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## THE WORLD OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Have you ever wondered, "What makes a pound a pound? How do I know that what I think is a gallon of gas is the same as what my neighbor in the next town over thinks is a gallon? Who is the keeper of these standards? Come to think of it, has that scale at my grocery store ever been checked out? And who's verifying the meter on my taxicab? More importantly, how do I know I'm getting my fair share when I buy (or sell) a bushel of strawberries?"

Some of these are deep thoughts. And yet, they affect our everyday lives in countless ways, some big and some small. Thankfully, folks like you and me can take a load off and rest easy. Because the Weights and Measures Division of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) is doing the heavy lifting, if you will, to ensure equity in the marketplace.

In this issue, we're celebrating National Weights & Measures Week, commemorating when President John Adams signed the first U.S. weights and measures legislation into law on March 2, 1799. We'll peek inside the wide world of weights and measures, as well as the lengths that LDAF Weights and Measures staff go to every day in order to protect all Louisiana citizens.



**LDAF Division of Weights & Measures staff annually conduct inspections on 1,000s of products and devices.**

Humans have been buying, selling, and trading valuables from the beginning of time. With the rise of agriculture, civilizations started to stay in one place and build stores of goods like grains, wine, olive oil, and salt. As societies specialized in different goods unique to their location, they began to depend on each other to trade for different goods and commodities. All this trade among separate and competing groups required a consistent value system to produce fair and equitable transactions, which, as you can imagine, quickly became a concern.

With no global currency, and in some places no currency at all, trade values grew out of perceived fairness and natural scarcity. How much would a barrel of wine be worth in grain, salt, or tools? Evidence of the use of weights and measures dates as far back as ancient Mesopotamia, and you can find references to false balances, scales, and just weights throughout the Bible.

Although there seems to have been an effort to use accurate and fair weights and measures practices, by the Middle Ages, the world only had a mish-mash of imprecise, unreproducible standards; they could be based on anything from an animal's average work ability to the measurements of various royal body parts. For example, legend has it that King Henry I of England (who ruled from 1100 to 1135) defined a yard as the distance from the tip of his nose to his extended arm.

However, in 1215 the English produced the Magna Carta. Not only did this document come to define liberty in Western Civilization, but it also gave the world its first large-scale standardization of weights and measures. As the British empire spread across the globe over the next several centuries, the principles of the standardized weights and measures system were eventually exported around the world.

In Louisiana, federal and state laws did not introduce a formal and official system of weights and measures until 1912. In the United States today, our measurement standards, which the Constitution established, are adopted by federal law and through various international treaties. For example, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) houses the physical standards on which all state-operated metrology labs — like the one we operate at LDAF — base their own in-house standards. State labs then use those

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# LOUISIANA AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY TODAY

## Application Period Open for FY 2023 Vet Medicine Loan Repayment Program

The USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP) announces the opening of the fiscal year (FY) 2023 application cycle. NIFA anticipates that approximately \$10 million in funding will be available in FY23 to help mitigate food animal veterinary service shortages in the United States. VMLRP helps qualified veterinarians offset a significant portion of the debt incurred in pursuit of their veterinary medical degrees in return for their service in certain high-priority veterinary shortage areas.

The VMLRP supports NIFA's Animal Systems portfolio by facilitating professional workforce development in critical agricultural sectors related to animal health and well-being. The program contains two general categories of participation:



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- Mitigation of private veterinary practice shortage situations.
- Mitigation of public veterinary practice and specialty veterinary discipline shortage situations.

VMLRP awardees commit to providing at least three years of food animal veterinary services in a designated veterinary shortage area in return for payments of up to \$25,000 of student loan debt per year with a maximum of \$75,000 for a three-year contract. VMLRP awardees are eligible to reapply to continue to serve their originally awarded shortage situation area in the last year of their contract or one year after their contract ends.

"According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, outstanding student loan debt is growing

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#### ALABAMA SE HAY REPORT, MAR 2, 2023

<b>Bermuda Large</b> .....	Premium .....	\$200
<b>Bermuda Medium</b> .....	Premium .....	\$150-\$200
<b>Bermuda Small Square</b> .....	Premium .....	\$280-\$440

#### SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, FEB 24, 2023

<b>Bermuda Large Round</b> .....	Good/Premium .....	\$130-\$150/bale
<b>Bermuda Small Square</b> .....	Good/Premium .....	\$10-\$13/bale



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Iota  
Iota Farmers Market  
Gazebo on Main St  
2nd/4th Sat, 8AM-12PM, closed in Jan

Crowley  
Crowley Farmers Market  
Located at Tractor Supply  
1st Sat, 9AM-3PM, closed in Jan

Rayne  
Rayne Farmers Market  
Frog Fest Pavilion, 210 Frog Fest Dr  
2nd Sat, 8AM-2PM

## ALLEN PARISH

Oberlin  
Oberlin Farmers Market  
228 West 6th Ave  
Wed 9AM-12PM, year round

## ASCENSION PARISH

Prairieville  
Riverside Farmers Market of Louisiana  
45020 Manny Guitreau Rd  
Sat, 8AM-1PM

## ASSUMPTION PARISH

Napoleonville  
Barcelo Gardens  
211 Franklin Ave  
Fri, 11AM-3PM, Jan 14 & 29

## AVOYELLES PARISH

Marksville  
Marksville Farmers Market  
122 E. Mark St  
Sat 8-11AM, June

## BEAUREGARD PARISH

DeRidder  
DeRidder Farmers Market  
206 N. Washington Ave  
Daily 7AM-6PM, year round

## BOSSIER PARISH

Benton  
Benton Farmers Market  
495 Simpson  
Sun 12-4PM

Bossier City  
Bossier City Farmers Market  
2950 E Texas St  
Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov

## CADDO PARISH

Greenwood  
Greenwood Farmers Market  
William Peters Town Park  
Sat 8AM-12PM, June-Aug

Shreveport  
Shreveport Farmers Market  
River front at Festival Plaza  
Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Aug

## CALCASIEU PARISH

Lake Charles  
Cash & Carry Farmers Market  
801 Enterprise Blvd  
Corner of Broad & Enterprise  
Tues, 4-6PM, year round

Charlestown Farmers Market  
Bilbo St. behind old City Hall  
Sat. 8AM-12PM, year round

Moss Bluff  
MB Farmers & Crafters Market  
Sam Houston Jones Pkwy  
Sat. 8AM-12PM, April-Oct

## CALDWELL PARISH

Columbia Farmers Market  
Courthouse Square  
Sat. 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug

## CONCORDIA PARISH

Vidalia  
Delta Farmers Market  
405 Carter St - Old Courthouse  
Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze

## EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

Baton Rouge  
Red Stick Farmers Market #1  
Fifth St & Main St  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

Red Stick Farmers Market #2  
Pennington Biomedical (Perkins Rd.)  
Thurs 8AM-12PM, year round

Red Stick Farmers Market #3  
EBRP Library, 7711 Goodwood Blvd  
Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct-Dec

Red Stick Farmers Mobile Market  
7717 Howell Blvd, ExxonMobil YMCA,  
Thurs 9AM-12PM, May-Jul, Oct-Nov

## Zachary

Zachary Farmers Market  
City Hall side parking lot  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

## EVANGELINE PARISH

Ville Platte  
Ville Platte Farmers Market  
East Main St  
May-Aug, Fri 4-6PM

## GRANT PARISH

Colfax  
Colfax Farmers Market  
8th St near Pecan Festival Building  
Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

## IBERIA PARISH

Delcambre  
Delcambre Farmers Market  
Bayou Carlin Cove, 605 S Railroad St  
1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec

## New Iberia

Da Berry Fresh Market  
520 S. Hopkins St  
Wed 10AM-6PM, year round

Teche Area Farmers Market  
Main St. Bouligny Plaza  
Tues 2-6PM, Sat 7-11AM, year round

## IBERVILLE PARISH

St. Gabriel  
St. Gabriel Farmers Market  
3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74  
2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM  
www.stgabrielfarmersmarket.com

## JEFFERSON PARISH

Grand Isle  
Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market  
Oak Lane  
2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM, year round

## Gretna

Gretna Farmers Market  
Huey P. Long Ave  
Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM, year round

## Jefferson

Crescent City Farmers Market #1  
2614 Jefferson Hwy @ Maine St.  
(Ochsner) Wed 3-7PM Oct-Jul

## Metairie

Crescent City Farmers Market #2  
325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy. @ the Lake (Bucktown)  
Fri 3-7PM, year-round

Lafreniere Park Farmers Arts Market  
3000 Downs Blvd, Metairie  
Wed, Jan-Nov, 2-7PM  
Sat, Dec 3, 10, and 17, 9AM-1PM

## JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH

Elton  
Coushatta Farmers Market  
Hwy 190 & Pine St  
1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun

China Country Farms Roadside Produce  
26105 Liberty Cemetery Rd  
Seasonal - Call Sarah 337-368-7404

## Jennings

Main Street Farmers Market  
1333 Elton Rd  
Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec

## Welsh

Welsh Farmers Market  
103 W. Grove St  
Tues 3:30-6PM, May-Sept

## LAFAYETTE PARISH

Lafayette  
Acadiana Farmers Market  
801 Foreman Dr & Dulles St  
Tues & Sat, 5-10AM, year round

Lafayette Jockey Lot Flea Market  
3011 NW Evangeline Thruway  
Sat 9AM-5PM, Sun 10AM-5PM,  
year round

Farmers & Artisans Market Horse Farm,  
2913 Johnston St  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

## LAFOURCHE PARISH

Raceland  
Lafourche Central Market  
4484 Hwy 1 at US 90  
Sat 9AM-12PM, year round

## LASALLE PARISH

Olla  
Olla Town Square Market  
2990 Front St  
Tues 1-5PM, May-Aug 11

## Tullos

Town of Tullos Farmers' Market  
Corner of S Main & Park St  
Fri, 12-4PM, May 1-Aug 28

## LINCOLN PARISH

Ruston  
Ruston Farmer's Market  
220 East Mississippi  
Sat 9AM-1PM, year round

## LIVINGSTON PARISH

Denham Springs  
Livingston Farmers Market  
215 Florida St  
Sat 7AM-12PM, year round

## MADISON PARISH

Tallulah  
Tallulah Farmers Market #1  
404 N Cedar St, Hwy. 65  
Tues, Thurs & Sat, 6AM-5PM  
Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

Tallulah Farmers Market #2  
Court House Square  
Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM  
Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

## MOREHOUSE PARISH

Bastrop  
Morehouse Parish Farmers Market  
305 E Madison  
Mon-Sat 7AM-5PM, year round

## NATCHITOCHE PARISH

Natchitoches  
River Front Downtown  
Sat 8AM-12PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

Natchitoches Farmers Market  
Mobile Market #1 (City Park)  
Tues-Fri 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

Natchitoches Mobile Farmers Market  
Mobile Market #2 (Riverbank)  
Mon-Wed 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

## ORLEANS PARISH

Barcelo Gardens  
2301 Gallier St  
Sat 10AM-1PM, Jan 22

## New Orleans

Crescent City Farmers Market #1  
750 Carondelet @ Julia  
(Downtown)  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

Crescent City Farmers Market #2  
Uptown Square, 200 Broadway  
Tues 9AM-1PM, year round

Crescent City Farmers Market #3  
3700 Orleans Ave  
Thurs 3-7PM, year round

Crescent City Farmers Market #4  
Chartres & Piety @ Crescent Park (Bywater)  
Wed 3-7PM, year round

Main gates of Armstrong Park  
Thurs 3-7 PM, Mar-Nov

## OUACHITA PARISH

Monroe  
Monroe Farmers Market  
1212 Washington St  
Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov

## West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market  
1700 North 7th St  
Mon-Sat 8AM-5PM, May-Oct

## RAPIDES PARISH

Alexandria  
Alexandria Farmers Market #1  
2727 Jackson St  
Tues 3-6PM, year round

## Boyce

Boyce Farmers' Market  
627 Pacific Ave  
Wed 3-6PM, year round

## RICHLAND PARISH

Delhi  
Delhi Farmers Market  
1104 Broadway St  
Mon-Sat 8AM-6PM, Apr-Nov

## ST. CHARLES PARISH

Destrehan  
German Coast Farmers Market 1  
Parking lot of Ormond Plantation  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

## Luling

German Coast Farmers Market 2  
1313 Paul Maillard Rd  
Wed 1-5PM, year round

## ST. HELENA PARISH

Greensburg  
St. Helena Parish Farmers Market  
6032 LA-10, Greensburg  
Fri, 8AM-1PM

## ST. LANDRY PARISH

Opelousas  
St. Landry Farmers Market  
952 East Landry St, Hwy 190  
Tu/Th/Sat 6:30-11AM, Apr-Nov

## Eunice

Eunice Farmers Market  
Second St & Park Ave  
Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

## ST. MARTIN PARISH

Morgan City  
Stephensville Market Rec Park  
3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City  
2nd Sat, 10AM

## ST. MARY PARISH

Berwick  
Berwick Town Market  
Under bridge at 3rd & Lima St  
3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun & Sept-Dec)

## ST. TAMMANY PARISH

Abita Springs  
Abita Springs Farmers Market  
22049 Main St  
Sun 11-3PM, year round

## Covington

Covington Farmers Market #1  
609 North Columbia (City Hall)  
Sat 8AM-noon, year round

Covington Farmers Market #2  
419 North New Hampshire  
Wed 10AM-2PM, year round

## Madisonville

Madisonville Market  
1007 Pine St.  
Sun, July 1, 10AM - 3PM  
Sun, July 11-Sept 26, 10AM-2PM

## Mandeville

Mandeville Trailhead Market  
675 Lafitte St  
Sat 9AM-1PM, year round

## Slidell

Camellia City Farmers Market  
333 Erlanger, Old Towne Slidell  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

## TANGIPAHOA PARISH

Hammond  
Hammond Farmers Market  
2 West Thomas St,  
Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

## TENSAS PARISH

St. Joseph  
St. Joseph Tailgate Market  
Gazebo on Plank Rd  
Sat 8-11AM, Memorial-Labor Day

## TERREBONNE PARISH

Houma  
Cajun Farmers Market of Houma  
Naquin St & Martin L King Blvd  
Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM, year round

## VERMILION PARISH

Abbeville  
Abbeville Farmers Market  
Magdalen Sq, downtown Abbeville  
Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19, Oct 17 & Nov 21, 8AM-1PM

