

YEAR-ROUND FUN AT #NDIAN CREEK

With Independence Day right around the corner, we're looking forward to our annual celebration at LDAF's Indian Creek Recreation Area and Campground in Woodworth, Louisiana.

Make plans now to join us Saturday, July 6, for fellowship and fun. We'll have fireworks at sunset sponsored by Walker Toyota and Walker Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Alexandria.

There will also be complimentary popcorn and snow cones from 6-8 PM, as well as other types of food and drinks available for purchase.



If you've never been to Indian Creek, get ready to fall in love with this Louisiana gem.

Managed by LDAF, Indian Creek Recreation Area and Campground lies within Alexander State Forest in Central Rapides Parish and encompasses 2,600 acres of facilities, forest, and lake for camping, swimming, fishing, boating, and outdoor recreation.

In addition to the beautiful 2,250-acre lake, you'll find swimming beaches, a boat launch, playground equipment, hiking trails, and much morel

Facilities and amenities

- 3 beach areas
- 4 bath houses
- Picnic tables throughout
- BBQ grills
- Playground
- Boat launch
- · Boat, canoe, & lifejacket rentals
- Hiking trails
- Over 100 campsites
- Covered pavilions (available for rental)

This spring, a new horse trail opened at Indian Creek. The 8.4-mile trail offers an equestrian adventure through the picturesque Alexander State Forest. (See Page 15 for FAQ about access to the horse trail.)

While there's plenty of space to stretch out and enjoy the great Louisiana outdoors, Indian Creek is also home away from home to a community of users who relish in relaxation and share a reverence for nature.

Indian Creek also hosts a variety of special events throughout the year, so there's always something going on if you want to get involved in a family-friendly activity. Some of these events include an Easter egg hunt, Earth Day activities, family fishing weekends, and trick or treating at Halloween.

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Photo above by Abid Dyer





COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

La. Ag Workforce Development Program offers internships

Starting July 1, the Louisiana Agricultural Workforce Development Program (LAWDP) will begin accepting applications for the 2024-25 program year from qualified agricultural and forestry businesses interested in participating in the program.

What is the LAWDP?

The LAWDP provides businesses with a monetary incentive to establish intern programs that will grow the next generation of agriculture professionals. Participating businesses may be reimbursed for up to 50 percent of the cost of hiring an intern. A maximum of \$5,000 per internship is allowed.

"This program benefits our agriculture and forestry businesses that are struggling to find qualified individuals while simultaneously providing quality, hands-on training opportunities to people pursuing careers within the agriculture and forestry sectors," said the LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "These interns are the future of Louisiana agriculture and forestry. When we invest in them, we invest in Louisiana."

A qualified agricultural business includes agricultural producers or a person or legal entity who engages in agriculture or provides support activities, products, or services to an agricultural producer and such products or services that are directly related to the planting, growing, production, harvesting, or processing of Louisiana products.

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SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, JUNE 14, 2024

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VISIT YOUR LOCAL AM FARMERS MARKET



ACADIA

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

Oberlin Farmers Market 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-1PM

ASCENSION

Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales Seasonal on Sat 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec

Riverside Farmers Market of LA, 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 9AM-2PM, 1st & 3rd Sun 10AM-2PM

ASSUMPTION

Barcelo Gardens Farmers Market, 211 Franklin Ave, Napoleonville, Sat, 11AM-2PM

AVOYELLES

Palace Farmers Market 112 SW Main St. Bunkie Mon-Sat. 9AM-6PM. Sun 9AM-3PM

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

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

BOSSIER

Barksdale Market 3226 Barksdale Blvd Sun 10AM-2PM, Apr-Jun

Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM

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

CADDO

Greenwood Farmers Market William Peters Town Park. 9381 Greenwood Rd Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug

Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 7:30AM-12:30PM, Jun-Aug

CALCASIEU

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

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

Iowa Farmers Market 115 N. Thompson. Sat, 9AM-1PM

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

CALDWELL

Columbia Farmers Market Main Street Sat 8AM-12PM, June & July

CLAIBORNE

Harvest Time Homer W Main & N 2nd St Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Oct

CONCORDIA

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

EAST BATON ROUGE

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

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

Red Stick Farmers Market #3 7711 Goodwood, Baton Rouge Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct-

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

Zachary Famers & Artisans Market, Memorial Park Sat 10AM-2PM

EVANGELINE

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

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

IBERIA

Delcambre Farmers Market 605 S Railroad St (Hwy 330) 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec

Da Berry Fresh Market 520 S. Hopkins St, New Iberia Wed -Sun 10AM-6PM

Teche Area Farmers Market 102 W Main St. Bouligny Plaza Tues 2-5PM, Sat 7-11AM

IBERVILLE

St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 3rd Sat, 9AM-2PM

JEFFERSON

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

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

Harahan Farmers Market 501 Oak Ave @ Wilson & Hickory, Sun 9AM-1PM

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

Crescent City #2 325 Metairie-Hammond Hwv. @ the Lake (Bucktown) Fri 3-7PM

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

JEFFERSON DAVIS

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

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

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

LAFAYETTE

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

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

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

LAFOURCHE

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

Lasalle

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

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

LINCOLN

Ruston Farmer's Market 220 E Mississippi, Sat 9AM-1PM

LIVINGSTON

Four Seasons Farmers Market Sat 8AM-12PM

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

MADISON

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

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

NATCHITOCHES

Natchitoches River Front, Sat 8AM-12PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov Natchitoches Farmers Market Mobile Market #1 (City Park) Tues-Fri10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

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

ORLEANS

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

Crescent City Farmers Market - UPTOWN New Orleans, 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM

Crescent City Farmers Market — MID-CITY New Orleans Lafitte Greenway Plaza 500 N. Norman Parkway Thurs 3PM - 7PM

Crescent City Farmers Market - CITY PARK New Orleans, Tad Gormely Stadium Marconi @ Navarre Sun 8 AM - 12PM

OUACHITA

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

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

RAPIDES

Alexandria Farmers Market 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM

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

RICHLAND

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

ST. CHARLES

German Coast #1 St. Charles Parish Library, 160 West Campus Dr, Destrehan Sat 8AM-12PM

German Coast #2 West Bank Bridge Park 13825 River Rd, Luling Wed 1-5PM

ST. HELENA

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

ST. LANDRY

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

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

ST. MARTIN

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

ST. MARY

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

ST. TAMMANY

Abita Springs Art & Farmers Market, 22049 Main St Sun 11AM - 3 PM

Covington Farmers Market 609 North Columbia St Sat 8AM-noon, Wed 10AM-2PM

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

Pearl River Farmers Market & Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41 1st Sat 8AM-2 PM

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

TANGIPAHOA

Hammond Farmers & Artisans Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave. Sat 8AM-12PM

TENSAS

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

TERREBONNE

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

VERMILION

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

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

VERNON

Leesville Farmers Market S. 3rd St Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM

WASHINGTON

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

WEST FELICIANA

St. Francisville Farmers Market 9961 Wilcox St Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall

WINN

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



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HENRY FARM PETTING ZOO

Mobile Petting Zoo, birthday parties, special events, we

bring the fun to you, book now, message us on Facebook. Henry Farm Petting Zoo, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-0904.



The Urban Aquafarm & Training

Center in Marrero, LA, tour of aquaponics farm with production in warehouse and greenhouse, see the cutting edge of agriculture! \$20. Kenneth Rust, Jefferson Parish; (225) 308-4132.

THE A MAZE ING TRACE NURSERY & NATURE TRAILS

1.5-mile scenic woods trail, catch and release fishing,

catch and release fishing, kayaks, waterfall, cave, etc, picnic areas, group parties, churches, schools, playground, games, golf cart rides for elderly, flowering plants and signage throughout, professional photographers welcome, like us on Facebook. The A Maze Ing Trace Trails, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4478 or (985) 981-7819.



Enjoy a unique video and

education on family roots and crops that we farm today, then a bus tour to see all things happening on the farm during sugarcane harvest, after there will be crafts to take home and tasty treats to try, come experience the truth and joy of what we do. Limited spots for certain dates, private tours available upon request, minimum of 20 people, call for scheduling and pricing. Four Oaks Farm, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3221.

Honey Do Farms Church Point, LA

Honey Do Farms are offering

Western lessons, ages 4 & up, we supply everything, summer camps & birthday parties. Kori Schexnayder, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; (337) 668-4777 or (337) 316-4619.

ANIMALS

BEES

Honeybee 10 frame bottom

boards, treated lumber, 3 coats paint, brand new, over 80 available, \$18 each. Donald Gagnard, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-3517.

CATTLE

ATTENTION bull sellers and

buyers: All non-virgin bulls and bulls older than 18 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.la.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

Reg. Angus bull, born 9-7-20.

Good genetics, calves to show, \$3,200. Vernon Humphries, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 937-6625.

