A specialty grains meet-up reception and dinner at Hermitage Farm in Goshen, KY with local small grain plant and soil scientists, growers, distributors, processors, and end-users from across the Ohio Valley joining in conversation and connection.

Good Grain Gathering
February 1, 2023
6-9PM

Reception and dinner sponsored by
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Special Guests
Tristan Noyes
Maine Grain Alliance
Executive Director (Center)

Dave Van Sanford
PhD,
University of Kentucky
Wheat Breeder and
Genetics Professor
(Top Right)

Sarah Halcomb
Coordinator of the nascent
Ohio Valley Grain
Exchange
(Bottom Right)

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Opening Remarks by
Tim Nall
Brown-Forman SVP Chief
Global Supply Chain and
Technology Officer;
Dendrifund Past and
Founding Director
(Top Left)

Closing remarks by
Elizabeth McCall
Woodford Reserve Master
Distiller; Dendrifund Board
Director (Bottom Left)

Moderation
Robyn Paulekas
Meridian Institute
(Top Center)

Table Hosts
Added: Ashton Wright & Brian Brandt
RT Case
Owner, South Fork Malthouse

Erica Fields
Founder, Brooks Grain LLC

John Halcomb
Farmer, Walnut Grove Farms

Sarah Halcomb
Walnut Grove Farms
Coordinator, Ohio Valley Grain Exchange

Krista Jacobsen
Faculty Chair of The Food Connection,
University of Kentucky

Laura Knoth
Executive Director, KY Small Grain Growers

Chad Lee
Extension Professor, University of Kentucky

Leonard Lee
Senior Global Category Manager for
Grains and Energy, Brown-Forman
Chair, American Malting Barley Assoc.

Elizabeth McCall
Master Distiller, Woodford Reserve
Board Director; Dendrifund

Bob Perry
Chef in Residence, University of Kentucky
Dietetics and Human Nutrition

Carl Schwinke
Vice President of Grain Supply,
Siemer Milling Company
**Rye Farmer Discussion**
February 1 from 9:30AM - 1:00PM

**MEETING OBJECTIVES**
- Farmers share their experiences of rye production to complement quantitative data collection on rye.
- Farmers and value chain members build relationships and exchange knowledge on the ongoing development of rye as a viable commercial product in Kentucky.

Break Out Discussions:
- Planning and Planting Rye
- Growing, Harvesting and Post-Harvest
- Scaling Production

Planning Committee: Dendrifund, Walnut Grove Farms, University of Kentucky, KY Small Grain Growers Association, American Farmland Trust, and Woodford Reserve / Brown-Forman
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| Moderated by Meridian Institute |

**Ohio Valley Grain Exchange**
Small Group Planning Meetings
February 1 from 1:30 - 5:30PM

**MEETING OBJECTIVES**
- Align on a vision, mission, and goals for the Ohio Valley Grain Exchange.
- Outline priority activities and tangible next steps for each goal area.

Full Group Discussions, Prioritization, and Planning Next Steps:
- Goal 1: Connectivity and relationships
- Goal 2: Research and information sharing
- Goal 3: Improve the infrastructure
- Goal 4: Enhance demand and marketing

Hosted by Sarah Halcomb, Dave Van Sanford, & Barbara Hurt
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Meridian Moderators from Left to Right: Vanessa Kulick Price, Heather Lair, Robyn Paulekas and Anne Seefeldt
INITIATIVE TO BRING RYE BACK TO KENTUCKY, Rye Farmer Discussion, February 1 from 9:30am - 1:00pm
In appreciation to all event and meeting participants, planners, sponsors, and hosts supporting the advancement of local, sustainable grain value chains.

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