35th Kentucky Alfalfa Conference

Darold Akridge, Photographer
Collage picture re-presented by Bret Winsett during the 35th Kentucky Alfalfa Conference
Gifts given to Garry at his retirement celebration on Wednesday night – Picture collage of companies, organizations, meetings, etc. that Garry has worked with over his 40 years with UK (given by KFGC), Framed print of large round bales in a field (given by the UK Research & Education Center).
Gifts given to Garry at his retirement celebration on Wednesday evening – Mantle Clock (given by KFGC), Small Framed Picture (given from Christi), Honorary Commissioner of Agriculture Certificate (given by Commissioner Comer’s Office), Western Kentucky University Jacket & Shirt (given by the WKU Agriculture Department).
JAMES R. COMER
COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:
Know Ye That The
Garry Lacefield
Is Commissioned As
HONORARY COMMISSIONER
OF AGRICULTURE
This honor conferred with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities thereunto appertaining.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made patent and the seal of the Commonwealth to be hereunto affixed.

DONE at the Kentucky State Capitol,
Frankfort, on the Twenty-Fourth Day of February
in the year of our Lord Two Thousand
and Fifteen, the Two Hundred Twenty-Third
Year of the Commonwealth.

[Signature]
Commissioner
Registration
Tonya checks to make sure there are plenty of refreshments available.
Silent Auction
And the bidding begins!!!
Exhibitors
Don Ball signs Don Sorrell’s 5th Edition copy of Southern Forages
Pre-conference preparations
The Conference Begins
Dr. Jimmy Henning welcomes everyone on behalf of the College of Agriculture, Food & Environment!
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Forage

- High yielding (alfalfa), 5-5 tons per acre
- Good stands, at least 5+ plants per sq. ft.
- High yielding variety
- Be able to mow some of the area for hay early in the season or have extra cattle
- Productive soils
- High fertility
- pH around 6.5
Forage

- High yielding (alfalfa), 5-6 tons per acre
- Good stands, at least 5+ plants per sq. ft.
- High yielding variety
- Be able to mow some of the area for hay early in the season or have extra cattle
- Productive soil
- High fertility
- pH around 6.5
- Strive to use the right tools, your management will get better.
- Getting better is the key, not reaching 1400 lbs.
- Be Lucky.
An unexpected break in the conference schedule
John Nowak has a presentation unbeknownst to Garry of another retirement gift from KFGC.
Garry was presented with the knife pictured above. He was actually presented with two knives and a third knife was added to the Silent Auction.
Surprise break is over!

Now back to business!!!
Cave City, Kentucky,
February 26, 2015

Peter Ballerstedt, PhD
Forage Product Manager
Barenbrug USA
Lunch is served.
Peter was really hungry!!!
KY Dept. of Agriculture
Hay Awards
KFGC
Alfalfa Service Award Winners
Dr. Peter Ballerstedt – Warren Thompson Alfalfa Industry Service Award
Christi Forsythe –
Garry D. Lacefield
Alfalfa Public Service
Award Winner
Cheryl Lacefield –
Garry D. Lacefield
Alfalfa Public Service Award Winner
2015 Alfalfa Service Award Winners – A case of real identity confusion
Garry Lacefield with 2015 Alfalfa Service Award Winners – Myron Ellis, Christi Forsythe, Cheryl Lacefield & Peter Ballerstedt
Hay Quality
Contest 2nd Place
Tina Bowling – Hay Quality Contest Winner
Gene announces the Silent Auction Winners
Afternoon Program Begins
Final Words of the day
Garry autographs a few books
Garry autographs a few more books
It’s a family affair!!!
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Time to get things cleaned up for the next event!
A BIG Thank You to DAROLD AKRIDGE for taking all these wonderful pictures at the Conference.
The 35th Kentucky Alfalfa Conference comes to an end.