2 yr. old Black Angus bull,

\$2,000. Byron Spinks, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; (318) 272-1275.

Brahman

4-year-old purebred grey

Brahman bull, moderate frame, very beefy and correct, super gentle, sire was 2016 Louisiana State champion, tested and ready to work, calves to show, \$3,000. Ben Baggett, Mittie, Allen Parish; (337) 370-8254.

Charolais

Registered Charolais bulls, 18

months old, semen tested, vaccinated, BSE approved, \$4,000. Coy Fitch, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; (337) 276-5991.

Open Charlolais Heifers,

\$1,600, Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

Charolais bulls - \$4,800, Cows

- \$3,600, Pairs - \$4,200 pairs. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151

Zebu

Reg. mini zebu bulls, cows,

calves, show quality, \$500 and up for each. Jerome Hammons, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 508-0800.

Other

Beefmaster heifers, 18 months

old, 1,000 lbs, all vaccinated, gentle, \$2,000 each. John Boudreaux, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; (337) 356-6206.

50 cross bred cows mostly

Brangus and baldies, \$2,000/1, a few Bradford, \$2,300/1, 2-5 years old, bred for fall calving, must take 5 or more. Keith Guillory, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-2150.

Two golden black baldie heifers

and one red/white face heifer 8 months old off of registered Hereford, \$2,000. Chris Brouillette, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-3279.

DOGS

Registered Golden Retriever

puppies, 6-weeks-old, all shots and wormed, \$800. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 306-0199

NKC Feist puppies, all girls,

born 4/9/24, top bloodlines, UTD on shots and wormed, \$400. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides: (318) 447-0244.

Maltypoo puppies, male and

female, \$750 and up. Lester Markham, Imperial Kennels, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 323-9445.

Great Pyrenees, born 6/9/24,

ready july 21, protect the house, protect your family, fun and loving dogs, will be UTD on shots, \$250, \$100 deposit. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Australian Shepherd puppies,

born 5/25/24, 3 females, 2 males, ready July 6, will have first shots and wormed, cow dogs, easily trained, \$100 deposit, \$250 each. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Rough Collie, 7 1/2 months old,

CKC reg, sable and white, exceptionally nice, wellbehaved dog, house broken, loves kids, beautiful, \$950. Kim Graham, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; (985) 514-3685.

Registered German Shephard

puppies, born 2/3/24, 2 left, \$250 each. Steve Lansing, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 931-2856.

AKC Belgian Malinois Pups,

both parents are working K9s, these pups will be great family protection dogs, \$2,000. Cindi

Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; (601) 299-0264.

AKC European German

Shepherd Pups, well socialized, easily trained, great bloodlines, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; (601) 299-0264.

8-week-old beautiful, full-blood Brittany Spaniels puppies, first come first serve, \$500 Wayne, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; (985) 514-3685.

Jack Russell puppies, born June 9 and June 11, 7 males, good house dogs, squirrel dogs, and let you know if something is outside, will be UTD on shots, \$75 deposit, \$150 each, Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish: (337) 423-3507.

PB Rat Terrier puppy, born 5/3/24, all males black and white, 2 brown and white, \$75. Greg Perron, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; (337) 789-7724.

2 tiny male CKC Yorkie puppies born April 8, 2024, UTD on worming and vaccinations, call for pricing, Mona Yarbrough, St. Landry Parish; (337) 962-7929.

Beautiful CKC Yorkies and Yorkiepoo pups, first shots at vet, dewormed weekly, Yorkiepoo, \$800, Yorkie, \$1,000. Tommy Melancon, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; (337) 344-7634.

Reg. Toy Rat Terriers, assorted colors, UTD on shots, worming, \$400. Jerome Hammons, Many Sabine Parish; (318) 508-0800.

2 mini-Australian Shepard puppies ASDR 8 weeks, Red tri male and Black tri female, \$800 full rights, \$600 pet. Bernadette Murphy, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 821-8301.

Golden labs, born 3/5/24, wormed and UTD on shots, great duck dog, call and retrieve, \$200 each. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

FREE, Two Great Pyrenees females, one is 2 years old, the other is 9 months old, both have been around farm animals. Randy Campbell, Doyline, Webster Parish; (318) 218-5926.

DOMESTICATED BIRDS

Mature Peafowl, \$200 each.

Jim Hatfield, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 981-2020.

White doves, singles and mated pairs, \$10 each, Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693

Bob white quail trio, \$25. Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

Blue, white tail diamond doves, \$25 each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish: (985) 652-6614.

18 Cockatiels, 5-6 months old, \$100 each. Charles Fontenot, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-8165.

Ring Neck Doves, pure whites when available, minimum order 4 doves, Ring Neck -\$5, Pure white - \$10. Victor Dugas, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 258-7565.

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

Cockatiels and parakeets ready, \$20 parakeets \$150 cockatiels, Josh, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 704-8871.

HORSES, MULES, & JACKS

All horses, mules, and jacks must be from bona fide livestock farmers. We cannot accept notices from horse dealers, order buyers, or persons selling on a commission basis. For all horses, mules, or jacks (except nursing foals), seller must provide to the buyer at the time of sale a copy of the original official negative Coggins test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) that was performed within the past 6 months prior to sale.

AQHA Filly DOB 7/10/23,

Bayroan color, CJ Heck No Dixie off stud Peponita Figure Four and Heck No Crvin, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

10-year-old Buckskin Gelding. 13.5 hands, nice, \$1,500 firm. Kimberly Graham, Greensburg, St. Helena; (985) 514-3685.

2010 AQHA Frenchman's Guy X Gelding "Fast Forward Guy," 1D/2D Barrel horse, 17,500 Mea, free runner, competed in LHSRA, call for pricing. J Venable, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (318) 302-1282.

Foundation and running bred Quarter horses, imprint as foals, freeze branded, vaccinated, \$3,500 and up. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

AQHA Red Dun Gelding, 18-years-old, UTD on shots, Coggins in hand, gentle, anyone can ride, no bite, kick or buck \$3.500. Raven Gotte, lota. Acadia Parish; (337) 250-2447.

Missouri Fox trotter, 18 years, 15 hands, very gentle, all shots, gelding, gaited, \$3.000. Diane Lemann. Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish; (225) 323-7089.

4 Foundation Bred stallions. Negative Coggins required and vet checked ultrasound. \$800/\$10 mare care, Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

WANTED: Registered TWH gaited mare, gentle to ride, black/white but will consider other colors. Lydia Poret, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-7225.

PIGEONS

Selling out racing homers, good bloodlines, all must go, \$10 each. Randy, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 396-5051.

20 young racing homers, \$15 each or \$300 for all. Vernon Champagne, Houma, Terrebonne Parish; (985) 873-8440.

POULTRY & FOWL

Old English Game Bantams, BB Reds, show quality birds, well cared for, \$30 each. Danny Broussard, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-7007.

Silkie, Polish and Serama chicks, \$15-\$35, hatching eggs \$24-\$48. Dianne Arndt, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish: (985) 630-9558.

Cubalaya Chicken Bantams, critical endangered, Sumatras for sale as well, starting \$50. Lester Markham, Imperial Kennels, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 323-9445.

Young Guinea Keats, \$6 and up depending on size. James Soileau, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish: (337) 945-4379.

Embden geese, 1 1/2 months -\$12, 2 1/2 months - \$16. Johnny Hebert, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-3159.

Toulouse Geese & African Geese, adult size, \$50 each. Cajun Country Farms / Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

Laying hens - Barnyard Mix, \$20 each. Cajun Country Farms / Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

Grown Guineas, males and females, \$20 and up. James Soileau, Opelousas, St. Landry; (337) 945-4379.

Guinea Keets, all ages, 5months to 6 weeks old, call for pricing. Scott McDowell, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 623-2935.

Old English Bantams, show quality. BB Reds, Blacks. Wheatens. \$50 a pair. Don Copeland, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; (318) 323-0242.

RABBITS

Imperial rabbits, New Zealand white, purebred California, Dutch all colors even the rare Harlican, Havana and many other breeds, raising quailty rabbits for over 80 years,

\$35 dollars and up. Lester Markham, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 323-9445

Netherland dwarfs available. Whites, grays, blacks, whites with black spots, wild rabbit brown, \$2. Chester Lee Guidry, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 378-3154.

SHEEP & GOATS

Four Boer bucklings - \$150 each; one Buck Boer, father of bucklings - \$275. Patricia Trapp, Pineville. Rapides Parish: (318) 729-4300.

Dorper Ram. Beautiful, proven. Time to change out rams Approx 4 years old. 250 lbs plus. \$300, Errol Savage, Plaucheville, Avovelles Parish: (318) 359-4610.

Barbados F.B., American black bellies, all sizes and ages, call for pricing. JC Mercer, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 628-0857.

