



## The Baker Bulletin

A  
Baker County  
Extension  
Service Monthly  
Newsletter

### Baker County Extension Service

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Hours: M—F 8:30am to 5:00pm  
(Closed Noon to 1:00pm for Lunch)

#### County Agents

**Alicia Lamborn**  
Horticulture Agent

**Shaina Spann**  
4-H Youth Development Agent

**(Position Vacant)**  
Agriculture Agent

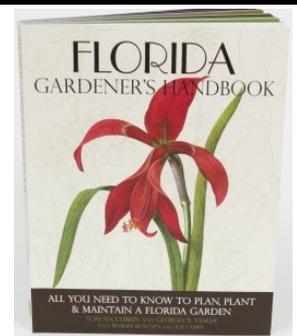
Dear Extension Friends,

It is that time of year when we ask for feedback from our readership regarding the usefulness of our newsletter through an online survey. Take 5 minutes to complete the survey and enter to win a gardening book called The Florida Gardener's Handbook.

Sincerely,

*Alicia*

Alicia Lamborn  
County Director / Horticulture Agent  
UF/IFAS Extension Baker County



Take Our Survey & Enter  
To Win: The Florida  
Gardener's Handbook!

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baker.ifas.ufl.edu](http://baker.ifas.ufl.edu)

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blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/bakerco](http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/bakerco)

 [Baker County Garden Spot  
Baker County 4-H](#)

 Search "Baker County  
4-H" in your app store

### Upcoming Classes & Events

- Oct 19**      **2018 FLORIDA OUTSTANDING TREE FARMERS OF YEAR: DOUG AND TERESA MOORE**  
Located at the headwaters of the South Prong of the St. Mary's River in Baker County, South Prong Plantation encompasses over 2,400 acres of pine flatwoods, cypress swamps and hydric hammock and is a great example of integrating timber and wildlife habitat management. Join us for the [2018 Florida Outstanding Florida Tree Farm of the Year Tour and Awards Ceremony \(link\)](#). This event is free but pre-registration is required by October 9. Reserve a space for the AM or PM tour by calling Whitney at the Florida Forestry Association, (850) 222-5646. See link above for more details.
- Oct 23**      **4-H Halloweenie Kick-off** - 6pm, Baker County Extension Office (Ag Center). Bring the family and learn more about 4-H clubs and how to sign up for the new 4-H year! Hotdogs will be provided.
- Nov 1 & 2**      **4-H Escape Room** - \$5 per person. (8-10 people per group) Sign up for a 30 minute slot between 4pm and 8pm. Call 259-3520 to register and pay at the Baker County Extension Office for your group within 3 days of registration. Payment secures your spot.

**More Programs on Pages 3 - 8**

# Highlights in Horticulture

By:  
Alicia Lamborn,  
Horticulture Agent



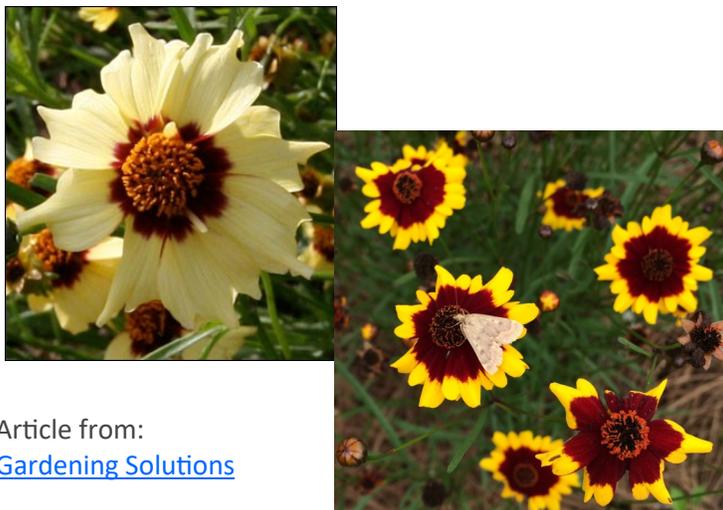
**Now is time to begin sowing Coreopsis seed for spring and summer blooms.**

Coreopsis is a sunny flower that graces roadsides, fields, and many gardens across the United States. This native perennial is also Florida's state wildflower.