## Kaplan

Kaplan Farmers Market  
Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave  
2nd Sat, 8AM-12PM, year round

## VERNON PARISH

Leesville  
S. 3rd St  
Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM  
Year round

## WASHINGTON PARISH

Franklinton  
Franklinton Farmers Market  
Washington St & 15th Ave  
Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM, year round

## WEBSTER PARISH

Minden  
Market on Turner's Pond  
301 Lakeshore  
1st & 3rd Sat, 8AM-1PM, Jul-Oct

## WEST FELICIANA PARISH

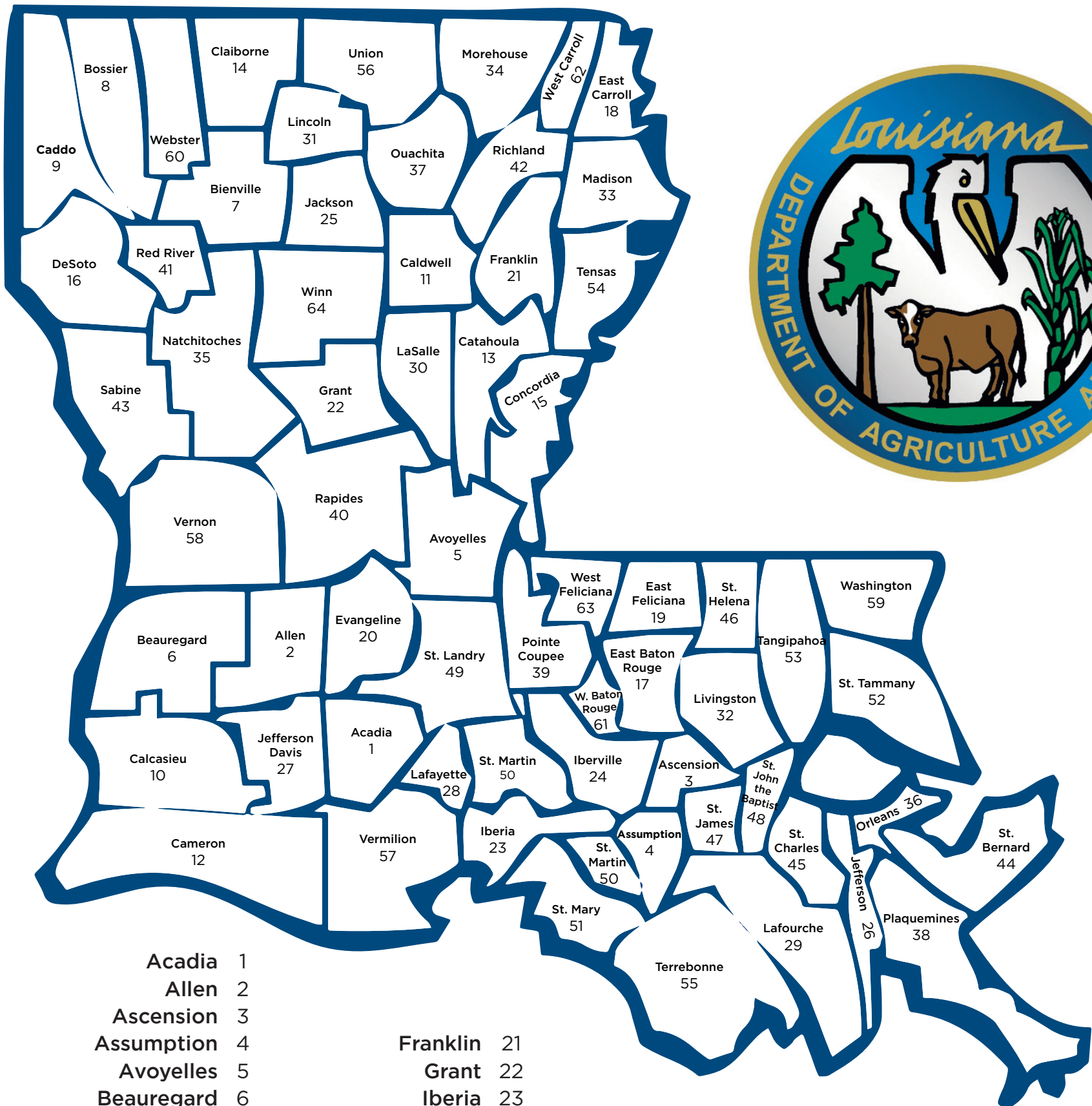
St. Francisville  
St. Francisville Farmers Market  
9992 Wilcox St (Fair Barn)  
Thurs 9AM-1PM, May-Nov

## WINN PARISH

Winnfield  
Winn Farmers Market  
301 West Main  
Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out, year round



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## CATTLE

**ATTENTION bull sellers and buyers:** All non-virgin bulls and bulls older than 24 months for sale in Louisiana must have a current negative trichomoniasis test from an accredited veterinarian before they may be sold. Virgin bulls must have a breeder's certification of virgin status signed by the breeder, the breeder's agent, or an accredited veterinarian. For more information, contact LDAF Animal Health Services and Food Safety at 225-925-3980 or visit the LDAF website at [www.ldaf.louisiana.gov](http://www.ldaf.louisiana.gov).

**REMINDER: Have all your heifer calves** between four and 12 months of age been vaccinated against brucellosis? For information, contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, parish Cattlemen's Association, or parish Farm Bureau.

## ANGUS

**(2) Reg. Angus bulls, 16-months old,** low birth weight, gentle, ready to go to work, \$2,850/each. Eddie May, Caddo Parish; 318-564-3219.

**Reg. black angus embryo bulls** and heifers, spring 22, top maternal pedigrees Schaff angus valley, Coleman angus and Musgrave, halter broke, \$2,500 and up. Mark Lejeune, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; 337-526-3520.

**PB Angus, (3)-bulls, 7-8 months old,** \$700/each. Clinton Breland, Angie, Washington Parish; 985-515-8883.

**Reg. 2-year old Angus bulls,** ready for service, pasture raised, limited feed, gentle, easily handled, \$2,500/each. Errol Aymond, Effie, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-1206.

**Angus bull for sale, handsome** 5-year old, Triple T and Son, semen tested, babies on the ground, \$1,800. Lee Sisk, Saint Martinville, St. Martin Parish; 337-658-0417.

**Reg Angus bred cattle, young,** \$1,500/each, up or if all 5 taken, \$7,500. LD Lacour, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-345-0441.

## BEEFMASTER

**PB Beefmaster heifers, one year old,** not registered, \$800-\$1,000. John Belgard, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-286-3010.

**PB Beefmaster reg. bull,** 8-months, pasture raised, very gentle, top quality. Michael Bergeron, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; 337-423-1324.

**Beefmaster bull, pure bred, not registered,** 12-months, top quality, great disposition, good bloodlines. Michael Bergeron, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; 337-308-8057.

## BRAFORD

**Braford bull, 2-year old, ready to breed,** \$2,000. Ryan Danos, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; 337-304-1262.

## BRAHMAN

**Reg. PB red Brahman cattle,** heifers 12-14 months, \$1,800; 20-25 months, \$2,400; bulls 14-19 months, \$1,600; 20-26 months, \$2,500, gentle grain fed. Evert Talbot, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-978-1798.

**Reg. Brahman bulls, born** 03/12/2021 and 4/22/2021, naturally polled, sired by AI son of LMC Sambo, dams are my two best and most fertile cows, \$2,200 and \$2,400. Clinton Twilley, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-910-0549.

**Reg. Brahman bull, a little over** (2)-years old, extra gentle, halter broke, ready to go to work, \$2,500. Ray Reynolds, Roseland, St. Helena Parish; 985-247-2927.

## BRANGUS

**Brangus bull, 5-years old,** gentle, \$2,000. Bernard Leger, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-323-9808.

**Reg Brangus bull for sale 21** mths, low birth wight bull, never been with cattle, \$2,700. R&R Farms, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-655-9582.

**Brangus bulls, 2-3 year olds,** dam is a Mound creek cow, sires are MC Revalation 129T and Mr New Blood 50H, \$3,250-\$4,000. Ryan Danos, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; 337-304-1262.

## CHAROLAIS

**Reg. Charolais bulls, 18-months old,** \$3,500 and up; reg. heifers, bred \$2,500 up; open heifers, \$1,200 and up. Coy Fitch, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 337-276-5991.

**(3) Charolais bulls, 2-3 years old,** semen tested, ready for breeding, \$2,500/each. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-831-6345.

**Charolais bulls, \$4,000,** Charolais cows, \$2,500; pairs \$3,000, Charolais heifers, \$2,000, Charolangus heifers, \$1,500, all vaccinated and branded. Dr. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

**Commercial Charolais, pick up** cows, off the top end, \$1,250. Robert Simmons, Noble, Sabine Parish; 318-315-0794.

## DEXTER

**Mini Dexter, (1) red tipped** white heifer, (1) solid black bull, both 13-mths old, \$1,000 for heifer, \$800 for bull, text for pics. Steven Breaux, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 337-257-5206.

## HEREFORD

**Polled Hereford heifer & bull** calves, great EPD's, low birth weights, super thick and very gentle, all shots & wormed, 8-15 mos. old, \$1,200-1 & up, delivery avail. for additional charge. Laura Hughes, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-933-2997.

**2.5 year old reg. polled** Hereford bull, LBW, very gentle, \$2,500. James Sibley, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-686-2952.

**(2) Horned Hereford bulls, born** spring of 2022, dark red, nice & gentle, \$1,250/each, call for a view. Damon Kirk, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-709-8101.

**(2) Reg horned Hereford virgin** bulls, DOB 12/2020, horns tipped, gentle, easy going, lbw, thick stout, all shots, dewormed, BSE tested, \$3,500/each. Lennie Wales, Hammond, Livingston Parish; 225-294-3198.

## SANTA GERTRUDIS

**(4) Santa Gertrudis bulls, (1)** 17-month old, (1) 18-month old, \$3,250/each, (2) 4.5-year olds, \$2,850/each, all semen tested, vaccinated & wormed, ready to go to work. Saul Broussard, Gueydan, Vermillion Parish; 337-319-5634.

**Gentle, Reg. Santa Gertrudis** bulls, (2-3) year olds, ready for breeding, excellent bloodlines. Kenny Williams, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 225-276-6970.

## WAGYU

**(30) Wagyu, 1 yr. old, 5 mos.** old, \$1,000, \$650. W.V. Jackson, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-515-0520.

## ZEBU

**Reg. mini zebu bulls, cows,** calves, show quality, \$500/each. Jerome Hammons, Many, Sabine Parish; 318-508-0800.

## DAIRY

**5-year old reg. Jersey cow w/** 1-month old Jersey bull calf, three quarter, will raise calves or milk, former 4H cow, \$1,000. Randy Lea, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-664-5708.

**(2) Holstein heifers, 4-months** old, off champion bloodline,

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## OTHER

**Butcher calves on feed for** approx. 6-months, \$4.25 hanging weight. Gabe Verd, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-264-8448.

**(16) heavy bred cross bred** young cows, must take 5 or more, \$1,400. Keith Guillory; 337-336-2150.

**(2) Angus/Jersey heifers, born** on March 2022, (2) purebred Hereford heifers, no papers, \$800/head. Damon Kirk, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-709-8101.

**Bull calf born Feb 2022,** approx. weight 475+ pounds. Ronald Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-1324.

**Fresh ground beef, no** hormones, vaccines, antibiotics, 4 lbs = \$30, 15 lbs = \$100, 40 lbs = \$265, no shipping available. Keith Guy, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; 504-330-8466.

**Bull calf born Feb 2023, aprox.** weight is 450 lbs., \$700. Ronald Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-1324.

**(1) miniature bull, 4-years old,** (3) miniature cows, 5-years old, cows should be bred, \$800 or \$3,000 for all, Dexter highland piney woods cross. Jerry Corley, Trout, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-8101.

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**Foundation & Running bred** Quarter Horses, imprint as foals, freeze branded & vaccinated, \$3500-up. Dr. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

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**Very gentle male donkey,** 7-years old, great for protecting sheep, goats, & cattle, \$200 cash. Janet Lavergne, 337-230-4167

**Quality cutting & performance** prospects by colonels lil scoot, out of good mares, cowy, smart, trainable and athletic, \$2,500-\$3,500. Dave Broussard, Erath, Vermilion Parish; 337-937-6719.

**Reg. (2) AQHA stud colts, very** gentle, Royal King top and bottom, \$2,500/each. Errol Aymond, Effie, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-1206.

## STALLION SERVICE

**(4) foundation bred stallions,** \$800/\$10 mare care, before coming mares are required to have a negative Coggins test and vet checked ultrasound. Dr. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

**(3)-year old chocolate mini/** small jack standing at stud, Elm Grove, LA, \$200 breeding fee, text only please. Sadie Roberie, Caddo Parish; 318-423-5075.

**AQHA WYO-Blue Buddy, born** July 03, 2012, blue roan stallion, Reg.#5505700, \$500. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

**AQHA horse, Peppi Figure Four,** #5403078 BD, foundation bred stud, 4/20/11, bay roan, health cert. & neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$8 mare. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.



## EQUINE SERVICES

**Horse training, \$800/month,** clean stalls, feed, and water included, general horse training in problem horses. Caylie Cameron, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-446-5659.

**Equine weanling/ yearling** desensitization and groundwork, two week sessions. Perry Fontenot, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-351-3844.

**Honey Do Farms, Western** lessons, birthday pony parties, traveling petting zoo, summer camps. Kori Schexnayder, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; 337-668-4777.

**5B Breaking & Training, AQHA** Professional Horseman's Team member, specializing in 2-yr. old & problem horses, developing good broke ranch cow horses, 39 yrs. exp. w/references, covered & outside arena. John Brown, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 225-931-9210.

**Twisted T Equine Dentistry, full** performance float, \$100/horse. Taylor Lewing, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-880-4890.

**Russ Mixon training stables,** lessons for ages 5 and up, boarding, leasing, horse training & sales, 50+ yrs., exp., located in Pride. Russ Mixon, Pride, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-654-9254.

**Reining & ranch riding training** in Iota, colt starting, finishing, tuning, showing, lessons & sales prep, trained under NRHA pros Dean Brown & Terry Gatte & AQHA judge Chele Mcgauly, \$750/30 hay & feed included. Taryn Mcspadden, Iota, Acadia Parish; 337-532-3966.

