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Farm Bill to bolster struggling Agriculture Communities

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) delivered the following remarks on the Senate floor regarding the farm bill and the Hemp Farming Act of 2018:

“I was proud to join my colleagues on the Senate Agriculture Committee to approve a landmark farm bill. Under the fair and bipartisan leadership of Chairman Roberts, our committee has produced a bill that will bolster struggling agriculture communities.

“Speaking for my home state of Kentucky, agriculture is part of who we are. Kentucky farm families produce everything from poultry to soybeans. This legislation will assist them, encourage economic growth, and increase investment in rural communities.

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Wheat futures encouraging for producers

by Katie Pratt

The wheat market is showing signs of price improvement, and that is good news for Kentucky farmers who want to market existing stocks, sell a portion of this year's crop at harvest or get a start on marketing the 2019 wheat crop.

“The current market is a result of a drought in the Southern Plains and the Dakotas last year that reduced their winter and spring wheat crops. The Southern Plains states were hit again this winter with drought, which has aggravated the situation,” said Todd Davis, agricultural economist in the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. “The reduced production has helped lower wheat stocks and support higher prices.”

Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas are three of the top winter wheat producing states. These states had a considerable portion of their crop rated very poor to poor in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's crop progress report released June 4, and 35 percent of the entire U.S. wheat crop was rated as being in very poor



The May wheat futures prices were the highest they have been since 2014.

Photo by Steve Patton, UK agricultural communications

or poor condition. Drought was a contributing factor:

While the report is not a good forecast of yields, the anticipated lower production has increased futures prices. During May, the July futures contract had an average price of \$5.17 a bushel. A March 2019 futures contract averaged \$5.71 a bushel in May. These are the highest May prices for both of these con-

tracts since 2014.

At the end of May, the July 2019 futures contract was \$5.90 per bushel.

“Producers who are going to seed wheat this fall should consider using the July 2019 contract to help them protect their price risk,” Davis said. “That is a very good pricing point to start risk management for the 2019 crop.”

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"Federal law has mostly prohibited our own farmers from getting in on the action. It's time to remove the roadblocks and let American farmers explore this growing market. This has long been a priority of mine. I championed hemp pilot programs in the 2014 farm bill. They've shown big success. It's time to take the next step.

"Again, I'd like to thank the Chairman and Ranking Member for their leadership. I was proud to join the overwhelming bipartisan majority that voted the farm bill out of committee."

GOP-led House narrowly passes farm bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republican-led House narrowly passed a sweeping farm bill that would toughen work requirements for food stamp recipients.

The bill passed by a vote of 213-211. Democrats unanimously opposed the measure, saying it would toss too many people off government food assistance. But 20 Republicans also voted no, giving GOP leaders a brief scare in what was their second attempt to pass a farm bill. In May, they suffered an embarrassing setback when 30 GOP members opposed passage in an effort to force a vote on conservative immigration legislation.

The measure also renews the safety net for farmers at a time when President Donald Trump's tough talk on tariffs threatens to close off foreign markets for many of their products.

The House bill sets up a certain clash with the Senate, which is looking to make mostly modest adjustments to existing agriculture programs without picking a fight over food stamps.

Rep. Mike Conaway, the Republican chairman of the House

Agriculture Committee, said he believed there were concerns among some GOP lawmakers about the amount of spending in the bill as well as changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP.

"I knew it was going to be razor-thin," Conaway said of the vote.

The bill requires able-bodied adults aged 18-59 to work or participate in job training for 20 hours a week in order to receive food stamp benefits that average about \$450 a month for a family of four. Government auditors estimate that in 10 years, the SNAP caseload would shrink by about 1.2 million people in an average month if the bill becomes law.

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., said the changes will "close the skills gap, better equip our workforce, and encourage people to move from welfare to work, so more Americans have the opportunity to tap into the economic prosperity we're seeing right now."

The legislation has traditionally been bipartisan, blending support from urban Democrats

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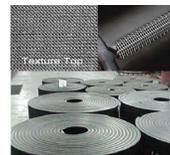
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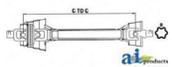
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ADB invests in On-Farm Water Management Program

The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB) allocated \$1,000,000 to establish the On-Farm Water Management Program at its March 2018 board meeting. The program will promote water resilience on farms by funding projects in conjunction with the Energy and Environment Cabinet.

"The Energy and Environment Cabinet, through the Water Resources Board, is helping the agriculture community to improve the availability and use of water for irrigation and livestock. These efforts are intended to reduce both the producers' costs as well as reduce susceptibility to droughts,"

Charles Snavely, Secretary of the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet, said.



The On-Farm Water Management Program consists of two program categories. The Research, Development and Demonstration (RDD) is for water management practices on public regional farms. The Practical Implementation Project (PIP) is for private farms that wish to implement best management practices for water management. Both programs are required to have public, educational tours to highlight practices for harvesting, storing and redistributing water.

The On-Farm Water Management Program aims to promote innovation

in on-farm water management, increase on-farm water availability and farm profitability, institutionalize practices into traditional funding programs and normalize innovative practices. The program shall look to coordinate efforts with individuals and entities interested in the long-term science and planning of water resources.

"Kentucky Farm Bureau's proactive approach to view water as economic development for agriculture resulted in the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund's (KADF) newest project. Clean, fresh water is the most valuable resource not only in life, but in agriculture. By showcasing new facilities as well as new methods of management and production, this program

will encourage our producers to utilize CAIP funds to advance to the next step," Warren Beeler, GOAP executive director, said.

The KADF and the Kentucky Water Resources Board are dedicated to helping Kentucky agriculture become more sustainable and profitable for generations to come by supporting this program. For more information about the program, contact Bill McCloskey, deputy executive director, at (502) 782-1766, or Dale Booth, Kentucky Water Resources Board Technical Advisory Group member, at (502) 782-6895.

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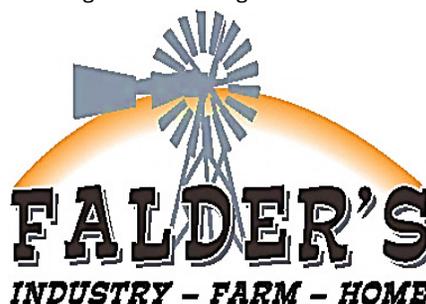
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Beef & Bacon Custom Processing receives USDA Inspection Certification

Beef & Bacon Custom Processing in McLean County is now the newest USDA inspected meat processing facility in the state. In 2013, Beef & Bacon Custom Processing received a grant from the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB) to construct a 4,000 square foot slaughter facility. Last year, the KADB granted additional funds to upgrade the facility to meet federal standards. In transitioning to a USDA inspected facility, producers can now utilize the services to sell direct-to-consumer and/or wholesale with their beef and pork products.

