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On a cold, winter afternoon, Kirby Clark walks softly into the birthing barn, or maternity ward as he calls it, at Triple C Angus. There’s a new arrival. He hugs the wall of the barn to get a better look, but the momma cow lets out a “Moooo,” making it clear she doesn’t want him to come any closer.

“The best thing to do is to back off and let Caroline bathe her calf. She’s trying to get all the moisture off of it. That’s very important,” Kirby stresses. “We want to let her do her job today as cold as it is outside.”

Kirby and his family, wife Jennifer and daughters Kendall, 13, and Kenzie, 10, call Triple C Angus home. They live in a century-old farm house near Bruceton Mills in Preston County.

“It’s exciting to see the new babies come. All the genetic research we’ve done and to see it all work out, it’s wonderful,” explains Kirby.

Triple C Angus is known around West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland for its work with Artificial Insemination (AI) and embryos. Kirby and his partners want to see the best returns possible, that means giving Mother Nature a little nudge.

“With AI we pick the bull out. It might be standing in a field in California,” Kirby explains. “We buy the semen, and it’s shipped to us in a little straw about the size of the inside of a pen. It’s stored in liquid nitrogen. When it gets to us, we thaw it out and inseminate our cows when they come into heat.”

AI is one side of the genetics business, embryos are the other.

“The embryo work is definitely a lot more complicated. The cows are superovulated and bred. Seven days later the vet comes and harvests the embryos out of the cows. Then the vet either freezes them or puts a fresh embryo transfer into another cow. That cow has to be on the same follicular wavelength as the donor cow,” says Kirby. “There’s a thousand things that have to go right in the process, but it only takes one for it all to go wrong.”

Proof of Kirby’s success is in another barn just across the pasture. It’s where you’ll find what you might call the farm’s cash cows.

“This is our bull barn,” Kirby proudly opens the gate just enough for him to pass through. “We raise approximately 10-15 bulls each year that we sell to different commercial herds throughout the tri-state. Each bull is weighed at birth, weighed at weaning and they’ll get a yearling weight. All that data, plus a blood sample, is sent into the Angus Association, and we get back what we call EPDs or Expected Prodigy Differences. All of these bulls are genetically tested. They have different markers, different chromosomes. It’s all kept in a database. For example, I could tell you from this particular bull his calves, at weaning, will gain 65 lbs. over any other calves on the market.”

Kirby works full-time for Mylan Pharmaceuticals and Jennifer for the U.S. Postal Service. As for the farm, the couple says it’s not a job but rather their lifestyle.

“This is definitely a family affair. If it wasn’t for my wife and my girls, this here,” Kirby looks out over the farm. “This wouldn’t be going down because it’s all hands-on-deck when it comes time to do the work.”

Kirby gets a big smile when talking about his cattle, but his face lights up when he speaks about Kendall and Kenzie. Both girls got their love of the farm and cattle from their father and mother. You could say it’s in the genes.

Jennifer and I made an offer to the girls. It was up to them if they wanted to do it. They chose to raise cattle and show cattle,” Kirby says proudly.

On summer break, holidays and snow days, the girls are out of bed and in the barns helping by 6:30 a.m. There are stalls to muck and cows to tend to. They don’t mind at all.

“This is Jasmine,” Kendall introduces her year-old Angus. “She’s very sweet. I’ve shown her since she was first born. Her first victory was in Virginia where she competed against the entire East Coast.”

Jennifer says her older daughter comes alive when she’s in the barn with her cows.

“This makes us happy!” Jennifer says. “This makes us all happy.”

Kenzie, the more reserved of the two, leads her prize cow outside the barn for a picture. “This is Nora,” she says, followed by a big “Mooooo” from said cow.

“This is Nora,” Jennifer says. “Nora and that one over there, Lea, are actually twins. She’s out of one of my Dad’s cows,” Kenzie explains.

Showing cattle, says Jennifer, gives both girls a good dose of responsibility.

“I love the fact I can raise my children on a farm doing what we do. I see the work ethic that my children have. The things that they’re learning, even if they were to not farm in the future, I can see them being able to use those skills in their lifetime,” stresses Jennifer. “That means the world to a Mom.”

Kirby sees a bright future for the farm.

“With more people on this planet, we’re going to need more food,” he explains. “We want to breed better cattle, sell better cattle, faster gaining cattle, on less feed. That’s what it’s all about.”

And just about that time, one of the bulls lets out a big “Mooooo.”

Kirby laughs, “I like to think the bulls speak for themselves.”
Beech Seedlings Offer Hope for Tomorrow’s Forests

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) Forest Health staff, in conjunction with the US Forest Service, planted 78 new beech scale-resistant trees at the US Forest Service Timber and Watershed Laboratory in Parsons, WV last year (the orchard was established in 2015). This brings the total disease-resistant beech seedlings planted to 88. These seedlings will be monitored and managed with hopes they will provide a disease-resistant seed source that will restore American beech in West Virginia forests.

