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Coös County Updates

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North Country Updates - Agriculture, Conservation, Forestry

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Beginning Quickbooks for Farm Businesses

Mondays, November 25, December 2 & December 16
10:00am-2:00pm
Lancaster

This workshop will teach farmers how to set up a bookkeeping system using QuickBooks.

Topics covered include recordkeeping concepts and accounting principles, how to record common business transactions in QuickBooks, and how to utilize reports to guide business management decisions.

Note: This workshop teaches the desktop version of QuickBooks and the online version will not be covered. Participants will need the desktop version to get the most from this workshop.

Contact: Kelly McAdam
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[Read More & How to Register](#)



Small & Beginner Farmers

Caring for your Apple Trees

Thursday, January 16, 2020
6:30pm
Colebrook

Please join us for our monthly meeting and Guest Speaker, from UNH Cooperative Extension. We will be discussing Caring for your Apple Trees.

Contact: Ed Chesky - email: edwardchesky@gmail.com
or call 860-614-1865

[SBFNH Website](#)



Living Christmas Trees

by Emma Erler

UNH Extension Education Center Program Coordinator

As the holiday season approaches, you might be thinking about getting a Christmas tree. Typically, most people opt for cut trees, which can last up to a month if they are well cared for and harvested shortly before being brought into the house. You may not realize that it is possible to enjoy a living Christmas tree inside your home during the holidays, which can later be planted in the landscape. This provides a way to keep Christmas memories alive year after year, while avoid guilt over cutting down a tree that gets thrown away a few weeks later.

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8 Tips for Donating Food to Food Banks and Pantries

by Ann Hamilton

Food Safety Field Specialist

UNH Cooperative Extension

The United States has an abundant food supply, yet many people lack access to healthy and safe food. Some people in this situation rely on food assistance programs such as food pantries. Food pantries can be a vital source of wholesome food for families and individuals.

Donations of food by local farms, food retailers and consumers to food pantries help provide food to hungry people and can reduce food waste. Although the need is great throughout the year, fall is usually the season when people donate to food pantries through food drives in anticipation of Thanksgiving.

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NHFB President's Award

NH Farm Bureau's President, Denis Ward, recognized the 2019 NHFB President's Award winner, Scott Mason of North Stratford, at the 103rd Annual Meeting of New Hampshire Farm Bureau.



Scott has been actively involved at every level of Farm Bureau with a focus on policy and advocacy. Through serving on the state Policy Development Committee and testifying on agricultural issues at the New Hampshire State House, Scott has contributed to the success of numerous NHFB initiatives. Scott also represented the northeast this year as part of the American Farm Bureau Federation Federal Milk Marketing Order Work Group.

The President's award is handed out annually to acknowledge an individual for their outstanding service to New Hampshire Farm Bureau.

Congratulations Scott!

[Read More News from the NHFB Annual Meeting](#)



Employment Opportunity

UNH Extension, Dairy Specialist, located in the Grafton County office, North Haverhill, NH.

The successful applicant will deliver research-based programming and technical expertise to dairy farms of all sizes and production models throughout the state to enhance sustainability and viability. He or she will develop and implement innovative outreach programs for New Hampshire's dairy producers with a focus in business economics and farm management; facilities and engineering; and production practices. He or she will help farmers assess the financial health of their operations, use financial and production data to make management decisions, and address other farm management topics such as labor, product diversification, and markets.

We expect the candidate to develop networks with dairy organizations and farmers and to help link the dairy community to resources within and outside of UNH Cooperative Extension.

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The KED-72 is 6' wide and capable of planting 9 rows, with 8" spacing. KASCO recommends a 25hp+ tractor, with sufficient lift capacity to handle approximately 1600 lbs. on back.



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AWMP-075-AG-4 Salford AerWay: 45-75HP Tractor with hydraulics recommended. Cultivation width 7.5'. Weight 2150 lbs.

Home or Garden Question?



Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. highly trained master gardeners are available to answer your questions about gardening, lawns, pests, fruits and vegetables, food safety and more. For research-based information you can trust, pick up the phone, send an email or stop by today!

[Education Center & Info Line](#)

The [Education Center](#) at UNH Cooperative Extension offers a number of services including:

- Answers to gardening questions from Cooperative Extension Master Gardener residents via email and the Hotline 877-398-4769 or walk-in assistance.
- Master Gardener Volunteer Training Educational Programs for the general public.
- Public presentations by Master Gardener Volunteers on topics such as seed starting, composting, container gardening, and seed saving.

For more information on a variety of horticulture topics visit the UNH Cooperative Extension [website](#).



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