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KENTUCKY NUT GROWERS ASSOCIATION UPCOMING MEETINGS

There is no Fall 2021 meeting scheduled for the Kentucky Nut Growers Association. Please stay tuned to the Spring 2022 newsletter for possible spring and future KNGA meetings.

We hope you had a productive fruit and nut crop this year, and are enjoying the beautiful fall weather.

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Spotted Lanternfly on our Border

Jonathan L. Larson and Ric Bessin, Entomology Extension Specialists, and Joe Collins, State Entomologist's Office

Reprinted from University of Kentucky Fruit Facts September/October 2021 newsletter

This summer, some distressing news was delivered regarding spotted lanternfly, a worrisome invasive species. Unfortunately, an infestation of this pest was found in Southeastern Indiana, specifically near the city of Vevay in Switzerland County. The location is about 2.4 miles away from Gallatin County, KY. The Office of the State Entomologist has implemented and checked spotted lanternfly traps on our side of the Ohio River and thus far have found no evidence of this pest in Kentucky. This is something that will be closely monitored for the foreseeable future though.

What is Spotted Lanternfly? Spotted lanternfly (aka SLF) is a serious invasive insect pest capable of building large populations. SLF is native to East Asia and was first found in southeastern Pennsylvania in 2014. Since that initial discovery, it is has spread to many counties in Pennsylvania, as well as into Virginia, New Jersey, Ohio, Delaware, New York, Connecticut, Maryland, and West Virginia. SLF is very distinctive in appearance; the adult is about an inch long with strikingly patterned forewings. The upper portion of these wings have black spots and the tips have a latticework of black rectangles. The back wings are contrasting red, black, and white. The immature stages are black with white spots and develop red patches as they age.



Figure 1: An adult spotted lanternfly has a very distinctive and colorful appearance. The fore wings are half spotted and half reticulated, while the back wings are a mixture of black, white, and red. (Photo: Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Bugwood.org)

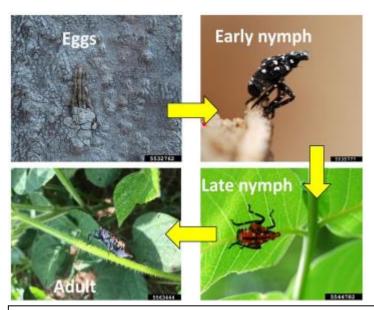


Figure 2: Spotted lanternflies start as eggs, which look like they are covered with brown-grey spackle, and then develop through spotted nymphal stages before maturing into the adult form. (Photos: Lawrence Barringer, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Bugwood.org)

What does it do? Tree of Heaven (another non-native/invasive species) is the primary host for SLF. However, this pest is also known to feed on over 70 other plant species, including important hosts such as grapes, hops, maple, and black walnut, amongst other hardwoods and fruit crops. SLF is a true bug, part of the order Hemiptera, and they feed using piercing sucking mouthparts. As they feed, they excrete honeydew, a sugary fecal material that accumulates on nearby plants and surfaces and can attract black sooty mold issues. SLF also invades structures in the fall, similar to brown marmorated stink bugs and Asian multicolored lady beetle. Finally, females will lay their eggs on natural and unnatural surfaces alike. While they use trees, the cryptic egg cases have also been found on cars, lawn furniture, firewood, stones, and many other substrates. This causes issues for quarantine and a headache for those that live in infested areas trying to move goods out of the quarantine area.



Figure 3: Be on the lookout for the weird looking adults and for the egg masses spackled onto surfaces as seen here. Don't bring home any unwanted hitchhikers and help us by reporting odd sightings! (Photo: Richard Gardner, Bugwood.org)

What can people do to help? While there is no known evidence of SLF in Kentucky, people should be looking out for this pest and report suspicious insects either to their county Extension office or directly to the UK Entomology Department. The report in Indiana was in association with Tree of Heaven, as this is the preferred host for egg laying in the fall.

KNGA ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Would you like to receive the KNGA Newsletter electronically? This would enable you to see photos in color, easily follow internet links, and save paper. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email, please send your name and email address to sheri.crabtree@kysu.edu.