Commonly known as tickseed, coreopsis comes in many species and varieties. Most are daisy-like with a ring of yellow petals surrounding a brown or yellow center. They typically bloom in spring and summer.

You can get seeds from your local garden center or from the [Florida Wildflower Growers Cooperative](#). Sow your seeds anytime from October through January. Find a sunny spot, and plant the seeds no more than one-eighth of an inch deep.

Once established, this Florida-Friendly plant is drought tolerant. Coreopsis often re-seeds itself, so you'll be able to enjoy its cheerful blooms for years to come.



Article from:  
[Gardening Solutions](#)

## WHAT TO PLANT IN NORTH FLORIDA



### OCTOBER

#### FLOWERS

- Alyssum
- Baby's Breath
- Calendula
- Dianthus
- Dusty Miller
- Foxglove
- Geranium
- Hollyhock
- Ornamental Cabbage/Kale
- Pansy
- Petunia
- Snapdragon
- Verbena
- Viola

#### VEGETABLES

- Arugula
- Beets
- Broccoli
- Brussels Sprouts
- Cabbage
- Carrots
- Cauliflower
- Celery
- Chinese Cabbage
- Collards
- Endive/Escarole
- Kale
- Kohlrabi
- Lettuce
- Mustard
- Onions, bunching & bulbing
- Spinach
- Radish
- Strawberries
- Swiss Chard
- Turnips

### PLANT SELECTION & FERTILIZING TIPS

Choose adapted varieties with resistance or tolerance to nematodes and common diseases.

Purchase healthy transplants that are free of insects and disease symptoms (such as leaf spots or blights).

#### RESOURCES :

Gardening with Annuals in Florida  
<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf/files/MG/MG31900.pdf>

Avoid vegetable transplants that are already flowering. Consider growing your own transplants from seed.

Florida Vegetable Gardening Guide  
<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf/files/VH/VH02100.pdf>

Controlled-release fertilizers provide a continuous nutrient supply over an extended period of time. For best results, apply at the labeled rate or based on your soil test results.

# STRAWBERRY PLANT FUNDRAISER

## 'Camino Real' Strawberries

- Released by University of California
- Plants are small and compact
- Fruiting begins in late winter
- Good per-plant yields
- Large fruit with very good flavor

10 plants - \$5

50 plants - \$25

100 plants - \$45

PRE-ORDER TODAY  
PAY AT PICK UP

**259-3520**

1025 w. macclenny ave.

## TURF BASICS FOR PROFESSIONALS



October 18, 2018

9 am - 3 pm

\$40, includes lunch

- Species & Cultivar Identification & Selection
- Water, Light, Temperature, Nutrition
- Common Diseases and Insects

<https://turfbasicsoct2018.eventbrite.com>

CEUS Applied for:  
2 LUF (Fertilizer)  
6 O&T

6 L&O  
6 LL&O  
6 Pvt

## Congratulations to Baker County 4-H Fair Winners!!

We are so proud of all 4-Hers and the hard work you put in this year!

**Beef-Registered:** Penny Davis (Grand Champion Brangus Bull & Grand Champion Brangus Female); Boomer Davis (Reserve Champion Brangus Bull & Reserve Champion Female); Gracie Milton (Grand Champion Short Horn Female)