Purebred Boer Billy Goat, born 3/19/2024, Great Herd Sire or Family Pet, leash trained. \$300. Call or text for more info. Cheri McReynolds, Zwolle. Sabine Parish; (307) 730-8229.

Boer Doe for Sale. Born 3/30/24. Show quality. Should grow to be a big doe. \$400. Clint Bickham, Plaguemine, Iberville Parish; (225) 385-8702.

Barbados hair sheep do not need sheering. Males and females, \$100 each, Brent Bergeron, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 580-2230.

2 Registered Nubian doelings born 03/24. Goldwaithe and pruittville lines. Very dairy character doelings. Good milking lines and mom is an excellent producer, \$300 each. Amber Kibodeaux, Egan, Acadia Parish; (337) 458-2503.

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Purebred Mangalitsa pigs, two sows, \$400 each. Kasi Treser, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 274-6232.

One 50lb gilt, \$400. Kasi Treser, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 274-6232.

One boar piglet, \$200. Kasi Treser, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 274-6232.

Pigs, some are over 50 lbs and some are over 100lbs, \$50 and \$100. Warren Treadaway, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-6200.

AQUACULTURE

Pond stocking, blue catfish, \$.45/1; channel catfish, \$.40/1; Copper nose bluegill, \$.35/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$.40/1; red-ear bream, \$.40/1; black crappie, \$.45/1; bass, \$1/1; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; (318) 377-1525.

EQUIPMENT

CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

20'x30'x12' Arch Storage Shelter, Gold Mountain S203012R, 2 available, Heavy PVC plastic material, new in crate, \$3,000. Kristen Burfield

PVC plastic material, new in crate, \$3,000. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

20'x20'x6'6" Shipping container Canopy Shelter, Gold Mountain C2020, 2 available, new in crate, \$2,550. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

4010 Ditch Witch, with A420 backhoe, 18" bucket and 6' blade front, 7,500lb 7" chain back, needs welding on plates that hold backhoe, has not run for 15 years, \$3,000. B L Harvey, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish: (318) 259-3327.

Kubota track hoe, KX121-3-SS, looking to downgrade to smaller machine, 3,000+ hours, comes with three quick-attach buckets, 1ft, 2ft, 6 1/2ft, fourway blade, leave message if no answer, \$26,500, open to trades. Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 246-3112 or (337) 368-3624.

2 3/8 and 2 7/8 tubing, \$30 per joint. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

20'x30' Arch Wall Peak Ceiling Storage Shelter, Heavy PVC plastic material, TMG-ST2031P, new in crate, \$2,750. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604. **30'x40' Peak Roof Shelter for** Sea Can, Heavy PVC plastic

Sea Can, Heavy PVC plastic material, TMG-ST3040CVF, new in crate, \$3,500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

Honda GX 270, 8.5hp gas engine, new, \$500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

Takeuchi TL6R 66HP Skid Steer, tracks, grapple bucket, new fuel pump, DEF Exhaust, injectors, great shape, call for pricing. Josh, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 433-1434.

EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

Mobile welding/track hoe/ handyman. Joseph or Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 246-3112.

Dozer, track hoe, mobile welding, bush hog, deer plots prep and seeding. Kristen or James, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

HAY EQUIPMENT

New Holland 660 Baler, Auto Tie (string only), 5' wide

Tie (string only), 5' wide up to 6' high bale, good condition, \$5,000. Olen Bankston, Tickfaw, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4535.

Vermeer 605 H Hay Baler, \$5,000 OBO. Mike, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 878- 9765.

5410 Rebel Bailer, new pickup teeth, extra old belt, one owner, \$7,500, Donald Scaife, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 256-5447.

RT-5200-H Hay fluffer, \$1,500, Donald Scaife, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 256-5447.

Vermeer round baler 604R, signature silage capable, moisture sensors, net or twine, has baled 2,950 bales, new in 22, \$35,000, Lamar Holmes, DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

670 John Deere side hay rake, \$1,000, Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish: (985) 637-5984.

150 Bushel grain cart, \$2,500, Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

Two hay spear bolt on frontend bucket, \$200, Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

2018 case ih rb455a round baler,4x5, automatic twine tie, monitor, bale kicker,1700 bales, great condition, always shedded, \$17,500, Matthew Stewart, Bogalusa, Washington Parish; (985) 516-4335.



LAWN EQUIPMENT

6' old Land Pride finish mower, \$500. Son Le, Broussard, St. Martin Parish: (337) 552-8064.

Zero turn 31hp diesel mower, needs a deck, using as spray rig, runs great, call for pricing. Tony, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-8732.

JD 10ft 3-point cutter, 1,000 RPM, great shape, \$5,500 OBO. Ryan P, Vermillion Parish: (337) 893-1476.

10ft pull behind box blade on wheels, shopmade, \$400. Donald Richardson, Chatham, Jackson Parish; (318) 471-1627.

Bushhog 14" cutter new deck, new gearbox, good condition, will trade, \$7,500. Erne Plessala, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 380-3977.

12' angle blade, will trade, \$1,000. Erne Plessala, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 380-3977.

John Deere model X718 Ultimate diesel tractor, 4WD, 61" deck, garage kept, good condition, asking \$4,500. Carl Rieger, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-4525.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

W&A 8-row hippers w/ Ortham row markers, \$2,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Taylorway 8-row cultivator, 5-plow gangs w/ shields, \$800. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish: (318) 992-4504.

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.

1-row hipper, 3-pt hook up, \$250. Tommy Montgomery, Lottie, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-5724.

TRAILERS & WAGONS

Homemade Gooseneck, deck Length is 20' 2", Deck Width 8'2", two single axles, comes with spare tire/wheel, new deck, lights work, bill of sale only, \$2,500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3504.

20' bumper-pull heavy duty utility trailer w/ ramps, two 7,000 lb axels, 18" 4-ply tires, 2 5/16 ball, 4' sides, Call for

pricing. Paul Newton, Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 447-6136.

16' Performance Gooseneck trailer, dual wheels, spare tire, title and license, used

very little, \$1,800. Joe Bellelo, Livonia, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 485-0525.

2000 Sundowner horse trailer, 3 horse slant, living quarters with bathroom, kept under top, all appliances work

top, all appliances work fine, text for pictures, \$20,000. Manuel Thibodaux Jr, Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish; (985) 413-9800.

Shop made trailer with ramps and extra tires and rims, \$850. D. F. Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 686-9066.

2023 Northstar 31+5 Gooseneck

trailer, 10K Dexter Axles 4"+30' Straps and winches/sliding winch rails, grade chains 70 chains, \$16,000 OBO, Terence Boudreaux, Thibodaux, LaFourche Parish; (985) 414-9273.

Chuck wagon on a new army

escort undercarriage, body is 3 boards high. This is an exact replica of the Charles Goodnight chuck wagon, pristine and ready for use, has bows and cover, \$14,000. Eddie Durr, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 748-5556.

2018 top hat gooseneck dual tandem, 22.5 gvwr, 32 ft w/dovetail, good tires, good floor, ratchet straps, stakes for





pockets, 5th wheel adapter, text for pictures, \$11,000. Donald Richardson, Chatham, Jackson Parish; (318) 471-1627.

2019 Big Tex 40' gooseneck dovetail with two 12K axels, heavy duty ramp, mega ramp with rails and 10 ratchet straps, \$13,500. Tommy Willis, Merryville, Beauregard Parish; (337) 396-3245.

2005 Trail Master, 28' plus 5' dovetail gooseneck, with two 10K axels, heavy duty ramps, all lights work, \$6,500. Tommy Willis, Merryville, Beauregard Parish; (337) 396-3245.

OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

Two fenders for 2 axle trailer, 3-pt scoop, 5' grader box, 1-6' chain harrow 3-pt hitch, 8' utility body on trailer, boat trailer 18' new tires, call for pricing. Lawrence Drude, Ponchatoula. Tangipahoa

Corn and beans two point hook up, one row planter, \$400. Albert Howard, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 223-0916.

16ft Bush Hog, in good condition, \$10,000. Pete Abington, Many, Sabine Parish: (318) 471-2268.

Parish; (985) 969-2523.

Large shackle pin, 1 1/2" diameter, call for pricing. Bennie Martin, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 286-3878.

Row Hippers - \$185, Cultivator - \$200, 2 Hay lifters - \$150 each, Heavy duty grade box - \$350, Wire stretcher - \$45 for both, all heavy duty, in good condition, 3-point hitch. James Williams,

Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 603-1405.

2003 case IH 2388 combine, 25-ft 1052 Draper header, 25-ft 1052 Draper header (for parts), \$30,000. Kyle Siebert, Acadia Parish; (337) 789-5469.

80-lb Fisher anvil, \$250. Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

10" Table saw, needs a belt, 3hp, 5/8 drill diameter, drill press, 16-speed, band saw and sander 12", \$1,200 for all OBO. Albert Howard, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 658-2830.

