

KWOA Fall Conference and Membership Meeting

Don't Miss Out--Registration Closes September 22!

- [Conference Registration closes September 22](#) at midnight! Register online [NOW](#) or if you are mailing a check, we encourage you to mail by September 18. We need to include you in the meals we are ordering!
- **Silent Auction** - Let us know what you're bringing [here!](#)

Registration and Full Agenda available [here](#).

Everything you need to know is on our website, including directions between Morgan County Nursery and Natural Bridge State Resort Park.

Note: Monday evening, October 6, KWOA members Bill Harned, Professional Land Surveyor, and Chris Will, Certified Consulting Forester, have offered to lead an informal discussion about the *whys and hows of land surveys and how a survey interfaces with timber trespass*. Look for folks gathering in the lobby, bar, and dining areas. Some of us will have hats or name tags.



Thank You !

[Kentucky Farm Bureau](#)

KWOA Fall Conference Sponsorships are still available.
Contact us at info@kwoa.net to find out more.

Woodland Community Updates

Fall Kentucky Woodlands Newsletter

In this issue:

- President's Letter
- Forestry for Birds
- Rex Mann, US Forest Service Obituary
- KY Wood Expo + Invasive Plant Management
- White Oak/Upland Hardwood Regeneration

[Read the full newsletter here.](#)



The 36th Kentucky Wood Expo Returns to Lexington This September

The Kentucky Wood Expo returns to Masterson Station Park in Lexington, KY, on September 19–20, 2025. Recognized as one of the Top 10 Events in Kentucky by the Kentucky Tourism Council, the Expo draws between 2,500 and 3,000 visitors from across the region and beyond. Learn more and register [here](#) NOTE: *KWOA Members can volunteer to help at the KWOA Table by email to Info@KWOA.net*



2025 Habitat Management Symposium

Registration is officially open for the KSU Forestry and Natural Resources 2025 Habitat Symposium of learning, networking, and collaboration.

Date: December 2nd & 3rd

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm ET

Location: Harold R. Benson Research and Demonstration Farm, Frankfort

Cost: \$50 2-day registration, \$30 1-day registration, student registration, and pricing available.

Lunch: Lunch provided both days, light breakfast and coffee included. There will also be a light dinner provided at the social.

Learn more and register now at kaee.org/ksu-symposium.

2025 KY Tree Farmer of the Year Field Day

Congratulations to KWOA Members Mark and Mary Lee, 2025 Kentucky Tree Farmer of the Year!

Date: Thursday, October 9

Time: 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm ET

Location: Mark and Mary Lee Tree Farm, Menifee County

Learn more and register by October 3 at forestry.ca.uky.edu/TF2025.



Items to Note:

September 26 is the next Application Cut-Off Date 2026 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Learn more [here](#).

Kentucky Prescribed Fire Council

The mission is to promote understanding and enhance collaboration for the use of ecologically based prescribed fire. Learn more at their website [here](#) and [here](#). Next 2025 Landowner Course offerings:

- September 13th, Nicholas County, [read more](#).



The Yale Forest Forum will host two free speaker series:

- "[Frontiers in Forest Carbon Crediting](#)," Tuesdays, September 2–December 2, 2025, noon–1 p.m. U.S. Eastern time
- "[A History of Scientific Forestry: From Extraction to Ecosystem Management](#)," Thursdays, September 4–December 4, 2025, noon–1 p.m. U.S. Eastern time

The Environmental Leadership & Training Initiative will offer a six-week online course, "[Navigating Corporate Engagement in Carbon Markets](#)," January 26–March 8, 2026.

The Berry Center Farm & Forest Institute [Fall 2025 Practical Farm Woodland Management](#) registration open now! Learn more [here](#).

Woodland Community Ongoing Items of Interest

- Kentucky Farmland Transition Network, KFTI, Network Updates: KFTI website [here](#) and we have added a Section to the KWOA website [here](#). KWOA is proud to be a part of the KFTI Team! Come hear the latest at the KWOA Fall Conference!
- USDA offers disaster assistance but there are also *tax considerations*. Learn about *Casualty Losses* in [this](#) "Ask the Expert" with Dr. Tamara Cushing.
- Forestry Suppliers have several promotions going that offer opportunities for you to

restock and use your KWOA discount. Once you order you get emails with offers. See link below under "Just so you know..."

- **Carbon Credit Program Tracking** was updated on the KWOA website [here](#)
 - **National Woodland Owners Association, NWOA**, lowered their membership subscription rate. See updated rates on our website [here](#).
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Need Help in the Woods? Check out the **Quick Reference Links** on our KWOA Resources section [here](#). You will find links to these resources and more:

- Both Kentucky Division of Forestry (KDF) and Kentucky Association of Consulting Foresters (KACF) can help you develop a management Plan for your woodlands.
 - KDF Vendors List of people who can help carry out the practices for or with you.
 - KACF Find a Forester List
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farm Service Agency (FSA) are the primary source of information on programs to help you carry out management practices on your land. [Find your local office](#).
 - UK Forestry and Natural Resources Cooperative Extension offers a wealth of helpful publications and programming; learn more <https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/extension>. Find [your county extension office](#) and let them know you are interested in forestry-related programs locally.
 - Kentucky Farmland Transition Initiative, ([KFTI](#)) addressing the loss of Kentucky farmland and decline in Kentucky farmers
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Planning a Harvest?

A Kentucky Master Logger must be onsite and in charge of every commercial logging operation (excluding horse loggers). Kentucky's best management practices must be used in every commercial logging operation (including horse loggers). Here are some helpful resources (find links on our Resources Section: [Quick Reference Links](#) noted above.

- Kentucky Master Logger Program
 - Kentucky Division of Forestry
 - Bad Actor Information & List
 - Kentucky Association of Consulting Foresters
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Just so you know...

- If you haven't already joined the KWOA network, [click here to join](#). Dues paid after July 1 provide membership through FY 2026. So don't wait- join or renew today!
- KWOA members receive a 10% discount at [Forestry Suppliers](#). The code will be on an emailed receipt when you join or renew online.
- You can share our news and mission! Links to do so can be found at the bottom of this email.
- Don't hesitate to [contact us](#) with questions, suggestions, news, or to volunteer.

Growing Forests for Our Future! KWOA volunteers work year-round to support Kentucky's woodland owners and contribute to sustainable forestry.

KWOA Mission

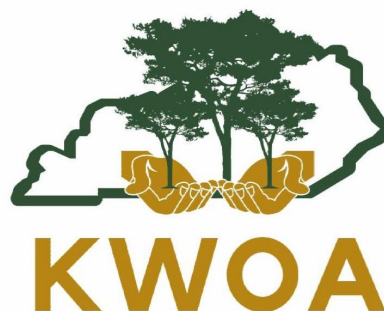
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