**Beef-Commercial:** Brenna Hilson (Grand Champion); Gracie Milton (Reserve Champion)

**Beef-Commercial Intermediate Showmanship:** Gracie Milton (1st); Brenna Hilson (2nd); Allison Bennett (3rd)

**Cloverbud Showmanship:** Sawyer Bridges, Cartwright Fish, Waylon Fish, Dalton Whitney

**Goats Dairy Registered Doe:** Brenna Hilson (Grand Champion); Jessa Hilson (Reserve Champion)

**Goats Dairy Commercial Doe:** Jessa Hilson (Grand Champion); Brenna Hilson (Reserve Champion)

**Goats Meat Registered Doe:** Brenna Hilson (Grand Champion); Jessa Hilson (Reserve Champion)

**Goats Intermediate Showmanship:** Brenna Hilson (1st); Tanner Bridges (2nd)

**Goats Junior Showmanship:** Jessa Hilson (1st); Garrett Bridges (2nd)

**Poultry:** Gracie Milton— Old English BB Red (Best of Show); Bailey Thomas— White Rock (Reserve of Show); Aubrey Austin— Brahma (Best Male Standard); Kash Addy—Barred Rock (Best Female Standard); Gracie Milton—Old English BB Red (Best Male Bantam); Bailey Thomas—White Rock (Best Female Bantam); Garrett Bridges—Royal Palm Turkey (Best Male and Best Female Miscellaneous)

**Poultry Intermediate Showmanship:** Kash Addy (2nd); Matthew Turner (3rd)

**Poultry Junior Showmanship:** Aubrey Austin (1st)

**Rabbits:** Kathryn Sluski—Florida White (Best of Show); Joshua Swindell— Lionhead (First Runner Up); Cameron Swindell— Lionhead (2nd Runner Up)

**Rabbits— Best of Breeds:** Kathryn Sluski—Florida White; Joshua Swindell—Holland Lop; Waylon Fish—Dutch; Cartwright Fish—Lionhead; Kathryn Sluski—Californian; **Best Opposite Breed:** Cameron Swindell—Lionhead

**Swine Intermediate Showmanship:** Gracie Milton (1st); Matthew Turner (2nd); Tucker Crews (3rd)

**Swine Junior Showmanship:** Cooper Clark (1st); Jessa Hilson (2nd); Parker Bennett (3rd)

**Table-setting Contest:** Katie Small (First Place Intermediate Division and Best in Show)



Special recognition to our Cloverleaf Clogging Club who performed 12 dances at the fair on September 15th! Great job!



### Upcoming 4-H Events

**Oct 01—4-H Annual Awards Banquet! 6:30pm.** Bring a side dish and wear 4-H attire.

**Oct 23— 4-H Halloweenie Kick-Off Event! 6:00pm.**

**Nov 1 & 2 - 4-H Escape Room \$5 per person.** Call to register & pay at office.

**Dec 03— 9-10am Holiday Bake-Off Item Drop Off; 6:00pm— Holiday Party**

### 4-H Club Meetings

- Cloverleaf Cloggers—TBA
- Livestock Club— No meeting in October.
- Southern Farmer's Club—3rd Thursday of the month at Celebration Park in Glen St. Mary 6pm
- Baker Ropers Horse Club—Postponed at this time



Baker County

Bring a friend!

Hot Dogs!

Halloweenie



Meet the Clubs!

4-H  
Kick-Off

Fun!

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Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 6:00pm  
Baker County Extension Office  
1025 W. Macclenny Ave.



BAKER COUNTY 4-H



ESCAPE  
ROOM



Family  
Friendly!

Dia De Los Muertos

\$5  
PER PERSON

November 1 & 2, 2018

Baker County Extension Office  
1025 W Macclenny Ave. 32063

PLEASE ARRIVE  
15 MINUTES  
PRIOR TO YOUR SPOT!

EVERY 30 MINUTES FROM 4PM-8:30PM.  
LAST GROUP AT 8PM. 8-10 PEOPLE PER GROUP.  
PAYMENT SECURES YOUR SPOT!  
PAY AT THE BAKER COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE



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OFFICE AT 904-259-3520 OR 1025 W MACCLENNY AVE. 32063