200-gallon fuel tank mounted on 40" stand, tank is 3/16" thick, 54" long, 42" wide, 30" high, \$500. S. Webb, Mamou, Evangeline Parish: (337) 254-2265.

Heavy duty Harrow 3pt tractor pull, 5ft disc chopper, 3pt tractor pull, call for pricing. Gerald Landry, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; (337) 519-1887.

All size pipe, metal \$.50 per pound, Jam pot/bell, wagon wheel, small and big sausage stopper, sugar kettle, call for more information. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 713-4942.

550-gal diesel tank, 25qpm fuel pump, \$650. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 201-0697.

Bushhog brand 2615 Legend 15' cutter, refurbished, great shape, 5750, Myron Mayard, , Calcasieu Parish; (337) 274-8405.

Bushhog 225-12 hyd blade, angle tilt, side shift and tail wheel, excellent condition, \$6,500. Ed Williams, Westlake, Calcasieu Parish; 337-570-1919.

WANTED: Front dirt bucket for case W-14 front end loader,

can modify if needed to on pin hookup, send photos. David Chancellor, Ellisville, Winn Parish; (601) 319-5248.

WANTED: Oxygen Acetylene torch outfit, torch, hose and regulator. Robert Lemaster, Summit Mississippi; (601) 248-8843.

WANTED: Front end loader for 1020 JD, Myron Sieren, Deridder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 462-8469.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

TACK

McClellan Officer's saddle, real antique, fully rebuilt and ready for re-enactments or historical events, covered stirrup, \$500. Eddie Durr, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 748-5556.

Long horn saddle, comfort cutter by Billy Cook, 15 1/2" saddle, \$450. DF SIMS, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 686-9066.

16" roping saddle used very few times, \$400. Jimmie Newsom, Kelly, Caldwell Parish; (318) 953-4237.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

Heavy duty animal transport cage, square tubing frame with 1/4 inch steel cattle panels, 3' Wide X 3' Tall X 5' long, \$200.

James Roy, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 371-8222.

250-gallon propane tank with readable data plate and can be filled, Rober Le Master, Summit Mississippi; (601) 248-8843.

Above ground sprinkler system, 80 pipes 30' long 2" diameter with heads, 5 3" diameter head pipes, \$1,500. Robert DiMattia, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 507-7469.

4X6 Birdcage, 2ft tall, doors on both ends, on legs, completely rat and snake proof, \$300. Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

Incubator for new hatch birds, has temperature control, \$200. Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

Factory built portable animal steel & wire cage, 3' x 4' x 5', excellent condition, \$425. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Cattleguard, 12'W X 8'L, constructed of 3" pipe, heavy duty, \$1,350. Kevin Simpson, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 363-3196.

Machine shop package, Summit metal lathe, 19-4X96, Bridgeport Mill, 9X42 table, Caroline horizontal band saw, Sears 297-amp welder, cutting tools and drill bits, all for \$8,000. Ambrose Baham, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-1415.

Commercial Quanzetset greenhouse, 80ftX28ftX13ft, with heater, fans and many extras, needs to be taken down, call for more information, \$5,000. Mich Mele, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 630-7761.

2-axle trailer mounted hydraulic seed mixer & loader, used to mix chemicals & auto load seed

hoppers on planters, \$2,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

FERTILIZER

scales - Any person selling goods by weight or creating packages of commodities to be labeled by net weight must use a legal-for-trade scale. This scale must be registered annually with LDAF Weights & Measures. Call (225) 925-3780 or email weightsinfo@ldaf.state. la.us for more information.

Chicken litter spreader, we spread it all over LA, ask you to have 4 or more loads, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish: (337) 423-3507.

Ag lime, \$32 per ton. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-6655.

Rabbit manure. 1 cu ft. Ready to go in the garden or flower bed. No composting necessary. No contact with the ground. Straight from cage to bag. Delivery available, \$25. Jason Marchand, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; (225) 803-9965.

Garden compost, \$20 per scoop. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

Ag lime, \$32 per ton. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-6655.

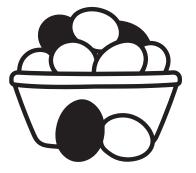
FREE Horse Manure, excellent fertilizer for gardens, we will load in your pickup truck or trailer with tractor, Lloyd Caballero, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 781-2580.

FOOD

EGGS

Farm fresh chicken eggs from home grown hens, \$3 Doz., \$5 for 18 pack, \$15 for Pickled Quart. Cajun Country Farms / Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

Pharaoh quail egg, \$.20, Pickled egg, \$.15, a weekold egg, \$1.25, 3-week-old, \$1.75, full grown quail, \$3-\$4 male and female. Blaise Sonnier, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (337) 856-5884.



FRUITS & VEGETABLES

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Farm raised & pickled peppers: Hot Chow Chow, Cowboy Candy, whole & sliced hot peppers., \$6 half pint jars & \$9 pint jars. Cajun Country Farms / Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

JAMS & JELLIES

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Mayhaw, Purple Hull, Dewberry, Muscadine, Blackberry & Pepper Jellies FARM RAISED & canned, \$6 Half Pints \$9 Pints. Cajun Country Farms / Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

HAY AND GRAIN

Square bales 007 hybrid Bermuda horse hay, commercially fertilized and sprayed for weeds, tight bales, will load, \$9 bale, 9 per bale, Kenny Saucier, Bogalusa, Washington Parish: (601) 248-0067.

Jiggs Bermuda/rye grass mix - 2024 - 4 X 5 round bales. \$25/bale. Broussard area, Call Bryan Payne, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish: (337) 349-4173.

5X5 round bales, cow hay and goat hay, grass with some weeds, can load, \$30 per bale. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3504.

5X5 round bales, first cut, rye and clover, can load, \$50 per bale. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish: (225) 718-3604.

Square bales, Bahia grass, \$8 per bale. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

5X5 round bales, Bahia grass, barn kept, \$65 per bale. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

2024 horse hay, Pensacola Bahia Grass,1st cutting, fertilized, sprayed, fine stem hay, tight square bales, \$7.50 in field, \$8 in barn. David Joiner, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-3073.

Half rye grass, Half Bermuda round bales, 5'X4', 108 round rolls, net wrapped, well fertilized, barn kept, \$55 per roll. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

2024 good hay, net wrapped under barn, call no text, \$45 per bale, buy 10 for \$40 per bale. Bernard Leger, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 948-9366.

5x5 string tied bales, first cut, May 2024, clover, rye, and Johnson grass, \$45 per bale. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

2024 5×5.5 Bahia cow hay for sale. Good clean hay. \$45/bale. Jeff L., Welsh, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-8773.

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

GUNS & ACCESSORIES

Charles Daly field 20-gauge pump, 3" chamber, vented rib with choke, Mossy Oak Camo, recoil pad, no scratches, like new, \$250. Eddie Durr, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 748-5556.

Glock 21.45 caliber Gen. 4 Like New only 50 rounds shot through it. Comes with 350 rounds, \$650. Paul, Franklin, St. Mary Parish; (985) 397-1292.

FPJ bullets, 6,35g/98gr, 7,62 mm Nagant, leave message if no answer, \$35 per box or 6 boxes for \$200. Thomas Landry, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (337) 298-7225.

Winchester Kings improvement "Yellow Boy" made in 1877, 44cal RF; \$8,500. Randy, Amite; Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 810-0237.

MISC. HUNT/ FISH/CAMP

1990s camper trailer, 35ft X 8ft, \$500. Ron Waller, East Feliciana Parish; (225) 978-9306.

LUMBER & SAWING

WANTED: Forester, need someone to walk 40 acres, determine which trees are good for timber and located a place or person to sell the wood to. Joan Landeche, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (504) 458-9004.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE

Wanting to sell over a 100-year-old house to be moved. Pierre Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 277-8297.

SERVICES

EQUINE SERVICES

Horse trainer, breaking and training, pro cutter on site, ranch training, speed event training, riding lessons, call for pricing. Rachel Bertrand, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 384-6997.

Equine Farrier, servicing the surrounding parishes, Trims - \$50, Front shoes - \$75, Full set - \$100. Reese Stuart, DeRidder, Vernon Parish; (337) 358-9155.

Horse training, colt starting, basic manners, tune-ups and more, Contact me for price. AGMHorsemanship, Oberlin, Allen Parish; (318) 299-1918.

FARM SERVICES

Bennie's Pressure Washing. We wash houses, barns, concrete, pool decks and fences, insured, serving Baton Rouge and surrounding area. Bennie Martin, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 286-3878.

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.

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

Pig Brig hog traps for use in Vermilion Parish only, deposit required, must have 2 people to set up and provide 9 t-posts, renter is responsible for disposing of hogs, required to complete survey after use. Vermilion Soil & Water Conservation District, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; (337) 893-5664 (ext. 3).