Researchers found levels of resistance to the insect in a small number of beech trees in the Monongahela National Forest and in areas of the state where the beech resource has been impacted by this disease complex. Eggs from the beech scale are introduced to those trees to see if they would continue to show resistance. After a year-long test (with continued resistance), the flowering part, or scion, of those trees was taken and grafted to the rootstock of other beech trees in the hopes of creating a beech-scale resistant variety. In the absence of feeding activity by the beech scale insect, there is little opportunity for the fungi to invade, minimizing the impact to the trees. WVDA Forest Health staff has been locating, mapping and conducting these artificial challenges on putatively resistant beech since 2008.

This project is a joint effort between the WVDA, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service: Northern Research Station, USDA Forest Service: Monongahela National Forest, USDA Forest Service: State and Private Forestry.
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WVDA Proposes Pest Treatment to 5,300 Acres of Forested Land

It’s that time of year again, time to start thinking about pests that could impact trees this summer. The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) Plant Industries Division, along with the United States Department of Agriculture-Forest Service (USDA-FS), is proposing aerial treatment of approximately 5,300 acres to reduce the impact of gypsy moths to forested lands within West Virginia. The WVDA proposes treating these acres under the WVDA Cooperative State-County-Landowner (CSCL) Suppression Program.

Large numbers of caterpillars are expected in the 2018 treatment area which includes parts of Grant, Hardy, Nicholas and Pendleton Counties. It’s likely that many already stressed trees will not be able to withstand an additional heavy defoliation and will perish. Water quality, recreation experiences, wildlife habitat and timber production could all be negatively impacted.

More detailed maps with specific locations of the proposed treatment areas are available for review at the New Creek office of the WVDA Plant Industries Division. These areas will be treated during May 2018. The specific dates will depend on weather conditions and the stage of development of the gypsy moth.

The WVDA is soliciting public comment on the areas proposed for treatment. If you have any comments or concerns, contact Quentin “Butch” Sayers (qsayers@wvda.us) or G. Scott Hoffman (ghoffman@wvda.us) P. O. Box 9 New Creek, WV 26743 no later than April 1, 2018.

For more information visit agriculture.wv.gov.

WEST VIRGINIA FEEDER CATTLE SALES 2018 SPRING SCHEDULE

Sponsored by: West Virginia Livestock Auction Markets and West Virginia Cattlemen’s Association

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Cheesy Corn Grits

1 tablespoon + 1 teaspoon West Virginia honey
2 tablespoons mayonnaise

Mountaineer Chili

1 pound extra-lean ground beef
1 large onion, chopped
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Soothing the Wounds of War

Down a winding country road in Nicholas County, off the beaten path, you’ll find Jeremy Ray and his new venture, Gauley River Maple Works. This is the first maple season for Ray, and he can’t wait to start tapping trees. He heard about maple through the WVDA’s Veterans and Warriors to Agriculture Program, aimed at retraining veterans for careers in agriculture. He took one maple syrup producer’s class and was hooked.

“It’s been a long time since I’ve been this excited about something,” he said.

Ray’s property, near Drennen, is dotted with bright orange ribbons.

“My youngest son, that’s how he learned to tie his shoes this summer. Every time we identify a maple tree, he was the one who tied a ribbon on it,” Ray said with a smile.

He tapped one of his maple trees early this season and was rewarded with a sweet taste of things to come.

“You want to try some tree water? That came straight out of this maple tree. How much more naturally filtered can you get than that?”

You couldn’t find anyone more surprised about this venture than Ray himself. The 43-year-old grew up on this land but joined the Army National Guard right out of high school. He worked for 14 years as a Nicholas County Deputy, all the while suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder or PTSD. He managed the depression, flashbacks and anger, or so he thought, until the day his boss called him in the office in 2011 and told him to hand in his badge. When he went home to tell his wife, she too had had enough and walked out with their two sons.

“I lost everything I ever worked for on November 11, 2011. Veteran’s Day of all days,” said Ray looking off in the distance.

It took years of intense therapy and a lot of self-reflection, but Ray and his family reunited. Now on medical disability, he’s looking for a new normal. That’s where maple syrup comes in.

“I’m a disabled vet. I really needed something to take up my time,” Ray explained. “I needed to get my mind busy on something, and I also wanted to find something where my kids could help and enjoy, so we could get some more time together.”

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Commissioner Kent Leonhardt served 21 years in the military. He said Ray’s story is not uncommon.

“When you think about what the unseen wounds of war do to our veterans and what agriculture can do to help them heal. Veterans with that affliction don’t want to be in an office.

They don’t want to have windows and doors and be around a lot of people. They want to be outdoors. That’s why maple syrup is ideal therapy.”

Ray might be a maple novice, but he’s spreading the word.

“Maple – nobody around here knows about it, but everyone around here could do it if they wanted to. In West Virginia, there’s untapped potential,” he stressed. “We’ve got more in these mountains than just coal.”

Ray’s maple campaign already has a few converts. Several neighbors have shown interest in tapping their trees, and he’s working with his son’s 1st grade class at Zela Elementary, teaching them the basics of maple-making.

Ray’s message to those thinking about getting into the maple business: “If a crazy disabled vet can do it, anybody can!” @GauleyRiverMaple.