“The new USDA inspection certification for Beef & Bacon fills a need in an area of the state longing for this type of processing. This project will allow producers of livestock to venture into value-added sales and capture more of the food dollar. The goal of the KADF is to improve profitability at farm level in agribusiness and enhance rural communities. This project has the capability to do all three.” Warren Beeler, executive director of the Governor’s Office of Agricultural Policy said.

Owners Wesley and Meghan Spurrier have access to a quality grader from the Kentucky Department

of Agriculture that, as a third party, can quality grade beef carcasses as Prime, Choice, Select or Standard. This is a free grading service and adds another marketing tool for producers. Beef and Bacon Custom Processing is partially funded by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

Beef & Bacon Custom Processing is located at 2887 McGee Chapel Road, Calhoun, KY. For more information on the facility, please contact the Spurrier’s at (270) 273-5769 or atspurrijw@hotmail.com.

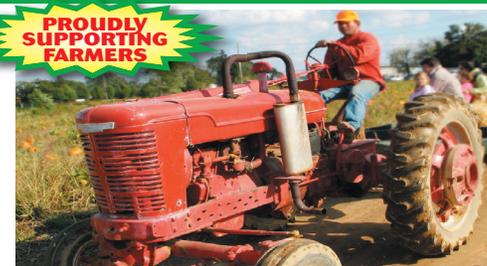
Since 2001, more than \$1.7 million in Kentucky Agricultural Development Funds (state and county) has been invested in projects and programs in McLean County.

Great strides continue being made toward lessening Kentucky’s dependence on tobacco production while revitalizing the farm economy by investing a portion of Kentucky’s Master Settlement Agreement Funds into the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund.

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UK, forage group to host Western Kentucky Summer Forage Tour

by Katie Pratt

The University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and the Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council are hosting a Western Kentucky Summer Forage Tour for producers in the region. Participants will learn how they can successfully incorporate warm-season grasses into their grazing systems and extend their grazing season. The tour is Aug. 7 at Dogwood Farm in LaCenter in Ballard County.

During the event, participants will tour the farm, which is owned and operated by Toby and Debby Dulworth. The Dulworths run about 300 head of Hereford cattle. Over the years, they have implemented innovative grazing techniques, so the herd is raised entirely on pasture. The Dulworths have direct marketed their local, grass-finished beef since 2003, and it is now the farm's major enterprise.

Event participants will visit a landscape-scale demonstration that features 12 warm-season annual grasses and mixtures, see how improved crabgrass varieties work on Dogwood Farm, tour a 30-year-old eastern gamagrass stand, learn about fencing and watering improvements and hear how the farm finishes and markets beef on an all-forage diet.

This program is part of the UK Grain and Forage Center of Excellence's commitment to give forage

and livestock producers the timely, research-based information they need to improve their operations.

"This year's tour features an innovative grazing operation that has implemented rotational stocking, uses novel forages for both summer and winter months and has selected animals that perform well in their all forage environment," said Chris Teutsch, UK extension forage specialist at the center which is a part of the UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. "This will be the forage field day of the year"

Preregistration for the tour is required. Participants can register online at <https://westernkyforageday.eventbrite.com> or contact Christi Forsythe at 270-365-7541, ext. 221. The cost to attend is \$10 payable on the day of the event.

More information and directions to the farm are available on the UK forages extension website at <http://forages.ca.uky.edu/>.



Hereford cattle at Dogwood Farm graze a red clover-crabgrass mixture with a little johnsongrass. Species like crabgrass and johnsongrass are considered weeds in row crops but are valuable summer forages in pastures.

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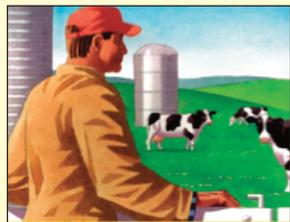
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Quarles Applauds Passage of ELD Modernization Bill

Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Bill Protects Kentucky Livestock, Agricultural Haulers

Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles praised the enactment of a bill that provides greater flexibility for Kentucky farmers and other haulers transporting livestock and other agricultural commodities across the state.

"It is important that our agricultural and livestock haulers have flexibility when transporting agricultural commodities," said Commissioner Quarles. "I thank the General Assembly and Representative James Tipton for working to achieve a solution that allows Kentuckians to take full advantage of the federal exemption for our agricultural industries."

Federal law exempts vehicles carrying agricultural commodities for a distance less than 150 air-miles from any obligation to comply with hours-of-service limits or ELD (electronic

logging device) installation requirements during a state's planting and harvest season. The maximum exemption allowed by federal law is greater than Kentucky law's 100 air-mile radius, leaving Kentucky's haulers at a disadvantage. House Bill 133 aligns Kentucky's maximum exemption with the federal standard and automatically adopts any future increases in the federal agricultural exemption into Kentucky law.

"When I learned that our state's public policy was not allowing our people and our businesses to take full advantage of an already existing federal exemption, I thought it was important to make our state law consistent with federal statutes," said Representative James Tipton. "I was honored to work alongside Commissioner Quarles to lead the effort and deliver meaningful relief for our farmers and livestock haulers across Kentucky."

On December 15, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) de-

layed implementation of regulations requiring agricultural haulers to purchase and install ELDS on trucks.

The DOT extended the implementation delay again on March 14, 2018.

Kentucky Dairies Find Market

The Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy (GOAP) is pleased to announce that 11 of the 19 dairy farms whose contracts were canceled by Dean Foods have found a market for their milk. Scioto Milk Producers Cooperative from Hillsboro, Ohio; United Dairy, Inc. in Charleston, West Virginia; and Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) Southeast Area Council in Kansas City, Kansas have signed new contracts with the remaining dairies. The other eight dairies involved have made the decision to sell their herds privately.

"Dairy farming involves milk-

ing twice a day, seven days a week and is as much a lifestyle as it is a method of farming," said Warren Beeler, GOAP executive director. "These eleven producers can now continue their family dairies thanks to Scioto, United Dairy, Inc. and DFA Southeast."

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Osterman named New County Programs Manager

FRANKFORT - Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy (GOAP) Executive Director Warren Beeler announced today the appointment of Stefanie Osterman to County Programs Manager.