STALLION SERVICE

AQHA horse, Peppi Figure Four, #5403078 BD, foundation bred stud, 4/20/11, bay roan, health cert. & neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

AQHA WYO-Blue Buddy, born July 03, 2012, team roping head horse or to pin your cattle with, kids can ride, blue roan stallion, Reg.#5505700, health cert. & neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

TRACTORS

2009 IH Case 165 PUMA 11,000 hrs, drive type MFWD,18 speed power shift trans, shuttle shift, 3 remotes, dual PTO 540/1000, 50% rubber, call for pricing, Paul Newton, Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 447-6136.

M4700 Kubota, 1,900 hours, quick connect frontend loader, runs good, \$9,500. Tony, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-8732.

John Deere 5603 tractor, 100hp, 4X4, great shape, good rubber, new a/c, fuel pump, call for pricing. Josh, Lake Charles, Vermilion Parish; (337) 433-1434.

White tractor 2155 with cab & air, 160HP w/ new allied loader, hay spear, 1,800 hrs, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Ford 3600 Tractor, everything works, \$5,000. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

Ford 6610 with loader, needs work, \$3,500. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

1953 Farmall Super A with plows and hillers, have several new parts in box, runs good, garage kept, \$3,000. Robert Willie, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 302-4281.

6-foot bush hog type rotary mower for sale. Refurbished deck with 1/4-inch steel plate.

Heavy duty gear box. Ready for easy pickup and loading, \$1,000. Chris O'Connor, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 507-4799.

7510 John Deere Tractor w/ A/C Cab & Chopper attached at this time, \$43,500 tractor w/ 2 new batteries, \$3,000 chopper, \$43,500 tractor with 2 new batteries, \$3,000 chopper. Wilbert Waguespack, Thibodaux, LaFourche Parish; (985) 637-4650.

Ford 6710, BH 3450 loader, Cab/cold air, barn-kept, bucket, spear, grapple-ready, extra block, pics avail., \$15,000. Daniel R. Snead, Coushatta, Red River Parish; (318) 471-2977.

950 John Deere Tractor with a JD272 6-ft grooming mower attached., \$12,000 tractor (new battery & seat), \$3,000 mower. Wilbert Waguespack, Thibodaux, LaFourche Parish; (985) 637-4650.

2 gravelers, one with Studebaker motor, other with Kohler, many implements, tiller mowers, \$1,200 each. Mike Schexnaydre, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-8123.

4030 Kubota diesel tractor, good shape, toolbox, roll bar, good tires, auxiliary plugin, \$8,000. W.J. Mims, Calhoun, Ouachita Parish; (318) 644-2236.

Kubota M9000, 4wd, front loader, low hours, open cab, leave message if no answer, \$26,500, open to trade for small track hoe or skidsteer. Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 246-3112 or (337) 368-3624.

WANTED: Tractor with or without loader. Joseph Major, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 945-6960.

WANTED: Ford 725 or a TA - 160 Westtendorf loader. Forrest Wilson, Minden, Beauregard Parish; (305) 798-6682.

VEHICLES

BOATS

1991 Bass Tracker, 17', 40HP Johnson, 45 thrust Minn Kota Edge trolling motor, \$3,000. Blake Ducote, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4949.

Crawfish boat, 6'wideX 16' long, Kohler 25 motor, \$3,500. Donald Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

FARM TRUCKS

2007 F350, 4-door work truck, runs and pulls, \$3,500. Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 246-3112 or (337) 368-3624.

2007 Jeep Commander, 4-wheel drive, third set, 270,000 miles, \$4,500. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

2014 Tahoe, 241,000 miles, white, \$6,000. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

Chevrolet HD 2500 Extra cab

truck, 350HP, automatic, 174,000 miles, gooseneck ball, new tires, great shape, good work or farm truck, \$8,500. Myron Mayard, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 274-8405.

98 Ford F700, in good shape,

automatic transmission, 7 yard dump truck, \$11,00. Alvin Joseph Jr, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

95 GMC dump truck, 7 yards automatic transmission,

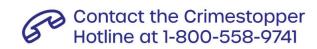
caterpillar motor, in good shape, \$13,000. Alvin Joseph Jr, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.





REPORT OR SOLVE A CRIME

Cattle theft or other ag-related crimes



Forestry-related crimes



Avoyelles! LSU AgCenter names new sweet potato variety

The LSU AgCenter's Sweet Potato Research Station is located on 300 acres in northeast Louisiana near Chase. It is the only facility of its kind devoted solely to sweet potato research. The new varieties developed there are among the most popular in the world. An important function of the station is producing virus-free foundation seed that farmers can plant to keep their crops healthy and sustain the industry.

These efforts, along with research on production practices and pest control, help keep sweet potatoes among the most profitable crops to grow. It takes four to five years to pick a new variety of sweet potato, and the latest variety to be announced is 'Avoyelles,' formerly known as LA 18-100.

From Dr. Don LaBonte, sweet potato breeder at LSU AgCenter:

'Avoyelles' is an orange-fleshed, light rose to copper skinned sweet potato. The skin is lighter than 'Beauregard' or 'Orleans' and mostly smooth; lobing has been reported in a few testing environments particularly on jumbos. The flesh is uniformly deep orange and a bright color when baked. It is acceptable as a frozen fry product.

Its most salient feature is 'Avoyelles' can be harvested 90-100 days after planting (DAP) representing 10-20 days earlier than 'Orleans' or 'Beauregard' with superior yield of the U.S. #1 grade.

'Avoyelles' is highly resistant to southern root-knot nematode, *Meloidogyne incognita*; 'Orleans' and 'Beauregard' are susceptible. The variety has maintained a consistent shape across silt-loam soils of the Gulf South and in

sandy soils. 'Avoyelles' plant production from propagation beds is less than 'Beauregard' or 'Orleans' unless pre-sprouted for 7 days at 85°F

Grower observations indicate excellent transplant survivability in hot and dry conditions in comparison to 'Beauregard' or 'Orleans.'

Industry need and fit

Producers often run out of roots late in the storage season, and the quality of 10-monthold stored sweet potato can be inferior to a newly harvested crop. Producers often harvest an undersized crop early in the production season to fill orders; 'Avoyelles' represents an opportunity to supply retail and processors before the primary crop is harvested with less loss of tonnage.

'Avoyelles' also represents an opportunity to begin harvest several weeks in advance of the main crop. This extends grower capacity to increase acreage without an increase in equipment resources.

More observations on 'Avoyelles':

- Demonstrate excellent transplant survivability and stand in high temperature, dry conditions. Plants tend to have more stem girth than 'Beauregard' and 'Orleans.'
- Irrigation has been found to optimize yield with fewer growing days needed. 'Avoyelles' still performs well in poor environments.
- 'Avoyelles' can quickly go from U.S. #1 grade to the less valuable jumbo grade with timely rains. That's why 'Avoyelles'

is unlikely to be a main crop for fresh market growers. It is an early variety. 'Avoyelles' is suitable for bulk processing production where tonnage is important.

For more information, visit www.lsuagcenter. com/portals/our_offices/research_ stations/sweetpotato.



LSU AgCenter Sweet Potato Research Station Field Day

> AUGUST 29, 2024 8:30 AM - 1 PM

130 Sweet Potato Rd. Chase, LA 71324

Field tours begin at 9 AM.

For more information, contact Dr. Tara Smith at (318) 557-9501 or tsmith@agcenter.lsu.edu.



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COUZAN'S SHRIMP AND GRITS

Submitted by Couzan's BBQ

Ingredients:

1 pound shrimp, peeled and deveined

1 tablespoon Couzan's chocolate seasoning

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup seasoning blend (green, red, yellow bell pepper & onion), chopped

1 stick butter or margarine

4 cups chicken broth or water

1 cup grits

4 slices white cheese

Instructions:

Cook grits according to box instructions. In a separate pan, add the butter, seasoning blend, and Couzan's chocolate seasoning, and cook for 3 minutes. Add shrimp and cook over medium heat for 3-4 minutes or until the shrimp reaches 145°F. Scoop grits on to a plate then top with cheese and shrimp mixture.

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BUFFALO SOUTH SAUCE PIQUANT

Submitted by Buffalo South Sauce

Ingredients:

3-4 pounds meat of choice

34 cup flour plus additional for dredge

34 cup oil for roux

2 cups onions, diced

2 cups celery, diced

2 cups bell peppers, diced

128-ounce can crushed tomatoes

115-ounce can diced tomatoes

16-ounce can tomato paste7 cups broth to go with meat

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34 - 1 cup Buffalo South Sauce Ain't Y'alls Ordinary Wing Sauce

Instructions

Dredge meat in flour and brown in a pan, set aside. Add oil and flour to pot on medium heat to make a dark brown roux. Add the onions, celery, and bell peppers to the pan the meat was browned in and allow to wilt. Combine all ingredients in a large pot on medium heat and simmer to a low boil. Reduce heat to low and allow mixture to simmer for about 2½ hours and meat is starting to fall apart, stirring occasionally. Adjust with broth and seasonings for desired taste and consistency. Serve over grits, rice, pasta, etc. with a salad, vegetables, or garlic bread.