**Ron's Horseshoeing, shoeing &** trimming, all breeds of horses over 20 yrs. exp., pro, reliable service. Ron Judice, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-519-1203.

## TACK

**Show supplies, ropes, halters,** load, hay base, etc, make offer. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

**Professional saddle repair,** custom made tack, used saddles for sale, cell phone holders, gun holsters, knife sheaths. Ronney Francois, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-945-3628.

**Saddle rack, very sturdy, made** from 1" & 2" tube steel, holds 6-saddles, 6-blankes, and 5-spots for bridles, \$800. Doug Cornelius, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-301-9859.

## SHEEP & GOATS

**Katahdin ram lambs, (3) super** large frame lambs, 4-months old, ready for freezer or breeding, \$160, parents on site. Mike Latiolais, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-351-7979.

**Royal White flock, 13 ewes & 1** ram, registered; (1) unregistered ewe & (5) lambs, (4) can be registered; (3) great Pyrenees dogs must go with the heard, \$6,000 for all. Natalie Mills, Lottei, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-4586.

**(2) neutered male pygmy** goats, w/ blue eyes, 2-years old, free to good home. Margo Hyatt, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; 318-426-4052.

**Katahdin sheep KHSI 100%,** registered, 2023, lamb crop, rams, ewes, Midwest champion

bloodlines, top genetics, weaned mid to late May, prices vary. Ricky Lobell, Galvez, Ascension Parish; 225-715-9219.

**(4) young neutered, small** friendly goats, (1) half kiko half brush buck, \$150, young does various ages, some half Nigerian, call for prices. Edsel Poole, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; 985-630-8144.

**Katahdin ram, Intact, born** 05/13/23, nice conformation, pics on request, unregistered, \$200. Rachel Fusilier, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-336-1682.

**2023 Dorper Katahdin lambs,** call for info. Harry Latiolais, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-470-9995.

**Nigerian dwarf bucks, one** proven mature alpine buck, ND bucks are 2-mths old, \$150/each. (text during work hrs please) Eric Jarrell, Hornbeck, Vernon Parish; 337-353-9550.

**Reg. Angora goats, will have** doe kids & buck kids available, worm resistant, require shearing, crosses extremely well with typical goats, \$200+ each. Allison Reeves, Dry Creek, 337-375-6364.

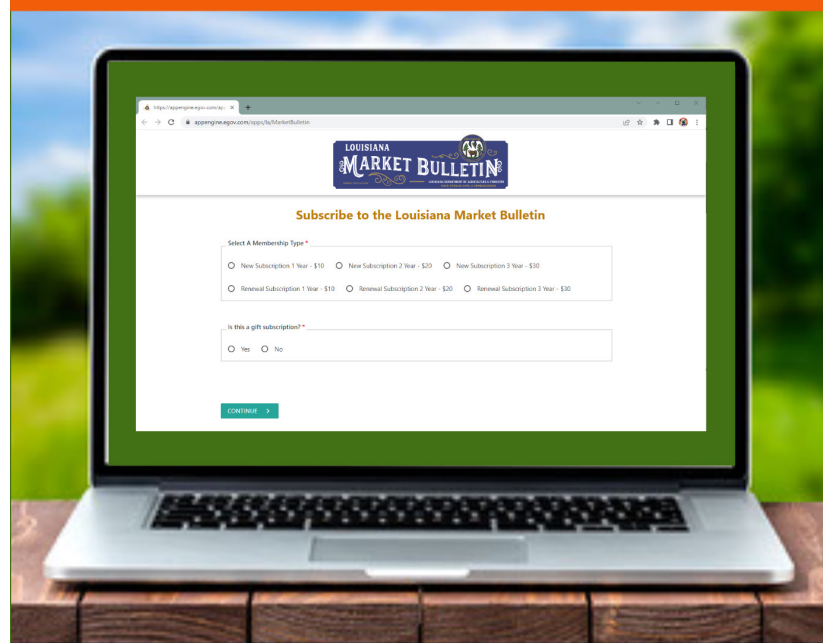
**Reg. Gulf coast native lambs,** will have ewe lambs & ram lambs available, worm resistant, wool sheep, \$250/each. Allison Reeves, Dry Creek, 337-375-6364.

**9-month old Nubian boer buck,** \$300. Cody Wilkerson, Many, Sabine Parish; 318-379-8938.

## DOGS

**PB CKC German Shepherd** puppies, 7-weeks old, first shots, (3) males, (2) females, black & tan or pure white, \$350/each. D. Johnson, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-223-7209.

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**1/2 Jack Russell 1/2 Rat Terrier** puppies, brown & white, black & white, silver gray & white, \$100/each. Jimmy Forestier, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-581-9937.

**(2) great Pyrenees puppies,** 6-months old, \$100/each obo. Arnold Fee, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; 318-451-5277.

**Blue eyed gyp Great Pyrenees** puppies, (3) males, excellent guard dogs, shots & wormed, \$250/ each, \$100 deposit. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

**AKC Collie (lassie type) tri** color, born 1/7/23, great w/ children & adults, mom & dad on site, request pics, \$900 M or F. Dianne Price, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-304-3511.

**Reg. toy rat terriers, very small,** assorted colors, UTD on shots, worming, \$400. Jerome Hammons, Many, Sabine Parish; 318-508-0800.

**Reg. Mullin mountain feist** squirrel dog, 3-year old male, make offer. Perry Morgan, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-481-8364.

**Reg. Mullin mountain feist** squirrel dog puppies, 6mths old, (3) males, make offer. Perry Morgan, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-481-8364.

**Jack Russell gyp, puppies will** be born on 2/18/23, \$150/each, \$50 deposit, will have all shots and wormed, great house or training dogs. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

**Half Jack Russell, half Rat** Terrier puppies, born on 4/9/23, \$150/each, \$50 deposit, 10-in-1 shots. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

**AKC yellow lab born, 7/5/2021,** all shots, partly trained, retrievers, geese, ducks, \$1,000. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

**F1bb Labradoodles ready to go** for February 9, \$1,200. John Coon, Springfield, Livingston Parish; 985-551-1970.

**AKC Golden retriever puppies,** vaccinated, healthy and happy, will be ready for Valentines day. Scharrie Robin, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 504-418-6462.

**Rat Terrier pups for sale, also** have 2-year old, male, Jack Russel looking for a home, free. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-447-0244.

**Mountain cur squirrel dog.** Brenda, Allen Parish; 318-335-1414.

**AKC European Belgian Malinois** pups, excellent bloodlines, easily trained, super well socialized, perfect family protection dogs, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

**AKC European German** Shepherd pups, excellent family protection dogs, easily trained, gets along well with others,

\$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

**AKC small, tri-color male** beagle, 3-mths old, silky hair, minimal shedding, loves kids, perfect house dog, \$500. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

**CKC Shih Tzu pups for sale,** 4-mth old, shots & wormed, paper trained, \$600/each. Jean Bradley, River Ridge, Jefferson Parish; 504-737-1234.

**Pure Bred collie mother, father** is blue merle, puppy is black w/ full white collar, shots, 7 weeks, \$500 firm. 337-466-1445 or 337-457-5467.

**Blue/Red Heeler puppies for** sale, will be ready around 2/18/23. Bonnie Pontier, 318-359-1757 or 318-359-4519.

**AKC Running beagles, off of** field champion, come and watch them run before you buy, \$400/each. Albert Poche, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-974-7888.

**Anatolian shepherd pups, ready** mid-February, \$200/each. Dorsey Dutil, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-967-4000.

**CKC Poodles and schnoodles,** shots, dewormed, vet checked, food, puppy pack, ready now, \$800-\$850. Tommy Melancon, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; 337-344-7634.

**AKC Pembroke Welsh corgi,** 1-year old, love him but cannot keep him, \$800. Paul Gil, Patterson, St. Mary Parish; 985-397-6407.

**Great Pyrenees, Ak bash,** Anatolian male, 11-mths old, raised with horses & sheep, chicken killer, \$200. Rhonda East, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; 337-962-8239.

**Rabbit beagles for sale, deer** broke, \$150. Paul Saucier, Boyce, Rapides Parish; 318-446-0196.

**Red & Blue heeler pups, born** 12/28/2022, \$300/each, parents on site. Al Reames, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-721-1673.

**Rhodesian Ridgeback XL, AKC,** stud services, fee or pick of litter, red wheaten with black snout, 110 lbs., 18-mths, photos at dcmventures@reagan.com. Christine Midkiff, Many, Sabine Parish; 337-789-7242.

## SWINE

**(3)-slaughter hogs, (2)** estimated to weigh 300-400 lbs. live, (1) estimated to weigh 250-300 live, should dress between 200 & 270 lbs, \$2/ pound dressed weight, will deliver to slaughterhouse within 30 miles free of charge, price negotiable if want to pick up, (2) duroc/Hereford cross, (1) blue butt/red wattle cross. Clint Ladner, Forest Hill, Rapides Parish; 318-446-1528.

## DOMESTICATED BIRDS

**Ring neck doves, \$5/each,** minimum order of 4 doves. Victor Dugas, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; 337-258-7565.

**Female opaline red rump** parakeet, DNA tested, \$200; Blue White tail diamond doves, \$50/each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish; 985-652-6614.

**1 oz calcium blocks, \$3/each; 1** oz mineral blocks, \$3/each; 3 oz calcium blocks, \$5/each; 3 oz mineral blocks, \$5/each; unbleached and natural cuttle bone, \$22/lb. Chad Bellanger, Lafourche Parish; 985-387-2580.

**Stanleys Rosellas Lutino, \$800/** each; split Lutino males, \$800/ each; Golden Eastern Rosellas, visual and split pairs, \$1,500/ pair. Milford Johnson, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-241-8782.

**Peacocks, males females,** assorted colors, \$200/each. Jerome Hammons, Many, Sabine Parish; 318-508-0800.

**Green wing macaw, \$2500 and** up, Indian Ringnecks, \$600 and up, Quakers Bonded PR \$600, Parakeets, \$25 and up, Button Quail, \$40/PR and up. Dave Kuhnau, Covington, 985-502-4511.

**Quail laying pens and** homemade raising pens w/ automatic water and feed trays, call for price. Steven Stagg, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; 337-308-0059.

**American parakeet breeders,** \$15/each, \$25/pair, English budgie young, \$50-\$60, lovebird breeders, orange opaline yellows, blues, and greens, \$90-\$120. Mike Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-658-1625.

## POULTRY & FOWL

**Baby Pilgrim geese, \$25/each.** Kenneth Fontenot, Welsh, Jeff Davis Parish; 337-368-3889.

**2022 hatch wood ducks, pintail,** gadwall and ring teal, \$40/ pair; (2) male Canadian geese, \$50/each; extra male ring teal & female galdwell. Russell Bourgeois, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 985-397-0070.

**Barred Rock roosters, \$12/** each, Rhode Island Red hens, \$15/each. Kennon Thibodeaux, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-2135.

**Breeding pair of Chinese** guardian geese, 10-mths old, full grown, great for guarding chickens. Sarah Roland, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-324-9664.

**Laying hens (3) Rhode island** reds, (2) silver laced Wyandotte, (2) barred rocks, \$20/1, chicken

coops, \$850 -\$1,000, red metal, wire floor, nest boxes. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

**Pair white mute swans, 9-mths.** Old, \$1,500 and extra male for \$800. Skipper Hastings, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-764-3037.

**2022 grown guineas, keets** pearl, \$15/each. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-241-2269.

**RR and BO baby chicks,** hatching soon, \$4/each. 225-206-3010.

**Grown turkey toms, \$40/each,** grown Muscovy drakes, \$10/ each, ginger red old English bantams, grown, \$20/pair. W. Lee Wise, Saline, Natchitoches Parish; 318-576-3220.

**Blue laced Wyandotte chickens,** \$50/PR. Dave Kuhnau, Covington, 985-502-4511.

**Wanted: Looking for barred** rock, Rhode island red, or any common hen ready to lay. Jim Smith, DeSoto Parish; 318-218-9690.

## PIGEONS

**Large pigeons, all mature,** breeders, \$10/bird. Larry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-277-5767.

**Pigeons, multiple pairs \$15 and** up/bird, 200 plus mature birds, various breeds such as German beauty, racing homer, and more, call for more info. Mike Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-658-1625.

**Mixed breed, king & homer &** mondane, \$15 pairs, \$6 singles. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

**Homing pigeons for sale many** colors and ages, RED, blues, saddles, stencils, yellow and more colors, PRICE starts at \$20 and up. Larry Landry, Napoleonville, Assumption Parish; 985-414-8220.

**Racing Homing pigeons** different breeds: Blue Bars and Blue Checks speed birds (Janssens), Black eagles, Red and White and Black and white Blue check Grizzle Trenton birds, \$20 each, Vernon James Champagne, Houma, Terrebonne Parish 985-873-8440.

**Young homing pigeons, banded** birds, \$10 for one. Lester Haydel, 225-687-4820 or 225-776-2814.

**Pure racing homing, young** birds, never let out of pen, \$10 each. Louis Poche, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-452-4197.

**Large king pigeons, all colors,** \$30/pair. Dennis Lavergne, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-831-1596.

## EGGS

**Farm fresh chicken eggs,** X-large mostly mixed colors,

brown, white, pink & green, \$5/doz. Monica Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 504-415-2201.

**Fresh farm eggs, \$3.50/doz and** med eggs \$2.50/doz. Tracy, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; 318-664-5131.

**Quail eggs for sale, fresh are .15** cents/egg, fertile are .20 cents/ egg, no deliveries, must pick up, quail chicks available in spring. Larry Champagne, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; 337-332-0622.

**Farm fresh chicken eggs, free** range, cage free, \$3/doz., quality avail. Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; 318-576-3639.

## RABBITS

**Netherland dwarf bunnies,** ready for Easter, \$35/1, new zealand bunnies, \$25/1, rabbit hutch 2'6"X5'X5'1/2"X1", wire floor, \$400 cash. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-289-5478.

**New zealand & californian, all** sizes, live or dressed, virgin breeder does available, \$15 and up. Dale Falcon, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-278-5567.

**Bergeron & Borel's Rabbit** Ranch, 100% pure large & small rabbits, rabbit cages, also custom builds upon request, text or call before 9.PM.daily. Douglas Borel/Elizabeth Bergeron, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-886-8075.

