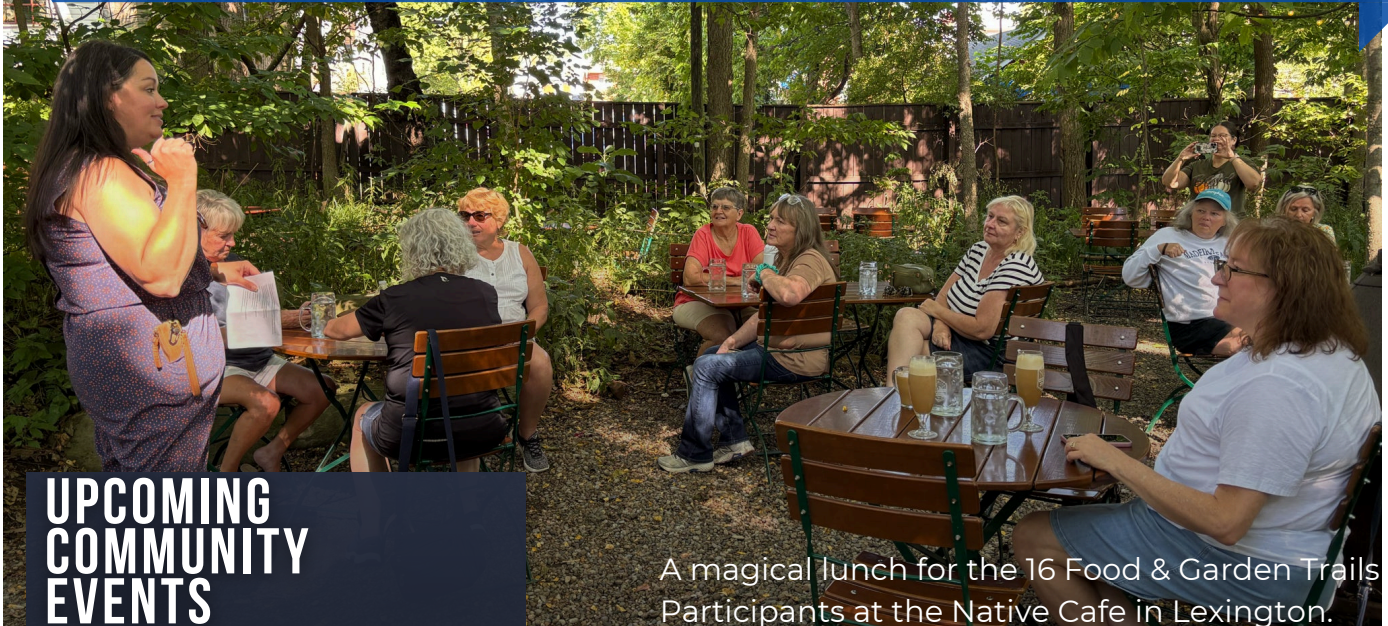


PENDLETON COUNTY

 Cooperative
Extension Service



A magical lunch for the 16 Food & Garden Trails Participants at the Native Cafe in Lexington.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

NOVEMBER 3

Cooking Around the World

NOVEMBER 4 & 6

CAIP Informational
Meetings

NOVEMBER 8

Tri-State Homesteading
Conference

NOVEMBER 15

Winter Wonderland

NOVEMBER 18

PC BEEF CATTLE ASSOC.
ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 22

Christmas Storywalk

DECEMBER 5

CAIP Application Deadline

DECEMBER 9 & 11

Greenery Workshops

DEC 25 - JAN 4

PCEO Closed

PROGRAM REPORT | AUG-OCT 2025

Catch up on what's been happening at Pendleton County Extension and discover how you can get involved! In this quarterly report, we're sharing program highlights, success stories, and a preview of exciting opportunities coming up. From hands-on workshops to community development initiatives, there's something for everyone to learn, grow, and connect. Don't miss your chance to be part of our thriving network where education, support, and local impact come together. Join us in making a difference, nurturing our local resources, and building a stronger, more resilient community—let's grow together!

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MEET OUR AGENTS



LINDIE HUFFMAN
Agriculture & Natural
Resources
Extension Agent

Keeping farmers farming and keeping families fed is Lindie's personal mission in life. Extension for her is about the relationships that are built and the opportunity to cultivate capacity in others through acts of service, community development, and education.

