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HORTICULTURE
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Hello Horticulturalists!

If you are feeling overwhelmed by everything, stop for a moment and go outside. Feel the sunshine on your face, look at the colors of fall and breath deeply. Think about what you are grateful for.

In the words of Charlie Brown, “What if today, we were just grateful for everything?”

Sincerely,

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Controlling Invasive Plants

Monday November 18, 2024

5:30 to 7:00 pm

Madison County Cooperative Extension Office

**This program
qualifies for CAIP
Educational Credit**

Have you had trouble controlling bush honeysuckle? Is wintercreeper inching its way onto your property? Are your Bradford pear trees splitting?

At the Controlling Invasive Plants program Dr. Ellen Crocker from the University of Kentucky Forestry Department will share information on these and other invasive plants.

- Learn about invasive plants and why are they a problem
- Hands on demonstration of control methods
- Plant control Q&A

A light meal will be provided at this program. Please call the Madison County Cooperative Extension office at 859-623-4072 to register for this meeting.



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And a Partridge in a Pear Tree!

Learn more about winter birds and make an ornament for your feathered friend!

Wednesday December 4, 2024 - 10:00 am to 11:30 am
Madison County Extension Office, 230 Duncannon Lane,
Richmond, KY 40475

We may not have partridges in our pear trees here in Madison County, but there are still plenty of birds to enjoy this time of year!

If you are interested in attending this class, let us know by calling 859-623-4072 or email amanda.sears@uky.edu.



Make the Most Out of Canned Pumpkin!

It's the season of everything pumpkin. While canned pumpkin makes it easy to whip up a homemade pie, it's not the only dish this ingredient is used for. Try it in other sweet treats, such as muffins, cookies, and crumb cakes. Include pumpkin in breakfast dishes like pancakes, oatmeal, and smoothies. It can also be mixed into cream cheese for a topping on a whole wheat bagel. In savory dishes, canned pumpkin can be used in soups, stews, and curries. It adds a rich, creamy texture and pairs well with spices like cinnamon, nutmeg, and ginger.



Canned pumpkin is packed with nutrients. One-half cup is just 45 calories but has 3 grams of dietary fiber, which is considered a high-fiber food. It's an excellent source vitamin A, which is important for vision, growth and immunity. When choosing canned

pumpkin, make sure to read the label carefully. Look for 100% pure pumpkin with no added sugars.

With its long shelf life and convenience, it's no wonder why this ingredient has become a fall staple in many kitchens.

~Jenna Smith, Illinois Extension

What's That Bug?

Is that a pine cone or a bug?
It's actually the cocoon of a moth called a bagworm.



The larva of the moth are voracious feeders on primarily evergreen trees, although they may show up on other species. For more information on this insect, go to <https://entomology.ca.uky.edu/ef440>



Adult male bagworm moth, the females of the species never leave the cocoon (see photo, left)

Buy Local, Buy Fresh, Buy from the Farmer!

Madison County Farmers' Market

Open Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm White Oak Pond Christian Church located at 1238 Barnes Mill Road in Richmond. The final day of the Market is October 26th.

<https://www.facebook.com/MadisonKYFarmersMarket>

Berea Farmers' Market

Open Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at 635 Chestnut Street in Berea.

<https://www.facebook.com/bereafarmersmarket>