Visit with Area Farmers

Ed and Teresa Rollins, Rollins Farm — R-GROW Soil Conditioner, Giles County

Joey and Gail Chessor, Grinder’s Switch Winery, Hickman County

Dan and Debbie Eiser, Blueberries on the Buffalo, Lawrence County

Representatives from these three agricultural enterprises will be available in the Educational Displays Tent at the Center for Profitable Agriculture display to share their experiences and answer your questions. Drop by anytime and visit with them about the lessons they have learned about production and marketing of their products.

Remaining 2010 UT Field Days

For more information about field days and special events, including start times and locations, contact your county Extension office, or visit UT AgResearch online at http://agriculture.tennessee.edu/news/FieldDays.

June 24 — Tobacco, Beef and More
July 8 — Summer Celebration
July 22 — Milan No-Till
August 3 — Steak and Potatoes
September 8 — Cotton Tour
September 16 — Turfgrass
September 30 — Pumpkin
October 7 — Northeast Tennessee Beef Expo

Special Events

June 26 and 27 — Blooms Days
August 31 — Fall Gardeners’ Festival
October 9 — Heritage Festival
October 16 — Fall Folklore Jamboree

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If you need to request an accommodation for accessibility, please contact us at 931-486-2129.
Welcome

Welcome to the Middle Tennessee AgResearch and Education Center’s third annual Fruits of the Backyard Field Day.

We invite you to join us for a program designed to address issues facing both homeowners and producers. The presentations, educational displays and trade show vendors will provide valuable and usable information, products and techniques.

Educational topics, displays and demonstrations will provide insight into the production of fruits and vegetables, maintenance of lawn grasses and ornamentals, and control of harmful insects and weeds as well as many other areas associated with backyard production and recreational gardening.

This event is open to the public, so please plan to attend and bring an interested neighbor. The program has been developed to help you make your backyard a more productive and enjoyable place to spend time with family and friends.

We look forward to hosting you, and hope you will contact us with any special needs or questions concerning this educational event.

Thank you,

Kevin W. Thompson, center director
Middle Tennessee AgResearch and Education Center

Program

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  Registration and Visit Trade Show and Displays

9:30-10:10 a.m.  Grapes, Blueberries and Other Fruit Crops — Edible Landscaping at Its Best!
Dr. David Lockwood
Professor, Plant Sciences
UT Extension

10:10-10:25 a.m.  Question & Answer Session

10:30-11:10 a.m.  Gardening in Small Spaces
Mr. Wendel Smith
UT Extension Agent
Lawrence County

11:10-11:25 a.m.  Question & Answer Session

11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m.  Fire Ants and Fire Ant Control in the Backyard
Dr. Karen Vail
Professor, Entomology and Plant Pathology
UT Extension

12:10-12:25 p.m.  Question & Answer Session

Educational Displays

Weed Identification
UT Extension Soil, Plant & Pest Center
Dr. Steve Bost

Insect Identification
UT Extension Soil, Plant & Pest Center
Dr. Frank Hale

What’s in Your Dirt? (Soil Testing)
UT Extension Soil, Plant & Pest Center
Ms. Debbie Joines

Nature’s Pollinators
Columbia Area Beekeepers Association

Master Gardener Program
UT Extension, Giles & Maury Counties
Ms. Darby Payne & Mr. Dill Hughes

Helping Farmers Develop Value-Added Enterprises
UT Center for Profitable Agriculture
CPA Staff and Area Farmers

Pick Tennessee Products
Tennessee Department of Agriculture
Mr. Dan Strasser

Preserving Your Harvest
Maury County UT Extension
Ms. Starla Hardin

Solutions
UT AgResearch
Ms. Patty McDaniels

Columbia State Community College Agriculture Program
Mr. Dearl Lampley

Trade Show Exhibitors

TriGreen Equipment LLC
Columbia, Tennessee

Jacto Equipment and Richey Equipment
Demo of Backpack and Tractor-Mounted Sprayers
Pulaski, Tennessee

Maury Farmers Co-Op
Columbia, Tennessee

Farm Credit Services
Columbia, Tennessee

Dickens Turf and Landscape Supply
Brentwood, Tennessee

The Compost Farm
Brentwood & Franklin, Tennessee