

Dear Owen County Extension Homemakers,

How is it March already? I feel like the past month flew by. With March brings Spring, so I am very excited for a couple important dates! The first is Sunday, March 12th for Daylight Savings when we get to SPRING forward and begin to have more daylight in our days! The second important date I look forward to in March is the first day of Spring, March 20th. I am looking forward to Spring as well as our Spring Gardening Program by our guest speaker from our Annual Meeting, the one and only David Hull (or as many call him, Dr. Dirt). I am looking forward to learning some tips to get my garden started as it is right around the corner, so I hope you can join us on March 30th at 1pm. (Flyer is on page #10). Please register for this program so we can have a head count for Dr. Dirt! Invite a friend, even if they are not a homemaker, we still would love to include them and get them involved!

On another note, I would really like to ask for help with <u>Recipes for Life</u> coming this month. The dates are *Monday*, *March 20th—Friday*, *March 24th 9:30am-2:00pm*. If you can only help one day, that is fine and I understand and am grateful for any help I can have! I appreciate each and every one of you!

Happy Spring!

Chelsea Young Owen Co.



Extension Agent For Family & Consumer Sciences

Owen County Homemakers/Family & Consumer Sciences

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Try Salad in a Canning Jar!

It's time to get healthy! Meal planning is made easy with salads in a canning jar! Simply layer your salads with your favorite ingredients in your wide-mouth jars to create delicious meals all week long.

Instructions:

Step 1: Get dressed! Start with the dressing as the bottom layer. We recommend anywhere from 1-4 Tbsp. but experiment to find your perfect amount.

Step 2: Add your extras! Start with non-absorbent veggies that won't soak up your dressing—think carrots, tomatoes, chickpeas, edamame, snap peas. Then layer your more absorbent veggies—like cucumber, corn, mushroom, avocado. Add any additional flavors

from dried fruit and nuts to quinoa.

Step 3: Protein Pack! Add your protein anything from steak to chicken or even tofu!

Step 4: The Salad Part.

Lastly, top with seasonal leafy greens—from a



spring mix to spinach or arugula, the options are end-less!

When you're finished, you can dump your ingredients into a bowl to eat or shake up to eat in your jar!

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DEEP THOUGHTS WITH DENISE

Hello March! March is what I call the wonky month. It's either too cold, snowy or warm (which is wonderful) and rainy, it is the unstable month between winter and spring. It is the time when we get our garden planning started, seeds ordered and get a plan together. We have a program scheduled with "Dr. Dirt" March 30th at 1:00 to talk about garden preparation call the extension office to register.

Chelsea is planning to have recipes for life with the fifth graders near the end of the month. She is in need of some help if you would like to volunteer please let her know.

We need to form a bylaws committee to review and make some changes to our bylaws. If you are interested please call the office and give them your name and contact information (phone and email if you have one). Thank you for volunteering.

Denise Perkins

<u>Homemaker Book Líst</u>

Women of No Importance: by Sonia Purnell. The never-before-told story of Virginia Hall, the American spy who changed the course of World War II. Hall, "The Madonna of the Resistance" operates at a time in which Female spies behind enemy lines were practically unheard of. With a novelistic style, Purnell paints a vivid image of Hall's fierce persistence.

The Taking of Jemima Boone: Colonial Settlers, Tribal Nations, and the Kidnap That Shaped

America: By Matthew Pearl. On a quiet midsummer day in 1776, thirteen-year-old Jemima Boone

and her friends Betsy and Fanny Callaway disappear near the Kentucky settlement of Boonesboro, the echoes of their faraway screams lingering on the air. The author explores the Little-know story of the kidnapping of legendary pioneer Daniel Boone's daughter and the dramatic aftermath that rippled across the nation.





Homemaker Happenings



A Message from the Memory Makers



The Memory Makers took group photo at their meeting last month at Perry Park! All had a wonderful time with a great group at their weekend retreat!

Not pictured, but in attendance: Kelsey Davis

I have been contacted by Lyndsi McNally who is the coordinator through Three Rivers Health Department for the HANDS program. If you are not familiar, this program is NOT income based but rather a program to help new moms (grandmothers and other family members) who are raising newborns and toddlers. They help provide lessons on food, nutrition, homemade crafts and games, and the importance of socialization for the child and the parents. She is planning to hold a meeting at the end of March (date and time to be confirmed but trying to get it coordinated for March 22 or 29) to teach them how to scrapbook as a "self-care" activity. She is planning to purchase the small brag style books and printing some of their pictures with HANDS money but was hoping to get some scrapbooking paper and embellishments donated. I know that I have a lot of paper and stickers left over and I am sure you do too! Solid papers are also needed even if they are scraps! The books are not that big anyway.

I will be taking my ABC and shapes/color scrapbook to show them another option to do with the kids and making up a sample of a paper bag scrapbook that is easy and inexpensive to do as well.

