

**Dear Noble ANR Newsletter Subscribers,**

Today marks 30 days since beginning to “work from home” due to COVID-19 and encouraged social distancing. Adjustments made between then and now have led me to draft the April Newsletter many times and then start over. We are unable to mail out paper newsletters at this point in time, so please, share the information in this email with people who could benefit, but are not on the email list. We are in the process of making adjustments to all Extension sponsored programs between now and July. Although the way we serve our community this Spring and Summer will likely be much different than in previous years, we remain actively supportive of your endeavors in Agriculture and Natural Resources, 4-H, Community Development, and Family Consumer Sciences. We are adapting the style in which we teach and share information day to day. Some good news is that, learning isn’t cancelled. We are still hosting Farm Talk Breakfast tomorrow morning! Bring your own breakfast and join us on the computer, your mobile device, or landline for a great topic. May’s Farm Talk Breakfast will also continue on as scheduled. Find out more below:

**Learning Isn’t Cancelled**

It is incredible to see educators in all fields adapting new technology to reach students of all ages and walks of life, despite the challenges we each face. Extension is learning how to teach in new ways too. Although all in-person programming has been paused through July 6, 2020 and 4-H Camps cancelled for 2020, we are still here to serve you in these challenging times.

A new website with science-based information and research on COVID-19 from The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences launched April 7th. The KX COVID-19 Hub is a collaboration between The Knowledge Exchange, Ohio State University Extension, and the CFAES statewide network of

researchers and faculty. Visit <http://kx.osu.edu/covid-19> for a collection of resources, tools, and links to help Ohio communities weather the crisis.

Founded in 2019, The Knowledge Exchange (KX) is a support platform in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences bringing research to the public in an unbiased and interactive way.

Below is a list of upcoming programs that may interest you. If you need assistance connecting to any of the webinars, please ask for assistance. We will be happy to help get you connected. Even if you don't have internet in your home, you can often dial in on a landline or cell phone and listen along.

- April 17, 2020: GMOs: The What, How, and Why- April's Farm Talk Breakfast- Join us for a virtual Farm Talk Breakfast on April 17, 2020 from 8:30-9:30 AM on Zoom. We may be unable to meet in-person, but we can still gather online and on the telephone. April's guest speaker is Belmont County ANR Educator- Dan Lima. Dan will present "GMOs: The What, How, and Why". Dan will add to clarity to what GMOs are, how they are utilized in agriculture for food and fiber production, and why they are important to understand. You can join the webinar on your computer, mobile device, or landline telephone. Type this link into your online search bar: <https://osu.zoom.us/j/692035284> or call in on a landline or cell phone by dialing 1-646-876-9923 and entering this Meeting ID: 692 035 284# If you have questions about how to connect, email Christine at [gelley.2@osu.edu](mailto:gelley.2@osu.edu) or call her at 740-305-3173.
- Every day at 9 a.m., Noon, and 3 p.m. there will be webinars offered through the OSU ANR Madness Tournament of Education. Presentations are organized by brackets (topics) for each day. The full schedule and connection information can be accessed online at [www.go.osu.edu/agmadness](http://www.go.osu.edu/agmadness). Each webinar is recorded and available for viewing afterwards at the same website. Click on the full schedule and click on the topic you wish to catch up on. These range from forestry to livestock to agronomic crops and many other things in-between.
- Follow Noble County ANR on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/NobleCountyAgEd> and on the county page on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/osuenoble>. We will continue to keep you informed with time relevant information everyday.
- Every weekday Noble ANR will be live on the Facebook page at Noon and 7 p.m. (unless there is a conflicting meeting) to provide an educational talk and allow for open conversation with anyone who joins the live stream. Follow the page and turn on notifications to be notified when the live streams begin. Previous talks are all saved and available for viewing on the "videos" tab of the page. Even if you don't have a Facebook account, you can still watch any of the previous recordings there: <https://www.facebook.com/osuenoble/videos/>

- Ohio's Oil & Gas: Who is Doing What, Where and How It Is Going- The Ohio State University Extension - Noble County Community Development and Agriculture & Natural Resources programs will co-host a virtual Farm Talk session May 15 at 8:30 a.m. on Ohio's Oil & Gas: Who is Doing What, Where and How It Is Going. The discussion will be led by Mike Chadsey of the Ohio Oil & Gas Association followed by Noble updates from OSU Extension. The program is free but RSVPs are required to Gwynn Stewart at [stewart.1818@osu.edu](mailto:stewart.1818@osu.edu) or 740-305-3177. The event will be hosted virtually via Zoom or Zoom Conference Call. To join via Zoom Meeting Follow this link: <https://osu.zoom.us/j/8285273644> To Join By Conference Call Only Dial: 1-312-626-6799 and enter 8285273644# Press \*6 to un-mute for questions.
  
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  - Agronomic Crops Team- <https://agcrops.osu.edu/home>
  - Swine Team- <https://porkinfo.osu.edu/>
  - Poultry Team- <https://u.osu.edu/poultry/>
  - Dairy Team- <https://dairy.osu.edu/>
  - Fruit & Vegetable Team- <https://u.osu.edu/vegnetnews/>
  - SE OH Woods- <https://u.osu.edu/apsley.1/>
  - Extension Energy Outreach- <https://energizeohio.osu.edu/>
  - Buckeye Yard, Lawn, and Garden Team- <https://u.osu.edu/vegnetnews/>
  
- COVID-19 Resources for Farms and Farm Families:
  - Veterinary Advice- <https://vet.osu.edu/extension/covid-19>
  - Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 and Animals- [https://vet.osu.edu/sites/vet.osu.edu/files/documents/extension/COVID-19%20%20Livestock\\_Handout\\_FINAL\\_ENGLISH.pdf](https://vet.osu.edu/sites/vet.osu.edu/files/documents/extension/COVID-19%20%20Livestock_Handout_FINAL_ENGLISH.pdf)
  - Questions Regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) on Farms with Employees- [https://vet.osu.edu/sites/vet.osu.edu/files/documents/extension/COVID-19\\_Handout\\_ENGLISH.pdf](https://vet.osu.edu/sites/vet.osu.edu/files/documents/extension/COVID-19_Handout_ENGLISH.pdf)
  - Stress Coping Methods- <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/hyg-5242>
  - Introduction to Mindfulness- <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/hyg-5243>
  - Helping Young Children Through Stressful Times- <https://ohioline.osu.edu/factsheet/flm-fs-8-99-r07>
  - Farm Safety Check: Stress and Wellness- <http://umash.umn.edu/farm-safety-check-stress/>

*Please continue to reach out for assistance in the fields of agriculture and natural resources by contacting Christine Gelley directly by phone or email.*

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*The safety of our community is OSU's top priority. We look forward to meeting in-person with you at programs later this spring.*

**Stay healthy. Stay helpful. Stay happy. Stay home and take it easy readers.**

**Sincerely,**

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