**February 2025**

At this point in the year, it seems like we have had our fair share of winter weather. January is behind us and February can be anything. I slid off the road on the way to work this morning and thankfully I am fine and so is my chevy. Big thanks to Scott Stanley for pulling me out of the ditch!

**Cow Calf Meeting**

Mark your calendars for February 25th. It’s Tuesday night and we will be having the annual Cow Calf meeting at the Lincoln County Extension office. Start time is set for 6 PM with a meal. I have had to alter the agenda a little bit as the original speaker is not able to make the meeting. Dr. Katie VanValin, Extension Nutritionist from Princeton, KY, will be with us that night. She will be presenting on Feeding both Spring and Fall calving cows using corn silage, hay, and grain. She will also be discussing the balance between feeding protein and calories. Farm Bureau Federation of Lincoln County will be discussing the Chemical program and representatives from the USDA FSA office will be speaking for a short time as well. Please make sure to RSVP to the extension office at 606-365-2447. Hope to see you there.

**Area Meetings**

We have had a couple of area meetings the past month and there are two more quickly approaching. The Area backgrounders meeting will be February 17 and the tobacco GAP training will be held March 13th. Below is a little more information. I ask that you RSVP to the Extension office at 606-365-2447.

**Area Backgrounders Meeting- February 17th @ 6 p.m. CAIP eligible
Tobacco GAP Meeting- March 13th @ 6 p.m. – This meeting will not be CAIP eligible. This meeting provides tobacco growers with their required GAP training.**

**Forestry Program**

The Department of Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Kentucky is offering a great informative session for the ones interested. The program is called “Mass Timber in Appalachia Conference”. Please visit the website for more information and to register at:
[https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/mass-timber](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforestry.ca.uky.edu%2Fmass-timber&data=05%7C02%7Ctemi223%40UKY.EDU%7Cdfa65794f59140bb2c8708dd4a283182%7C2b30530b69b64457b818481cb53d42ae%7C0%7C0%7C638748258683334981%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=drJ%2BDBQNWT8JVJodbzrzAV1MPGsC9qWlhaed0UTLDLI%3D&reserved=0)

**Mid South Stocker Conference**

If you have some down time Feb. 18 or 25 and would like to attend the stocker conference online, check out the attached flyers for more information.

 As we move on through this month, I wish you the best in keeping those cattle fed and healthy. That’s a big job, but take some time to do some farm planning if you haven’t. Planning is a big part of being successful. Don’t get stuck in the mud and help a neighbor if you can!

Your Ag Agent,



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