# <u>Purdue Extension Ag & Natural Resources Newsletter – January 2023</u>

Please give me a call (812-838-1331) or send me an email at <a href="mailto:aneufeld@purdue.edu">aneufeld@purdue.edu</a> with any feedback. Please send me events to include in the newsletter! I know I do not have a complete list and need to build a better base. Any help is greatly appreciated. Thanks!

## **Current Issues**

### **Extension as an Inflation Fighter**

As we welcome in a new year, I'd like to reflect a little on what I've learned about Extension and what I look forward to this year. Hopefully if you're reading this newsletter, you're familiar with Extension and the different program areas we are lucky enough to offer in Posey County. Growing up with a family member who was in Extension I have long been familiar with the job, but I don't believe I fully grasped the impact he made on the county until I started here. Purdue Extension touts itself as Indiana's Educational Partner for life and that is true, but something our Director spoke of in a meeting recently really resonated with me and that is Purdue Extension is Indiana's inflation fighter. With the rising costs of everything please consider us, to help you with stretching your hard-earned dollars. Some examples of how we help fight inflation; Raising a garden to offset rising food costs, Presentations on how to make your farm more profitable, DIY lawncare advice to drop your lawn service, etc. There are numerous examples across each program area in our office here where we can help you to find the information you need to save for tomorrow.

#### Winter Workshops

With cold winter weather we have enjoyed a slow-down of sorts of outdoor activities. That does mean more time for education and building a plan for next year. For our farmers, we have some exciting opportunities coming up in the area. January 17<sup>th</sup> will be the area Corn & Soy day that I hope you've all seen advertised at this point. Vanderburgh 4-H Center will be hosting a few speakers from campus and there will also be a Grain Panel made up of local experts from our merchandising partners. There is also a Crop Management Workshop that is being offered near Crane Naval Base on January 25<sup>th</sup> and a virtual option that is offered the following day. These are great opportunities for farmers who may need extra CCH or PARP credits. There will also be a Posey County Ag. Day sponsored by the Posey County Co-Op at the Posey County Community Center on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. I'm excited to announce that we were able to get Dr. Fred Whitford from Purdue University to give us an incredibly entertaining presentation. He's one of the best speakers I've personally seen. There will be a flyer and more information to come on that event soon.

#### **Survey (Please Fill Out)**

I'm attaching a link to a survey that I would greatly appreciate you filling out if you have the time. This survey will help me in determining what information to present to you and how you prefer to receive it! If you don't mind to click this <u>LINK</u>, it would really help me out a lot.

## PARP Events (Listed in Central Time)

**Jan. 17** 7:30-12:30-Vanderburgh Co.

**Jan. 17** 5-8 pm-<u>Dubois Co.</u>

Jan. 20 12:30-2:30-Orange Co.

Jan. 25 8-3 pm-Daviess Co.

Jan. 26 8-3 pm-Virtual

**Feb. 3** 8:30-12:00-Posey County

<u>PARP Events | Purdue Pesticide Programs</u> Click this link for an updated list. They are adding more events daily. This is the most up-to-date site to find events in the state.

### **Other Events**

Jan. 11 **IBCA Meeting** (Petersburg)

Jan. 30-Feb. 1 Indy Green Expo (Indianapolis)

Feb. 17 Core/Cat 14 training and testing (Evansville)

Feb. 20-21 Heart of America Grazing Conference (Ferdinand)

Feb. 21-23 Ag Women Engage Conference

## **Standing Resources**

Area Educators Have a YouTube Channel

Purdue Fast Start Program for High School Aged Youth.

Calendar of Purdue Extension Community Development Events

Pest and Crop Newsletter

Hoosier Ag Today

The Kernel-Purdue Corn Extension

Tools For Today's Farmers podcast

Purdue Landscape Report

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