Lawrence County Salute To Agriculture Week Events & Activities

The 2023 “Salute to Agriculture Week” is scheduled for June 2-11. There are many fun and exciting events and activities planned that week from tractor pulls to Farm Tours to Farm City Day to a newly planned “Farm to Table Dinner”. A complete list of events is attached. The theme this year is “Farm to Table”. The Chamber of Commerce Farmer Appreciation Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, June 6th beginning at 7:30 am at the First Baptist Church Christian Life Center. UT Center of Profitable Agriculture Director, Rob Holland will be the keynote speaker. The highlight of the breakfast will be the presentations of the 2023 Century Farm and Agribusiness of the Year. All Lawrence County Farmers are invited to attend the breakfast. To make reservations please contact the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce at 762-3153 by June 1st. At the conclusion of the breakfast, we will begin the Farm Tour. The bus will load at the church parking lot around 9:15. There will be 3 tour stops beginning with a stop at the site for the Lawrence County Farmers Market. From there we will head north to tour an Amish Produce Farm & Stand and Flower’s Dairy & Creamery. Attached is a copy of the tour schedule. To participate in the “Farm to Table Farm Tour, please RSVP to the Lawrence County Extension Office at 762-5506 or email – ibryant1@utk.edu.

A new event that is scheduled this year as a part of the week is a “Farm to Table” Dinner. Below is the announcement from the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce:

Join The Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce and UT TSU Extension-Lawrence County for a Farm to Table Dinner prepared by Society American Nosherie on Thursday, June 8th, 2023 at 6:00 pm in Downtown Lawrenceburg. All proceeds from this event will go to Lawrence County School Systems Agriculture Programs. You can purchase individual tickets for $75 or tables of eight for $550. Tickets must be reserved by Friday, May 26th, 2023. Contact Gwynn Ware, gwynn@lawcotn.com or 931-762-4911, for any questions.

FSA Offers Pandemic Assistance Revenue Program **** Still Time to Sign Up!!!

The Pandemic Assistance Revenue Program (PARP) will assist eligible producers of agricultural commodities who experienced revenue decreases in calendar year 2020 compared to 2018 or 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. PARP will help address gaps in previous pandemic assistance, which was targeted at price loss or lack of market access, rather than overall revenue losses. For PARP, eligible agricultural commodities include crops, aquaculture, livestock, livestock byproducts, or other animals or animal byproducts that are produced as part of a farming operation and are intended to be commercially marketed. This includes only commodities produced in the United States or those produced outside the United States by a producer located in the United States and marketed inside the United States. The PARP will assist eligible producers who experience revenue decreases (15%) in the calendar year 2020 compared to 2018 or 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Sign-up is open until June 2, 2023 through FSA. For more information refer to the web-site-
Forestry Field Day---"Timber Sale Workshop” Planned for June 29

The South Central Extension Team along with the Southern Middle Tennessee Forestry Association have scheduled a Summer Forestry Field Day on the evening of June 29. The field day will take place at Pavilion 1 in David Crockett State Park from 5-8pm. Topics of discussion will include Steps in Timber Marketing, Avoiding Diameter Limit Cutting and a Timber Walk & Talk Tour. Speakers will include UT Extension Forestry Specialist, Dr. David Mercker, TDA Area Forester, James Moore and Quail Forever Biologist, Paul Underwood. Pre-registration is required by June 22. A flyer is attached with all the specifics of the Field Day.

Farmland Legacy Conference

A Farmland Legacy Conference is currently being planned to be held on the evenings of July 18, 19 and 20 at the Southern Tennessee Higher Education Center. The specific times and speakers are currently being discussed and the specifics of the conference will be released soon. The conference will be set up to allow anyone who would like to achieve a Master Farm Manager Certification to do so by attending all 3 nights.

Master Farm Manager Summer Virtual Class

Registration is open! Register online at tiny.utk.edu/MFMWebinar or by mail. Mail-in registration deadline: May 31, 2023. Online registration will remain open through June 6, 2023. Tennessee participants who complete the Master Farm Manger Course will receive three-year certification and qualify for 50% cost share for the following TAEP Programs: Dairy Solutions, Genetics, Row Crop Solutions, Hay Storage, Hay Equipment, Livestock Equipment, Livestock Solutions, Permanent Working Structures, Agritourism, Fruits & Vegetable, Value-Added Production, Honeybees, Horticulture and Poultry Grower. This UT Extension educational program will utilize a hybrid model with prerecorded videos and live webinars. Six live webinars will be held Tuesday and Thursday nights starting on June 6th, 2023. The zoom webinars will start at 6:00 PM CST. The zoom webinars will also be recorded and uploaded to the program library for those who are unable to attend during the live session. Additional information regarding the program can be found at: http://masterfarmmanager.tennessee.edu/