If you wish to come help teach scrapbooking or have supplies that you are willing to donate, please let me know. We need the supplies in early March because they want to fix "supply baggies" for each person so the materials are evenly distributed and not a "come early you get it all" type of thing. I know we are meeting on March 17-18 at Extension so if you could even bring supplies then - that would be great!

Thank you for your continued support of so many community events and this is certainly a way that we can share our love of photo preservation and help other folks in our community!

Dawn Davis Memory Makers

2023 NKY Area Meeting Dates

<u>April 26th</u> Owen County Extension Office- 1pm <u>July 26th</u> Gallatin County Extension Office-1pm <u>September 27th</u> Kenton County Extension Office- 1pm



2023 KEHA State Meeting – May 9-11, 2023 Crowne Plaza Louisville, KY Theme: Let's Take a Hike with KEHA

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* More information about

registration is on pages 4 & 5 *

2023 KEHA STATE MEETING CONFERENCE AGENDA Crowne Plaza, Louisville, Ky

(Times listed are Eastern Time)



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2:00 p.m 3:15 p.m.	Seminars - Session 1	Crowne B & C		
2:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.	Quilt Square Auction - Viewi	Crowne B & C		
3:45 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Seminars - Session 2 Hands-On Creative Classes -			
5:15 p.m 6:15 p.m.	DINNER ON YOUR OWN			
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Full Conference Registration		\$140	\$175	
2-Day Conference Registration		\$120	\$140	
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2-Day Includes Either Tuesday/Wednesday OR Wednesday/Thursday - Please check appropriate boxes below

KEHA Hands-On Activities

Tuesday, May 9 - 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. and Wednesday, May 10 - 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

(View color photos at www.keha.org)

Let's Make Soap

Cost: \$10.00 Class Limit: 25

During this soap making demonstration, you will get

the chance to see lye soap made with accessible oils that you can get at your local grocery store! During the demo, the instructor will detail the "How?" and "Why?" of the soap making



process, will answer any questions, and will provide further materials and resources you can use as you dive into soap making. All registrants will receive soap to take home!

Swedish Weaving Embroidery

Cost: \$10.00 Class Limit: 15

Swedish Weaving Embroidery will be worked on huck fabric. Participants must be able to thread a needle. Additional kits will be available for \$8.00.

Flower Pounding Craft

Cost: FREE Clas

Class Limit: 20

Participants will pick flowers of their choice to put on watercolor paper and then place wax paper over them. Then using a hammer, pound away to make a cute print to frame.



English Paper Piecing

Cost: FREE Class Limit: 20

Learn how to hand piece fabric scraps into garment

embellishments, beautiful quilts, or home furnishings. During this workshop you will learn the basics of this early precise method of hand piecing. Participants will practice the technique using a furnished pincushion kit. All materials for the



pincushion are provided with the exception of the fiberfill (stuffing) that can be added at home.

Snackle Box

Cost: \$5 Class Limit: 15

Learn how to make a quick, easy, and convenient snack solution! Perfect for the car, boat, hike, or even at home.



Wilderness Flowers in a Mason Jar

Cost: FREE Class Limit: 20

Create a nail art mason jar on rustic wood with fresh wilderness flowers. (Wilderness flowers not pictured here.)



Daisy Painting

Cost: FREE Class Limit: 20

Paint a daisy flower on a flat panel canvas.



Egg Substitutes when Baking and Cooking

With egg prices on the rise, many of us are looking for substitutes. But it's not as easy as you think. There is no one substitution that works for all recipes. Egg substitution will depend on the recipe and the egg's function in that recipe. Eggs serve many purposes when baking: structure, consistency, color, and flavor. You can use them to leaven, which allows the food to expand and rise when heated giving the food volume. Or they can be binders, helping to combine other ingredients and hold the food together. They can also keep food moist.

Egg whites provide leavening and moisture while the yolks help with binding. As a rule, the smaller number of eggs a recipe calls for, the easier the substitution. When using a substitution for eggs, determine the function of the egg first.

• If the recipe doesn't contain baking powder or baking soda, the eggs are used for leavening.

• If the recipe calls for only egg whites, they are providing leavening and moisture.

• If the recipe calls for only yolks, they are for binding.

• If the recipe calls for three or more eggs, assume they act in all three roles.

• If you are unsure, assume the eggs act in all three functions. More than one substitution can be used at a time.

Substitutions for leavening (Each substitution counts as one egg.)

1/4 cup carbonated water

2 tablespoons water + 1 tablespoon oil + 2 teaspoons baking powder

1 tablespoon vinegar + 1 teaspoon baking soda

2 tablespoons lemon juice + 1 teaspoon baking soda

Substitutions for binding (Each substitution counts as one egg.)