**New Zealand breeding does,** \$25/1, New Zealand bucks, \$20/1, Netherland dwarf bunnies, \$25/1, rabbit hutches, 2x5x5, \$400/1. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

**Flemish Giants for sale,** pedigree show rabbits, light gray & fawn. Jeremy Fontenet, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-376-6156.

**New Zealand male, 1-year old,** \$25/1, mixed breed of different ages. Terry Thibodeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-7217.

## AQUACULTURE

**Crawfish boats for sale, venerable** fabricators, older models that need a little work, call or text for pics. Jason Newchurch, Livonia, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-235-5071.

**6" pump, very good condition,** \$8,000; 450 gal diesel, \$350/ gal; GMC 371 engine, \$4,000, please leave message. Darrell Broussard, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; 337-224-8517.

**Conveyor for Kerian crawfish** grader w/drive motor, excellent condition, ready to go, \$5,500. Bill Krielow, Roanoke, Jefferson Davis Parish; 337-753-2202 or 337-275-0027.

**Pond stocking, blue catfish,** .45¢/1; channel catfish, .35¢/1; coppernose, bluegill, .35¢/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$.40/1; red-ear bream, .40¢/1; blk. crappie, 45¢/1; bass, \$1/1; fathead minnows, \$12.50/lb.; del. avail. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; 318-377-1525.

## FARM SERVICES

**Stump grinding and ISA** certified arborist, consulting, Lic AR1873. James Boureois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-637-7920.

**Rear tire 14.9X24 removed from** 580 backhoe, useable, \$175. M. Weeks, Grayson, Caldwell Parish; 318-322-2107.

**Fencing & services, installation** of farm, agriculture, and commercial fencing, decorative wood, barbed, net wire, pip, pens, etc, will travel to surrounding areas/ out of state. Joe Hensgens, Rayne, Acadia Parish; 985-992-9119.

**New slaughterhouse, domestic** cattle & hogs, custom slaughter, available by appt. only, state of the art vacuum sealer, call for pricing. Mike Clements, Slaughter, East Feliciana Parish; 225-726-3946.

**Restore pastures & fields, mow,** cultivate, eliminate compaction,

contouring, plant, install drainage, ponds, roads, paths, walls, fences, harvest & thin trees, stumps, recondition arenas & gravel roads 8" deep. John Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-634-0074.

**Will remove fences for** materials, wires, posts, and gates, w/no charge if suitable conditions, locations, and access. George Waltner, Many, Sabine, 318-602-8249.

**Cattle penning, working &** hauling, portable equip., large or small herd, problem cattle, 50 years exp., will travel. Terry or Jason, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-789-1927 or 337-322-7601.

**We build & repair fences,** buildings, barns, driveways, & drainage. George Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-405-5229.

**Fence building barb, net,** boards, pipe & hotwire, references provided, \$1/ft. and up, fence cleaning, repairs, catch pens, arenas, custom entry ways, free estimates. Ben Baggett, Mittie, Allen Parish; 337-370-8254.

**Wanted: T.Moise Farms is** hiring, looking for individuals who have experience in meat processing, pay based on experience, call today to schedule phone interview. Monica Melancon, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; 504-812-1508.

## LIVESTOCK BOARDING

**Stalls available for rent at the** Folsom Training Center in Folsom, stall, walking wheel, breaking arena, feed and tack rooms, use of training track, \$5/day. Rebecca Mclindon, St. Tammany Parish; 985-237-3950.

**Horse boarding, pastures for** lease w/ shelter & water. Dean Gentile, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; 225-328-2198.

**Horse boarding, herd** environment, \$100/1 per month, multi. feeding options. Kathern Hollifield, Deridder, Beauregard Parish; 337-462-0964.

**Horse boarding, pasture & full** board avail., new horse facility on 22 acres, vinyl fencing & rope elec. fencing, mare/foal & trailers welcome. Beau or Taylor Fontenot, Jennings, Jeff Davis Parish; 337-329-5582 or 337-387-9854.

**Horse boarding, near Carencro** & Evangeline Training Center, 170 acres, feed & hay 2x day, deworming, fly control, covered lighted arena, a/c tack rooms, hot/cold wash racks, wood round pen, walking wheel, outdoor arena, private paddock w/shelter, \$400/month, stalls avail. at additional cost. Bill Langford, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-280-1535.

**Horse boarding, 1.5 miles from** I-10, overnight or monthly, 5-acre coastal pasture w/barn, place to work horse & trail ride, \$100/month & up; overnight, \$20/1; two or more nights, \$15/1. Lisa Lyon, Welsh, Jeff Davis Parish; 337-370-3479.

## EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

**Brush/land clearing/mulching,** stump grinding, dirt work, storm clean-up, call for estimate, will travel. Paul Benoit, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; 337-319-9831.

**Dump truck, tractor work,** excavator work, limestone, crush concrete, ash, asphalt, dirt, culverts, anywhere, small or big jobs. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-526-1102.

**Land prepared, cleared,** contoured, fields mowed, mulched, cultivated, trees removed, recycled on site for mulch, recondition arenas & gravel roads 8" deep, install ponds, roads, walls, fences, sub-surface drainage. John Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-634-0074.

**Dozer & excavator work** services, land clearing, limestone, dirt, ponds, crawfish ponds, roads, house pads, culvert settings & level work. Chad Helminger, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-5767 or 318-964-2380.

**Land clearing, ponds, drainage,** bush hogging, and much more, call for a free estimate. Ethan Wilson, Dry Creek, Beauregard Parish; 337-396-8489.

**Bush-hog & dirt work, clean up** brush & fence rows, \$50/hr. John Marcantel, Mittie, Allen Parish; 318-306-1564.

**Demo, irrigation, fence line,** bush hogging, etc., Mobile Welding or Fabrication. Joseph or Patrick, Jennings, Acadia Parish; 337-368-3624 or 337-526-8825.

**Stump grinding, Baton Rouge &** surrounding area/parishes, call or text with pictures for details. Peter O'Neal, Baton Rouge, EBRP; 225-715-2284.

**Bush hogging, by the hour or** job, free estimates. Charles Longino, Natchitoches, Natchitoches Parish; 318-715-4814.

**Pasture cutting and small** reclaim jobs, reliable, unbeatable price and weekends only, text or call day or night. Derek Schilling, Clinton, East Feliciana Parish; 225-939-4402.

**Land clearing cleaning, bush** hogging, excavator work, price depends on job. John Schexnayder, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; 337-668-4777.

**Bush hogging, free estimates.** Larry Bears, Rayne, Acadia Parish; 337-501-4349.

**Environmental Testing (sewer** water & runoff water included), dozer, trackhoe, backhoe & tractor work, \$1,000 minimum, state licensed, insured/ bonded. George Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-405-5229.

## NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

**New small animal live trap,** heavy wire, \$40, animal carrying cage, rabbit, puppy, pigeon etc., \$10, vice grips, sockets, pliers, \$1 and up. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion parish; 337-652-6200.

**Wooden Armadillo trap, \$40.** Don Sayes, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-445-0600.

**Hog traps, 8' long x 48" wide x** 34" high, (2) push-in gates, \$350. E.E. Colston, Provençal, Natchitoches Parish; 318-472-6490.

**Professional licensed trapper,** central La. trapping & removal of beavers, coyotes, hogs & other nuisance animals, free estimates. Harry Vermaelen, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-201-5632.

## RURAL PROPERTY FOR SALE

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**52-acres for sale located in** Washington parish, 90% in open fields and 10% wooded area, great place for a home site and a pond, \$265,000. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-515-6655.

## RURAL PROPERTY FOR LEASE

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**200 acres of crawfish fishing** waters for rent located in Vermillion. John Miller; 208-354-3571.

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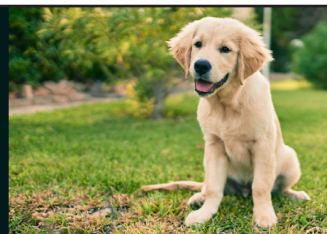
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**Ag lime, \$30/ton, within a** (100)-mile radius. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

**Compost cow manure, \$40/** yard picked up; 18-wheeler loads \$35/yard picked up. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-515-6655.

**Chicken fertilizer, call for** pricing, depends on location. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

**Free horse manure, excellent** fertilizer for gardens, will load in your pick up or trailer w/ tractor. Lloyd Cabellero, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; 337-781-2580.

**Cow manure in sacks, call for** more information. Robert, Oakdale, Allen Parish; 318-335-1414.

**Garden compost \$20/scoop.** Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish, 985-373-4067.

## SEEDS, FLOWERS, & ORNAMENTALS

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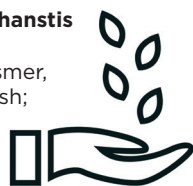
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**Wanted: 2-3 lbs of velvet bean** seed. Jimmie Newsom, Kelly, Caldwell Parish; 318-732-8040.

**Wanted: Stephanstis** seed. James Gauthier, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-563-8482.



## TREES & FRUITING VINES

**Any person who intends to** grow, buy, or sell trees, shrubs, ornamental plants, grass sod, or foliage plants shall obtain a license or permit from LDAF prior to engaging in such activity. For more information, contact LDAF's Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Division at 225-952-8100 or horticulture@ldaf.state.la.us.

**Ruby Sweet guava, \$10 and up,** grafted pear trees, spalding, leconte, orient, moonglo & others, \$15, sweet che one year grafts, \$12/ each. W. Lee Wise, Saline, Natchitoches Parish; 318-576-3220.

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**Spring honey bee's swarms,** \$80, taking orders. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-241-2269.

**(4) horizontal Langstroth hives** with bees, holds 30 deep frames & feeder, \$300/each. Douglas Harper, Quitman, Jackson Parish; 318-259-8741 or 318-533-0401.

**(5) hives with bees, (2) brood** boxes, (1) super with honey, inner cover and top cover, \$250/ each. Douglas Harper, Quitman, Jackson Parish; 318-259-8741 or 318-533-0401.

## HAY & GRAIN

**Mix 30 liquid cow feed, \$1.95/** gallon delivered. Kevin Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston Parish; 225-337-3312.

**2022 mixed grass cow hay, 4x5** round bales, \$25/each. Dana Guillory, Iowa, Jeff Davis Parish; 337-582-3330.

**Bahia grass square bales in** barn. \$8/bale; Bahia grass 5X5 round bales, \$55/bale; under barn, \$65/bale. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish, 985-373-4067.

**(300) Sq bales, Bahia hay, \$5/** each at barn. Louis Blanchard, St. Amant, Ascension Parish; 225-644-2745.

**Clutch for 435 hay bailer,** models that will fit. Ray Lemoine, Plaquemine, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-7472.

**Round bales \$24/bale, bahia** grass, covered, 2022. Randy Babineaux, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-207-3582.

**Bahia hay Pensacola, round** 4X5, fertilized to soil test, cut at 6-week interval, stored in barn w/o rain, \$65/roll, square, \$7.50/ bale. Melvin Husser, Loranger, 985-517-1792.

## TRACTORS

**White tractor 2155 with cab &** air, 160HP w/new allied loader, hay spear, 1800 hrs, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

**48HP Case 885 diesel & 5' bush** hog, \$4,500. Curtis Wittie, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-662-6142.

**Used tractor tires-R1, 2-18.4-30,** 50% t, 2-12.4-24. John Smith, Roanoke, Jeff Parish; 337-302-3437.

**Ford 3000, diesel, good** condition, \$5,000. Dixie Batrous, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-413-7702.

**JD 15-ft batwing bush hog,** good condition, light farm use, \$6,000. Steve Elkins, Spearsville, Union Parish; 318-245-1453.

**1976 Steiger couger 251 III,** Cummins, Case HI 496, 32-ft disc, \$35,000 for both. Miranda Fountain, Mt. Hermon, Washington Parish; 601-303-3271.

**Front grill guard/ bumper for** Ford 8 & 9 N and other tractors, heavy duty, in great shape, text or call for pictures, \$80. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-1705.

**706 Farmall tractor, strong** tractor w/ heavy 7-ft box blade, \$5,500. Herbert Erwin, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-721-2258.

**JD Model D, \$1500, not** running, horse drawn sickle mower 350, old 10-ft hay rake, \$800, some old plows. Jimmy Bass, Longville, Beauregard Parish; 337-661-9638.

**Case high crop 830 LPG,** \$4,500; 1947 JD model H electric start, \$2,500; 1941 JD model B, \$1200; JD model M. David Bass, Longville, Beauregard Parish; 337-396-5955.

**(1) MV-V-Hi crop; (1)-40JD, for** parts; (1) MJD, for parts; (1)-joy air compressor w/70 HP, JD diesel; many JD parts & sheet metal. Paul Miller, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-664-3777.

**Farmall tractor w/row hippers,** cultivators, middle buster, and tool bar, runs very good,

excellent for small garden, \$3,500. Jerrod Marks, Arnaudville, St. Martin Parish; 985-991-1991.

**Tractor tire 11-2x24 R1,** De=horns brand, \$150. Frank Singletary, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-884-0050.

**14" bottom plow for cub** tractor, fast hitch type, \$150. Joseph Engels, Ethel, East Feliciana Parish; 225-244-1426.

**2004 JX75 case tractor/ 7'** front loader, 2-wheel drive, low hours, asking \$16,500. Kendall Broussard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-258-9158.

**(1) quick hitch, for tractors with** category one lower links, \$70. Cecil Clark Sr, Crowley, Acadia Parish; 337-783-7903.

**Ford 2310/Loader 8500. Joe** Major, Church Pt., Acadia Parish; 337-945-6960.

**For parts or restoration, no** implements, \$500. Don Gohmert, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-664-3217.

**1952 Super AV Farmall field** ready, runs, no smoke, good tires, front & rear cult bars, complete excellent metal, strong tractor, \$4,500, no trades. Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; 337-290-5016.

**12.4/24 tires on rim, 9.5/24** tires on rim, 11.2/24 tires on rim, for international IH super A and super A 140. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

**International Super and cub** (red) for sale, for parts or whole tractor. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

**1984 Kubota L345 2WD tractor,** barn kept, roughly 2000 hrs., runs good, lift arms do not work, paint good, no rust, new seat, \$3,500. Lamar Holmes, Desoto Parish; 318-286-7406.

