

LIGHTHOUSE FARM

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A MESSAGE FROM THE FARM: IN FULL BLOOM

May has brought a spectacular wave of energy, hard work, and growth to Lighthouse Farm! We wrapped up April with our highly anticipated Greenhouse Opening Day, and we want to extend a massive thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate the start of the season with us. It was an incredible turnout, and thanks to your generosity, we raised \$1400 to help keep our seasonal programs growing.

As the warmer May weather settled in, our farmers spent the last few weeks working tirelessly across the community. From potting seasonal favorites to giving back through local landscaping, unity and laughter have filled the air. Our athletes are also officially gearing up and practicing hard for the Special Olympics Summer Games coming up in June! We are so proud of the dedication our farmers display every single day.



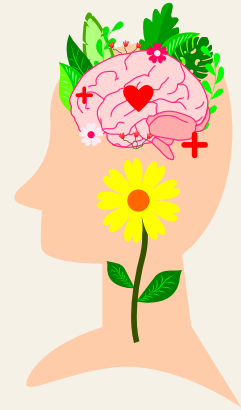
HEALTH AND WELLNESS TIP

Mental Health: Gratitude & Connection

May marks **National Mental Health Awareness Month**.

This year's theme, "More Good Days, Together," highlights the reality that emotional well being is a daily journey best traveled alongside a supportive community.

- **Tip:** You can invite more "good days" into your routine with simple, grounding habits. Take five minutes today to step outside for a breath of fresh air, check in on a friend or neighbor, or jot down three small things you are thankful for. Tiny moments of gratitude and connection build a healthier mind and a happier community!



EXCLUSIVE UPDATES & BIG NEWS!

A Massive Milestone for Our Merchandise Store

We have a major campus update to celebrate! Thanks to a phenomenal act of generosity, our official merchandise store building has been delivered and fully set up on site. This incredible addition was completely donated and assembled courtesy of **Wayne and Kim Grannis**.



As if that wasn't enough, Wayne and Kim also treated our entire crew to a fantastic lunch during our busy community day at the Farm Bureau! We cannot thank you both enough for your constant love, selflessness, and dedication to nourishing both the bodies and souls of everyone here at Lighthouse Farm.



ADVENTURE RECAP: CREATIVITY AT THE EDGE



Our community outing to Cave Run Lake this month was an absolute highlight! Our farmers were treated to an exclusive preview tour of the beautiful new glamping destination, The Edge, just before its grand opening.



A huge, heartfelt thank you goes out to **Pam McGlone**, owner of **Glass with Sass**, for hosting this extraordinary day. Pam shared her incredible artistic talents with our crew, guiding the farmers through a hands on project designing beautiful mosaic teepees. Between the crafting, the outdoor views, and a delicious pizza party, it was a memorable day of friendship and creativity that we won't soon forget.

SPONSOR SHOUTOUT: MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC MANUFACTURING

We want to shine a bright light on Mitsubishi Electric Manufacturing and thank them for their incredible, years long support of Lighthouse Farm! Mitsubishi Electric has a deeply rooted interest in advocating for individuals with disabilities, continually supporting programs that foster independence, growth, and real world skills.

Beyond their amazing partnership with us, they actively invest in multiple organizations dedicated to creating inclusive work programs and empowering individuals with disabilities. We are so proud to partner with a business that genuinely shares our mission of building a more supportive, accessible community for everyone!

FARMER SPOTLIGHT: Dylan Bussell



This month, we're excited to shine the spotlight on **Dylan Bussell**! Dylan has been a valued part of the Lighthouse community since 2021. Born on May 10, he lives in Vanceburg and comes from a loving family with three sisters and one brother. Dylan is known for being sweet, caring, and full of fun—he truly loves everyone he meets and brings joy wherever he goes.

At Lighthouse, Dylan enjoys spending time with his friends, working in the pantry, and helping out any way he can. Whether he's lending a hand with a task or sharing a smile, Dylan's positive attitude makes a difference every day.

Outside of Lighthouse, Dylan loves going to the beach, spending time with his family, and heading to the movies. He's an especially big fan of the Muppets and enjoys any chance to watch his favorite characters on the big screen.

We're so grateful to have Dylan as part of our Lighthouse family. His kind heart, caring nature, and fun-loving spirit brighten the lives of everyone around him.



IN THE COMMUNITY

Sowing Seeds of Community Connection

- Our farmers took their green thumbs on the road this month to help beautify some of our favorite local spots. We spent a wonderful afternoon planting vibrant flowers at both the **Fleming County Recreational Park** and **Flemingsburg Christian Church**. To celebrate a hard day's work, the crew wrapped up the outing with a well deserved lunch break at Dairy Queen!
- We also enjoyed a fantastic day connecting with neighbors at the **Fleming County Farm Bureau**. It was a beautiful afternoon filled with lawn games, great conversations with old friends, and successful flower sales. We are deeply grateful to everyone who stopped by to visit and support our farmers' hard work, gratitude overflows for our incredible neighbors who selflessly serve, share, and nourish both body and soul.



Championship Efforts at Tollesboro Trade Days

- Our team was out in full force at **Tollesboro Trade Days**, managing a fantastic booth packed with a wide selection of new and gently used items alongside our signature spring flowers. Every single purchase made at our booth goes directly toward our long term vision: funding a brand new, dedicated Therapy Center. This future facility will host vital physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and fitness programs designed specifically to empower our farmers. Thank you to everyone who stepped up to champion this life changing cause with us!

LOOKING AHEAD

This coming month at Lighthouse Farm is packed with big milestones, regular favorites, and exciting teamwork! Here is a sneak peek at what we are looking forward to in June:

- **Special Olympics Summer Games (June 5th–7th):** It is that time of year again! Our athletes are gearing up to head to the Summer Games. We cannot wait to compete, cheer each other on, and show off all the hard work from our training sessions.
- **Tuesday Movie Days:** We are keeping the fun going all month long with a trip to the movies every single Tuesday in June. It is the perfect indoor treat to relax and enjoy time together with friends.
- **Finishing Our Mums:** Greenhouse season never stops! We are busy finishing up potting our autumn mums this month as we prepare for a huge mum sale later this fall.

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