

JULY 2025

GRAVES COUNTY
FCS & HOMEMAKER
newsletter



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Graves County
4200 State Route 45 N
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Mondays	10am Crochet Club
July 4	office closed for Independence Day
July 14	5:30pm Candle Making Class
July 17	10am & 5:30pm Greeting Card make & take
July 22	9am-3pm Barn Quilt Painting Class (class is full)
July 25	2pm-12am No Frills Crop
July 26	8am-8pm No Frills Crop
August 25	10am-12pm Graves county Cultural Arts Day entering & judging
August 26	10am Graves County Homemaker Annual Day
September 9	10am Homemaker Officer & Chairman training
September 22	10am Purchase Area Homeamker Cultural Arts Judging
September 23	Purchase Area Annual Day in Carlisle County-Beulah Baptist Church
September 30	10am County Homemaker Educational Chairman follow-up meeting



A note from Debbie Smith, Graves County Homemaker President

July is here, and the 7-2024 thru 6-2025 events should be completed! Programs of Work for the time period should be completed, and club reports and information should be sent to the county. All county information will be submitted online or to the area chairman as specified. From this information, we can see what all Kentucky Extension Homemakers have accomplished during the 2024-2025 time period.

So what does July mean to homemakers? To me it is a time of reflection. We can look at our numbers from Program of Work reports to see where we have excelled and where we might have fallen behind a bit. Your county officers will be able to address any concerns and make plans to address these concerns. Even though the fiscal year is over, there is still quite a bit to be done in July and August to get ready for meetings that will begin in September.

I hope you are planning on participating in the GRAVES COUNTY Cultural Arts contest on August 25. You can find rules and categories online or ask at the Extension office. A few of the categories have made changes, so look over that carefully. All entries need to be at the Extension office and checked in by 11 am. They will be judged and all will be on display at our Annual Day on August 26. The Best of Show voting will take place on the 26th. Those who receive a blue or purple ribbon will go on to the Purchase Area contest on Monday, September 22nd. More information on this will follow. Please consider entering your cultural arts beauty to our county contest!

Finally, please mark your calendar for August 26 which is our (Graves County's) Annual Day. Plans have already begun to make the time enjoyable for all. Attendees will enjoy a Garden Party, complete with a tea party and delicious delicacies! You might want to find your white gloves, your fans, and perhaps even your garden party hat! We plan on having a fun time while celebrating our accomplishments this past year along with honoring some very special members. The offices of President and Treasurer will be elected and installed for their new terms. All the fun begins at 10 am at the Extension Office. More information will be in the August newsletter.

Have a wonderful July enjoying the 4th and all the activities associated. Have you thought about July 4, 2026 will be the 250th birthday of our country? I bet there will be big celebrations then!!

Candle Making

class with Anne Burchard



MAKE A 24OZ SOY WAX CANDLE!

JULY 14, 2025 | 5:30 PM | \$30 FEE

DEADLINE TO PAY IS JULY 3

Cost: \$5

**all proceeds will be entered to win a
Simple Stories Shopping Spree**

**Bring your own supplies to work in a
relaxed and friendly environment!
Bring 2 liter and snack to share!**



No Frills



**Friday, July 25 • 2pm to 12am
Saturday, July 26 • 8am to 8pm**



Upcoming Classes

Adult Crochet Club

EVERY MONDAY AT 10AM

4-H Beginner Crochet Camp

JUNE 30-JULY 2, 1-3PM | \$10



4-H Advanced Crochet Camp

JUNE 30-JULY 2, 10AM-12PM

*Office will be closed
for Independence Day*

JULY 4, 2025

4-H Quilt Camp

JULY 7-11, 9AM-12PM

Quail & Habitat Mgmt

JULY 8, 5:30PM

Candle Making Class

JULY 14, 5:30PM | \$30

Greeting Card Classes

JULY 17, 10AM + 5:30PM

4 projects for \$10

Liz's Barn Quilt Painting

JULY 22, 9AM-3PM

2x2: \$130 or 3x3: \$190



Florals & Fizz

JULY 25, 5:30PM | \$30



No Frills Crop

JULY 25, 2PM-12AM

JULY 26, 8AM-8PM

\$5 for both days!

**All classes are held at the Graves County Extension Office
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Call 270-247-2334 for more information!

PURCHASE AREA CULTURAL ARTS
BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH
September 22, 2025

Check in for Cultural Arts will begin at 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Lunch will be served from 11:30 to 12:30
Judging will begin at 12:30

Each county will need to provide 1 helper and 1 judge. Other helpers are always welcome.

We will need help with logging in entries, placing items in the appropriate place, judging, judges assistance, and ribbon placers.

I will also need someone to assist with setting out lunch

Please let Elaine know who will be coming and what area they will be helping in. Email: mesteven@comcast.net Text: (270) 210-4013

Lunch will be served at 11:30.

Cost will be \$12.00. Deadline to register for lunch: September 15.

Menu: BBQ Pork, Bun, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Cookie, Tea and Lemonade.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

County: _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

I can help with: (circle one)	Registration	Runner	Judge
	Judge Helper	Ribbon Placer	Lunch

Make Checks payable to: PAEH

Mail to: Elaine Stevens, 5541 Hwy 60 W., Paducah, Ky 42001

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F. is for **freedom** that we have each and everyday. Thanks to the brave men and women that lay down their lives to defend the USA.

L. is for the **liberties** we have that others would like to destroy. Liberties that allow us to make choices to live a life we enjoy.

A. is for **allegiance** to America and loving the red white and blue, as it waves in the gentle breeze as a reminder for you.

G. is for **glory** as we display the flag with pride. As a nation under God we stand side by side

-written by Kaitlynn Moore Niece of Shannon Smith
Bracken County
FCS Agent