**Massey Ferguson 230, runs** good, \$4,000. James Gipson, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-978-3708.

**706 Farmall tractor, strong** tractor with heavy 7-ft box blade, \$5,500. Herbert Erwin, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-751-2258.

**Ford 1900 diesel tractor, needs** a little work, 3-cylinder, make offer. Mike Keating, Broussard, Lafayette Parish; 337-288-3899.

**720 JD parts, 2-cylinder,** \$1,000; 8N for Ford Parts, \$600. Ricky Williams, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 601-810-0735.

**1594 85 HP case tractor for** parts with 8-ft dozier blade, blade sold separately for \$1,500 or \$2,500 for both. Sheila Beasley, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; 318-471-5713.

**(2) AGRA-cats, (1) 2920 4WD,** (1) 2910 2WD, \$1,650. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

**(2) Belarus A-5 250, 2WD, (1)** runs, new engine pump, (1)

for parts, \$2,200. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

**Massey Ferguson 261 good** condition, roll guard & canopy, with bush-hog, \$8,000; Massey Harris 44LP, project tractor, rare, \$600; toro golf tractor, \$300. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

**Wanted: Small garden tractor** with all belly mower attachments in good working condition, been kept inside barn. William Palmer, Mansfield, DeSoto Parish; 318-872-0746.

**Wanted: (2) rear tires for a late** model Farmal Cub, size 8.3-24" on 7"rims. Joe Starkey, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-320-2962.

## CUTTERS & MOWERS

**(2) snapper riding mowers, new** tires & battery on one, \$250 for both. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

**5' house bush hog, pull type** with dual rear leveling wheel, slip clutch, needs tractor end of drive shaft, \$250. Joseph Engels, Ethel, East Feliciana Parish; 225-244-1426.

**Woods Model 59C-2, 3-blade** finish mower, for cub or low-boy, mower is 8-years old but never used, barn kept, \$500 OBO. Joseph Engels, Ethel, East Feliciana Parish; 225-244-1426.

**5' bush hog, excellent** condition, \$700. Tony Templet, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

**Wanted: S-105 5' ditch bank** mower, pto, not hydraulic. Michael Duhon, Erath, Vermilion Parish; 337-298-9952.

## PLANTING & TILLAGE

**W&A 8-row hippers w/Ortham** row markers, \$2,000; Taylorway (8)-row cult., 5-plow gangs w/ shields, \$800; Ditch Witch w/4-way blade, land boring unit, drill pipe & bits, trailer, excel. cond., \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

**150-gallon single axle pull type** sprayer, w/21 folding boom, PTO cast iron roller pump, excellent condition, \$2,800. John Robin, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-288-3221.

**Continental Belton sprayer,** good condition, 500-gallon tank, folding boons w/ 30-ft coverage, \$2,500. Steve Elkins, Spearsville, Union Parish; 318-245-1453.

**JD 7100 8-row folding plate** type planter, includes insecticide boxes, \$1,500. Jim Bondy, Jarreau, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3405.

**4-row w & a hipers w/shanks,** \$50; New Holland 5' plastic bedding machine, \$750. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

**Case 5400 mulch till grain drill,** 20', 3-pt. hitch, \$1,500. Phillip Lamartiniere, Marskville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-1132.

**(1) Mechanical sweet potato** transplanter in excellent shape, \$500; (300) plastic sweet potato crates, \$5/each. Todd Cullen, Evergreen, Avoyelles Parish; 318-240-3862.

**Case IH 3950 (25)-ft. tillage** disk, \$17,500. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

**New Holland 5' plastic laying** machine, \$700. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

**Bush hog brand, all purpose,** plow, small chisel, model APP60-5-5 shanks, like new, shed cover, can send pics, \$750. Gerald Normand, Evergreen, Avoyelles Parish; 318-359-7801.

**JD 95-R round back shedded,** \$800; JD #12, pull type PTO, \$350. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

**4-blade levee plow for sale.** Neal Williams, 337-581-5201.

**Terrace plow, nine blade,** \$6,000. Norman Saltzman, Gueydan, Lafayette Parish; 337-250-7579.

**Set of Single row hipers and** tool bar, \$250. Joel Tassin, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-9789.

## PICKERS & HARVESTERS

**Rayne grain cart, 248 bushels,** \$2,500. Ray Lemoine, Plaucheville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-7473.

**3-Grain carts, (2)-Tristate,** 250&350bu, (1)-Rayne Grain 250bu, all in good condition, all \$3,000; (2)-combine sieves for JD95, \$250 for both. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

## OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

**2-axle trailer mounted** hydraulic seed mixer & loader, used to mix chemicals & auto load seed hoppers on planters, \$2000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

**20-bushel sweet potato bins,** \$20; chain binders, \$10 and up; gates, 4'-12'-16'. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

**Ford 134 cu in gas block, \$195,** 8N trans, assy, \$250, new long power steering pump, TX17112, \$170, used 8N-9N parts, \$20 and up. James Degeyter,

Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-754-7682.

**Manure spreader, may be pulled** by ATV or lawn mower, \$1,350. Harry Latiolais, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-470-9995.

**Cat dozer, D-6C root rack dirt** blade, K-Z blade, 9090 under carriage, ready to work, new batteries. Dennis Wink, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 769-232-0963.

**Wallenstein BX42 wood** chipper, 4-inch capacity, 20-50 HP, gravity feed, \$2,900. Jude Lemoine, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-664-3577.

**100 HP International Harvester** motor, radiator, and power take off, all self-contained, \$5,000 Gilbert Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish, 318-359-3836.

**Spray boom, 18' wide, w/(2) 9'** hydraulic folding wings, 3-point hitch, broadcast spray rig, \$300. Dale Moreau, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-290-2917.

**5th wheel hookup for your** pickup, \$80. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-373-4067.

**Front end loader, Buhler Allied** 595 loader, single joy stick, 6-ft bucket comes off, very little usage, JD 4020 \$5,200. Dale Denais, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 331-561-9922.

**Wanted: PTO post hole digger.** Todd Trahan, Sulphur, Calcasieu Parish; 337-528-3456.

**Wanted: Tractor pull behind** lime cart, 3-6 ton in rebuildable condition. Larry Bordelon, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-452-8767.

**Wanted: Drill pipe for corral, 2** 3/8" or 2 7/8", no norm pipe. Coy Fitch, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 337-276-5991.

**Wanted: Old fashioned wooden** cistern to be used for educational programs at Westwego Historical Museum. Donations welcome. Contact Museum with questions. Loretta Brehm, Westwego, Jefferson Parish; 504-341-3161.

**Wanted: Need (2) 11.2X24 rear** tires for super, useable, with or without trim. Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; 337-290-5016.

**Wanted: used single row potato** digger, 3-pt attachment or draw bar. Donald Garber, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-856-4303 (leave message).

## HAY EQUIPMENT

**Hay forks, 3-point, \$150; JD** hayrake 662 on dolly needs repair, \$150, leave message. Terry Grady, Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-2488.

**Vermeer R2300 hydraulic rake,** excellent condition, \$8,500. Johnny Caraway, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-6567.

**3-point hitch hay spear for back** of tractor, heavy duty, \$150. John Belgard, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-286-3010.

**(2) farrowing crates, \$200/** each. Aaron Slayter, Grant Parish; 318-652-8107.

**JET JDM-18 vertical bench** milling machine w/h 21 bits, used, good working condition, \$1,500. Aaron Slayter, Grant Parish; 318-652-8107.

**AD, Vermeer hydraulic bale** fork, heavy duty, 3-pt cat 2, good condition, \$1,000. John Swindler, New Roads, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-937-4694.

**NH sickle mower, 7' kept in** shed, excellent shape, \$3,800. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

**Vicon RV5101 round baler, has** extra wide pickup and a new set of belts put on last hay season, 800 bales on new belts, \$6,500. Jimmy Detillier, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-278-2721.

**Hay equipment and 895 care** inter tractor & other. Frank Singletary, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-854-0050.

**3-point quick hitch equipped** rd. bale spear, \$150, work saver 3-pt hitch hydraulic rd bale forks, lifts rd. bales, 6-7 ft above ground level, \$1,200. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-3932.

**JD 348 sq baler, 9K, JD 630** MOCO cutter, 10K, fella fluffer, \$3,500, stackliner 3000, 300 gallon sprayer, \$1,500, negotiable, discounts considered. Carl Stevens, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-505-0706.

**10-wheel hay rake for sale,** \$500. Richard Leblanc, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-207-9517 or 337-207-9518.

## CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

**D & C cat95% under carriage,** nice, 35,000. Curtis Wittie, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-662-6142.

**(85) used walk-in cooler panels** (9'x4'x4" & 11.5'x4'x4"), (2) doors (3'x3'x4"), (1) door (8'x4'x4"), trim, corners, panels, \$1.25/sq ft, doors \$10/sq ft. Vernon Phillips, Kentwood, St. Helena Parish; 985-244-7163.

**6.5' cleanout bucket, \$650.** Phillip Lamartiniere, Marskville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-1132.

**Milwaukee 8" metal cutting** saw, new, never used, hard case is dirty, \$240. Joseph Engels, Ethel, East Feliciana Parish; 225-244-1426.

**Chicago bricks, \$1/each, 16'** galvanized roof siding panels, 29-gauge, \$100/each. Tony Temple, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

**Miller welding machine w/** trailer. Dennis Wink, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 769-232-0963.

**Welding machine, electric, 250** Lincoln, a/c-d/c, 30-feet of leads, \$500. Donnie McManus, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 318-381-6584.

**55 ton press/air over hydraulic,** Williams brand, \$600 obo, pictures available. Tommy Pommier, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-519-5901.

## FARM TRUCKS

**Ford F250, 04 Diesel, 4X4,** crew 356K miles, bad motor, \$3,200; Toyota Tundra, 06, 4X4, crew, 186K miles, bad motor, \$2,500. Buddy Elliott, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-324-6843.

**(4) tires, 275-60R20, taken off** new 2023 F150 King Ranch, less than 100 miles on tires, \$600 for all 4. Debra White, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; 318-776-9166 or 318-229-5744.

**2002 Dodge dually 350,** cummings diesel, 177K miles, excellent condition, great tires, ball in bed, w/l cruise, call for pics, \$17,000, leave message. Terry Grady, Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-2488.

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Tuna steaks, fresh, 2+ inches thick  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 tablespoon butter  
Frugé Cajun Seasoning  
Balsamic Reduction

#### Beurre Blanc:

1 1/2 sticks butter  
1/4 cup white wine vinegar  
4 tablespoons shallots, minced  
1/2 teaspoon sea salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
2 lemons or limes, fresh

#### Instructions:

Beurre Blanc: Take the stick and a half of butter and cut it into 12 separate tablespoons, then put back into the fridge to keep it cold. Using a saucepan on low heat, mix the white wine and vinegar. Add shallot, 1/2teaspoon sea salt, and 1/2teaspoon pepper. Take (1) fresh lemon or lime and roll it on the counter, putting pressure, to help create juice. You can microwave it for 30 seconds after. Cut the fruit in half then squeeze all of the juice into the pan. Stir well. Increase the heat to medium-high and let simmer/lightly rolling boil until the liquid reduces by about half. At that time, remove your butter from the fridge. Cut the heat, and add 2 tablespoons of butter, continuing to stir. Once those melt, add 2 more tablespoons of butter, continuing to stir. Add 4 tablespoons and stir. Add the final 4 tablespoons while continuing to stir. As the butter slowly cools the sauce and you continue to stir, the sauce pulls together. Once complete, you can transfer the sauce to a bowl or leave within the pan. Note: It will solidify with time but can still be used in the future if you like. GREAT on chicken as well.

In a medium pan, add 2 tablespoons of olive oil and 1 tablespoon of butter. Bring to low heat to slowly melt butter. Season your tuna with Frugé's Cajun Seasoning on both sides. Bring the pan up to medium-high heat. Add your tuna steaks, and sear for 2 minutes on each side. While the tuna is cooking, prepare your plate (or before starting the Tuna in the pan). Add a pool of Beurre Blanc on the plate, then drizzle drops or run a strip of balsamic reduction across the front crescent section of the plate, in the Beurre Blanc. You can then use a spoon to drag through the balsamic, creating a leafy ivy looking design. Take the extra citrus and cut two thin wheels for garnish. Slice the wheel halfway once cut, so you can fold it across the top of the Tuna. Remove the Tuna from the pan, place on prepared plate, top with sea salt and light black pepper. Add the garnish. Serve immediately.

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*Submitted by Frugé Seasoning*

#### Ingredients:

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1 teaspoon Worcestershire  
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#### Instructions:

Stir together all ingredients. Serve with your favorite things to dip like seafood, chicken tenders, pretzels, raw veggies, or anything else you like to dip!

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## POTATO STEW IN A FEW

*Submitted by Uncle Larry's*

### Ingredients:

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1 lb. of smoked sausage, wieners, peeled shrimp or a one pound combination of these.  
2 cans of diced potatoes (drain juice and reserve)

### Instructions:

Add all ingredients to a pot, bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes. If you are happy with the consistency of the gravy, your potato stew is ready. If the gravy consistency is too thin, turn up heat and cook down until you achieve the desired thickness. If it is too thick, add a little of the potato juice you reserved. Serve over white rice.

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## HIBISCUS HURRICANE

*Submitted by Happy Raptor Distilling*

### Ingredients:

3 ounces 504 Hibiscus  
2 ounces passion fruit juice  
1 ounce orange juice  
1/2 ounce lime juice  
3/4 ounce raw sugar simple syrup  
1/2 ounce grenadine

### Instructions:

Shake all ingredients on ice in a cocktail shaker and pour into a glass.

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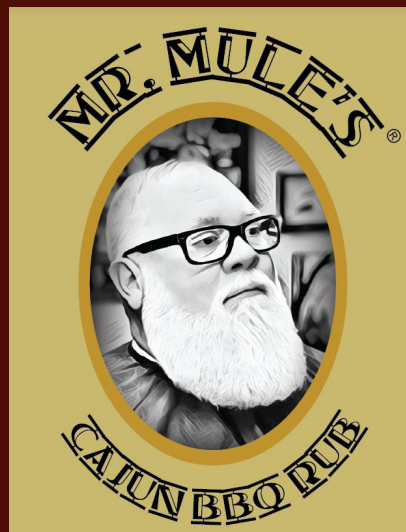
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**2007 Allison transmission,** 2000 series, only 70K miles on unit, price 550 firm. Larry Bordelon, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-452-8767.

