

Spring Turkey




Photo submitted


Shawna Shuffett shot this 24.6 lb. turkey in Green County on a family farm hunting solo.

Get your 4-H camper ready for adventure with these preparations

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4-H Camp is an exciting opportunity for youth, but a group living environment with high independence can also be stressful. Basic tasks like managing one’s own belongings and navigating the campgrounds can be a big adjustment. Parents and caregivers can make sure their future campers are physically, mentally, and emotionally prepared for their upcoming 4-H adventure with these nine helpful exercises:

1. Pack a suitcase with your child a few days before camp. Packing clothes in Ziploc bags with day labels can help your child stay organized; dirty clothes can then be repacked at each day’s end in the empty bags.
2. Practice stocking a daypack. Help your child pack their own backpack with items they’ll need for a typical camp day, including a towel, a Ziploc bag for a wet swimsuit, sunscreen, water bottle, hat, and sunglasses. At camp, counselors will also help campers review the schedule and remind them to double-check belongings before moving between activities.
3. Test-drive a shower caddy for toting toiletries. To manage camp toiletries, try using a small backpack for dry items and a caddy or waterproof bag for wet items. Practice using a caddy at home for bathing, brushing teeth, getting ready for the day, and going to bed.
4. Help your child keep track of shower time. Camp shower lines can be long. Practice five-minute showers before camp. The showers at camp are private, but for children who are modest, they can always shower in bathing suits.
5. Prepare to “pitch in” to keep the camp clean. To get into the routine, encourage

- your youth to sweep, wipe the kitchen table after meals, and make the bed daily.
6. Get comfortable with tracking time and monitoring surroundings. Camp gets busy! While exploring the campgrounds on the first day, note landmarks. To familiarize your child with the camp layout, look up your campground map on the 4-H website. Before camp, take family walks to prepare your child for hiking.
7. Encourage your child to stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water. To determine how many ounces your child should drink daily, divide your child’s body weight by two. Start using a camp water bottle in the weeks before camp to track water intake.
8. Learn how to air-dry wet items. No one likes moldy clothes! Teach your child to use a clothesline and space items out to dry in the sun.
9. Teach your child how to take a break. Discuss ways your child can find quiet time in a busy environment and how to recognize when a break is needed. Your camper can ask a counselor for quiet time. Talk about managing emotions, too. Give your child a scenario and discuss what to do

if problems arise. Above all, remind your youth that it’s normal to feel overwhelmed in a new environment and that it is okay to ask for help. Our staff and volunteers want every child to thrive at camp and are committed to supporting your camper. Green County 4-H Camp will be held June 10-13 at Lake Cumberland 4-H Camp. There are still a couple of spots open for male campers. We are also in need of male chaperones, teen (16+) or adult. Adults that are selected to attend camp, take a camper at no charge. All Green County 4-H campers, parents and leaders should plan to attend 4-H Camp Orientation on Thursday, May 15th at 5:30 pm CT at the Green County Extension Office. Contact the Green County Extension office for more information on 4-H Camp opportunities at 270-932-5311. Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation,

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ALL ITEMS MUST MEET STATE SPECIFICATIONS.

1. GASOLINE (REGULAR AND SUPER)
2. DIESEL FUEL (NO. 2 DYED GRADE AND ROAD FUEL)
3. CRUSHED STONE (ALL SIZES AND GRADES)
4. ROAD TILE (VARIOUS SIZES PLASTIC AND METAL)
5. ASPHALT (HOT MIX F.O.B. PLANT AND HOT MIX HAULED AND LAID IN GREEN COUNTY) -- MUST MEET STATE SPECIFICATIONS
6. ROAD OILS (RS-2, SS-1H, HFRS-2, PRIMER L, AE-200)
7. PUG MILL RENTAL
8. CONTRACT TO CHIP AND SEAL COUNTY ROADS

More detailed specifications on the above supplies may be obtained between the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Central Time, Monday through Friday, at the office of the Green County Judge/Executive, John H. Frank, 203 West Court Street, Greensburg, KY 42743. Phone No: (270) 932-4024. **Bids must be submitted to the aforementioned office no later than 4:00 P.M., Central Time, Thursday, May 8, 2025. Bids will be opened at the Regular Monthly Green County Fiscal Court Meeting, which begins at 5:00 P.M., Central Time, on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at the Green County Courthouse.** The Court may award contracts on the bids received at the aforesaid meeting or, in the event further deliberation is warranted, designate a date certain for awarding same.