"Stefanie has worked for GOAP for the past two years as Project Manager," said Warren Beeler, GOAP executive director. "Her background and willingness to learn and work gives me full confidence in appointing her as the new County Programs Manager."

As County Programs Manager, Osterman will be responsible for the oversight all applications, education and program development for the County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP), Deceased Farm Animal Removal Program, Shared-Used Equipment Program and On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives Pro-

gram.

Prior to this appointment, Osterman most recently held the role of Project Manager with responsibility for processing KADF applications received by GOAP.

"I look forward to working with CAIP and local program administrators who do so much. I am excited for this new role in GOAP," Osterman said.

Osterman is a graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. A native of Whitley County, she currently resides in Frankfort.

For more information about county programs available through KADB, contact Stefanie Osterman, County Programs Manager, at (502) 782-1763 office or (502) 229-9406 cell or visit the KADB webpage at agpolicy.ky.gov.

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supporting nutrition programs with farm-state lawmakers supporting crop insurance, farm credit, and land conservation. The Senate earlier this month unveiled a budget-neutral and bipartisan bill. A Senate committee approved the legislation last week, 20-1.

Although the House bill broke from that bipartisan convention, its position on work requirements for SNAP recipients is consistent with the Trump administration's priorities. Earlier this year, President Donald Trump signed an executive order directing federal agencies to enforce existing work requirements and review all programs, waivers and exemptions.

The measure also limits circumstances under which families who qualify for other poverty programs can automatically be eligible for SNAP, and earmarks \$1 billion to expand work training programs.

Democrats have expressed outrage over the bill, with Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi calling it "cruel and destructive."

Rep. Collin Peterson of Minnesota, the ranking Democratic lawmaker on the House Agriculture Committee, said the bill "simply doesn't do enough for the people it's supposed to serve."

"It still leaves farmers and ranchers vulnerable, it worsens hunger and it fails rural communities," Peterson said.

Zippy Duvall, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, called passage of the House bill a big win for farmers. He said farm income levels have slumped to decade lows and lawmakers "recognized the serious economic challenges facing farmers and ranchers across the country."

Still, some conservatives in the GOP would prefer to lessen farm subsidies or phase them out entirely. That's why Rep. Tom McClintock of California said he voted against the bill, saying that subsidies lead to higher prices for consumers and inefficiencies in the marketplace with gluts of some commodities and shortages of others.

"Experience teaches us, or should teach us, that subsidies ultimately harm even the farm sector," McClintock said.



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Forest Service seeks public input

Land Between the Lakes, Ky./Tenn. - July 9, 2018 - The U.S. Forest Service is now seeking public engagement for environmental education and recreation planning at Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.

Public input will help guide current and long-term agency recreation decisions for a sustainable recreation plan. The public can provide input through open house sessions or participate in interactive discussions online through a new engagement platform called Mindmixer.

"We need the public to share their thoughts, experiences and ideas for their recreation and environmental education programs here so we can make wise investments for the future," said, Jeff Laird, customer service manager at Land Between

the Lakes. Visitor needs evolve and an aging infrastructure is expensive to maintain. "We are committed to a collaborative relationship with our stakeholders to develop a recreation plan that is socially, economically and environmentally sustainable for present and future generations."

The public is invited to attend open house sessions to discuss sustainable recreation and learn about Mindmixer:

Stewart County Visitor Center, Dover, TN, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 1.

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Future open houses will be posted at <https://www.landbetweenthe-lakes.us/alerts-notices/>.

KDA's Farm to School Program wins USDA Grant for nearly \$100K

Grant Will Be Used to Make More Local Foods Available to Kentucky Students

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Department of Agriculture's (KDA) Farm to School Program was awarded a \$99,913 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to expand its efforts to help Kentucky schools serve local foods to their students.

"This funding will put more focus on equipping farmers and food producers to sell their products to Kentucky schools," Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles said. "Tina Garland and Bill Wickliffe, who head the program for the KDA, have made it a national model. Congratulations to them for earning this grant for this important and popular program."

KDA will use the grant to provide two major regional training events for farmers and school food service authorities and issue 10 mini-grants for additional training, equipment, and other needs to enable farmers to develop or enhance their farm-to-school marketing efforts.

Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government was awarded a \$100,000 grant to increase access to local foods for Jefferson County Public Schools students and their families through its Farm to Table Program and The Food Literacy Project at Oxmoor Farm.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) on Thursday announced that it awarded a total of 73 grants that will serve more than 6,000 schools and 2.8 million students nationwide.

The KDA's Farm to School Program helps connect Kentucky school

systems with local farmers and small businesses. Kentucky schools spent nearly \$8.9 million on local food products in 2013-2014. More than 700 schools in 77 Kentucky school districts had programs in place to buy local Kentucky foods for their school cafeterias, according to the 2015 Farm to School Census compiled by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Many students take part in planting school gardens, visiting farms, and turning the cafeteria into a classroom.

The Farm to School Program runs the annual Junior Chef competition, in which high school culinary teams compete for scholarships and the coveted skillet trophy awarded to the state champion team. Launched by the KDA in 2013, the competition teaches valuable skills in recipe development, food preparation, marketing, public presentation, organization, teamwork, and community involvement while educating students about the importance of local foods and agriculture. This year's regional champions will compete at the Kentucky State Fair in August in Louisville.

USDA's Southeast Region office used Kentucky's Junior Chef competition as the model for the first Southeast Region Junior Chef Competition in May in Louisville. Montgomery County High School, the Kentucky state champion in 2016 and 2017, came in second.

For more information about the Kentucky Junior Chef Program, go to kyagr.com/junior-chef.

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New Ag Technology launched to aid Farm Business

Agribile, Inc. has launched an improved website featuring a new look and feel, upgraded technology, and new features designed to help growers and retailers with proactive decision-making both during and in between growing seasons.

The Illinois-based company specializes in providing detailed agronomic information using science and technology to transform field-level data into actionable decisions. With this launch, users will benefit from simple account navigation and new views.

For instance, with a few clicks, all farm data is displayed in a clear, holistic way. With a quick snapshot of a grower's entire operation, users can compare fields and determine what is critical across the total farming operation and drill into details faster. Another added benefit is the ability to share farm data with advisors, retailers, crop consultants, and bankers, resulting in faster service and saved time for the grower.

New interactions with the Nutri-

ent Engine, Yield Engine, Tractor Time, and Field Forecast platform tools allow a bird's eye view of any farm operation, regardless of size. "This is our first major release for 2018, and it is a perfect example of where Agribile is heading for our customers," said Paul S. Miller, Ph.D., Co-founder and Chief Science Officer of the company.