**93 Ford, 2-ton trucks, 20-foot,** bed with dump for beans or flat bed, \$7,500. Ray Lemoine, Plaquemine, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-7473.

**1982 351 Peterbuilt for salvage/** parts, \$3,500. Ricky Williams, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 601-810-0735.

**98 F700 dump truck, 7-yard** bed, \$15,000; GMC 3500 4-door dually w/tool box bed, \$6,000; automatic 2002 Dodge single cab truck, \$4,000. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-526-1102.

**1999 freightliner e160 w/40'** drop deck trailer, \$30,000. Mona Elkins, Minden, Webster Parish; 318-377-7792.

**Corn wagon for corn pickers,** sweet potato crates, single row hipers for super A, produce scale (LDAF approved), lime/fert pull applicator small older type. Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; 337-290-5016.

**90000 lb B & W fifth wheel** hitch, \$650; 25,000 lb Reese gooseneck hitch, hardware included, was on a Ford F350, \$150. Eric Broussard, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-288-0243.

**Chevrolet Silverado 2002,** excellent condition, electric seats, windows, everything works, \$4,500. Bob Stevens, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-447-5015.

**Wanted: 1.5-2 ton used truck,** 4WD, prefer military issue, gas engine, in working condition, body not an issue, price range around \$3,000, within 100 mile radius of Slidell. Ferenc Hajdu, Lacombe, St. Tammany Parish; 985-237-9414.

## TRAILERS, WAGONS, & EQUIPMENT

**Tandem axle trailer w/** 600-gallon tank, good condition, 3.4 HP transfer pump, used to haul liquid cattle feed, \$2500. Steve Elkins, Spearsville, Union Parish; 318-245-1453.

**Truck flatbeds available,** bradford built brand, steel and aluminum, skirted and non skirted, New beds in stock, \$5500. Lacey Mouton, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-250-1810.

**Tophat 2005 40-ft gooseneck** trailer, with fold down ramps, good condition, for sale as is, \$6750. Keith Hogan, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 504-495-2200 or 225-938-2620.

**16-ft hay trailer, has high front** railing for stacking square bales, can be used for round bales, metal floor and brakes, price is \$2,500. Mike Bergeron,

Ventress, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-324-4225.

**Curt 5th wheel hitch, fits GM** trucks with puck system, \$3,000. Phillip Lamartiniere, Marskville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-1132.

**20' gooseneck trailer, tandem** axles, good condition, \$2,500. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

**14' utility trailer, tandem axles,** good condition, \$800. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

**Gooseneck brand brand cattle** trailer, 32' long, all redone, like brand new, \$14,000. David Pondville, Donaldsonville, Assumption Parish; 225-413-6449.

**White 3-horse w/dressing** room, AC unit gooseneck trailer, good condition, 1992, TRMG, well made trailer, solid, hardly any rust, \$4,000. Neil Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-945-9049.

**Interstate equipment trailer 19'** w/ 5' beaver trail, 25,900 lbs, GUV, needs new deck & lights, \$4,750, pintle hitch, tandem tires. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-537-3750.

**16 foot bumper pull cattle** trailer w/ new axles needs tires, \$1,500. Sheila Beasley, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; 318-471-5713.

**One horse wagon, \$600; one** horse harness, \$120; large log

tongs, \$95; cross cut saw, \$75; sausage stuffer, \$120. Jimmie Netherlin, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-792-4275.

**Wanted: bumper pull cattle** trailer, 12'-16'. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

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**Cypress wood duck nest boxes,** \$45/each; predator guards, \$25/each. Greg "Red" Vidrine, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; 337-230-7295.

**Wood duck nesting boxes, all** made of cypress, \$40/each. Jimmy Laborde, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-240-4772.

**Giant bamboo for crafts, movie** sets, plays, etc., 1.5"-3" diameter

up to 40' length, .50 cents/foot. Martin Peacock, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 318-547-8971.

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**Jet JDM-18 Vertical bench** milling machine, w/h 21 bits, used, good working condition, \$1,950. Aaron Slayter, Grant Parish; 318-652-8107.

## FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

**Factory built portable animal** steel & wire cage, 3'x4'x5', excellent condition, \$425. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

**Headgate, \$400; joystick for** front end loader w/3rd function on handle, never used, \$200, leave message. Terry Grady, Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-2488.

**Squeeze chute new economy** plus chutes available, all basic functions, manual, smooth operating and built well, \$3,000. Lacey Mouton, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-250-1810.

**Solar feeder , tilt table, & sweep** chute, \$4,000. Natalie Mills, Lottei, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-4586.

**Miller bobcat welding machine** w/365 hours, very good condition, \$3,000. Todd Cullen, Evergreen, Avoyelles Parish; 318-240-3862.

**Red River galvanized roping** chute, never used, barn kept, \$1,800. Kirk Racca, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-501-1786.

**Man Saver t-post driver, works** with air compressor, \$350; 16' heavy duty pasture drag, \$1,000. Donald Richardson, Winnfield Parish; 318-471-1627.

**Windpower 25 K generator,** PTO power, original owner retiring, original operational manual, PTO shaft alternator, \$1,350. Clayton Knight, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-515-3600.

**Sucker rods 24' in length, 20** rods @ \$10/each. Tommy Montgomery, Lottie, Pointe Coupee; 225-718-5724.

**Chain Link gates (galv), heavy** welded pipe frames, 44"Wx71"tall-\$75, 10"Wx68"tall-\$125, hinge/latch hardware included, pics available. Jim Thom, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-983-5006.

**Gate 2.6x5x5 tall, on skids, for** chickens, quail, or rabbits, 1/2"x1/2"wire floor, pics to show. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

**Set of cummings pro industrial** socket set, 1/2 drive, 6-point, 10mm - 32mm, excellent shape, \$60. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6200.

**Factory built, portable animal** 3'X4'X5' steel & wire cage, excellent condition, \$425. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

## FROM THE FARM

**Wanted: Looking for old split** rail fencing in any shape, willing to pay a fair price. Marc Harris, St. Landry Parish; 337-315-1102.

## HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

**Classified advertisements in** this category include ATVs, archery/accessories, boats and equipment, fishing tackle/supplies, sportsmen's leases, fishing/hunting leases and memberships, and guns/accessories.

**1997 Jayco camper, 28', needs** tires, last used as a hunting camp, includes (2) 8x30 canopies, \$2,000. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

**Transit City Bus will make a** great fixer upper for a camp, \$7,500. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

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## ATV

**2002 Honda Foreman 4x4, red,** excellent condition, front/back baskets, gun case, winch, steel footrests, 5400 miles, 862 hours, \$4,000. Randy Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 318-451-2941.

**Kawasaki 4010 mule 2009,** always kept in garage, good condition, everything works, 860 original hours, \$6,000. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie, Desoto Parish; 318-286-7406.

**2011 Polaris 800 side by side w/trailer,** \$9,500, clean title, viper mud grip tires, excellent shape. Michael Boone, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; 318-613-6505.

**2022 Polaris Ranger for sale or trade of old Ford truck of equal value,** \$16,500, no text calls only. Dallas Richard, Morse, Acadia Parish; 337-517-3750.

**2021 Polaris Northstar Ultimate 1000, AC/heat, AM-FM,** navigation, winch, F/R bumpers, LED, 6-seater, camo, 39 miles, electric windows, new, \$32,000. Bob Stevens, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-447-5015.

**Wanted: ATV Kawasaki motor** for mule or mule parts. Jim Smith, DeSoto Parish; 318-218-9690.

## GUNS & ACCESSORIES

**Remington SP-10 magnum,** \$900; M1 garande springfield, \$1,000. James Snell, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 318-623-1984.

**10 boxes 45ACP ammo, 250 rounds,** hollow point -250 rounds., full metal jacket, \$250 for all; ruger 22 single six pistol, \$325. S Webb, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-254-2265.

**50 rounds of 300 weatherby magnum 180 gr. Ammo,** \$125. S Webb, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-254-2265.

**410 single shot salvage shot gun,** old model, like new, \$200. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-241-2269.

**Wanted: M1 carbine 30 cal and accessories.** Monica Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 504-415-2201.

## BOATS

**Push boat for crawfishing,** 3'wide, flat bottom, 5'long, 1'high sides, tray to grade

crawfish 1" by 7/8", hole at bottom, few cracks. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

**12' long Canaca (green) 32 inch wide bottom** rated for 3 persons, good shape. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

**Outboard motor, 25 Merc,** 2-stroke, \$1,000. James Payton, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-245-3358.

**Wanted: I am looking for a v-bottom aluminum 12-14-15' long.** Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

## AGRITOURISM

**Camper/tent rental by day, 1.5-mile woods trail,** catch and release fishing, kayaks, waterfall, picnic areas, birthday parties, flowering plants, sinage throughout, professional photographers welcome. Lee, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-981-7819 or 985-320-4478.

**Farm Bus tour, \$1,000, all inclusive ticket,** the tour will go to multiple parishes in Louisiana (EBR, Rapides, Acadia, St. Landry), four day/ three-night tour to six agricultural locations, purchase tickets at heartlandtoursla.com. Taylor McCann, Pineville, Point Coupee Parish; 225-240-3376.

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4.5 times as fast as incomes for new veterinary school graduates," remarked Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "The Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program is a great opportunity to pay off a portion of student debt while providing veterinary services to areas experiencing shortage situations."

The VMLRP Request for Applications (RFA) and the 2023 veterinary shortage situations are now available. A new requirement this year is a Letter of Intent (LOI). Specific instructions are available in the VMLRP RFA. The deadline for LOI is April 3, 2023, and the application deadline is April 17, 2023.

NIFA encourages interested applicants to view the informational webinars on the topics below before starting the application process. The webinars can be viewed at [www.youtube.com/@usdaagscience](https://www.youtube.com/@usdaagscience).

- Vet Medicine Loan Repayment Program Overview
- Vet Medicine Loan Repayment Program Application Process for Program Documents
- Vet Medicine Loan Repayment Program Application Process for Loan Documents
- Vet Medicine Loan Repayment Program Review Process
- Choosing a Veterinary Shortage Situation

### VMLRP staff will also host two live FAQ sessions:

- March 16, 2023, 4-5PM (EST)  
Register at [www.nifa.usda.gov/veterinary-medicine-loan-repayment-program-vmlrp-live-faq-0](http://www.nifa.usda.gov/veterinary-medicine-loan-repayment-program-vmlrp-live-faq-0)
- March 28, 2023, 4-5PM (EST)  
Register at [www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_dom051GuRSOPgXB1p19wPg](https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_dom051GuRSOPgXB1p19wPg)

For more information, please refer to the VMLRP Annual Report available at [www.nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp-annual-reports](http://www.nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp-annual-reports). Questions about the VMLRP application process? Email [VMLRP.applications@USDA.gov](mailto:VMLRP.applications@USDA.gov)





# THE WORLD OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES *continued from front*

standards to calibrate service agency and state inspector field standards, which are then used in the field to test and set the calibration of all commercial devices.

Every year, LDAF inspects more than 75,000 retail motor fuel devices at more than 3,000 retail outlets across the state. Using field testing equipment that is certified for calibration, LDAF Weights and Measures staff check gas pumps for accuracy, function, safety, and several other items that are required by NIST Handbook 44. Any pumps that aren't functioning properly are taken out of service until the device is calibrated and retested. These inspections also include the inner workings of the fuel pumps to ensure no fraudulent card skimming devices are attached.

In addition to fuel device inspections, LDAF Weights and Measures staff also investigate consumer complaints on various fuel-related issues including calibration, price advertisement, credit card skimming devices, price computation, labeling requirements, and contamination. When a contaminated complaint is received, samples are taken, field-tested, and sent to our in-house motor fuels laboratory for fuel quality analysis. When a sample does not meet the ASTM prescribed specifications for that fuel type, the locations devices are removed from service, and the fuel cannot be sold. Once the repairs have been made, resampling must occur. The location will not be allowed to sell the product until a sample passes fuel quality testing.

LDAF's Division of Weights and Measures is also the consumer's line of defense regarding the declared contents of packaged goods. We randomly and routinely sample and inspect packaged commodities of every kind to ensure you are getting what is advertised based on only the weight of the item for sale, not the weight of the bag, stickers, labels, or anything else.

Packaged commodities must be accurately labeled with 1) the name of the product, 2) the name and address or website of the manufacturer or packer, and 3) the net contents of the product.

If the item is sold using an automated price lookup system, the accurate price must also be correctly posted. In addition to performing package and labeling inspections throughout the state, LDAF Weights and Measures staff ensure equity in the marketplace through price

## What is Metrology? by Jennifer Adair

When people ask me what I do, and I answer, "I'm a metrologist," inevitably, they'll respond, "Oh, so you predict the weather!"

A **METROLOGIST** (not meteorologist) is a measurement scientist. Metrologists study all things measurement and its application to the world around us. As a NIST-certified state metrologist with LDAF's Division of Weights and Measures, I perform calibrations on weights and volumetric measures for industry and state personnel. These calibrations ensure that 1 kilogram is 1 kilogram and 5 gallons at a fuel pump is 5 gallons at every fuel pump. How do we know this?

Our state standards are metrologically traceable to the International System of Units (SI) through NIST, the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Whenever a Louisiana state inspector tests a scale at a grocery store or a pump at a gas station, they use a weight or a 5-gallon test measure that has been certified by the LDAF Metrology Lab. If you ever see a sticker on a grocery store scale or at a gas pump featuring the familiar boot-shape of the state of Louisiana, you can rest assured that the product you're receiving will be the amount for which you pay. In this regard, metrologists are the backbone of consumer protection in ensuring that equity prevails in the marketplace for both buyers and sellers.

So, no, we do not predict the weather. **But we can predict that you're getting what you pay for!**



verification inspections. In a nutshell, we ensure the price you see is correct and is the price you pay at checkout.

These inspections are performed on a sample of items in a store, and a 98% accuracy rate is required to pass. If a store fails, we conduct follow-up inspections. A location may face civil penalties or have its license revoked for continued noncompliance.

Business staffing shortages and inflation may be contributing to an increase in these types of violations. To help stores come into compliance, LDAF continually offers training for independent and corporate stores alike. Our goal is to help all stores come into compliance so we can make sure consumers are getting what they pay for.