The Northern Nut Growers Association has a podcast: Find the **NNGA podcast, Go Nuts** on the NNGA website at https://nutgrowing.org/go-nuts/

Please check out the **Kentucky Nut Growers Association Facebook Page** at: https://www.facebook.com/Kentucky-Nut-Growers-Association-1599224510355036/

The **Fruit and Nut Cultivar Nursery Sources List** has been revised and is available at https://www.uky.edu/hort/sites/www.uky.edu.hort/files/documents/HortFact_3002_2020.pdf, or ask your county extension office to print a hard copy.

2021 Kentucky State Fair Fruit and Nut Results

Interested in entering your nuts at the 2022 Kentucky State Fair? The deadline for entry is generally in early July (please see www.kystatefair.org or contact your county Extension agent for more information and deadlines in spring/early summer 2022 when the 2022 Premium Book is released). Nuts should be from the previous year, and exhibits should be in place by the opening day of the Fair. Several dropoff locations will be available at county extension offices for those not able to travel to Louisville to enter exhibits in person.

Best quart Black Walnuts, Surprise variety

- 1 Susan Arnold La Grange KY
- 2 Ray Armstrong Shepherdsville KY
- 3 William Price Shepherdsvlle KY

Best pint Chinese Chestnuts, any other grafted variety

1 William Price Shepherdsville KY

Best pint Shagbark Hickory

- 1 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY
- 2 Charles (Matt) Nadorff Brooks KY

Best quart Shellbark Hickory

1 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY

Best pint Filberts or Hazelnuts

- 1 Susan Hancock Ekron Ky
- 2 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY
- 3 Charles (Matt) Nadorff Brooks KY

Best pint Hicans (pecan x hickory)

1 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY

Nut Sweepstakes Award

1 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY



Best Plate Persimmons, any other variety

- 1 Charles (Matt) Nadorff Brooks KY
- 2 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY
- 3 Charles Thompson Jeffersonville IN
- 4 Joyce Salmon Louisville KY

Best Plate Persimmons, any seedling selection

- 1 Charles (Matt) Nadorff Brooks KY
- 2 Charles (Matt) Nadorff Brooks KY
- 3 Charles Nadorff Brooks KY
- 4 Teresa Nadorff Brooks KY



Best Plate Pawpaws, Sunflower variety

- 1 Charles Thompson Jeffersonville IN
- 2 Joyce Salmon Louisville KY

Best Plate Pawpaws, any seedling

- 1 Tony Cissell Louisville KY
- 2 Seth Singleton Prospect KY

Best Plate Pawpaws, any other variety

- 1 Cindy Badder Mt Washington Ky
- 2 Charles Thompson Jeffersonville IN
- 3 Steven Elble Louisville Ky
- 4 Norman Bader Louisville KY



2021 Kentucky Black Walnut Hulling Stations

Black walnuts can be sold to commercial hullers in Kentucky. Bring the whole seed to the huller locations and they will run them through a machine to remove the hulls. They will weigh the walnuts after the hulls have been removed and pay \$18 per 100 lbs. Hulling stations are scheduled to be open through November 15, 2021, however, it is recommended that you contact your local huller prior to gathering nuts. Call Hammons Products Company at 1 (888) 429-6887 for questions or see www.black-walnuts.com.

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Uria Yoder 859-588-0001 2126 Salem Pike, Cynthiana, Ky 41031

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

North American Fruit Explorers virtual conference November 15-20, 2021 via Zoom. https://nafex.org/index.php/nafex-2021-virtual-conference/. Contact: admin@nafexmembers.org

Small, Limited Resource, Minority Farmers Conference. November 16-18, 2021, virtual. For more information, please contact shelley.spiggle@kysu.edu, 502-597-6325. Registration: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kentucky-small-limited-resource-minority-farmers-conference-virtual-tickets-187661930887

Kentucky Fruit and Vegetable Conference. Jan. 3-4, 2022 Sloan Convention Center, 1021 Wilkinson Trace, Bowling Green, KY 42103. https://kyhortcouncil.org/kentucky-fruit-and-vegetable-conference/ For more information, contact Kentucky Horticulture Council at 859-490-0889; Email: info@kyhortcouncil.org.

Indiana Horticulture Conference and Expo January 19-20, 2022, Indianapolis, IN. https://www.indianahortconference.org/. For more information, contact 765-494-1296 or email inhortconference@purdue.edu.



Annual Dues Information

NOTICE: the year listed immediately after your address label indicates the year through which your membership dues are paid. Please note that dates highlighted in pink indicate that your KNGA membership is past due. Please renew your membership. Thanks!

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