"This new platform and its mobile-first usability provides growers with the insight needed to make quick decisions across all devices."

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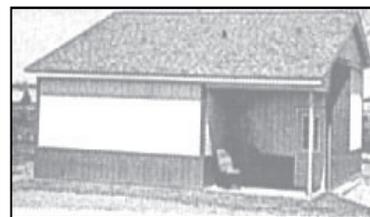
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Trenhaile adds that these features more accurately reflect soil workability under high-residue management conditions. "This allows maximum accuracy for each specific field by reflecting the variation of tillage practices across your farm," he said.

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Kentucky State Fair fast approaching



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Ryan Quarles

My office at the fair will remain in the West Hall, and I invite everyone to drop by and say hello.

The 114th Kentucky State Fair is Aug. 16-26 at the Kentucky Exposition Center, and under the new leadership of an old friend, Kentucky agriculture's signature event will see some big changes in 2018.

I am thrilled that David Beck has been named president and CEO of Kentucky Venues, which manages the Kentucky Exposition Center and the Kentucky International Convention Center. The executive vice president of Kentucky Farm Bureau since 1995, David brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and relationships to his new post. The KFB and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture worked closely to advance Kentucky agriculture under David's leadership, and I have no doubt that relationship will continue as he takes on this new challenge. Kudos to the Kentucky State Fair Board on an excellent choice to lead the Kentucky State Fair into the future.

Recently, we were pleased to announce that the department and the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment will work together to help competitors get their exhibits to the state fair. Exhibitors may drop their entries off at select extension offices in eastern and western Kentucky for pick-up. We think this new service will generate interest from people who live far from Louisville and otherwise would have a hard time participating in the fair. For more information, including drop-off locations, packaging instructions, and entries eligible for delivery, go to kystatefair.org/newsroom.

Many of the state fair's major agricultural exhibits will be combined into AgLand in the South Wing. Encompassing more than an acre of exhibit space, AgLand will consist of the KDA's farm safety display, the 4-H Cloverville section, and exhibits for FFA, the University of Kentucky, Kentucky Farm Bureau, Kentucky State University, Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom, commodity groups, and many other agricultural organizations.

You'll also see some new exhibits and experiences like an AgLand passport. AgLand will enable fairgoers to meet Kentucky farmers and learn about the importance of agriculture in their everyday lives. Be sure to get your passport stamped!

Many of the fair's traditions will remain, and as always, the KDA will be on hand to check the health papers of animals entering the fairgrounds, conduct the livestock shows, check the amusement rides, and perform numerous other services to help you have a successful and enjoyable fair. My office at the fair will remain in the West Hall, and I invite everyone to drop by and say hello.

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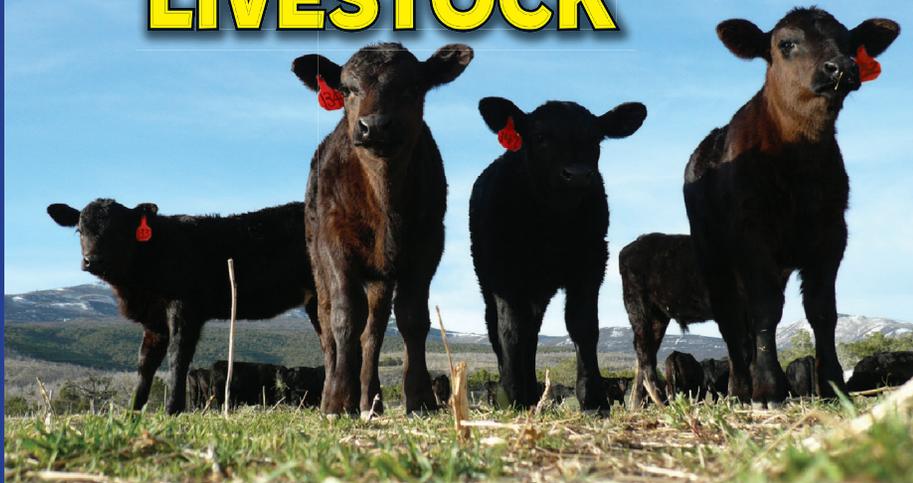
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Dore Baker

by Jason Travis
Farmers' Quarterly

It's impossible to adequately describe the importance of dairy farming to the agriculture industry and its impact on each person's life.

Dore Baker understands the vital role she plays in the industry. She is the dairy manager at Chaney Farms in Bowling Green, Ky. Baker, 25, has been at the helm for almost four years.

While each day on the farm varies, some tasks remain constant. One constant is the daily care of the herd's overall health. That includes feeding, maintaining comfort and working with the robotics system and performing maintenance to keep it functioning properly.

In 2016, Baker said Chaney Farms implemented a robotic milking system that provides information on milk testing. Transponders also help keep track of activity and health of the herd.

"It has given me so much more information and



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it has made me a better manager," Baker said of the system.

Born into the dairy industry, Baker and her mother ran their family's farm after her father's passing. She later attended Virginia Tech and studied Dairy Science before being asked to manage her uncle's farm.

"I've always loved animals. Just the day-to-day interaction with each cow is what I enjoy," she said.

She emphasized her education brought both knowledge and networking. However, much of her professional training has come from hands-on experience, a must in her profession.

Dore Baker:

- Age: 25
- Status: Single
- Occupation: Manager at Chaney Farms
- Hobbies: Spending time with family and friends.

Maddie Riley

by Kirk Trammell
KPI Staff

Maddie Riley has been the office manager at Livingston Livestock in Ledbetter for the last five years. Riley Livestock has owned the auction since 1993. She worked her way up from smaller jobs to manager. Riley manages approximately 10 to 19 employees at the office. Each day is a surprise for her because she doesn't know what to expect. She loves talking to her customers when they come to visit. She has known some of them for years.

Maddie Riley:

- Age: 24
- Status: Married
- 1 daughter & 1 son
- Occupation: Office Manager
- Hobbies: Farming, spending time with family

Riley went to Graves County High School. After she graduated, she attended West Kentucky University. She now lives in Marion with her family. Farming and family are her two favorite things. Riley said that her job can be difficult at times which causes her family to get put on the back burner. Though it is difficult, she said, "It has made me more responsible and [helps me] see the big picture." Being young and in a higher position in business took hard work and dedication. Riley appreciates how far she's come to get where she is today.



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Spencer Sexton

by Jason Travis
Farmers' Quarterly

Many people are tied to their desks for five days a week, 12 months a year. Only the lucky ones get to venture beyond the walls of their offices and experience the great outdoors.