At the end of the day, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's Weights and Measures team is working diligently to ensure a fair marketplace in Louisiana. We want consumers to get what they pay for and our Louisiana businesses to be successful. Thank you for joining us in celebrating National Weights and Measures Week.

For more information on LDAF's Weight and Measure Division, visit [www.ldaf.state.la.us/consumers/consumer-protection-weights-and-measures/](http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/consumers/consumer-protection-weights-and-measures/).

### LDAF Weights & Measures by the #s:

- Every year, LDAF inspects more than 75,000 motor fuel devices at more than 3,000 outlets across Louisiana.
- In 2022, LDAF investigated 530 complaints against retail motor fuel locations.
- Between 2021 and 2022, LDAF saw an increase (0.65%) in the number of failing price verification inspections statewide.
- The number of Louisiana businesses fined in 2022 was 116, resulting in \$413,200 in fines.
- Of 9,010 locations with scanners currently registered, LDAF conducted 8,374 price verification inspections in 2022. 11.69% of those inspections were failed, resulting in \$159,500 in fines.

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## Best Agriculture Apps for 2023 *By Matt Hopkins, CropLife.com*

Mobile apps have become so integral to our daily lives that most of us can't imagine living without them. In fact, consumers in more than a dozen markets worldwide are now spending four to five hours per day in apps, according to a recent report from app intelligence firm data.ai. But to truly understand how mobile apps have become the center of our attention, we must first look back at when they finally went mainstream.

The first iPhone was released in 2007 – and soon after the first Android – and along with it came several pre-installed apps like Notes, Weather, and Calculator. This was just the tip of the iceberg. When the App Store went live in 2008, it “only” featured 500 apps. It now has more than 2 million apps available for download. Google Play started out with 50 apps and now has about 3.5 million apps available.

Over the past 15 years, developers have created better versions of those mobile apps first launched in the early days of the app stores. Initially, apps were simple to use, offering some basic functions like calculation and recordkeeping. Then developers started to add more functions to stand out from the crowd. Unfortunately for users, this often led to feature fatigue. What began with a useful, focused app, had too many extraneous features over time.

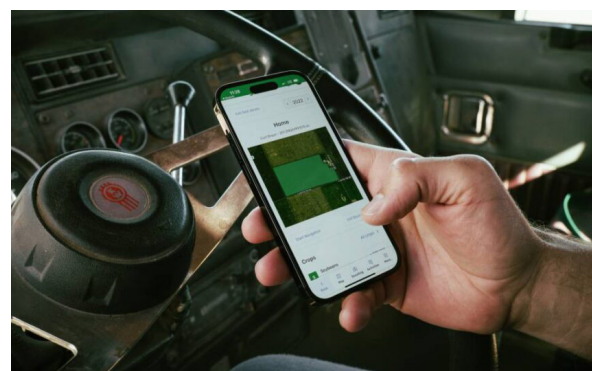
Fortunately, those bulkier, buggier apps have given way to a new development era of doing one thing and doing it well. A key catalyst to this trend has been app integration. Integration – or the process of enabling independently designed applications to work together – has also been quite popular in agriculture. More agtech companies are looking to partner with other app providers to give

ag professionals the option of using the complete infrastructure behind their applications, ultimately leading to better results and improved productivity.

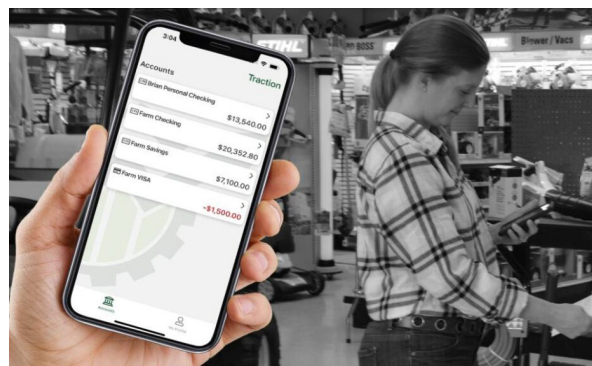
“From a developer perspective, it is much easier to create an app as part of an existing ecosystem and as an extension piece of other offerings, rather than as a standalone offering,” says Reinder Prins, Marketing Lead at Leaf Agriculture.

While it used to be trendy for every agtech startup to create their own app, providers are realizing that users don't want to deal with several different apps each day. Companies also are losing the appetite to invest in an app that only gets minimal usage. Not only is app integration bringing a lot to the table for developers, it is also allowing users to reap the benefits, says Prins.

“The user is the real winner here,” he says. “Nobody wants to use a plethora of apps and end up with data in a bunch of different silos that are not connected to each other. In this scenario, an app can either replace desktop software or become the in-field piece of a larger desktop offering. In both cases, the user will experience an increase in useability and extend their office away from the desk into the field, tractor, or wherever it may lead, without using a different provider or switching to a different ecosystem altogether.”



**FarmLogs from Bushel is a farm management app to keep digital farm records, monitor field and crop conditions, and analyze a farm's financial performance to lower costs and increase profits.**



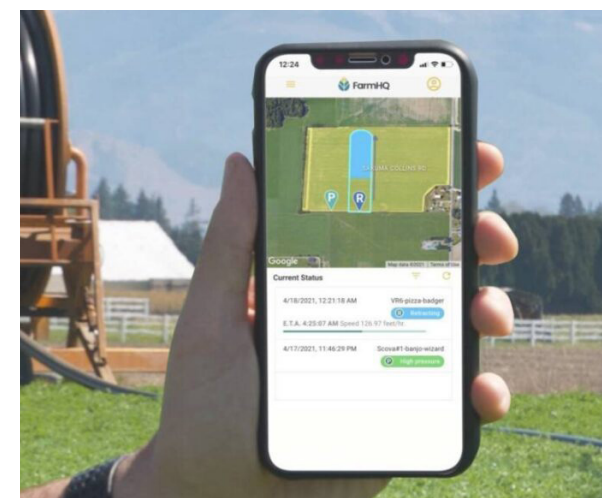
**The Traction Mobile app focuses on gathering accounting transactions with an easy receipt capture feature using a phone's built-in camera.**

With more and more agtech providers integrating with other companies, where it makes sense, mobile app users are increasingly being put at the center of development strategies, Prins says. “If users have an agtech app that they already use every day, it can often make sense for other providers to work together with this incumbent provider instead of trying to force users to include another app in their daily routine,” he says.

A great example of successful app integration in agriculture has been the John Deere Operations Center. The popular open platform is now integrated with dozens of other agricultural apps, such as Intelinair's AGMRI, Golden Harvest's E-Luminate Mobile, and GeoPard, whereby farm data is connected directly to the Operations Center.

With AGMRI, for instance, seamless integration with the Operations Center is bi-directional: customers can import field boundaries, as planted, as applied, and yield maps directly into AGMRI while sending AGMRI alerts and imagery into the Operations Center. AGMRI users are alerted to emergence issues, early-season weeds, nutrient deficiencies, weather damage, water stress, disease outbreaks, and insect infestations, so they can make data-driven decisions that impact the current season and beyond.

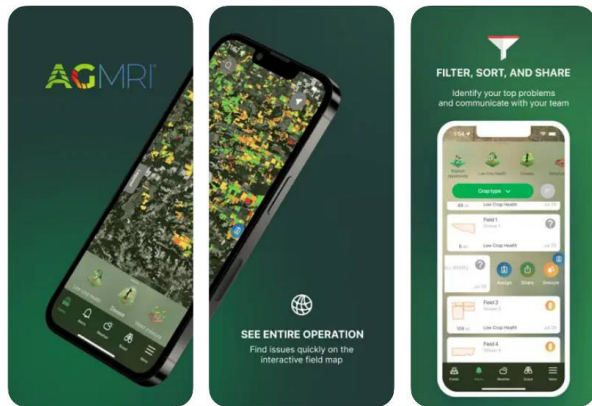
Other recent examples include Bushel's FarmLogs, which also connects to the John Deere Operations Center and Climate FieldView. “Over the past year, we've continued to focus on making FarmLogs the easiest-to-use, most automated farm management software,” says Julia Eberhart, Public Relations & Communications Manager, Bushel. “Integration is at the forefront of our priorities for FarmLogs. By integrating



**Farm HQ from CODA Farm Technologies includes a small cellular device, sensors, and an app that lets farmers put their mobile irrigation equipment on the same monitoring and control system.**



**The CropWise Sustainability app from Syngenta provides a self-assessment system to help growers understand their performance and identify opportunity for improvement.**



**AGMRI is a crop intelligence app from Intelinair that uses ultra hi-res imagery to deliver a detailed view of every acre to alert farmers to problem fields with one touch.**

with other agricultural software, Bushel is increasing productivity and saving time for growers.”

Successful integrations don't happen without a mutually beneficial partnership, something that has been happening quite often in agriculture in recent years. For example, Rantizo, a precision ag company focused on providing drone application systems and services, formed a partnership with EFC Systems to integrate their FieldAlytics software into the workflows for drone application. Customers of both companies will have access to the integration starting this year.

### Other Trends in Agriculture Apps

So where do agriculture apps go next? As we look ahead to 2023 and beyond, experts from several agtech companies offered their insight into the trends shaping mobile app development and what we can expect to see in agriculture.

One significant trend recently has been data connectivity, which goes hand-in-hand with app integration. “From where I sit, data connectivity is becoming increasingly important,” says Leaf's Prins. “There are hundreds, if not thousands, of agtech startups out there that have an offering for their specific target audience, and a lot of them look at utilizing, processing, or integrating data from only a handful of key providers in the industry such as John Deere, Climate FieldView, and Planet Labs.

“In other words, these agtech startups almost entirely exist on the premise of being able to use data from a third party, as opposed to creating their own through in-field sensors or other technology, and adding value to this data in some way, shape, or form. This, in my opinion, is

a change from only a couple of years ago when everyone seemed to want to deliver some kind of A to Z stand-alone solution. Some companies of course still have this mindset, but things are certainly changing.”

There's also been a greater emphasis on creating trust with app users from the outset, says Sasha Shayovitch, Head of Marketing at Prospera Technologies, which powers the Valley Insights app. “The most prominent trends we are seeing involve a movement toward simple, quick, and intuitive flows, so there is no confusion or question as to what is being viewed or what action needs to be taken,” she says.

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected almost every single facet of our world, and the mobile apps space was no exception, says Rob Weber, Marketing Manager at Software Solutions Integrated and the Grower360 app. “The pandemic changed us as consumers, and it had a ripple effect across many industries — ag included,” he says. “Think of how you shop on Amazon from your phone or tablet to quickly reorder or buy something. It is transferring over more and more to the agtech space where our partners and their customers expect a similar experience.”

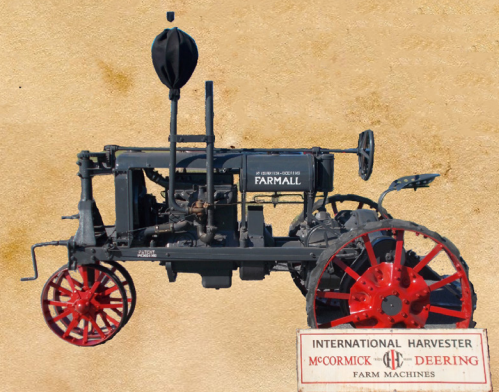
Bushel's Eberhart agrees, saying the trend toward mobile technology that promotes digital payments in agriculture is here to stay. “Digital payments will help move money through the agriculture supply chain much more quickly and sustainably than the paper checks that are used for billions of dollars in payments today,” she says. “Farmers won't have to wait for checks to arrive in the mail. And, digital records will make their end-of-year accounting easier.”

Finally, mobile apps that promote sustainability and environmental stewardship are also becoming more common in agriculture. One example of this trend shows up on this year's list of best agricultural apps — Syngenta's Cropwise Sustainability app. Featuring the Sustainable Outcomes in Agriculture (SOA) standard, the app enables growers to complete a self-assessment about their practices and receive a performance report, including a sustainability leadership score and actionable insights to identify how they can improve sustainability in their operations.

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## Unwanted Pesticide Pick-Up March 23 in Napoleonville

Agricultural producers, pesticide applicators, and homeowners can drop off pesticides for disposal during the Unwanted Pesticide Pick-Up Day on Thursday, March 23, 2023, from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the LSU AgCenter Extension Office in Assumption Parish, 119 Robin Street in Napoleonville.

The Unwanted Pesticide Pick-Up Program, sponsored by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF), collects pesticide products for proper disposal at no cost to producers, applicators, or homeowners. The program, which is funded through fees associated with pesticide manufacturers' product registrations in Louisiana, is completely anonymous for those who wish to participate.

Please note that this is a pesticide-only disposal pick-up event. All pesticides will be accepted, and containers will be supplied for transportation to the collection site if old containers are damaged. Fumigants, waste oils, paints, and gasoline/diesel will not be accepted.

"Improperly disposed of pesticide wastes can create serious hazards for the environment," said Commissioner of Agriculture

and Forestry Mike Strain, D.V.M. "By providing individuals opportunities to properly dispose of these products, we ensure that the environment and the health of our citizens are protected."

For more information, call LDAF's Girvus Johnson at 225-925-3763 or your local LSU AgCenter office.



## Sustaining Future Farms in Louisiana at LSUE

*LSUE's new ag program is accepting applications for remaining sessions in 2023. This FREE six-month program offers applicants the opportunity to earn college credit, skill-based training, management and project efficiency training, and more. Paid apprenticeships and internship opportunities are also available.*

Sustaining Future Farms in Louisiana is a grant funded program that was awarded to LSUE through the Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities Initiative in 2022.

The program's goal is to invigorate an aging Louisiana farming population, provide college education to youths in rural areas with an interest in agriculture, relieve the stress from unemployment caused by the workforce challenges in the oil and gas industry, and provide a boost in the economic economy for the rural areas of St. Landry, Acadia, and Evangeline parishes.

Although anyone is welcome to apply, targeted groups for this program are high school students, military veterans, and displaced energy extraction workers.