# Tree Farm Tour and Awards Ceremony

## Doug and Teresa Moore's South Prong Plantation

### Florida Outstanding Tree Farmers of 2018

Baker County, FL

**Date:** Friday, October 19, 2018

**Morning Tour:** Meet at the property at 9:00 am ET to sign in, tour at 9:30 am, lunch and awards ceremony at noon.

**Afternoon Tour:** Meet at 11:30 am to sign in, lunch and awards ceremony at noon, tour at 1:30 pm.

**Tour:** Congratulations to Doug and Teresa Moore for their outstanding forest stewardship and being selected as Florida's Outstanding Tree Farmers of 2018. Located at the headwaters of the St. Mary's River in Baker County, South Prong Plantation encompasses over 2,400 acres of pine flatwoods, cypress swamps, and hydric hammock that is home to a wide variety of wildlife. While the primary objective on the property is high-quality wildlife habitat, the plantation also produces timber and is a great example of integrating these objectives. Prescribed fire is an important tool here and Doug has been involved in organizing the North Central Florida Prescribed Burn Association. The family provides educational outreach programs at the property to fellow landowners and conservation groups, in partnership with the University of Florida / IFAS Extension service, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), Florida Forest Service and others. Doug is a FWC certified Youth Hunt Master and leads youth hunts on the property. He also leads camping and merit badge programs with the Boy Scouts. Join us at the property for a tour and awards ceremony. Wear appropriate clothing for the field.



**Register:** This event is free but pre-registration is required. Reserve a space for the morning or afternoon tour by calling Whitney at the Florida Forestry Association, (850) 222-5646. Space will be limited to 20 people per tour. The registration deadline is October 9. Directions to the property are on the back. Please share this announcement with others who may be interested.



Funding for this event is provided by the Florida Tree Farm Program, USDA Forest Service via the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service's Florida Forest Service, and the Florida Sustainable Forestry Initiative Implementation Committee.

# Focus on Feasibility

*A workshop on assessing new business ideas and understanding feasibility studies*

**October 10, 2018 — 8:30 AM-4:30 PM**

**UF/IFAS NFREC-Suwannee Valley (8202 County Road 417 Live Oak, FL 32060)**

- ◆ Presented by Agricultural Marketing Resource Center (AgMRC) staff with experience conducting more than 100 feasibility studies.
- ◆ Needed for USDA Value Added Producer Grants.
- ◆ Learn methodologies to assess the feasibility of proposed business ventures.

Registration Fee: \$25 per person Registration Deadline: October 8, 2018

Register online at <http://www.FocusOnFeasibility.eventbrite.com>. Includes lunch, refreshments, and class materials.

For more information, contact: Dilcia Toro ([dtoro@ufl.edu](mailto:dtoro@ufl.edu), 386-362-1725 ext. 102), or Kevin Athearn ([athearn@ufl.edu](mailto:athearn@ufl.edu), 386-362-1725 ext. 116)



## Microgreens 101

**A hands-on workshop for the prospective commercial grower**

**Thursday, November 15, 2018 • 8:30am—2:30pm**

**UF/IFAS NFREC - Suwannee Valley (8202 CR 417, Live Oak, FL 32060)**

- Crop selection, scheduling and seeding • Post-harvest handling safety
- Maintenance and care • Marketing and sales of the final product

**Registration Fee: \$100.00** \*Class is limited to 20 participants. Registration includes materials, lunch and refreshments.

**To register online**, visit: <http://www.microgreens101.eventbrite.com>

**To register by mail**, send form and payment to: (checks payable to) University of Florida. Mail to: 7580 County Road 136 • Live Oak, FL 32060 (Pick up a registration form from Baker County Extension Office)

For more information, contact:

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Karen Hancock at [khancock@ufl.edu](mailto:khancock@ufl.edu), 386-362-1725, ext. 101





# Accessing Land for Farming New Farmer Short Course

For beginning farmers who have some farming experience and are looking for land.

- Assess your readiness for land tenure: goals & finances
- Land tenure options & finding available land
- Land parcel evaluation & site assessment
- Prepare for land purchase or lease

**Course Dates: November 2—November 16, 2018**

The course includes two components:

1. Eight hours of online learning activities: November 2 — November 15
2. A one-day workshop and local farm visit: November 16, 9:00 AM—3:30 PM

**Workshop Location: UF/IFAS NFREC—Suwannee Valley  
8202 County Road 417  
Live Oak, FL 32060**

Registration Fee: \$30 primary participant, \$20 secondary participant

Registration Deadline: November 1st

Register online at <http://www.LandforFarming.eventbrite.com>

Course registration includes access to the course website and materials (November 2-15), as well as the workshop, lunch, and a farm visit on Nov. 16. You must have an email address and Internet access to take the course.

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