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Community Spotlight

Greene County 4-H

4-H is a youth development program for students in grades 4–12 that helps young people learn by doing, build confidence, develop leadership skills, and explore new interests. **Greene County 4-H offers opportunities in a wide variety of agriculture and animal science, STEM, outdoor recreation, leadership, communication, and other hands-on, skill-based topics.**

If you have children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, or family members in grades 4–12 who might enjoy learning new skills and getting involved, Greene County 4-H has something for them!

Call, stop by the Greene County Extension Office, or visit greene.tennessee.edu for more information about local clubs and opportunities.



Join US on the BAND APP

Stay up-to-date on all things 4-H in Greene County
Students and Parents Welcome to join!

- Judging Team Practices!
- Honor Club Dates!
- Exciting Opportunities!



Search (Greene County 4-H) or
scan the QR code to join!

September at a Glance

This section will highlight upcoming programs, events, and workshops happening throughout the month. Be sure to check here regularly for important dates, registration details, and opportunities to connect with UT Extension Greene Co. Stay Tuned!

Quick Tools

2026 UT Extension Fruit and Veggie Calendar: [HERE>](#).

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Plant of the Month

Aster tataricus
–Tartarian aster

- Tall, late-season bloomer.
- Nectar for bees, butterflies, and other pollinators.
- Hardy and spreading.
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From Anna's Desk



Interested in Tennessee Master Gardener involvement? Make sure you're on our email list! We use email to share upcoming involvement opportunities, events, and important Master Gardener updates. HINT! HINT!

— Anna Parsons, ANR Extension Agent I

| In the Garden This Month

September Garden To Do

September is a busy transition month in the garden as warm-season crops continue producing while fall crops get established.

- Keep harvesting warm-season crops and preserve extras by canning, freezing, or drying.
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- Stay ahead of weeds and remove them before they go to seed.
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- Monitor soil moisture, pests, and diseases, especially on late-season tomatoes, beans, squash, and other warm-season crops.
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- Plant and transplant fall vegetables, keeping new crops evenly watered and properly fertilized.
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- Remember that fall crops may take longer to mature as temperatures and daylight decrease.
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- Plant fall cover crops in September to provide winter soil protection and improve soil health.
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| Resource Roundup

- (SP291G) *Fall Vegetable Gardens*
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- (W346F) *Season Extension Methods*
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- (W874A) *Annuals and Biennials for Tennessee Landscapes*
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| Seasonal Snapshots

Fall Leafy Crops

Fall is an excellent time to grow leafy vegetables in containers, raised beds, or the garden. Leaf lettuce can be direct-seeded in multiple plantings from August through October. For something different, try Bibb, buttercrunch, oakleaf, or romaine lettuce varieties. Kale is especially cold-hardy and comes in a variety of colors and

textures, while arugula germinates and grows quickly for a flavorful addition to fall salads.

Keep young plants consistently watered as they become established, especially during dry periods. Harvest leafy greens regularly to encourage continued production throughout the fall.

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| Lawn & Landscape

September is a great time to seed or overseed tall fescue; mow established lawns as needed and monitor for weeds. For established lawns, continue mowing as

needed and manage weeds before they become a bigger problem. Test your soil before applying fertilizer to make sure your lawn receives the nutrients it actually needs.

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