Spencer Sexton is one of the lucky ones.

At 29, Sexton is the owner of Sexton Bin Builders, located at 1093 Loving Chapel Road in Franklin, Ky. His on-farm storage units allow growers the flexibility to market their grain when and where the time is right for them.

Sexton began his career in 2009. He and his dad partnered in the building and selling of bins. Now, with a decade of experience, Sexton does all the

Spencer Sexton:

- Age: 29
- Status: Married
- Occupation: Sexton Bin Builders
- Hobbies: Loves the Outdoors and spending time with family.

building and selling on his own. In addition to providing customer satisfaction, his job also provides the opportunity to work without walls.

"I love working outside," he said. "I like interacting with my customers. I've got some really good customers. They are great to deal with."

Sexton said his company serves all of Kentucky and Tennessee. He has even traveled to parts of Alabama to work with clients. Selling grain bins means much of the work has to be done on-site. That also includes performing concrete and foundation work, building and finishing the projects. While he does some fabricating and welding of materials at his headquarters in Franklin, it's the opportunity to travel and meet his customer's needs that he enjoys.

"We're hardly ever in the same place for more than a week at a time. It's not boring," he said.



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"You get to travel and see different places all over the state."

Not even 30, Sexton said he feels blessed and that the right opportunities have come along since he began in 2009.

"I'm really pleased at where we are at, now at this point in time," he said.

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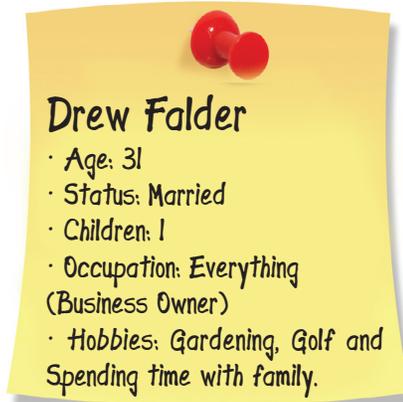
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Drew Falder

by Kirk Trammell
Farmer's Quarterly

Falder's Farm Supply has been a family owned and operated business since it's founding in 1972. Drew Falder, one of the owners, practically grew up in the store. He worked there through high school and college. When Drew graduated with a degree in Safety Engineering, he stepped away from the family business. He found work overseas in the oil fields and lived there for almost five years. After those years overseas, Drew returned home, got married, and jumped back into the business. When asked his occupation, Drew laughed and said "Everything." He spends a lot of his day helping customers

solve problems and directs them to the parts they need. "Customers are



the biggest thing," Drew said. "My main goal every morning is to come in here and make sure I can help out ... and get them the things that they need."

Everything is selling well at Falder's right now. "You name it. Powertools, fans, spraying equipment, lawnmower parts, water heaters, plumbing ... [Customers] want to come in and get everything." Fencing is apparently the only thing that's not popular right now because of the heat.

In his spare time, Drew likes to work. He enjoys gardening and has a small city garden. He also likes to golf and spend time out on the farm.

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Terra Dunn Bowles

by **Teresa Pearson**
Farmer's Quarterly

Terra Bowles has always loved animals. When she was young, her answer to the question "what do you want to be when you grow up" wavered between a Vet, ZooKeeper and Marine Biologist. While in college, Terra fell in love with a chihuahua named Monty and she decided to pursue a DVM degree from Auburn.

Terra was a 2000 graduate of Ballard Memorial High School and got her Bachelors of Science in Biology from Murray State in 2004 then Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Auburn University in 2008.

Terra works part-time, Tuesdays only, at Coffee Animal Clinic in La Center, KY.

She says that every single day is different, which makes it very exciting but also somewhat difficult. She said, "We see multiple species of patients, multiple breeds within those species, and we care for the entire animal from nose to tail. I am the cardiologist, surgeon, preventative care specialist, etc for my patients. Sometimes that means my brain feels like it's on overload, but the relationships that al-



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lows me to form with clients and their pets is extremely rewarding!"

Outside of work, Terra is a stay-at-home Mom which she says she loves.

She is married to Nathan Bowles, DMD, MD, OMFS who is an Oral Surgeon in Paducah at Heine, Heine and Bowles Oral Surgery.

They live in Kevil, KY with their two children, Landyn 7 and Layne 4.

She spends her time going to cheer practices, t-ball games, school events and church activities. "I wouldn't have it any other way," said Terra.

Terra Bowles

- Age: 36
- Status: Married
- Children: 2
- Occupation: Veterinarian
- Hobbies: Church activities and spending time with family.

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UK to offer meat cutting schools for beef and pork



Rentfrow teaching a beef processing class.

by Aimee Nielson

The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment will offer a Meat Cutting School in May with separate sessions for beef and pork.

“Meat cutting and general butchering is quickly becoming a lost art, and we want to help preserve that,” said Gregg Rentfrow, extension meat science professor in the UK Department of Animal and Food Sciences. “Furthermore, meat processors are always interested in hiring good, experienced meat cutters. Our goal is to introduce people to the meats industry and potentially provide the commonwealth with experienced meat cutters.”

Both the beef and the pork processing workshops will offer hands-on experience with some formal

lectures about the meats and livestock industries.

“We designed these workshops to introduce basic slaughter techniques, along with beef and pork carcass fabrication and ground beef, sausage and ham making skills,” Rentfrow said. “We have limited registration, so if you’re serious about learning more about beef and pork processing, it’s important to register soon.”

The beef processing workshop runs from the afternoon of May 17 through May 19. It is limited to the first eight registrants. The pork processing workshop runs from the afternoon of May 31 through June 2. It is limited to the first 20 registrants. The cost is \$500 per person. Participants will receive a hat, frock and a 6-inch boning knife.

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Summer heat can stress farm animals

by Aimee Nielson

LEXINGTON, Ky.-- Summer hasn't officially begun according to the calendar, but Mother Nature has already been bringing the heat and humidity. In fact, Kentucky experienced the warmest May on record, and livestock are feeling it. Producers have options to keep livestock thriving in the summer heat.

"When you get a combination of heat and humidity, it can cause concern for livestock," said Matthew Dixon, agricultural meteorologist for the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. "We go by what is called a 'livestock heat stress index' to determine what level of concern farmers and pet owners need to have for their animals."

The index helps producers know when heat stress could create a problem for their animals so they can be even more vigilant in making sure animals have the necessary resources to combat and withstand the conditions. The state has already experienced days in the dangerous and emergency livestock heat stress categories.