*NOTE: If using seafood, do not add cooked meat until the end of the cooking process.











FARMER'S MARKET PULLED PORK SANDWICH

Submitted by Russell's Cajun Sauces

Ingredients:

1 5-7 pound Boston Butt pork roast1 16-ounce bottle Russell's Cajun Barbeque SauceHamburger buns or rolls

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 300°F. Brush pork roast with a light coating of sauce. Bake for approximately 5 hours or until meat is falling apart. (Pork may be prepared in a crock pot or a pressure cooker if desired.) While the pork is still warm, shred with two forks. Mix remainder of Russell's Cajun Barbecue Sauce into pulled pork. Serve on your favorite bun or roll.

CRAWFISH MARTINI

Submitted by El Guapo Bitters

Ingredients:

2½ ounces vodka or dry gin ¾ ounce Dry Vermouth ½ ounces tomato water 10 dashes El Guapo® Crawfish Boil Bitters TINY squeeze of lemon Olives, cherry tomatoes, scallions & boiled crawfish, for garnish

Instructions:

Combine all ingredients in a mixing glass with ice. Stir until well chilled. Strain into a martini glass. Garnish with several olives, a stem of cherry tomatoes, sliced scallion, and a boiled crawfish.



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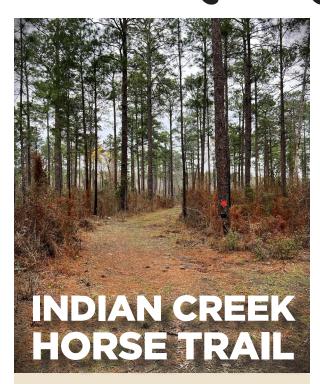


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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is an LDAF WMA Access Permit?

- This permit is required by the La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries (LDWF) to use any LDWF-administered property for any activity.
- WMA Access Permits are included with the La. Sportsman's Paradise License, Senior Hunting/Fishing License, & Lifetime Licenses. Or you can purchase an annual permit (\$20) or a 5-day permit (\$5).

What is a Self-Clearing permit?

 A Self-Clearing Permit is required for all activities on WMAs, refuges, and conservation areas. It consists of two portions: check-in and check-out.

Where is the parking area?

· There is parking next to the office.

Can I camp with my horses?

 We offer both primitive camping and over 130 sites with hook-ups. At this time, trailers with bunkhouses can utilize designated areas within the primitive camping area for overnight camping.





Summer sunsets at Indian Creek are often dramatic and breath-taking. (Photo by Abid Dyer)

You'll also find educational activities throughout the year on all kinds of outdoor and nature-related topics. Be sure to follow Indian Creek on Facebook for the most upto-date information about upcoming events.

And, look out for a new gift shop (currently under construction) that will be opening later this year. They'll have lots of Indian Creek merchandise so that you can represent your favorite camping spot with a t-shirt or other fun item!

Getting to Indian Creek

Indian Creek is located at 100 Campground Road in Woodworth, between I-49 and US

Highway 165. A day pass to Indian Creek is \$7 per vehicle. For more information, call (318) 487-5058. To book an RV pad or campsite, scan the QR code below.

- Learn more at www.ldaf.la.gov/indiancreek-recreation-area.
- Scope out campsites, trails, and more in advance with our online maps at www. Idaf.la.gov/indian-creek-recreationarea/campground-maps.
- View rules and regulations at www.ldaf. la.gov/indian-creek-recreation-area/ getting-to-indian-creek#rules-andregulations.





Farmers & ranchers to serve on local committees

Nominations are now being accepted for farmers and ranchers to serve on local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. These committees make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. All nomination forms for the 2024 election must be postmarked or received in the local FSA office by Aug. 1, 2024.

"Serving on an FSA county committee is your chance to ensure that other producers who share your interests, your production practices, and your perspective are represented," said FSA Administrator Zach Ducheneaux.

Customers can locate their Local Administrative Area (LAA) through a geographic information system locator tool available at fsa.usda.gov/elections and determine if their LAA is up for election by contacting their local FSA office.

Agricultural producers may be nominated for candidacy for the county committee if they 1) Participate or cooperate in a USDA program; or 2) Reside in the LAA that is up for election this year.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others and qualifying organizations may also nominate candidates. USDA encourages minority, women, urban and beginning farmers or ranchers to nominate, vote and hold office.

Nationwide, more than 7,700 dedicated members of the agricultural community serve on FSA county committees. The committees are made up of three to 11 members who serve three-year terms. Committee members are vital to how FSA carries out disaster recovery, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as making decisions on county office employment and other agricultural issues.

Producers should contact their local FSA office today to register and find out how to get involved in their county's election, including if their LAA is up for election this year. To be considered, a producer must be registered and sign an FSA-669A nomination form. This form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at fsa.usda.gov/elections.

All nomination forms for the 2024 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by the Aug. 1, 2024, deadline. Election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters in November 2024.

Find your local FSA service center:

https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app

USDA REMINDER: Time for Louisiana producers to file crop acreage reports

Agricultural producers in Louisiana should make an appointment with their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office to complete crop acreage reports before the applicable deadline after planting is complete.

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch, its intended use and location. Filing an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planted acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits. Acreage reporting dates may vary by crop and or by parish. Contact your local FSA office for a list of acreage reporting deadlines by crop. To file a crop acreage report, producers need to provide:

- Crop and crop type or variety
- Intended crop use
- Number of crop acres
- Map with approximate crop boundaries
- Planting date(s)
- Planting pattern, when applicable
- Producer shares
- Irrigation practice(s)
- Acreage prevented from planting
- Other required information

Exceptions to acreage reporting dates:

- If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed.
- If a producer acquires additional acreage after the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAPcovered crops is the earlier of the dates listed above or 15 calendar days before grazing or crop harvesting begins.

Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant but were unable to because of a natural disaster, including drought. Prevented planted acreage must be reported on form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date as established by FSA and USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA).

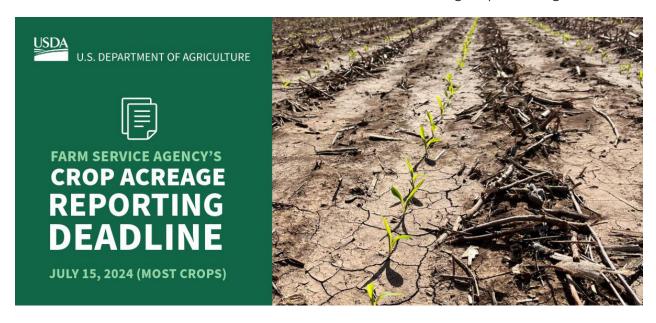
FSA recently updated policy that applies to prevented planted acreage due to drought. To certify prevented planted acreage due to drought, all of the following must apply:

- The area that is prevented from being planted has insufficient soil moisture for seed germination on the final planting date for non-irrigated acreage.
- Prolonged precipitation deficiencies that meet the D3 or D4 drought intensity level as determined by the U.S. Drought Monitor.
- Verifiable information must be collected from sources whose business or purpose is recording weather conditions as determined by FSA.

Continuous certification option

Agricultural producers with perennial forage crops have the option to report their acreage once, without having to report that acreage in subsequent years, as long as there are no applicable changes on the farm. Interested producers can select the continuous certification option after FSA certifies their acreage report. Examples of perennial forage include mixed forage, birdsfoot trefoil, chicory/radicchio, kochia (prostrata), lespedeza, perennial peanuts and perennial grass varieties.

Once the continuous certification option is selected, the certified acreage will roll forward annually with no additional action required by the producer in subsequent years unless the acreage report changes.



Mosquitoes and climate change

By Kristen Healy, LSU AgCenter

While there are more than 60 species of mosquitoes in Louisiana, temperature and precipitation are most often the primary drivers of annual changes in presence and abundance. On the cold extreme of temperature, the entering and exiting of winter hibernation, called diapause, can be fatal to a mosquito if it's not prepared. In cold environments in the United States, most adult mosquitoes prepare for winter by increasing sugar reserves and finding a sheltered environment. Other species of mosquitoes will survive by spending the winter in the egg stage of development.

