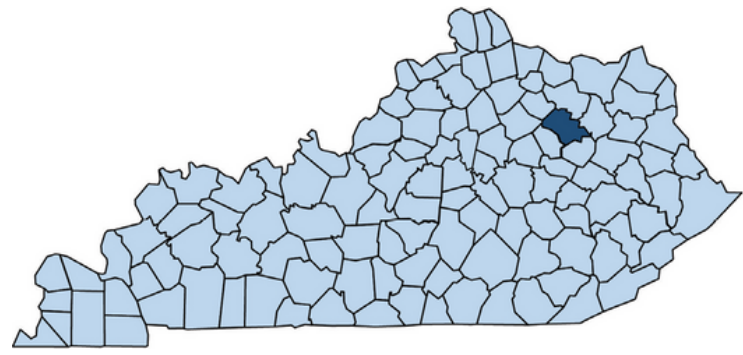


**REPORT TO THE**  
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**Bath County 2022**



**DID YOU KNOW... 116 community members volunteered throughout the year in extension leadership positions**



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## Veterans Day of Valor & Honor



Kentucky is home to more than 370,000 veterans. Resources for veterans living in Bath County are anywhere between 20 minutes to over an hour away. In September 2022 the Bath County Homemakers along with the Bath County Extension office hosted a Veterans Day of Honor and Valor. The Bath County Homemakers, are an organization that works to improve the quality of life for families and communities through leadership, development, and education. The goal of this event was to bring resources closer to home and increase accessibility. There was an increase in attendance for veterans along with vendors from year prior. Organizations such as Anthem and Frontier Housing, among others, set up educational booths to provide details about programs they offer that support veterans within the community.



The Bath County homemakers provided lunch to all those attended, as well as provided giveaways from local businesses to gift to participants. The 75 participants were able to gain access to the information they were in need of, as well as learn about additional assistance they might not have been aware of. This event will continue as a yearly collaboration between the Bath County Homemakers and Bath County Extension office.

**75** Veterans from local community and other counties attended event

**20** Local businesses and organizations participated in setting up booths

## Bath Co. Sets Camp Attendance Record

4-H Summer Camp delivery method is the most time and labor acquired than any other. Based on that fact, it still provides opportunities for youth & teens to learn independence, gain life skills, become positive & productive members of their community and learn how to make better decisions for their self and others. Summer Camp helps build self-confidence and self-esteem for all attendees.

## 4-H Youth Development



During the dates of July 5th-8th, 2022, Bath County 4-H eclipsed its county record from 2018 (86 Participants) to have 93 Campers/Teens/Adult Counselors attend this year's session. Over 50% of those attending were 1st time attendees. Roughly 30% of those attending have been to camp for at least 5 years or more .

From parent/guardian verbal reports, photographical evidence, and written reports, this agent received reports that this year's session included many youth being their first time staying away from family, for any extended period of time. Some attendees have been identified as ADHD, Learning Disabilities, Mild Autistic, etc. Over 80% reporting to this agent stated they plan to attend again next year.

**66** campers attended annually over last 10 years

**278** youth participated in day or overnight camps during 2022



## Bath County Agricultural Field Day

After a two year absence from hosting a county wide field day, due to the restrictions brought about by COVID, Bath County brought back the popular educational event. The Bath County field day is a joint educational effort promoted and supported by several agricultural organizations in Bath County and financially supported by local banks and businesses. The Bath County Extension Office, Bath County Conservation District, Bath County Cattleman and Bath County Farm Bureau are the core organizations involved with the planning of the

event which showcases a specific farm and producer and highlights improved management practices that are being done on that property.

The 2022 field day was held in October at the farm of Jeff Rice. The Rice farm is focused on small ruminant production and has adopted a number of improvements in cooperation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. During the field day, participants were able to tour many of the projects that have been completed on the property and ask questions directly to the producer and to the NRCS personnel that are involved with these projects. At the end of the tour, speakers consisting of NRCS personnel and producers, addressed the crowd on the process involved in working with NRCS to make similar improvements on their own property as well as other opportunities that are available that might meet a specific need. Organizations such as Farm Bureau and the National Weather Service, among others, set up educational booths to provide details about programs they offer to support agriculture in the community. The local Cattleman Association provided the meal and the Bath County Farm Bureau Women's Committee provided activities for youth who attended the field day.

The 169 producer participants were able to witness how certain improvements can help them manage certain aspects of their operation such as livestock water development, erosion control and heavy use area management and talk directly to other farmers and NRCS specialists in how these practices and others can be implemented in their own

**200** producers traditionally attend the long standing Field Day event

**30** producers adopted new practices related to topics covered during event

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