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public about where their food comes

from and showcase

the people involved

in agriculture that

Volunteers work to

Farm To Fork Returns in 2022



Presentation of \$5,000 check to God's House of Hope Food Bank, from the Farm to Fork dinner/ fundraiser.

In July of 2022, the Farm to Fork Diner growing population. Second made a comeback at the newly renovated Myer Creek Park Extension facility after a 2-year hiatus due to COVID-19. There were approximately 250 citizens that attended the Dinner to hear Warren Beeler talk about his agriculture story. The purpose of the Farm to Fork Dinner is two-fold. First the Mclean County Extension Service, Family and Consumers Sciences /4-H Youth Development Agent Kelly Bland, Ag and Natural Resource

help feed our donations and ticket sales that aren't used to purchase the meal are all used for a fundraiser for a local charity in God's House of Hope. Since this event was started by McLean County Extension Service, the McLean County Farm to Fork Dinner has generated and donated in excess of \$15000.00 to God's House of Hope. This charity helps feed the hungry and disadvantaged



2022

Agent David Fourgurean,

Presentation of \$5,000 check to God's House of Hope Food Bank, in 2010.

citizens of McLean County and provides a much-needed service to this community. This is truly a community event, encompassing all segments of our community to come together and help the citizens that live in McLean County. Plans are underway for the 2023 McLean County Farm to Fork Dinner to continue the work and real progress that has been accomplished over the past few years.

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Mike Czarick, **University of Georgia Poultry Specialist and UGA Extension** Engineer

In August of 2022, the McLean County Extension Service hosted the Poultry Expo at Myer Creek Park in Calhoun. KY. The Expo was moved from February 2022 because of an outbreak of Avian Influenza. This region is in the migratory flyway and during

Pictures taken by Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



Poultry Expo 2022

that time of year it is not a suitable time due to the possible spread of Avian Influenza

so it was moved to August. This Expo is held every other year and includes a trade show, educational meetings, and a sponsored lunch

featuring a poultry product produced locally. This year's speaker was Mike Czarick, a University of Georgia Poultry Specialist. Over a hundred and fifty producers attended the actual problems Expo to visit 20 vendors in the trade show and hear Mr. Czarick. Tyson and Perdue also sent members of their live production units to better understand the ventilation problems producers experience. Several producers commented on how great it was to get Mr. Czarick in Mclean County as he is a world -renowned expert on ventilation, traveling all across the US and many foreign countries to provide expert consultation to poultry producers. McLean County Ag and Natural Resource Agent David Fourgurean was also able to secure some matching funds from the Mclean County Ag Development Board to help with Mr. Czarick's expenses to stay an extra day and visit poultry houses in McLean County. McLean County Ag and

Natural Resource Agent David Fourgurean worked with Perdue to provide educational opportunities for flock advisors in this area to see and identify within the poultry houses. A highlight of the farm visits was the use of an infrared camera to identify hot spots or poorly insulated parts of the chicken houses. This program has gained popularity over the last few years and in the off years the McLean County Extension Service is looking to bring a poultry specialist in to work with producers on specific problems that are unique to poultry production.

Producers were delighted to have Mr. Czarick worldrenowned expert on ventilation in McLean County.

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Important Dates

- January 23rd Pesticide Training, McLean County Cooperative Extension Service @ 10 00 am, and 1:00 pm
- January 24th Tri-County Grain Day, Hopkins County Extension Office @ 7:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- January 26th Precision Agriculture and Ag Tech Economics. McLean County Cooperative Extension Service @ 6:00 p.m.
 February 6th Regional Tobacco Update and Annual GAP Training , Webster County Extension Office @ 9:00am
- February 13th Pesticide Training McLean County Cooperative Extension Service at 10:00 am, and 1:00 pm
- February 16th Pesticide Training McLean County Cooperative Extension Service at 6:00 pm
 February 21 2023 Mid– South Stocker Conference, WKU L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center,
- 5:30 p.m. Registration 6:00 p.m. Program
- February 22, 2023 Mid– South Stocker Conference, WKU L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center, 8:30 p.m. Registration 9:30 p.m. Program

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McLean County Poultry News

Fall -Winter 2022

David Fourgurean, County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources McLean County Cooperative Extension Service



Welcome to the McLean County Extension Poultry newsletter where we provide University researched information to poultry producers in our area. Our intent is to provide this newsletter a couple of times a year and provide those timely tips that are designed to help our producers become more efficient. If you have any suggestions for our newsletter, please contact the McLean County Extension office at 270-273-3690. We hope you find that this newsletter is a valuable resource to your poultry operation.

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Charcuterie Classes A Tasty Success!



Megan Woosley and Mary Whitledge show their charcuterie board creations.



Charcuterie board made in Extension class.

"I learned that there was no wrong way to organize the board." Said one participant.

"It was much simpler than I realized!" Stated another participant.

"I didn't think about making my charcuterie board healthier by incorporating more fruits and vegetables and offering lower fat meat choices." Stated another participant.

The latest trend in entertaining made its way to McLean County in October 2022. Charcuterie 101 was taught by McLean County Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Agent to a small group of just 9 people. During the class, participants learned the components of a charcuterie board, themes, arranging, food safety, and how to make a healthier charcuterie board with the help of MyPlate. After the lesson was taught, it was time to get to work! Each participant was given their own slate board and a goodie bag of supplies to create their own board to take home and enjoy. The FCS agent went around and took pictures of each creation and shared the pictures on the McLean County Extension Facebook page. That's where the excitement happened.



Charcuterie board made in Extension class.

Since those pictures were shared, demand for the class has taken off. The McLean County FCS Agent has since taught 179 more McLean County residents how to make a healthier charcuterie board. In the month of February, she partnered with the McLean County Public Library and taught a Charcuterie for Two class with a Valentine's Day theme.



Charcuterie class held at McLean County Public Library.

New Traditions Start with Christmas Camp



6th -12th graders creating Santa Door Hangers.

The McLean County 4-H started a new Christmas Tradition in 2022 and offered a Christmas Camp to children from Kindergarten to 12th grade during Christmas break. Kids were divided up into different age groups and offered camps at different times.

Kindergarten – 2^{nd} grade had to opportunity to come and make a present for their parent or loved one, cookies for Santa, and an ornament. 3^{rd} – 5^{th} grade worked on 4-H related fair projects like baking brownies (then they got to decorate them for Christmas), making an ornament, and making hot chocolate on a stick. Our 6^{th} – 12^{th} graders created Christmas breakfast for their families by learning how to make French toast and a sausage and cheese frittata, then worked on constructing a Santa Door Hanger.

Each session lasted 2 hours long and had *Calhoun, KY 42327* 55 participants total. The program was such a success that a Spring Break Camp is now being planned.

"This was so much fun!" one child exclaimed, as he licked the chocolate off his fingers.

"Thank you for giving our kids something to do during Christmas break." One parent stated.

2500 Number of people impacted by Advisory Councils, community organizations, and other volunteers including County Ag Investment Program (CAIP), Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee, farm bureau, county fairs, festivals, etc.

- 85 Number of individuals who are comfortable identifying community problems
- **150** Number of producers who increased their knowledge on poultry health and nutrition
- **38** Number of program participants reporting adoption of physical activity practices



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