In 2023, researchers in the Healy lab published a study that compared the impact of high temperatures on mosquito survival, biology and behavior. It was found that mosquitoes that typically spend the winter as adults freeze at colder temperatures than mosquitoes that spend the winter as eggs. Even when trying to trick mosquitoes into thinking they were engorging on sugars by feeding them artificial sweeteners instead, researchers did not see a drastic reduction in populations in freezing temperatures. While these data are not surprising, it is an excellent example of how different mosquitoes adapt to cold environments.

On the other extreme, high summer temperatures can also limit a mosquito's ability to survive unless it has already adapted to this type of environment. While we think of Louisiana summer temperatures as being ideal for mosquitoes, very high temperatures can greatly affect the simple biological systems that are occurring within a mosquito, such as digestion and metabolism. Unless a mosquito has been well adapted to these changes, it is unlikely it can survive those extremes.

Not only does temperature affect mosquito survival, but it also affects other aspects of mosquito biology and behavior. In general, there is a relationship between temperature and how fast a mosquito develops from egg to adult. The interesting thing about this relationship is that it is so consistent that we can use it to predict when and where we might see mosquito activity. In 2019, researchers in the Healy lab published a paper comparing different populations of Asian tiger mosquitoes from New Jersey to Louisiana. Researchers evaluated how quickly mosquitoes developed from egg to adult at different temperatures. Regardless of population, it was observed that mosquitoes consistently develop at certain rates depending on temperature. This information helped to establish a "sevenday rule" for mosquito development, since at most temperatures, it takes about seven days to go from egg to adult mosquito. This allowed the AgCenter to encourage residents to check their yards for standing water once a week to help adequately reduce Asian tiger mosquitoes near their homes.

By further looking at temperature-based development rates, it was also possible to predict when mosquitoes were likely to exit winter diapause. These dates were predicted using simple formulas that took into account the environmental temperature in relation to lab-based results. Because of this, it is consistently expected that the first Asian tiger mosquitoes will emerge in the spring around February or March. Interestingly enough, these dates are similar whether you are in the cooler, northern limit of the mosquito in New Jersey or if you are in its range in Louisiana.

Recently, an AgCenter study evaluated 10 years of Baton Rouge temperature data to see if there is a trend in the emergence rates in early spring. As shown by the data, there continues to be annual fluctuations of when these mosquitoes emerge in the spring. These fluctuations in emergence and abundance will likely vary every year, depending on temperature and rainfall.

In addition to presence, researchers also evaluated if early emergence of this mosquito predicted a higher-than-normal level of activity in West Nile virus. While this mosquito is not the primary driver of West Nile virus in Louisiana, it can be used as a proxy for temperature-based development rates. It is important to recognize that temperature impacts a mosquito's ability to transmit pathogens by modifying how quickly a virus can replicate within the body of a mosquito. There is likely complex physiology within a mosquito that balances temperature, biology and viral infection. Interestingly enough, the research did not show a direct correlation between the week in the spring in which these mosquitoes first appeared and the number of West Nile virus human neuroinvasive cases. It was noted, however, that high case numbers do seem to occur in years where mosquitoes emerge in February as opposed to March, but understanding if this relationship is real or an artifact of the methodology is still yet to be understood.

Temperature also plays many other unique roles in a mosquito's biology and behavior. It also can affect how quickly the small, standing bodies of water that mosquitoes sometimes use as habitats dry up in an environment. In 2011, LSU researchers modeled rates in which an Asian tiger mosquito habitat would evaporate in certain temperatures as it relates to how quickly the mosquito develops. At higher temperatures, it is a challenge for mosquitoes to develop in small container habitats before the water dries up. This is interesting, because in 2023, Louisiana experienced an unusual drought. As a result, there were in fact fewer mosquitoes in collections overall. Therefore, it is important to note that too high of a temperature isn't always going to improve a mosquito's ability to develop quickly enough. In 2018, AgCenter research showed



that a mosquito's metabolism does decrease tremendously under higher temperature extremes. While some mosquito species might be adapted to this type of temperature and environment, it can present a challenge for others to survive.

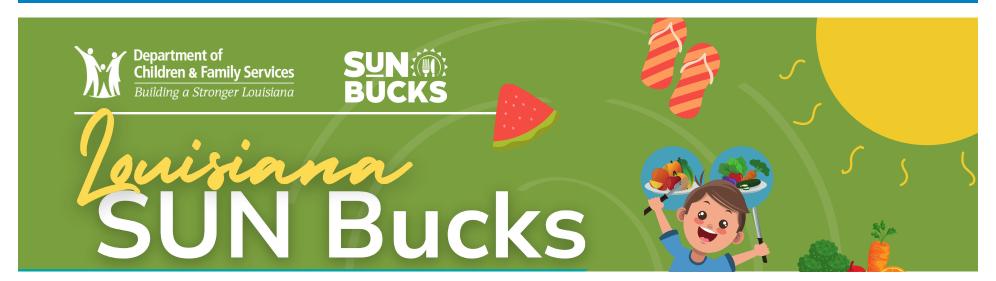
Because immature mosquitoes, called larvae, require water to survive, adult mosquitoes lay eggs in areas that are either flooded with water or will eventually become flooded. Mosquito larval habitats range from small, standing water habitats, such as cups, tree holes or rock pools, to much larger permanent habitats, such as swamps and swimming pools. Preference for the type of habitat will be different depending on which mosquito species is present. For example, the Asian tiger mosquito loves backyard habitats near people's homes. While we find larvae in abundance in backyard tires and buckets, we would not expect to see this species laying eggs in swamps. As a result, precipitation is more likely to affect this species, as it depends on those small containers to get flooded during rain events.

While these are only a handful of the many ways that temperature affects mosquitoes, these relationships become more complex as we also understand the role precipitation plays in their presence as well.

Kristen Healy is an associate professor of medical entomology and public health entomology. Healy leads the AgCenter's research into mosquito biology, behavior, surveillance and control through her own studies and as director of the Healy Lab.

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Summer grocery program for students of low-income families

What are SUN Bucks?

Starting in summer 2024, Louisiana SUN Bucks, also referred to as Summer EBT, will provide families with \$120 for each eligible school-aged child (5 to 18 years old) to buy groceries during the summer break.

SUN Bucks is made possible with funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.

How do SUN Bucks work?

SUN Bucks work just like SNAP, with benefits loaded onto an EBT card. You can use SUN Bucks to buy food like fruits, vegetables, meat, whole grains, and dairy at grocery stores, farmers' markets, and other places that accept SNAP benefits, including some online retailers.

If the family receives SNAP, SUN Bucks benefits for each eligible child will be added to the household's existing SNAP EBT card. All other eligible children will receive a preloaded EBT card sent to their mailing address

Benefits of SUN Bucks

- Helps parents and caregivers buy healthy foods for their children.
- Gives families the flexibility to select foods that fit their culture and lifestyle.
- Improves food security and diet quality for participating children

Eligibility

Children are automatically eligible for the program if:

- the child received SNAP, FITAP, KCSP or Medicaid (income-based) benefits during the 2023-24 school year.
- the child applied and was individually approved to receive free or reducedprice school meals through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Program

Children may be eligible for SUN Bucks, but will need to apply to determine eligibility if:

- · the child is experiencing homelessness.
- the child is a migrant.

 the child receives free or reduced-price school meals but did not complete an application.

Even if a child doesn't fall into one of the categories above, they may still be eligible for SUN Bucks based on the family's income.

Enrollment

Many families will get SUN Bucks automatically if they are getting other benefits, but some families may need to apply for the program.

If the household is not automatically enrolled and may be eligible, they can get SUN Bucksby filling out a simple application when it becomes available later this summer. Visit sunbucks.la.gov for updates and follow DCFS on Facebook, X/Twitter, and Instagram for the latest news!

SUN Bucks is not the same as P-EBT. P-EBT has ended. Not every child who received P-EBT is eligible to receive SUN Bucks. SUN Bucks will not be issued to P-EBT cards.

What do families need to do?

It is important that families ensure their mailing address is up-to-date on their SNAP, FITAP and/or Medicaid case, and with their child's school. EBT cards will be sent to the mailing address that is on file.

Under federal rules, SUN Bucks benefits must be used within 122 days of being loaded to an EBT card. Any unused benefits on the card after 122 days will expire. Expired benefits cannot be replaced or put back on the household's card.



To learn more about SUN Bucks, visit *sunbucks.la.gov* or scan the QR code above.







Find summer meal sites

Through USDA's summer meal programs, approved sites in communities across the country serve meals and snacks to kids 18 and younger at no cost. Families can use the Summer Meals for Kids Site Finder to find directions to nearby meal sites, as well as their hours of operation and contact information.

The Summer Meals for Kids Site Finder was developed by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to help children, families, and others quickly and easily find summer meal sites near them. The site finder is a free, web-based application that also works on tablets, smartphones, and other mobile devices.

