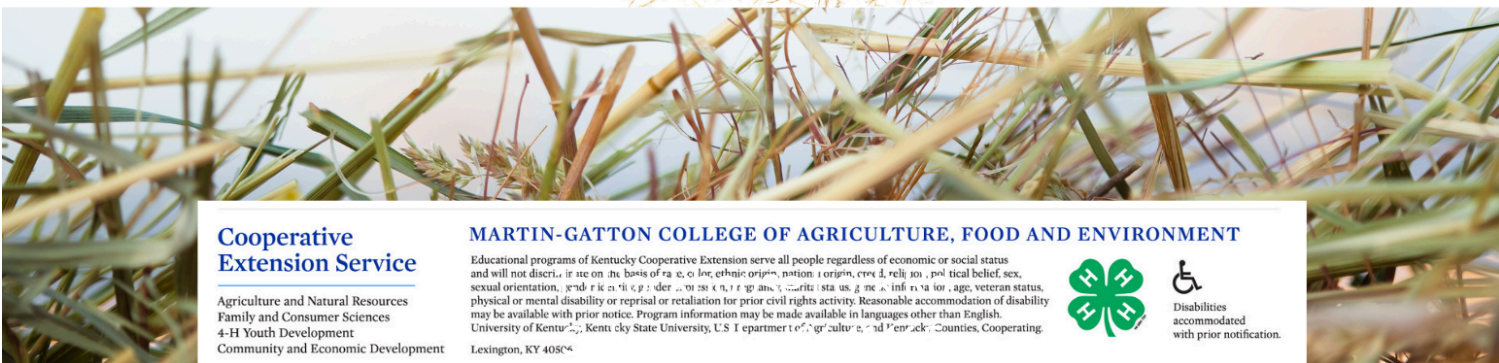



**Nutrient analysis and average
bale weight will be listed for each
lot prior to sale.**

**Reed Graham
Breathitt County ANR Agent
606-666-8812**

**No stored
outside hay
accepted**

**Call 606-666-2438
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Jonathan Montgomery
with Montgomery Auction
Company
606-496-6530**

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HOLIDAY WREATH WORKSHOP NOVEMBER 24TH & 25TH



Join us for a hands-on workshop where creativity meets agriculture! Learn to craft a beautiful fresh wreath while exploring the science of plant care, sustainable harvesting, and how to keep your greenery fresh all season long.

Registration Fee
\$15 ea.
Monday, Nov. 24th
10 AM-5:30 PM
Tuesday, Nov. 25th
10 AM-4:30 PM

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15 Rockhouse Frk Rd
Salyersville, KY 41465
Call: 606-349-3216
to register



UK Beef Management Webinar Series

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Join us for an exclusive UK Beef Management Webinar on Zoom!
Don't miss this chance to learn from the best and strengthen your beef management strategy!

If you are interested and would like to be registered, please send an email to dbullock@uky.edu with "Beef Webinar Series" in the Subject and include your name and county in the message to receive a Zoom link and password. (If you have previously registered, you do not need to re-register).

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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. Darrh Bullock, Extension Professor, University of Kentucky

If you have any questions or need additional information please email dbullock@uky.edu.
If you are already registered you will get a Zoom invitation the morning of each session with the link and password.

LICKING RIVER CATTLE ASSOCIATION

Join us for a L.R.C.A Meeting

Help shape the future of our local cattle community!
We're gathering to discuss speaker ideas, grant opportunities, topics of interest, and more for the upcoming year.

Your voice matters—come share it!



Date: November 20th at 6pm



Location: Magoffin County Extension Office



Dues: \$15 per person | \$20 per family

Bring a neighbor and your ideas!

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Appalachian Art for Kids K-6th grades lead by Chelsea Nicholas

Magoffin County Extension Office

Thursday, November 13, 2025

3:15-4:30 PM

Contact:
Stephanie Back, KYSU 4-H Agent
stefaine.back@kysu.edu

606-349-3216

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Magoffin County 4-H

Horticulture Society

for Youth ages 9-18



Meeting Dates

- ✓ Monday, Oct. 13 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, Nov. 10 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, Dec. 8 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, Jan. 12 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, Feb. 9 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, March 9 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, April 6 3:15-4:30pm
- ✓ Monday, May 4 3:15-4:30pm

Horticulture is the science and art of growing and caring for plants, such as fruits, vegetables, flowers, ornamental plants, and grasses.

FREE!

Try something new and fun and gain knowledge to last a lifetime!

Call for more information!

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Reserve Your
Spot Now!
349-3216

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