The program is not targeted towards any specific ag audience, and therefore, should be of interest to all producers including: livestock, crop, value added, established, or beginning farmers.
UT Extension Vet Responds to Report of Mad Cow Disease in a Tennessee Cow

This morning, May 22 one of the headline news stories was the discovery of a cow in South Carolina that came from Tennessee that was confirmed to have Mad Cow Disease. Below is the response that was sent out by UT Extension Veterinarian, Dr. Lew Strickland:

All,
Just in case you receive any questions concerning the BSE case found in SC, that originated in East TN. This was an *atypical* case which is typically found in older cattle and seems to arise rarely and spontaneously in all cattle populations. Here is the statement from USDA.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is announcing an atypical case of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE), a neurologic disease of cattle, in an approximately five-year-old or older beef cow at a slaughter plant in South Carolina. This animal never entered slaughter channels and at no time presented a risk to the food supply or to human health in the United States.

There are two types of atypical BSE: H type and L type. The biological properties and the biochemical characteristics of the prion proteins that cause the disease are different than those of classical BSE. There is no evidence at this time that atypical BSE could be linked to cases of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease in humans.

Master Beef Producer Fall Classes Scheduled

Maury, Giles and Lawrence Counties will be hosting multiple options for the UT Extension Master Beef Producer Class this fall. There will be both a 2 day option and a Monday evening option. The 2 day class will be held Monday evening Sept. 25, all day Tuesday, Sept. 26 at the MTREC in Spring Hill. The Monday evening class will be held beginning on Monday, Sept. 25 and continuing each Monday evenings through Oct. 16. These classes will start at 5pm each day and conclude around 8:30pm.

Thanks,

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Salute to Agriculture Week 2023
“Farm to Table”

Wednesday
May 31
Newspaper Agriculture Addition

Friday
June 2
FCE Cultural Arts Fair – Public Viewing 11am-3pm
Lawrence County Senior Center

Friday & Saturday
June 2 & 3
Rumble at the Crossroads Truck & Tractor Pull
Rotary Park

Tuesday
June 6
Farmer Appreciation Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
First Baptist Church Christian Life Center
2100 Springer Rd.
2023 Theme - “Farm To Table”
• Guest Speaker: Rob Holland, Director Center of Profitable Agriculture
• Agribusiness of the Year
• Century Farm Award

Farm To Table Ag/Farm Tour
First Baptist Church Parking Lot 9:30am-1pm
Lawrenceburg Farmer’s Market
Moses Gingerich Produce
Flower’s Dairy & Creamery

Wednesday
June 7
Farm City Day
Rotary Park 9am-Noon

Thursday
June 8
Farm to Table Dinner
Lawrenceburg Public Square 6pm-8pm

Friday & Saturday
June 9 & 10
Henryville Vol. Fire & Rescue - Lone Star Rodeo
Rotary Park 7:30pm
Lawrence County Ag/Farm Tours
Farm to Table

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Lawrenceburg Farmers Market
Mose Gingerich Produce
Flowers Dairy & Creamery

RSVP at Lawrence Co Extension
Office 931-762-5506 or ibryant1@utk.edu

Tour Schedule:

9:15 am  Meet at First Baptist Church Parking Lot
          (2100 Springer Rd.)
9:30 am  Leave for Lawrenceburg Farmers Market
9:45 am  Lawrenceburg Farmers Market Tour
10:15 am Leave for Mose Gingerich Produce
10:45 am Mose Gingerich Tour
11:30 am Leave for Flowers Dairy & Creamery
11:45 am Flowers Dairy & Creamery Tour
12:30 pm Leave for First Baptist Church
1:00 pm  Arrive back at First Baptist Church
         Adjourn
South Central Extension Team Presents:

Timber Sale Workshop

For Forest Landowners

June 29, 2023 | 5 pm - 8 pm
David Crockett State Park | Pavilion I
1400 W Gaines St,
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

This educational event will address considerations prior to selling your timber.

Topics will include:
- Steps in Marketing Timber
- Avoid Diameter Limit Cutting
- Timber Walk & Talk

Speakers:
Dr. David Mercker
UT Extension Forster

James Moore
Tennessee Division of Forestry, Area Forester

Guest: Paul Underwood
Quail Forever Biologist

Pre-Registration Required By June 22
Pre-Register by Contacting Lawrence County Extension Office
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or register at tiny.utk.edu/SCETtimber

Dinner Sponsored by:
Tennessee Forestry Association