**Maple Day | March 17, 2018**

Sixteen maple producers from across the state will open their doors to the public. Come see how maple syrup is made, from the tap to the table. Then enjoy a maple meal or purchase maple products at participating retailers. Visit agriculture.wv.gov for more information.

**WHERE’S THE BEEF?**

In March, West Virginia’s top cattle are showcased at two events, the Wardensville Bull Test and the Southern Bull Test. At both, the best of the best cattle are bred for excellence. The animals will be vetted and then put up for sale. The top cattle can bring in between $6,000 to $10,000, a nice purse for the owners and good breeding stock for the buyers. Bring your wallet and a discerning eye to take home the best cattle.

**WARDENSVILLE BULL TEST**
March 22
Reymann Memorial Farm (Hardy County)

**SOUTHERN BULL TEST**
March 24
Jack Crank Farm (Mason County)

**Tips From the Vet**

Q. Can farm animals contract rabies?

A. Rabies can occur in all warm-blooded animals and is always fatal. Livestock are also susceptible, and the symptoms can easily be mistaken for some other problem. Although livestock rabies cases are less common than wildlife cases increase, resulting in more opportunities for bite exposure mostly by rabid skunks, foxes or raccoons. Unfortunately, the result is often human exposure when people examine or treat the animal. Livestock acting out of character can be a sign of rabies, as symptoms in livestock species are unpredictable. A normally gentle or tame animal may suddenly become skittish or aggressive, or a typically fractious animal may become docile. Difficulty or inability to swallow is another sign and often leads to human exposure when they attempt to check for choking or hand feeding the animal, resulting in contact with the rabid livestock’s saliva.
Apriy Sales
Honey bees, 3 frame nuc w/young queens, $100; complete hives w/bees, $260; wooden hive top feeders, $50ea or $400.20ct. Annette Barbe, 13500 Patterson Crk Rd., Bruceton, 26447; 452-8508.

Auctions

25TH ANNUAL WV BEE EXPO
April 14-12
New barn @ Jackson’s Mill Exhibition Center, Huntington, W. Va.

For information catalog, 289-4600 or cell-3877; millody@wvu.edu or rockingp@shentel.net.

Genetic Alliance Bull Sale
March 29-10
Selling 75 perf tested Angus, Charolais, Simmental & Hereford.
Contact, John McCoy, 7515; Tom Simmons, 668-0647 or Terry Bogess, 358-2848.

All bee colonies must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture. Please contact the Animal Health Division at 304-558-2212.

Buckhannon, 26201; 613-895. Mike Isner, 1470 Reg. Simmental, $2,000; heifers, will start calving in March, $2,000 yr bull, $2,250; 10-100 mos. bulls & heifers, $1,500. Jim Rowe, 1516 Maple Ave., Spencer, WV 25555; 785-4529.

Sheep & Goat Sales
March 29-10
7 yr. Bull, polled, excel. disp., $2,400. Oscar Halstead, P.O. Box 432, Mt. Nebo, 26354; 452-8399.

Wardensville Bull Test
March 29-12
WVU Reymann Memorial Farm • Wardensville, WV
Contact, Kevin Shaffer, 669-1598; kevin.shaffer@wvu.edu; Jerry Yates, 261-3035; jerry.yates@wvu.edu.

SOUTHERN WV BULL TEST
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Hog, veener, 4x5, round bales, barn kept, 35¢/bale. Ray Blake, 1400 Johnson Ave., Ste. 1A, Bridgeport, 26330; 842-2795.

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Miscellaneous

No riding habits or other objects; appliances or furnishings; machinery or equipment; farm库; realtor; food processing or preservation items or equipment; general workwood tools or materials; other farm equipment; no AKC as herding or working can be accepted. Hay, 2nd cut, 50, $3.75/bale. Ronnie Beale, 164 Cortland Rd., Davis, 26200; 806-4118.
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**MAR. 2**

- Seed artichokes (indoors).
- Order specialty seed potatoes.
- Plant radishes (indoors).
- Begin dogwood anthracnose control.
- Seed eggplant (indoors).
- Plant onion sets.
- Seed salsify.
- Seed radishes, spinach, and lettuce (indoors).
- Order straw bale garden soil.
- Order seed potatoes.

**MAR. 3**

- Order specialty seed potatoes.
- Seed leaf lettuce and spinach (indoors).
- Order seed potatoes.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 4**

- Order specialty seed potatoes.
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**MAR. 5**

- Order specialty seed potatoes.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 6**

- Plant broadleaf evergreens.
- Plant rhubarb.
- Plant radishes, spinach, and lettuce (indoors).

**MAR. 7**

- Plant onion sets.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 8**

- Take cuttings from herbs.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 9**

- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 10**

- Build a high tunnel.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 11**

- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 12**

- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 13**

- Seed peppers (indoors).
- Plant strawberry plants.
- Order feed bale garden soil.

**MAR. 14**

- Seed Swiss chard (indoors).
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 15**

- Seed peas (outdoors).
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 16**

- Plant flowering trees and shrubs.
- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MAR. 17**

- Order feed bale garden soil.
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**MARCH 16**

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