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KENNA KNIGHT
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Growing up as a 4-H'er, Lydia wanted to give youth the same experience she had. Looking back on her time as a 4-H'er, and realizing 4-H made her who she is today, Lydia became a 4-H agent. 4-H gives children the confidence to do anything they want and be themselves.

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Co-op Student



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PT Staff Assistant

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES



Top (clockwise): the KY Farm Bureau LEAD Class at the KY State Fair Ham Auction.; PENco Hikers take on Chained Rock in Pineville, KY.; Farmer Wolsing inspects some invasive Musk Thistle at the Weed Walk.; One of the hard working crews at the 4-H Coffee Booth at the KY Wool Festival.

Programs & Activities Highlights

August

- **SPROUTS** - Sprouts Kids Club at the PCFM features from Farm to Lunchbox to promote local food. We average 25 kiddos for Sprouts who receive 5 \$1 tokens to purchase health & nutrition items.
- **KALP 40** - We celebrated 40 years of leadership with over 200 guests in Lexington for the Kentucky Ag Leadership Program. I'm honored to be a graduate of Class XII of this amazing program that made me a better leader.
- **Woodland Owners Short Course Field Day** - Pendleton County was on full display as we welcomed 90 forest land owners from across the state for a field day and woodland extravaganza. A great partnership with numerous agencies whom provide resources for woodland management.
- **Tractor Driving at the KY State Fair** - Another great year at the Kentucky State Fair as Waylon Clifton and Mitchell Ryan brought home awards in both lawn tractor and tractor driving events for our 4-H Youth.
- **KYFB LEAD** - Our 4th session of the KYFB Leadership program took place in Louisville. I held a \$10 million ham at the Annual Ham Breakfast!!!
- **Farmers' Feast** - It was a beautiful to evening to celebrate agriculture and the farmers of our community at the annual fundraising event for the PC Farmers' Market. This year the event was hosted at the historic Kelly-Donahue Farm.
- **KOAP Agent Advisory** - The Kentucky Office of Agriculture Policy oversees the Kentucky Ag Development Fund. I was asked to be a part of the visioning committee and partnership panel.
- **Phase II** - Exciting times are ahead as we begin the process of phase II of the PCEO expansion. We're excited to share the vision of our staff and the architects of how to expand our services.
- **Division of Water** - Flooding continues to be a concern for our community. I joined the Division of Water Meeting to learn about Green Sink Flood Mitigation Strategies.

Programs & Activities Continued

- **ANR** - I spent the day with fellow ag agents planning programs and visiting a thoroughbred rehabilitation farm in Spencer County.
- **Food & Garden Trails: Oaks & Oratory** - It was a great day to explore the hidden horticulture of Lexington. With 16 travelers
- **Sprouts** - October
- **Weed Walk** - It was a small crowd, but a big impact at the weed walk in September. We talked about a full integrated approach to weed management in pastures and hay fields. We even scouted the field and worked on our identification skills.
- **Pendleton Farm Bureau Annual Meeting** - A great evening of fellowship and recognition for our Pendleton County Farmers. Congratulations to our Young Farm Family and Legacy Farm Recipients.
- **PENco Hikers: Chained Rock** - A full fall hike at KY's first state park, Pine Mountain State Park. We rocked out on the trail to Rock Hotel and the famous and legendary Chained Rock.
- **KY Farm Bureau Committee** - Serving in various roles is important. I've been appointed to the Membership Benefits of Kentucky Farm Bureau.