The Green County Fiscal Court reserves the right to: (a) accept the best and lowest bid, (b) accept more than one bid per item, and/or (c) reject any and all bids received. The Fiscal Court further reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid received and in the bidding process.

Monkey Flowers



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Monkey flowers are a perennial that normally grows in swampy areas, pond / stream banks, or low lying woodlands. They are native to North America. The monkey flower bloom resembles a face. Thus, how they received their name. Personally I think they look like a snapdragon

bloom. Flowers range in color from blue, pink, purple / lavender, and red / burgundy. Flowers bloom either in summer or autumn. The flowers will form fruit that can contain 500-1000 seeds. Due to the enormous amount of seeds you may have many to reseed. Monkey flowers reach a height of 1-3 feet and 9 inches-1 foot wide. They have a USDA cold hardiness of 3a-8b.

Plant monkey flowers in moist soil that is a silt loam. If planting in a container it needs to

be able to hold 1-2 gallons of potting soil. Once planted, water with 0.5-2 inches of water. Water containers regularly to insure soil doesn’t dry completely out. Plant monkey flowers in part shade (2-6 hours of sunlight per day).

Monkey flowers can be used in native gardens, rain gardens, water gardens, borders, and mass plantings to attract butterflies, hummingbirds, and other pollinators. Monkey flowers are also deer resistant and are a good option for wet soils.

Rotary

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Bivens went on to say that he has discovered in the legislature that the big difference is not Democrats vs. Republicans but instead it is rural vs urban.

“The legislators from the urban areas have no idea what it is like to live in a rural area,” Bivens said.

Bivens said that at first, he believed it would have been a good idea to have a bunch of farmers in the legislature because when farmers decide to tackle a job, it gets done. But he said he came to realize that in Frankfort, there is a need for a wide array of people who have very varied backgrounds and who also have a wide variety of expertise.

“Sometimes we vote on things that we know nothing about and we have to rely on people who do have that knowledge,” Bivens said. He said that because he has built relationships with other legislators, others know they can trust him with farm and ag related bills.

“Farmers across the state reach out to me,” Bivens said, “and they tell their representative that they need to work with me because ag is a small family.”

Bivens also told the Greensburg Rotary Club that most 15-year olds in Kentucky became involved in politics this year because of House Bill 15, which dealt with changing the age for obtaining driver’s permits.

“A lot of rural folks were driving before we were 15 in the rural areas,” Bivens said, “but people who live in urban areas don’t have that opportunity.”

Bivens explained that there were 15-year-olds in other states who could legally drive through Kentucky because their

state allowed it but 15-year-olds who lived in Kentucky couldn’t legally drive here.

Bivens said that he believes the Kentucky legislature sent a message home to people that Kentuckians are tired of some of the crazy stuff going on, things that go against our morals.

He said that in spite of mind-boggling stuff that goes on in Frankfort, he appreciates the opportunity to serve there.

Bivens represents the 24th District in the state

legislature. The three counties have a population of nearly 47,000 people who he has the opportunity to represent.

Cemetery upkeep

Greasy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery is seeking donations for cemetery upkeep for 2025. Mail donations to GCBC Cemetery, 246 Locust Grove Rd., Greensburg, KY 42743. For more information call Rex Houk at 270-932-7157.



87th Infantry Division Golden Acorns

Green County’s Billy Shuffett served in General George’s Patton’s Third Army during the Second World War. Billy’s Division, the 87th Infantry Division, nicknamed the Golden Acorns, endured 154 days of combat across Europe, which included one of the bloodiest battles of the war, the five-week long Battle of the Bulge. The 87th cracked the Siegfried Line (Hitler’s heavily fortified West Wall), and crossed the Rhine River under heavy fire. The Golden Acorns finally made their way to the Czechoslovakian border on April 20, 1945, where they maintained their positions until V.E. Day.

The Golden Acorn Division suffered 5,310 casualties in just three months. Billy Shuffett earned the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He carried a metal-covered Bible in his front pocket, throughout his campaigns. Inscribed on the inside was a message from his mother, “This Bible can stop a bullet.”



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