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HARRISON COUNTY HORTICULTURE NEWSLETTER



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Hello, and welcome to summer! I hope each of you are enjoying the warm weather and the longer days! If you have a garden, landscape plants, planters with annual flowers, don't forget that during these hot temps they will need some water! Most plants need 1 inch of water/rain per week, so be mindful of our rainfall and irrigate plants as needed. Raised beds and container plantings will dry out faster than plants planted directly in the ground. Although we often need to water extra in the summer, its also important to remember that sometimes just as much harm can be done by over-watering. So monitor rainfall and watering closely, to have happy and successful plants.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS!

This year we are introducing a new online registration program for ALL county fair exhibits! **ALL exhibits, for youth and adults, will require pre-registration.** We realize that with a new program and with change, it can sometimes be a bit of a learning curve, but the extension office is ready to assist you in any way we can!

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED and walk-in exhibits will not be accepted. We will have three "help days" where you can come to the extension office and enter your exhibits online. Please see the flyer below for more information and call the office at 859-234-5510 with any questions you might have.

We want to make this transition as painless as possible!

REGISTRATION

Pre-registration will be required beginning June 15th, 2023 online using the website:

<https://harrisoncountyfairky.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19000>

Or use this QR code below:



Check-in will be assigned by appointment only. All entries must be completed online. No walk-up or day-of entries will be accepted.

We have three set days for those needing help entering your items online. Times will be between 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

- Thursday, June 29th
- Thursday, July 6th
- Monday, July 10th

This is by appointment only. Please call 859-234-5510 to reserve your spot.

DEADLINE TO ENTER all fair exhibits is Thursday, July 13th at noon.

Tag Instructions:

We will print your tags. Tag pick up will be Thursday, July 13th and Friday, July 14th at the Harrison County Extension Office (668 New Lair Road, Cynthiana, KY 41031).

Licking Valley Honey Bee Society

Next Meeting: June 13th

**Beginning Session beginning at
5:30 p.m.**

**General Beekeeping Club Meeting
beginning at 6:30 p.m.**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Ric Bessin, University
of Kentucky Entomology Specialist
at the Harrison County Extension Office



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Flat Run Veterans Park
364 Oddville Ave., Cynthiana

Saturday, May 6 - Opening Day! 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

May - October - Open Every Saturday
from 9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

June 13 - Special Event Pop-Up Market
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

July 11 - Special Event Pop-Up Market
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

August 8 - Special Event Pop-Up Market
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

September 16 - Harvest Festival 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Scan the QR code to check out the
HC Farmers Market Website!

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

Program designed to provide nutrition benefits to low-income seniors and promote the purchase of local fruits and vegetables.

Beginning June 1 (estimated start time for 2023), qualifying participants can pick up their card at the Harrison County Senior Center 216 Old Lair Road, Cynthiana.

Cards will be loaded with \$50 to be used at the Harrison County Farmers Market.

For more information call the senior center at 859-234-5801.



WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program

Program designed to provide nutrition benefits to WIC participants to promote the purchase of local fruits and vegetables.

Beginning June 1 (estimated start time for 2023), qualifying participants can pick up their card at the Harrison County Health Department, 364 Oddville Avenue, Cynthiana.

Cards will be loaded with money to be used at the Harrison County Farmers Market.

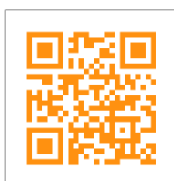
For more information, contact the Health Department at 859-234-2842.



Community Corner
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HC EXTENSION



Check out what's happening in our community!
Use your smart phone camera to scan the QR codes to be directed to the organization's separate website.

The Extension Office will be closed on Monday, June 19th for the Juneteenth Holiday
And on Tuesday, July 4th for the Independence Day Holiday

Winter Damage to Landscape Plants

You've probably noticed while driving down the road, or in your own yard, a lot of plants that look like this, and the cause is winter damage. These two shrubs are at the extension office and I have been getting numerous phone calls from folks wondering why their plants are turning brown. There could be another issue going on, but most of the browning we are seeing right now is due to the 4 day long deep freeze that we had back in December. Some plants will survive and some will not. Some plants you may choose to cut back and allow them to regrow with all new growth. The solution is different for every situation. It seems the plants that took the hardest hit were boxwood, holly, and magnolia, but I have seen many others that have also taken a hit. Unfortunately there is no "one" solution. The plant will either survive and outgrow the damage, or it will not. Best of luck as you are making these decisions for your own landscape. The extreme, lengthy, cold weather we had is just something that we, and our plants, are just not used to.



Check out the new Hort Culture podcast, made specifically for Kentucky! There are 12 episodes so far, and it is updated weekly. It is a great source for growers of all experience levels!



Start your day with Extension!

9:10 a.m. Stacey Stephens with NEP:

1st Monday of the month

Jessica Wells with Horticulture:

1st Wednesday of the month

Shannon Farrell and Holly Laytart

with 4-H:

2nd Wednesday of the month

Shelley Meyer with FCS:

4th Thursday of the month



Very Berry Salsa

4 cups apples, finely diced
1 cup blueberries
1 cup strawberries, diced

1 cup raspberries, halved
1 cup blackberries, halved

1 tablespoon fruit preserves
½ tablespoon sugar
½ tablespoon brown sugar

In a large bowl, **combine** apples and berries. In a small bowl, **mix** together preserves and sugars until well blended. **Pour** preserve mixture over fruit and **toss** to coat. **Cover** and **chill** in the refrigerator for at least 30 minutes.

Yield: 32, 2 ounce servings

Nutritional Analysis: 20 calories, 0 g fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 0 mg sodium, 5 g carbohydrate, 1 g fiber, 4 g sugar, 0 g protein



Buying Kentucky Proud is easy. Look for the label at your grocery store, farmers' market, or roadside stand.