OCTOBER

- **KY Wool Festival: 4-H Coffee Booth** - With Ms. Jenn's Retirement I took on the coffee booth and revamped the menu. We had a great crew of 4-H Kiddos who have a future as baristas and increased sales by over 30%.
- **Beautify the Bluegrass** - Pendleton County was recognized by The Governor's Office, Kentucky Electric Cooperative, and Kentucky Living Magazine for the Boo Project. It's an honor to work alongside a great community in memory of a great community member. I traveled with the group to Frankfort to be recognized at the KY Chamber Office.
- **Sprouts** - The Last Sprouts of the season was all about pumpkins. Kiddos painted pumpkins that were donated by Faith Acres Farm.
- **ANR Update** - It was two full days of training in Winchester as we heard updates from UKY Specialists, learned new skills in plant pathology, and talked all things ticks.
- **Hay Testing Video** - A fun collaboration on a video to promote hay testing in this drought-stricken year was a great way to spend a day out in the field. With the Grant County Ag Agent & Program Assistant, a shadow student, local farmers, and the Grant County FFA, we made a fun and educational video to showcase hay testing services.
- **LEAD** - Western Kentucky was on the frontier for the 3-day trip to engage in leadership development seminars. I visited with Lowe Farms, which has expanded into commercial vegetable production with Kroger and Wal-Mart, and took in the smoky smell of some dark-fired tobacco at my KALP Class XII's farm. It was a great week to talk about agriculture, leadership, and etiquette.



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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING.**



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Upcoming Programs & Events

- **CAIP**
 - **Informational Meetings:** November 4 - 10:00 AM or November 6 - 6:30 PM
 - **Application Period:** November 4 - December 5 by 3 PM
- **Cooking Around the World | 11:00 AM**
 - November 3 - Belize | November 10 - England | November 17 - Italy | November 24 - Ireland
- **Tri-State Homesteading Conference** - November 8 - Boone County Extension
- **PC Beef Cattle Association Annual Meeting** - November 18, 6:30 PM
- **Fresh-Greenery Workshop & Wreath Sweatshirt**
 - December 9 - 10:00 AM or 6:30 PM | December 11 - 10:00 AM or 6:30 PM
- **KY Fruit & Vegetable Conference** - January 11-13 | Bowling Green, KY
- **KY Cattleman's Convention** - January 15-16 | Owensboro, KY
- **Prepare & Protect** - Wednesdays in February at 6:30 PM
- **Hiking Club "Rocks"**
 - March 19-21 - See Rock City, Lookout Mountain, Georgia
- **PENco Hikers "mARCHing On"**
 - May 29 - Gray's Arch, Red River Gorge
 - July 31 - Moonshiners' Arch, Daniel Boone National Forest
 - October 15-17 - Mantle Rock, Mantle Rock Nature Preserve
 - April 5-9 - Arches National Park, Moab Utah
- **Ag & Cultural Heritage Tour** - South Dakota - September 6-13, 2026 - FULL



PENCO HIKERS mARCHING ON

29 MAY	GRAY'S ARCH 🕒 Day Trip 📍 Red River Gorge
31 JUL	MOONSHINER'S ARCH 🕒 Day Trip 📍 Daniel Boone National Forest
15 OCT	MANTLE ROCK 🕒 Two Night - Overnight 📍 Mantle Rock Nature Preserve
5-9 APR	ARCHES NATIONAL PARK 🕒 Spring Break 2027 - 5 Days/4 Nights 📍 Moab, Utah **Past PENco Hikers participation required

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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE



Photos: 1- Food canning program 2-Boo Memorial Dedication 3-Homemaker Annual Meeting 4-Hiking Trip - Chained Rock 5-Flowerbuds kickoff

FSC Program Summary: August–October

August Programs:

- Food Preservation Workshops in Pendleton and Boone Counties: Full-day, hands-on water bath and pressure canning.
- Homemakers on the Move: Celebrated those who served in 2024–25 and welcomed new leaders for the 2025–26 year.
- Senior Center Nutrition Lesson: Monthly educational session.
- State Fair Support: Assisted participants and handled post-event cleanup.
- Get Healthy with Kenna: Monthly wellness meeting.
- Homemaker Fall Lesson on Belize: Four lessons presented to over 150 attendees.

September Programs:

- Common Read Series: Two-part discussion on The Anxious Generation.
- Senior Center Nutrition Lesson: Continued monthly outreach.
- Garden & Food Tour: Hosted in Lexington.
- FlowerBud & CloverBud Kickoff: Focused on Understanding Disabilities, with September's theme on Autism.
- QuickBooks Online Training: Full-day session for administrative assistants.
- Boo Memorial Dedication: Honored with a plaque.
- Get Healthy with Kenna: Monthly meeting.
- Area Homemaker Council: Regional leadership gathering.
- Fall Hiking Club Trip: Overnight adventure to Chain Rock.
- Homemaker Annual Meeting: Celebrated accomplishments from the past year.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE



Photos: 1-October Cloverbuds "Understanding disabilities" 2-StoryWalk® 3-Homemakers Triennial Meeting

October Programs:

- Wool Festival Fun: Funnel cake booth participation.
- Senior Center Nutrition Lesson: Monthly session continued.
- FlowerBud & CloverBud Program: Focused on Dyslexia as part of Understanding Disabilities.
- Virtual Program: Explored the topic of Intrusive Technology.
- Area Homemaker Triennial Meeting: Regional event.
- National Meeting: Attended in Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- Fall StoryWalk: Held at the fairgrounds.
- Get Healthy with Kenna: Monthly wellness meeting.
- Disaster Preparedness Trainings: In-service sessions for staff.

Administrative Work:

- Provided all audit documentation to the auditor.
- Managed bill approvals and funding transactions.
- Collaborated with SHP on Phase 2 expansion planning.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



Programs & Activities Highlights

- New Enrollment period is OPEN!
- New clubs- Dog Club and Entomology Club
- State Fair- WAY too many wins to list. Check out our facebook page!
- Cardinal Fest and Ready Fest Handouts
- Country Ham Banquet- Over \$10,000 raised and 100% back to kids!
- Wool Festival Fundraiser- Over \$54,000 gross!
- 4-H End of Year Awards Banquet was a success! Nearly 50 kids registered and recognized.
- Traveling with the State Livestock Judging All-Star Team- Multiple weeklong trips and weekend trips (traveled every week since State Fair). So far we've visited over 30 farms for practice, traveled to Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Missouri and all surrounding states multiple times! Please wish Klaber Wolfe luck as he heads to the National Contest in a couple weeks!
- PC Youth Fair- Dates TBD after Convention in January
- NEW CAMP DATES- June 1st-5th!
- Normal monthly meetings for the following- Fair Board, Livestock Committee, 4-H Council, Poultry, Livestock, Rabbit, Cooking Club, Art Club, Camping Group, Cloverbuds, Teen Club, State Programming, etc.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



Kentucky STATE FAIR
Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment
University of Kentucky

2025 4-H Country Ham

KLABER WOLFE
Pendleton County

2025 4-H Country Ham Scholarship Recipient

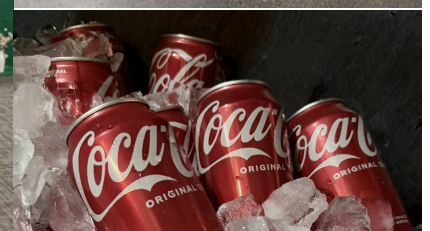
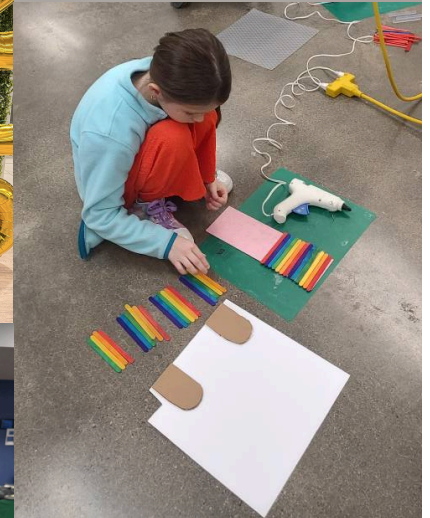
Kentucky Country Ham Producers Association

Broadbent's
Clifty Farm
Nutrien Ag Solutions



Upcoming Events & Activities

- Programming Update Meeting
- NEW ENROLLMENT PERIOD OPEN
- Kelly- Donehue Farm Fundraiser
- Wrapping Up Christmas Fundraiser
- Positive Youth Development Conference
- Camp Debriefing Sessions
- Country Ham Sign Ups Open
- Camp- June 1-5



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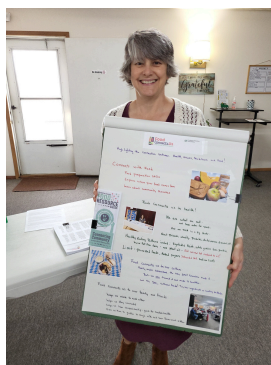
KAYE JOHNTING