"The most important thing producers can do is provide cool, clean water and shade," said Jeff Lehmkuhler, UK beef specialist. "It's also a good idea to avoid working or transporting animals during periods of danger or emergency heat stress."

Horses have difficulty regulating their body temperature when temperatures exceed 90 degrees. If humidity is high, the temperature doesn't even have to reach 90 degrees to make life uncomfortable for horses.

"Horse owners can reduce heat stress by scheduling activities during the cooler part of the day and making sure horses have plenty of water," said Bob Coleman, UK equine extension specialist. "If you do transport horses during the cooler part of the day, give water before, during and after transportation to reduce the risk of dehydration."

Coleman added that even non-working horses will double their water intake during hot weather.

Owners should allow them to drink often to help maintain water balance.

"If you let them drink often, it can relieve the horse's urge to drink a lot of water after exercise, and they need to gradually drink after a workout," he said. "Also, remember lactating mares have special water requirements, because they are using water for milk production as well as body temperature regulation."

Hot weather also increases horses' need for salt, because they lose the mineral during sweating.

For dairy cattle, it is important to keep buildings as open as possible to allow air to circulate. Fans can make a big difference, and sprinkler systems that periodically spray a cool mist on the animals are also beneficial.

Poultry are especially prone to heat stress. Mortality during extreme heat can be significant, and egg production and hatching rates can drop.



Beef cattle staying hydrated in the Kentucky summer heat. Photo by Matt Barton

"Since the birds don't have sweat glands to help get rid of excess body heat, they have to pant to cool down," said Jacquie Jacob, UK poultry extension project manager. "It's important to make sure chickens are in well-ventilated areas and they have access to clean, cool water at all times."

Dixon said that while he doesn't expect the index to reach the emergency category the rest of the week, temperatures and humidity levels

will keep conditions in the dangerous category during the afternoon and evening hours.

The UK Agricultural Weather Center provides statewide and county-specific weather information, alerts, livestock heat stress conditions and more. To view the index for a specific location, go to <http://weather.uky.edu/ukawc2.php> or click a specific location from the Kentucky map at <http://weather.uky.edu>.

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U.S. Hemp Roundtable Names Quarles 'Friend of Hemp'

National Hemp Industry Leader Praises Quarles, KDA for Leading Way on Hemp

CYNTHIANA, Ky. — The United States Hemp Roundtable presented Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles with its "Friend of Hemp Award" at Kentucky Hemp Days during Hemp History Week. The award is presented to individuals who exhibit tireless leadership on behalf of the industry. The industry group also recognized U.S. Representatives Thomas Massie and Andy Barr for their stewardship of the growing hemp industry in Kentucky.

"When I became Commissioner of Agriculture, I wanted to make Kentucky a national leader in industrial hemp research by empowering our farmers and processors," Commissioner Ryan Quarles said. "Kentucky's hemp history is unparalleled, and I am optimistic about its future. I am incredibly honored to have been presented with this award."

Under Commissioner Quarles' di-



The U.S. Hemp Roundtable, the hemp industry's leading national business association, presented Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture Ryan Quarles, Rep. Andy Barr, and Rep. Thomas Massie with "Friend of Hemp" Awards for leadership on behalf of the industry.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture photo

rection, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) led the effort to strengthen the legal framework governing Kentucky's industrial hemp research pilot program. In 2017, the

Kentucky General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 218, which allows KDA to run its research program in an effective and efficient manner.

"Commissioner Quarles and his

staff have led the way in building a hemp program with buy-in from Kentucky growers, processors, and law enforcement officers," said U.S. Hemp Roundtable President Brian Furnish. "Simply put, the industrial hemp industry would not be where it is today without the leadership of Commissioner Quarles. We are incredibly grateful to him for continuing to lead and for never backing down from defending our farmers and processors."

Preliminary analysis from KDA shows Kentucky licensed processors paid Kentucky growers \$7.5 million for harvested hemp in 2017. Additionally, Industrial Hemp Research Pilot Program processor licensees reported \$25.6 million in capital improvements and investments and \$16.7 million in gross product sales.

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UK to host Corn, Soybean and Tobacco Field Day



UK specialists present their latest research at the 2017 Corn, Soybean and Tobacco Field Day. Photo by Matt Barton, UK agricultural communications.

by Katie Pratt

The University of Kentucky's Corn, Soybean and Tobacco Field Day is July 24 at the UK Research and Education Center Farm in Princeton.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. CDT. Tours begin at 7:50 a.m. and will offer producers more in-depth, educational options related to production and soil nutrition, tobacco, integrated pest management and precision agriculture.

UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment specialists will present the latest information on important topics such as dicamba stewardship and herbicide-resistant weeds, nutrient placement and the effects of potassium to tobacco production.

"These intentionally specialized tours are part of the efforts by fac-

ulty and staff at the UK Grain and Forage Center of Excellence to give producers timely, commodity-specific information," said Chad Lee, director of the Grain and Forage Center of Excellence.

Program organizers have requested continuing education units for pesticide applicators and Certified Crop Advisers.

The field day concludes with lunch provided by the Kentucky Corn Growers Association, Kentucky Soybean Promotion Board, the Burley Stabilization Corporation and Altria.

The UK Research and Education Center Farm is located at 1205 Hopkinsville St. in Princeton.

For more information, contact Colette Laurent, UK extension associate for grain crops, at colette.laurent@uky.edu or 270-365-7541, ext. 264.

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Milk 2 My Plate Grant Makes More Dairy Products

WINCHESTER — Thousands of Kentuckians who struggle to buy nutritious foods for their families now have greater access to fresh Kentucky-produced milk thanks to a \$30,000 grant from The Dairy Alliance to God's Pantry Food Bank, Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles announced today.

God's Pantry used the grant to acquire seven milk coolers for its Winchester and Lexington-Fayette County food pantries. The grant was awarded in conjunction with The Dairy Alliance's Milk 2 My Plate initiative and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's (KDA) Hunger Initiative.

"The coolers funded by this grant enable God's Pantry to store fresh milk for four affiliate food pantries," Commissioner Quarles said. "As a bonus, our hard-working dairy farm

families will get a new market for their products. This is one small step that hopefully will lead to more such initiatives to help Kentucky's dairy farmers. We are extremely grateful to The Dairy Alliance for its support."

"On behalf of the dairy farm families of Kentucky and the Southeast, The Dairy Alliance is proud to partner in the vision of Commissioner Quarles," said Doug Ackerman, CEO of The Dairy Alliance. "His leadership during these difficult and changing times serves to provide hope for the people of Kentucky and the hard-working dairy farmers out there who work 365 days a year to nourish all American families."