1 tablespoon gelatin + 1 tablespoon water, let sit 15 minutes (for gelatin-based desserts)

1 tablespoon soy lecithin

2 tablespoons mashed potato or sweet potato

2 tablespoons tomato paste

2 tablespoons starch + 3 tablespoons water

3 tablespoons nut or seed butter

1/4 cup puréed soft tofu or full fat yogurt

Substitutions for moisture (Each substitution counts as one egg.)

<u>1/4 cup unsweetened applesauce or fruit puree</u>

1/4 cup mashed banana or avocado

2 tablespoons dried fruit + 2 tablespoons water, puréed

1/4 cup buttermilk or milk

1/4 cup sweetened condensed milk

1/4 cup yogurt

Eggs are a good source of many nutrients. Please be aware that when making substitutions, the nutrient profile of recipes will be altered.





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It's that time of the year when we get excited about our tax refunds. By responsibly using this one-time infusion of cash, you can improve your financial standing.

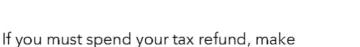
You could wisely use your tax refund to add to your emergency savings account. Most of us do not have enough money saved in the event of job loss, illness or another unexpected event that prevents us from working. Most financial experts

recommend having at least six months of income saved to help you work through financial hardship. This fund can also help cover unexpected or emergency household repairs.

You could also choose to reduce your debt with your tax refund. Paying off high interest debt as quickly as possible is a financial win-win because it reduces the principal on your loan and lowers future interest payments.

Make an extra mortgage payment toward the principal. Much of a mortgage loan goes toward interest and not the principal itself.

Investing in your family's future is always a wise move as it will continue to guarantee future financial stability. You could use your return to start or add a college savings fund for your children or to start or add to your retirement account.





wise spending choices. Consider purchases that allow you to make improvements that add resale value to your vehicle or home or to make home improvements that lower energy costs.

You never get too old to learn a new skill. Use some of the refund to take classes or learn new skills or hobbies.

More information on family financial education is available by contacting Owen County Extension Office

Source: Kelly May, senior extension associate for family finance and resource management.

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SPRING INTO GARDENING

with David Hull "Dr. Dirt"

Owen County Extension Thursday, March 30, 2023 1PM

Must Register by Tuesday, March 28th 502-484-5703

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LAUGHTER YOGA CLASS

- Wear comfortable clothing
- Yoga mat not needed

Laughter Yoga is a combination of breathing (yoga), stretching, and simulated laughter. The benefits of laughter are experienced through eye contact, interaction, and movements that simulate laughter-which becomes real and contagious!

April 14 10:00am

Laughter is the best medicine!

Registration is limited! Register at https://campbell.ca.uky.edu/ or 859-572-2600

at the Campbell County Cooperative Extension Office

Presented by: Suzanne Piper, Certified Senior Advisor and Certified Laughter Yoga Instructor

Sponsored by: The Northern Kentucky Homemakers

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Homebased Microprocessing Workshop



April 18th 2023 9:30am - 2:30pm

Grant County Extension Office

105 Baton Rouge Road

Williamstown, KY 41097



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For more information & to register: ukfcs.net/HBM

or call (859)824-3355

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Join our workshop! Homebased microprocessors are farmers who grow and harvest produce to use in their value-added products. Homebased microprocessors are required to grow a predominant ingredient in the products they make. The first step to becoming certified as a homebased microprocessor is to attend a Homebased Microprocessor (HBM) workshop presented by the University of Kentucky.

The cost of the workshop is \$50.00.



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CAUNDLE MARKING



SPACE IS LIMITED

Wednesday, April 26 5:00 PM Owen County

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FIRING SQUAD CERAMICS



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SPACE-IS LIMITED \$15 PER CERAMIC

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- 2 cups whole wheat
- penne pasta
- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 large carrot, shredded
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1½ teaspoons dry basil
 1 teaspoon garlic powder
 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- can (14 ounces) Italian diced tomatoes, drained
 ounces fresh spinach, chopped
 cup low-fat shredded Mozzarella cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and cover to keep warm. In a large skillet over medium heat, cook the beef and onions until beef is no longer pink. Drain. Return beef to skillet. Add carrots and spices and cook an additional two minutes. Stir in tomatoes. Reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer 10 minutes. Add pasta and

spinach and mix well. **Cover** and **cook** an additional 3 minutes or until spinach is wilted. **Pour** into greased 3-quart baking dish. **Sprinkle** with Mozzarella cheese. **Bake**, uncovered for 10 minutes.

Yield: 9, 1 cup servings

Nutritional Analysis: 200 calories, 4.5 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 35 mg cholesterol, 270 mg sodium, 25 g carbohydrate, 4 g fiber, 4 g sugars, 18 g protein.



Buying Kentucky Proud is easy. Look for the label at your grocery store, farmers' market, or roadside stand. http://plateitup.ca.uky.edu