- KayeC's Sunshine Girls- Homemaker group: 12 adults meet once weekly to make various sewn projects.
- Sewing at 4-H Camp-12 per class times 3 classes
- Judge open class quilts at various county fairs- Kenton County, Boone County and Grant County



PROGRAM ASSISTANTS

— HAPPY — Retirement JENNIFER BRETT



PROGRAM ASSISTANTS



AISSATOU GALLAGHER

Recap:

- Cardinal Readyfest
- Garden Club
- All things State Fair
- Country Ham Banquet
- Flowerbuds
- Cloverbuds
- Southern 4-H in Classroom
- Assisted in Cooking Club
- Teen Club
- Started Dog Club
- Assisted at Grassy Creek
- 4-H Banquet
- Woolfest
- Senior Center lessons

Upcoming Stuff & Things:

- Corn Wreaths
- Clubs- Garden, Dog, Entomology, Teen
- Senior Center
- Reality Store
- etc.....

STAFF ASSISTANT

LINDSEY ARKENAU



- Assisted Garden Club
- Assisted at the Senior Center
- Assisted with Story Walk
- Assisted with Teen Club
- Helped prep for Kentucky Wool Festival
- Helped prep for Ham Banquet
- Helped prep for 4-H banquet
- Taught Coverbuds and Flowerbuds
- Taught at The Creek Kids pre school about the importance of exercise
- Taught Dog Club where we learned the basics about dogs and dog history with a fun game
- Taught Cooking club where we learned how to make a charcuterie board and build teamwork
- Taught Sprouts at Farmers Market where we learned about the corn lifecycle
- Taught at the Senior Center where we learned about sugary drinks and sugar in foods
- Worked Wool Festival

CO-OP CORNER



LILYANA MILLER

Hey y'all! I'm Lilyana Miller

I'm so excited to be the new Extension Co-op student here at the Pendleton County Extension Office! If you've been around the fairgrounds or farmers' market, there's a good chance we've already crossed paths somewhere along the way.

I got my start in agriculture through showing rabbits, and it's been quite the journey since. I've been proud to earn titles like Pendleton County Fair Grand Champion Rabbit Showman (2021–2025) and Kentucky State Rabbit Breeders Association Grand Champion Showman (2024), but the best part has been learning responsibility, leadership, and how to connect with people through agriculture.

Now, I'm excited to take those experiences to the next level. As an active member of 4-H and FFA, and as Senior Class President and a National Honor Society member, I'm ready to keep growing—this time by learning directly from the agents here at the Extension Office. I can't wait to see what I'll learn from working alongside folks who help farmers and families every day.



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NOVEMBER 8-23

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- ☒ Harvested deer should be appropriately tagged & field dressed (not skinned)
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- ☒ Drop off at Stacey Custom Processing, LLC - 9100 Licking Pike, Alexandria, KY 41001 -

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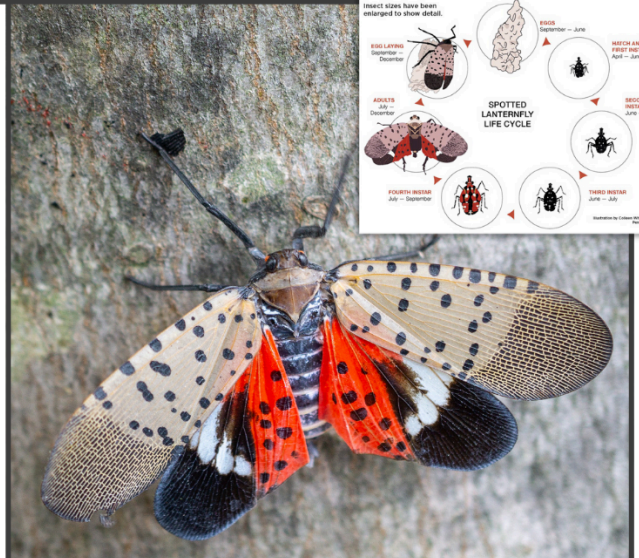


**REPORT
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A TALE OF TWO INVADERS



TREE OF HEAVEN



SPOTTED LANTERN FLY

Tree of Heaven is a fast-growing invasive tree that spreads aggressively and outcompetes native plants. It gives off a foul odor and supports the lifecycle of the harmful Spotted Lanternfly. Cut them down and stump treat with appropriate herbicide.



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INFO**

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