Winchester Farms Dairy delivered milk to God's Pantry as part of Tuesday's presentation. The pilot project currently provides 60 gallons of milk a week to the food bank, but God's



Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles talks about the importance of a grant from The Dairy Alliance to God's Pantry Food Bank in a news conference Tuesday at the God's Pantry facility in Winchester. (Kentucky Department of Agriculture photo)

Pantry CEO Michael Halligan is hoping to increase volume over time.

"Hungry families, particularly those with young children, often lack

calcium-rich milk in their diet. This pilot project will help us establish a consistent, sustainable flow of milk to those in need," Halligan said. "In the first few weeks, we've witnessed so much joy and excitement through a cold glass of milk. Hats off to The Dairy Alliance, Winchester Farms Dairy, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, and our amazing Kentucky dairy farmers for helping us begin to imagine what's possible through a growing Milk 2 My Plate program."

The Dairy Alliance launched Milk 2 My Plate early this year to build an infrastructure for getting dairy products from Kentucky farms to Kentucky homes while developing relationships between processors and food banks. For more information about The Dairy Alliance and Milk 2 My Plate, go to thedairyalliance.com.

Commissioner Quarles unveiled the Kentucky Hunger Initiative two years ago to bring together farmers, charitable organizations, faith groups, community leaders, and government entities to look for ways to reduce hunger in Kentucky. To find out more about the Hunger Initiative, go to kyagr.com/hunger.

Map the Meal Gap 2017, an annual study by Feeding America, revealed that one in every six Kentuckians – including one in five children – was food insecure in 2015, meaning that consistent access to adequate food is limited by a lack of money and other resources at times during the year.



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66th Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo among many rodeos kicking up in region

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by **Zac Willis**
KPI Sports Writer

We are in the midst of the summer months and with that comes outdoor sports. Basketball season is over, football is out of action for another month or two, but right now one of the most popular, extreme sports is at its peak in the south. Rodeos are coming soon to towns near you in Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee, etc.

Our region has quite a few rodeos kicking into gear in the next couple of months. The 2018 LBL Wrangler's Rodeo will take place in Golden Pond, KY on the nights of July 20 and 21. Other notable rodeos coming to Kentucky soon include: the Christian County Cattleman's Rodeo (Aug. 17-18), the Graves County Showdown (Aug. 25), and several happening in Williamsburg, KY during August and September. The Great Lakes Circuit Finals will take place on November 8-10 in Louisville, KY. A big rodeo for Tennessee this summer is the Frontier Communications Music City Knockout, which will take place on the weekend of August 17. Lucky Dog Productions will bring Women's Professional Rodeo Association to Memphis, TN on the first weekend of August.

One of the most well known rodeos in our region is the Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo. The Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo is the premier Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association event in the region and has at least 40,000 attendees each year. The first rodeo was held in September of 1953, making this year the 66th rodeo. Ross Merideth, 2018 Rodeo Chairman, has been a Sikeston Jaycee since 2008, holding numerous amounts of positions with the club. Ross was destined to be a Sikeston Jaycee member, as his father, grandfather, uncle and brothers have all been active members at one time. Merideth, along with his uncle, Tim, and brother, Ryan, have served as President on the club side of the Jaycees, but Merideth is the first in his family to become General Chair-

man of the Rodeo. As a volunteer organization, the Jaycee members donate hours of their time year after year to support and grow Sikeston. Thanks to annual events like the Rodeo, the Jaycees help bring in millions of revenue to local restaurants, hotels and shops.

You have to wonder how an event can get any better after so many years of existence, but Merideth is adding to the event this year. "The biggest addition of the year would undoubtedly be the all-inclusive Chute Club," said Merideth. They are putting together



a temperature controlled party tent that will include all-inclusive Pepsi soft drinks, Anheuser Busch products and food. Merideth went on to say, "it requires its own ticket though, so I encourage readers to check out our website or social media pages for details."

Another success factor for the Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo is their entertainment held each night after the events. Merideth said they maintain regular relationships with two of the larger booking agencies in Nashville. This year's concerts, in order of night of performance, includes country artists: Chris Janson, Brett Young,

Justin Moore and Travis Tritt.

As far as the whole process goes, Merideth said his favorite thing is being a Jaycee and Sikeston native, and just the atmosphere. He said, "It is like Christmas in August for most Sikestonians." Merideth loves being a part of the committee and is truly honored to be the Chairman. "Beyond that, the Bull Fights on Thursday, August 9 and Friday, August 10 is one of the most intense and exciting sporting events I have ever witnessed," said Merideth. He added that the obvious choice for the most exciting bull rider to look for is World Champion Sage Steele Kimzey.

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Describing Kimzey, Merideth added, "He can make the rankest bull look like a practice session." Kimzey has been in Sikeston the past several years since his record breaking rookie season of 2014 in which he

won his first World Championship.

Speaking of World Championships, the Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo is one of the PRCA sanctioned rodeo stops before the National Finals Rodeo that takes place in Las Vegas at the end of the year. The rodeo puts up \$100,000 for the purse to be divided among the winners of each event. Merideth added

that the Sikeston Rodeo takes place later in the rodeo season which gives them the potential to attract some big talent as guys who are trying to make the final push for big money to get in the finals.

After my conversation with Ross Meredith, I learned there's much more behind the scenes work done to put on the Sikeston Rodeo than imag-

ined. I'm hoping to attend the rodeo this year for the first time. Having already seen Chris Janson in person before, I can confirm that the man puts on a great show. Be sure to make your way to Sikeston from Aug. 8 - Aug. 11 for a great rodeo and great music.

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Dean Foods to close Illinois dairy plant

HUNTLEY, Ill. (AP) - The milk giant Dean Foods is closing one of its Illinois facilities this year.

The Texas-based corporation's Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act letter says 131 people will lose their jobs when the Huntley dairy plant and office close in September. The layoffs will occur Sept. 14-28, The Northwest Herald reported.

Employees of the Huntley plant expressed disappointment, but declined to comment to the newspaper.

The facility is one of several Dean Foods plans to close this year. In its 2017 annual investors report, the company attributed shutting down plants to decreased dairy consumption trends and a highly competitive industry. Dean Foods manufactures, markets and distributes dairy products such as milk, yogurt, cheese, cream and ice cream.

Walmart announced plans in 2016 to build its own 250,000-square-foot (23,200-square-meter) dairy plant in Indiana, which was a hit to Dean Food's market base, according to the report.



