

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

	Urban Growing	Veterans	Service Providers	Homesteading	Livestock	Specialty Crop Production
8-9 a.m.	Registration					
9-9:45 a.m.	Speakers (WVCA, NRCS and a look at what classes will be offered at the conference)					
Session 1 10-10:45	Post-Harvest Crash Course: What You Need to Know Right Now - Robin Turner, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Sugar Bottom Farm - Eric Grandon, <i>Sugar Bottom Farm</i>	USDA Farm Service Agency: Programs & Farm Loans and Participant Testimonials - Josh Lewis, <i>FSA</i>	Farm to Tablet: How to Cultivate a Social Media Plan That Works for You - Liz Turner, <i>MESH Design and Development</i>	Chicks in the City - various presenters	Sap in the City: Episode 2 - Mike Reclin, <i>WV Maple Syrup Producers Association</i>
Session 2 11-11:45	Theme Gardens and Youth Spaces - Tabitha Surface & Valerie Bandell, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Ag on a Small Scale: How to Get More Bang for Your Buck - Terry Hudson, <i>Hudson Farms</i>	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service: Programs and Participant Testimonials - Julie Stutler, <i>NRCS</i>	Distilling - Chad Bishop, <i>Hatfield McCoy Distillery</i>	Don't BEE a Hater, Save the Pollinator! Part 1 - Wade Stiltner, <i>WVDA Apiarist, Kanawha Valley Beekeepers, CCD</i>	Introduction to Specialty Crops - Cindy Martel, <i>WVDA</i>
12-1 p.m.	Lunch					
Session 3 1-1:50	Vacant Lots to Urban Farms - Christal Perry, <i>HURA & Valerie Bandell, WVSU Extension Service</i>	Farming is a Lifestyle, Not a Hobby - Steph Pauley, <i>Pauley's Rowdy Acres & Tinia Creamer, Lucas Farms</i>	The Programs of USDA Rural Development - Lisa Sharp & Jesse Gandee, <i>RD</i>	Wine Making - Dr. Wilson Ward, <i>Fisher Ridge Winery</i>	Don't BEE a Hater, Save the Pollinator! Part 2 - Wade Stiltner, <i>WVDA Apiarist, Kanawha Valley Beekeepers, CCD</i>	Mushroom Production - Brad Cochran, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>
Session 4 2-2:50	Raised Bed Gardening - John David Johnson, <i>WVU Extension Service</i>	Roadside Farms - Joel McKinney, <i>Roadside Farms</i>	West Virginia Conservation Agency and Capitol Conservation District: Programs and Special Projects - Aimee Figgatt & Russell Young, <i>WVCA</i>	Demystifying Aged Cheese: A Fresh Approach to Mature Curds - Annette Ericksen, <i>WVSU Extension</i>	On Second Thought, I Might Be Crazier Than My Goat - Tinia Creamer, <i>Lucas Farms</i>	Lavender Production - Shelley Keeney, <i>R&R Products llc.</i>
Session 5 3-3:50	Water for the Urban Garden - John Bombardarie, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>		Rain Barrels - Ben Marcum, <i>NRCS</i>	Brewing - Rob Absten, <i>home brewer, K.R.A.Z.E. founder & Charles Bockway, Brilliant Stream</i>	Raised Bed Kitchen Gardens - Aimee Figgatt, <i>CCD</i>	Hops Production - Brad Cochran, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>
Session 6 4-4:50	Friars to Fryers: Why not raise rabbits? - Annette Ericksen, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	So You Think You Want to be a Farmer... - Military Round table	Stream Bank Erosion Solutions - Judith Lyons, <i>WVCA</i>	State of the Craft Beverage Industry - Round table	Aquaponics - John Bombardarie, <i>WVSU Extension Service & David Perra, WVSU</i>	Post-Harvest Handling - Robin Turner, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>
5 p.m.	Local Foods Dinner					

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

	Urban Growing	Veterans	Service Providers	Homesteading	Small Fruit Production	Market Readiness
8-9 a.m.	Registration					
9-9:45 a.m.	Speakers (WVDA, National Guard, Keynote)					
Session 7 10-10:45	Urban Backyard Gardening - Melissa Stewart, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Refresh Appalachia - Ben Gilmer & Savannah Lyons, <i>Refresh Appalachia</i>	WV AgrAbility: Programs and Projects - Inetta Fluharty, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Home Cider Making 101: An apple a day... - Matt Christianson, <i>home cider maker</i>	Strawberries - Kent Gilkerson, <i>Sunset Berry Farm</i>	Getting a Handle on Your 4 Ps in Marketing - Cindy Martel, <i>WVDA & Dee Singh-Knights, WVU Extension Service</i>
Session 8 11-11:45	Urban Orchards - Brad Cochran, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Apprenticeship and Farm Incubation Program - Tom McConnell & Tom Snyder, <i>Parchment Valley</i>	National Agricultural Statistics Service: Small Growers Count, Too! - Charmaine Wilson, <i>NASS</i>	Canning and Preserving Your Harvest - <i>CCD/WVU Extension Service</i>	Growing Hazelnuts - John Kelsey, <i>John Kelsey Farms</i>	Top 10 Lessons in Pricing Your Product for Profitability - Dee Singh-Knights, <i>WVU Extension Service</i>
12-1 p.m.	Lunch					
Session 9 1-1:50	West Side Growing - Dural Miller, <i>Keep Your Faith Corp.</i>	Patriot Guardians - Melissa Stewart, <i>WVSU Extension, BG HB Gilliam, WVNG, and LT Brittany Evans, WVNG</i>	Whole Food Revenue - Edward Gregory, <i>Risk Management Agency</i>	Bread Making for Beginners (Part 1) - Karen Figgatt	Blueberries - Walter Moore, <i>Herot Hall Farm</i>	Selling Through Farm Stories - Barbara Liedl, <i>WVSU & Dee Singh-Knights, WVU Extension Service</i>
Session 10 2-2:50	The Challenge: Practice What We Preach - Jessie Uphold, <i>Camp Dawson</i>	Veterans and Warriors to Ag - James McCormick	A New (and Easier) Day in WV Food Safety - Cindy Martel, <i>WVDA & Dee Singh-Knights, WVU Extension Service</i>	Bread Making for Beginners (Part 2) - Karen Figgatt	Fruit Tree Production - Mira Danilovich, <i>WVU Extension Service</i>	Market Readiness Listening Session - Cindy Martel, <i>WVDA & Dee Singh-Knights, WVU Extension Service</i>
Session 11 3-3:50	Garden Security - Julie Stutler, <i>NRCS & Aimee Figgatt, CCD</i>	Project Welcome Home - Lewis Jett, <i>WVU Extension Service</i>		Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary. How Does YOUR Garden Grow? - <i>CCD</i>	Bramble Production - Brad Cochran, <i>WVSU Extension Service</i>	Round table with Restaurants - Cindy Martel, <i>WVDA & Dee Singh-Knights, WVU Extension Service</i>