Accepted applicants would be enrolled into a free six-month program that includes an online 1-hour credit course (Intro to Agriculture AGRI-1001) and would have the opportunity to choose from four specific Ag pathways to gain training in:

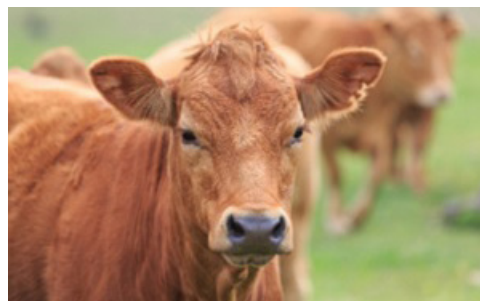
- **Cattle** (Training: *Beginner Cattleman w/ the LSU AgCenter*)
- **Farming/Aquaculture** (Training: *Master Farmer w/ the LSU AgCenter*)
- **Drone certifications** (Training: *pilotinstitute.com*)
- **Crop Advisor certifications** (Training: *Certified Crop Advisor program*).

High school students are eligible for dual enrollment. All participants will earn

their Lean Six Sigma White-Black belt online training and receive their Industrial Based Credentials (IBC) and attend job-readiness workshops. There will also be paid apprenticeship and internship opportunities with our partners Coastal Plains Meat Company, Supreme Rice, 3rd Day Gardening in Eunice, and Main Street Meal Preps.

At the end of the program, participants will be encouraged to continue their education at LSUE through our new Associates of Science in Agriculture degree. Those who wish to continue their education will be awarded a \$1000 scholarship following their first official semester at LSUE.

Those who wish to join the workforce will be aided in finding employment.



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## Talking Trade with NASDA & SUSTA

Last month, Commissioner Strain attended the Southern United States Trade Association (SUSTA) meeting at the 2023 National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) Winter Policy Conference in Washington, D.C.

NASDA is a nonpartisan association working to enhance American food and agricultural communities through policy, partnerships and public engagement.

SUSTA is a non-profit organization that facilitates trade between small to medium-sized southern U.S. companies and overseas importers to increase the export of southern U.S. food and agricultural products.



## POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

**Hammond Poultry Swap** will be held 1st Sat. of the month at Tractor Supply on Florida Blvd. Only healthy animals. For more information, call Jenna at 225-439-9024.

**Poultry Swap and Farmers Market** every 1st and 3rd Sat. from 7AM until at the Moss Bluff Tractor Supply. For more information, call Joyce Conner at 337-391-1790.

**Abbeville Poultry Sales and Swap** will be held every 4th Sunday from 8AM until noon at the Tractor Supply, 3410 Veterans Memorial Drive. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. For more information, call Kenneth Richard at 337-319-5669.

**Denham Springs Poultry Swap** will be held every 2nd Sat. from 9AM until 1PM at the Tractor Supply on Florida Blvd., only healthy animals, no dogs or cats. For more info, call Daniel at 225-665-9042.

**Opelousas Poultry Swap and Sales** every 1st Sunday from 8AM until noon at the Tractor Supply, Hwy. 190. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. For more info, call Larry at 337-945-2804.

**Reeves Auction and Livestock** every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 3PM. Located at 9271 Hwy 190 in Ragley. Includes general merchandise and poultry. For more information, call Danny Reeves at 337-309-9679.

## BIRD EVENTS

**Acadiana Bird Fair** will be held April 15-16, 2023, at the District Event Center, 4607 Johnston St., Lafayette. Admission is \$5 for adults and free for children under 6. For more information, call 337-212-6581 or visit [www.acadianabirdclubinc.com](http://www.acadianabirdclubinc.com).



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## HORSE & LIVESTOCK EVENTS

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**Cotton Country Open Horse Show Association** — All shows are held at the NE LA Exhibition Center on Hwy 33 in Ruston. For more information, visit [www.ccohsa.com](http://www.ccohsa.com).

**Deep South Stock Horse Show Association** — All shows are held at the covered Clinton Arena in Clinton, with exception of the March and November, which are held at the Pointe Coupee Multi-Use Center. Show dates for 2023 include March 18, April 15, May 13, June 24, August 19, September 9, October 21, and November 11. All shows begin at 9AM. For more information visit [www.dsshsa.org](http://www.dsshsa.org) or find us on Facebook or Instagram. Email: [dsshsa@gmail.com](mailto:dsshsa@gmail.com)

**Jeff Davis Riders Club** — All shows are held at Crowley Rice Arena and begin at 9AM unless otherwise noted. For more info, call Cathy Meche (337-526-2281) or visit [www.jeffdavisridersclub.org](http://www.jeffdavisridersclub.org).

**Livingston Horse Show Association** — All shows are held at South Park Arena in Denham Springs unless otherwise noted. For more information, visit [www.livingstonhorseshow.weebly.com](http://www.livingstonhorseshow.weebly.com) or call 985-507-0605.

**Louisiana Little Britches rodeo** — All events are held at the West Cal Arena unless otherwise noted. For more information, visit [lalbra.weebly.com](http://lalbra.weebly.com) or email [lalbra@yahoo.com](mailto:lalbra@yahoo.com).

**Louisiana Stock Horse Association** — All shows start at 9AM each day. November 19 & 20 — LaSH Finals, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish Arena For more information, visit [www.louisianastockhorse.com](http://www.louisianastockhorse.com) or call 337-208-2336.

**Louisiana Polled Hereford Association** The Bayou Classic Sale will be held Sat., April 8, 2023, at the Tiger Lake Livestock in Mansura, LA at 1PM. To request catalog for the Bayou Classic Sale, contact Dr. Ronnie Bardwell (985-320-8978 or [ronniebardwell@gmail.com](mailto:ronniebardwell@gmail.com))

## LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS

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58449 Hwy. 51 Amite  
985-748-8636, [www.cattleusa.com](http://www.cattleusa.com)

#### Dominique Stockyard (TUES)

2800 W. Landry St, Opelousas  
337-942-5661

#### Mansura Livestock (WED)

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318-964-5330, [www.cattleusa.com](http://www.cattleusa.com)

#### Red River Livestock Auction (WED)

P. O. Box 456 Hwy. 1, Coushatta  
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#### Delhi Livestock Auction (WED)

774 Hwy. 80, Delhi, 318-878-2394

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159 Cherokee Drive, Crowley  
337-783-1442 or 337-384-4500  
[ricearena@appj.org](mailto:ricearena@appj.org)

### Assumption Parish Ag Complex & Arena

119 Robin St., Napoleonville  
[www.assumptionla.com/AgComplex](http://www.assumptionla.com/AgComplex)

### Bogalusa Community Arena

20239 Airport Road, Bogalusa

### Clinton Covered Arena

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225-316-6779  
[www.clintonarena.com](http://www.clintonarena.com)

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[www.darbonnerangeriders.com](http://www.darbonnerangeriders.com)

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# 2023 LOUISIANA ENVIROTHON

## Students Test Environmental Problem Solving Skills

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) proudly partnered with other Louisiana organizations to host the Louisiana Envirothon, an environmental problem-solving competition, at the LSU AgCenter Botanic Gardens. On Wed., March 1, fourteen teams from across the state participated in the environmental competition that included testing in aquatics, forestry, soils, wildlife, a current issue, and an oral presentation. The 2023 current issue was Adapting to a Changing Climate.

LDAF's Soil and Water Conservation group manned the Soils and Land Use station of the competition. As a natural resource used by humans to meet many of our basic needs, soil provides raw materials, stores water and nutrients, and supports growing plants that produce food and fiber. It also provides space for cities, highways, recreation, and wildlife. Nothing surrounds us more in our daily lives. At the soil station, students are tested in judging land, soil profiles, and soil factors.

Participating schools this year included Baton Rouge Magnet High School, Caddo Parish Magnet High School, Doyle High School, Kenner Discovery Health Sciences Academy, Live Oak High School, Scotlandville Magnet High School, and St. Anthony School.

Sponsors and partners of the Louisiana Envirothon include the La. Department of Environmental Quality, LSU AgCenter Botanic Gardens, La. Association of Conservation Districts, La. Environmental Health Association, La. Department of Agriculture & Forestry, La. Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, La. Environmental

Education Commission, LSU School of Plant, Environmental & Soil Sciences, LSU Superfund Basic Research Program, Shreveport Aquarium, and Southern University's Urban Forestry Program.

Visit [www.deq.louisiana.gov/envirothon](http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/envirothon) for more information on the Louisiana Envirothon,



**1st Place: The Tree Huggers from Baton Rouge Magnet High School**



**2nd Place: The Hue Manatees from Caddo Parish Magnet High School**



**3rd Place: Bulldog Bites from Baton Rouge Magnet High School**

In addition to bragging rights, winners of the 2023 Louisiana Envirothon (listed below) received recognition, plaques, medals, and cash prizes:

- **First Place Overall & Highest Score in Aquatics & Soils:** *Baton Rouge Magnet High School—The Tree Huggers* (James Xu, Sarah Thomas, Andrew Z Wang, Brandon Lin, & Louisa Zhu)
- **Second Place Overall & Highest Score in Orals:** *Caddo Parish Magnet High School—The Hue Manatees* (Anika Alla, Soren Cate, Marshall O'Callaghan, Mason Sater, & Alston Zhang)
- **Third Place Overall & Highest Score in Current Issues & Forestry:** *Baton Rouge Magnet High School—Bulldog Bites* (Emily Chen, Keya Chanda-Rastogi, Bethiel Weldeghiorghis, Sebastian Schoegl, & Sameen Enam)
- **Highest Score in Wildlife:** *Baton Rouge Magnet High School—Darwin's Bulldogs* (Payton Cooper, Estrella Vazquez, Ben Beauford, Kate Lee, & Nuha Syed)

## LDAF's Saddle Microchip Program Still Going Strong

LDAF's Livestock Brand Commission held another successful saddle microchipping event last month at Thibodeaux's Town & Country Feed Store in Abbeville where more than 70 saddles were microchipped as a free service to Louisiana residents.

The next event will be held on April 20 from 10 AM to 3 PM at LDAF's Monroe Office, 754 Hwy 80 East in Monroe.



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## EVENTS

### Casting Lessons - Educational Events at LDAF's Indian Creek Rec Area

- Saturday, March 11

Learn how to cast with the La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries. 100 Campground Rd, Woodworth, LA. Admission: \$7/vehicle.

### Unwanted Pesticide Disposal Pick-up

- Thursday, March 23
- 7AM to 1PM

LSU AgCenter Extension Office in Napoleonville, LA. For more information, see Page 20.

### Trees - Educational Events at LDAF's Indian Creek Rec Area

- Saturday, April 8

Learn how to age a tree, make a board, and harvest trees without negatively impacting the forest. 100 Campground Rd, Woodworth, LA. Admission: \$7/vehicle.

### Louisiana Women in Agriculture Conference & Expo

- April 13-14

Randolph Riverfront Center, Alexandria, LA, [louisianawomeninag.com](http://louisianawomeninag.com)

### Louisiana Master Gardeners Spring Plant Sale

- Saturday, April 22
- 8 AM to 1 PM

Featuring annuals, perennials, herbs, pollinator plants, and more! The Bridge Community Church, 2301 N. Trenton, Ruston, LA

### Southern Christmas Tree Association (SCTA) workshops

- **April 15, 2023** — SCTA Grower Workshop 1 (LA) at Curry Farms near Rayville with LSU AgCenter.
- **April 22, 2023** — SCTA Grower Workshop 2 (AL) at Wadsworth Farm near Wetumpka with Auburn University.

For more information on SCTA, visit [www.SouthernChristmasTrees.org](http://www.SouthernChristmasTrees.org).



## Deadline to Enroll in USDA's Key Commodity Safety Net Programs

Agricultural producers who have not yet enrolled in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs for the 2023 crop year have until March 15, 2023, to elect and enroll a contract. The USDA offers these two safety net programs to provide vital income support to farmers experiencing substantial declines in crop prices or revenues.

"The Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage programs provide critical financial protections to many American farmers. As producers across the country deal with unexpected market volatility and natural disasters, these programs offer much-needed support and stability," said Ronald Guidry, Jr., State Executive Director for FSA in Louisiana.

Producers can elect coverage and enroll in ARC-County or PLC, which are both commodity-by-commodity, or ARC-Individual, which covers the entire farm. Although election changes for 2023 are optional, producers must enroll through a signed contract each year. Additionally, if a producer has a multi-year contract on their farm and makes an election change for 2023, they will need to sign a new contract.

- If producers do not submit an election by March 15, 2023, the election remains the same as 2022 for commodities on the farm. Farm owners cannot enroll in either program unless they have a share interest in the commodity.
- In Louisiana, producers have completed 11,576 contracts to date, representing 70 % of the more than 16,500 expected contracts.
- Producers who do not complete enrollment by the deadline will not be

enrolled in ARC or PLC for 2023 and will not receive a payment if triggered.

- Producers are eligible to enroll farms with base acres for the following commodities: barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium and short grain rice, safflower seed, seed cotton, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat.

**Decision Tools** — In partnership with USDA, two web-based decision tools are available to assist producers in making informed, educated decisions using crop data specific to their respective farming operations:

- **Gardner-farmdoc Payment Calculator**, a tool available through the University of Illinois allows producers to estimate payments for farms and counties for ARC-CO and PLC.
- **ARC and PLC Decision Tool**, a tool available through Texas A&M University that allows producers to estimate payments and yield updates and expected payments for 2023.

### Crop Insurance Considerations

ARC and PLC are part of a broader safety net provided by USDA, which also includes crop insurance and marketing assistance loans.

Producers are reminded that ARC and PLC elections and enrollments can impact eligibility for some crop insurance products.

Producers should contact their crop insurance agents to make certain that any new elections or enrollments do not affect existing programs or coverage.



For more information, visit the ARC and PLC webpage at [www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/arcplc\\_program/index](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/arcplc_program/index) or contact your local USDA Service Center.

## USDA Seeks Feedback on Programs

Producers can now take a nationwide survey to help the USDA improve and increase access to its programs and services for America's farmers, ranchers, and forest managers. The survey includes new and existing customers. USDA encourages all agricultural producers to take the survey, especially those who have not worked with USDA previously. The survey gathers feedback on programs and services available through USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Risk Management Agency (RMA).

The survey, which is available in 14 different languages including Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Hmong, Korean, Navajo, Punjabi, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, Urdu and Vietnamese, will provide USDA with critical data to help USDA serve all of agriculture, including underserved producers.

**Take the survey at [farmers.gov/survey](http://farmers.gov/survey). Please complete by March 31, 2023.**