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KEEP Announces New Leadership and Members of Board of Directors

Doug Cauthen will serve as Chairman and four individuals join the Board of Directors

The Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP), Kentucky's equine economic advocate, announced changes and additions to the KEEP Board of Directors.

Doug Cauthen, who has served on KEEP's Executive Committee, is the new Chairman of KEEP's Board of Directors. Cauthen is a founding board member of KEEP and is currently a partner of Doug Cauthen Thoroughbred Management, LLC. Cauthen's wealth of experience in the horse industry and his role in shaping KEEP make him a natural choice as leader of the organization.

Cauthen will be joined in leadership of the KEEP Board of Directors by Ken Jackson who will serve as Vice Chair. Jackson is a partner of Kentuckiana Farms and Lexington

Selected Sales Company. Jackson also currently serves on the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission.

Elisabeth Jensen, KEEP's Executive Vice President who oversees the organization's operations, said, "I am excited about the new additions and changes to KEEP's Board of Directors. KEEP's influence grew leaps and bounds under Corey Johnsen's tenure as Chairman and we will continue to build on that success with Doug Cauthen and Ken Jackson's leadership."

Corey Johnsen, the immediate past-Chairman of KEEP's Board of Directors will serve as Chairman of KEEP's Legislative Committee. The Legislative Committee advises KEEP's advocacy and policy goals.

Additionally, four new individuals were added to KEEP's Board: Kiki Courtelis, David Ingordo, Dan Real and Adrian Wallace. Courtelis is the CEO of Town & Country Farms and a



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member of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission. Ingordo is a bloodstock agent for Ingordo Bloodstock Services. Real is Regional President of Caesar's Entertainment, South. Wallace oversees Nomination Sales for Coolmore America at Ashford Stud.

Jensen added, "Kiki Courtelis,

David Ingordo, Dan Real and Adrian Wallace bring fresh perspectives to the Board and we have all of the right components to advance KEEP's mission and strengthen the economic impact that the horse industry has on Kentucky and all Kentuckians."

Chairman Cauthen said, "KEEP plays a critical role in promoting, growing and protecting the horse industry in Kentucky. We are at an important moment in determining the future of the equine economy in Kentucky and KEEP's work is more important now than ever. I have pledged to serve as Chairman of KEEP during this upcoming year while there are plenty of opportunities and challenges ahead of the organization. I plan to pass the torch to another pair of able hands next year. We want vibrancy in our leadership and keeping fresh hands involved is one way to do that."

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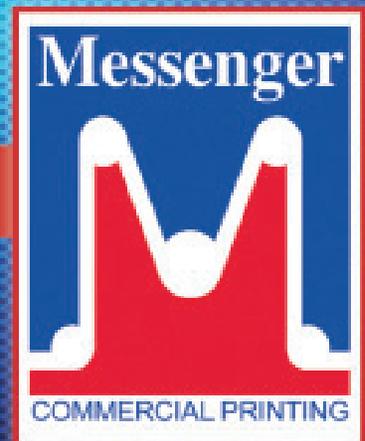
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UT Martin adds new Bachelor's Degree Program

MARTIN, Tenn. – The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees met June 22 in Knoxville and approved plans for UT Martin to offer a new Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural business. This program is the 18th bachelor's degree program offered at UT Martin.

The program is an expansion of UT Martin's existing concentration where students earning a degree in general agriculture could take select courses in agricultural business. Now, students will be able to earn a specialized bachelor's degree in agricultural business with concentrations in areas such as agricultural marketing or agricultural finance.

"There is a large demand for agribusiness professionals. Approximately 47 percent of all agriculture jobs are directly related to agribusiness," said Dr. Joey Mehlhorn, professor of agricultural economics. "New students who enter the program will benefit from a specialized degree which will allow them to compete with existing agribusiness programs. They will be able to market their degree as an agricultural business degree as opposed to a tradi-

tional agriculture degree."

Mehlhorn said current students pursuing the existing agricultural business concentration can choose whether to move to the new catalog requirements for the independent degree program or continue on their current course of study. Incoming students will be automatically enrolled in the new degree program beginning with the fall 2018 semester.

This new degree program has been in the planning stages for the past two years, and Mehlhorn says all new courses will be taught by existing faculty members with no new hires anticipated.

With the addition of this new bachelor's degree, UT Martin now offers 18 bachelor's degree programs with more than 100 specialized concentrations as well as five graduate-level programs. The new Bachelor of Science in agricultural business will be offered through the Department of Agriculture, Geosciences and Natural Resources within the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences.

For more information, contact the department at 731-881-7260.

Dr. Joey Mehlhorn, professor of agricultural economics at the University of Tennessee at Martin, addresses a crowd during the annual Mid-South Agricultural Finance Conference. This conference is one example of the specialized fields new graduates can pursue with a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural business.



Opportunity to learn at UK Horticulture Research Farm in Lexington

by Carol Lea Spence

Significant, applied research is ongoing at the University of Kentucky's Horticulture Research Farm in Lexington. With projects and trials covering traditional and organic vegetable production, high tunnel production, fruit production, variety trials for disease and pest resistance, cover crops and hops, Central Kentucky producers can learn a lot by attending the free 2018 Horticulture Research Farm Twilight Tour July 26.

Concurrent tours covering vegetables, sustainable vegetable agriculture and fruit will begin at 6 p.m. on the research farm located at 4320 Emmert Farm Lane. Tours will continue until dark, and participants should have time to take two of the three tours offered.

"They'll get a concept of our latest research, get some new ideas and also have a chance to ask questions about their own operations," said John Strang, UK extension horticulture specialist in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. "There are not too many places where you'll find all these extension spe-

cialists in one spot to get all your questions answered."

High tunnels will be featured on several of the tours.

"We've got 800 high tunnels in the state now, so there are a lot of people interested in that type of production," Strang said.

He said fruit growers will be interested in hearing about the new threat to blackberries and blueberries from the spotted wing drosophila, an invasive species from Asia.

Participants will also be able to see a modern, high-density trellised orchard and learn about new varieties of apple that are particularly good for making hard cider.

The UK Horticulture Research Farm is located on the south side of Lexington, approximately one block west of the intersection of Man O' War Boulevard and Nicholasville Road (U.S. 27). The entrance to the farm is off Man O' War at the traffic light opposite the entrance to Lowe's. For more information, contact Pam Compton, 859-257-2909 or pscomp1@uky.edu.

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- The UK Sustainable Agriculture's CSA project

Fruit tour stops include:

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