Information found on the site finder is provided by state agencies throughout the country that operate USDA summer meal programs. This year the Site Finder can help you find two types of summer meal sites: Eat On-Site and Meals To-Go. Both types of sites offer free meals and snacks to children 18 and younger.

Summer Meals for Kids Site Finder: www.fns.usda.gov/summer/sitefinder

USDA's SUN Programs:

www.fns.usda.gov/summer

Composting & food waste reduction pilot programs

Application period open until September 4, 2024

The USDA is accepting applications for Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) pilot projects for fiscal year 2024. The cooperative agreements, using remaining funds from the American Rescue Plan Act, are jointly administered by USDA's Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). Selected projects will develop and test strategies for planning and implementing municipal compost plans and food waste reduction plans and are part of USDA's broader efforts to support urban agriculture.

USDA's Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production (OUAIP)—led by USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)—will accept applications on Grants.gov until 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Sept. 4, 2024. Projects must be two years in duration with an estimated start date of June 1, 2025.

"Uneaten food makes up approximately 4% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions," said Terry Cosby, Chief of NRCS, which houses the Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production. "Turning food waste into valuable compost is an important climate solution and benefits both farmers and communities. Local strategies and tools like the cooperative agreements are important climate solutions and also contribute to food security at the community level, and we encourage communities to apply."

Cooperative agreements support projects led by local and tribal governments, schools or other eligible entities that:

- Generate compost.
- Increase access to compost for agricultural producers.

- Reduce reliance on and limit the use of fertilizer.
- Improve soil quality.
- Encourage waste management and permaculture business development.
- Increase rainwater absorption.
- Reduce municipal food waste.
- Divert food waste from landfills.

OUAIP will prioritize projects that anticipate or demonstrate economic benefits; incorporate plans to make compost easily accessible to farmers, including community gardeners; integrate other food waste strategies, including food recovery efforts, and collaborate with multiple partners.

This is the fifth year that OUAIP has offered this funding opportunity. Examples of past investments include Geneva Compost and Food Waste Diversion, from the Town of Geneva, New York, which diverted food waste and other biodegradables from the waste stream to generate nutrient-rich compost, improving soil quality, reducing reliance on fertilizers, and engaging in food recovery efforts that take "extra" food and get it to community members in need.

Another example of a past recipient is the Composting and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Project by Tucson Unified School District in Tucson, Arizona. The project built infrastructure to provide compost to school and community gardens, improve soil quality, reduce food waste, and demonstrate the economic benefits of including food reclamation education as an integral part of a school garden and nutrition programs for students, their families and the community.

A pre-recorded webinar will provide an overview of the cooperative agreements' purpose, project types, eligibility and basic requirements for submitting applications. The webinar will be posted at **usda.gov/urban**.

OUAIP was established through the 2018 Farm Bill. It is led by NRCS and works in partnership with numerous USDA agencies that support urban agriculture and innovative production.

View a complete list of 2023 cooperative agreement recipients and project summaries at **usda.gov/urban**. In 2023, USDA awarded \$11.5 million in 38 cooperative agreements. For additional resources available to producers, download the Urban Agriculture at a Glance brochure or visit **farmers.gov/urban**.



USDA to measure bee losses in Louisiana

In July, the United States Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will reach out to bee and honey producers to collect information for its Quarterly Colony Loss survey. This survey



measures colony losses to determine the stability of the regional bee population and helps monitor health of those hives.

"While Colony Collapse Disorder is a continuing threat, this survey will also identify the hives lost during the winter months. The majority of Louisiana cash crops depend on bee pollination during the growing season, so it is important to start out the season with an understanding of our pollination needs," said Kathy Broussard, Louisiana State Statistician. "Reports produced from the data collected help address key issues facing the Louisiana apiculture industry such as bee health, competition for apiary sites, and maintaining confidence of consumers and regulators."

In Louisiana, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) enumerators will survey a sample of local beekeepers. By participating, these producers ensure NASS provides timely, accurate, and objective data which all stakeholders can use to make sound business decisions. Accurate information helps reduces uncertainty and provides reliable facts on bee colony health.

Information provided by respondents for all NASS surveys is confidential by law. NASS safeguards privacy of all responses and publishes only aggregate data, ensuring no individual operation or producer can be identified.

NASS will publish survey results on its website in the Honey Bee Colonies report on Thursday, August 1, 2024. This and all other NASS reports are available online at **www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/.** For more information, please call the NASS Delta Regional Office at (800) 327-2970.

LA commits \$230.5M to Port NOLA infrastructure projects

By Heather Ervin, www.MarineLog.com

The recent 2024 regular session of the Louisiana Legislature committed \$230.5 million to Port of New Orleans (Port NOLA) infrastructure projects, including the port's new downriver container terminal, the Louisiana International Terminal (LIT) and the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor, which is envisioned to connect the \$1.8 billion LIT to the interstate system and deliver a road that has long been sought after by St. Bernard Parish leaders and residents.

LIT received \$10 million in direct state general funding and \$140 million in Priority 5 state funding that will support design and construction activities. An additional \$50 million in state funding remains secured to support construction of the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor, as well as \$30.5 million (\$3 million of which is in the direct state general fund) for rehabilitation, planning, and construction of the St. Claude Bridge.

"These critical infrastructure projects will solidify Louisiana's position as the premier global gateway in the Gulf, ensure thousands of jobs as well as long-term economic growth for the region and state," said Port NOLA Acting President and CEO and Acting CEO of the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad, Ronald Wendel, Jr.

Port NOLA says that it continues to prioritize development of the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor as a parallel project with construction of the LIT. The Regional Planning Commission awarded a contract to GIS Engineering LLC in June 2023 to study the corridor and other roadway improvements that will support LIT and St. Bernard Parish for decades to come.

LIT will be built in Violet, La., 17 miles downriver from the Crescent City Connection bridge, eliminating air draft restrictions for vessels that currently call on the Port of New Orleans. It will serve vessels of all sizes, dramatically increasing Louisiana's import and export capacity, foster strategic inland growth and allow both container-on-barge and intermodal services to expand.

"These are the type of public investments Louisiana must make to transform our tradebased economy and secure our position as a future leader of global trade," said Julia Fisher-Cormier, Commissioner of the Louisiana Office of Multimodal Commerce.LIT is the largest public economic development project in the state of Louisiana. By 2050, it is expected to generate 32,000 new jobs nationwide, more than 18,000 in Louisiana, 4,300 in St. Bernard Parish as well as more than \$1 billion in new state and local tax revenue.

"Not only will this project generate thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in tax revenues. it will ensure that Louisiana continues to lead in international trade, its raison d'être," said Michael Hecht, President and CEO of Greater New Orleans Inc. The \$230.5 million state commitment is in addition to \$300 million in landmark federal funding awarded to Port NOLA earlier this year to assist in building LIT. That is the largest federal investment in a new container terminal in the history of the U.S. Department of Transportation. LIT has also garnered support from more than a dozen ports in six states as well as from major trade and agriculture associations throughout the heartland of America.

LIT will be built through a historic public-private partnership between Port NOLA and two private terminal operators. New Jersey-based Ports America, North America's largest marine terminal operator, and Geneva, Switzerland-based Mediterranean Shipping Company, through its terminal development and investment arm, Terminal Investment Limited (TiL), have committed \$800 million toward the project.

LIT is currently in the federal permitting process. Construction is expected to begin in 2025 with the first berth opening in 2028.

USA Rice unveils new "Grown in the USA" mark

The U.S. rice industry's "Grown in the USA" mark has been around for decades. It signified to consumers that the rice contents of the package bearing the mark was 100 percent U.S.-grown. While it has been the dominant Country of Origin mark for U.S. rice, it is not the only one. Some rice packages bear different red, white, and blue themed designs or words "Product of Texas," "California Grown," "Certified Louisiana," or similar.

In 2020, Washington, DC-based brewery Hellbender Brewing partnered with USA Rice to brew a beer using Louisiana-grown purple rice, following it up two years later with an Arkansas aromatic rice beer. In both instances, the Rice Grown in the USA (GITUSA) mark was placed on the beer cans.



"The experience with Hellbender was a lightbulb moment for us," said Michael Klein, vice president of domestic promotion & marketing for USA Rice. "We wondered who else might see value in promoting to their customers that they are using U.S.-grown rice? So we started quietly asking around."

Klein said foodservice partners, who often highlight locally grown ingredients, were interested, but there was a hitch. "The existing GITUSA mark was designed for a package of rice on a store shelf, not a menu or a restaurant's webpage or their social media channels," he said. "It was a horizontal rectangle, often in red, white, and blue and with the words 'rice grown in the USA,' so it communicated the message, but our partners wanted something a bit more modern and dynamic."

Enter USA Rice's Domestic Promotion Committee who started working with graphic designers and marketing consultants in 2023.

"We were given more than a dozen options that we got down to four or five," explained Robbie Trahan, a Louisiana rice miller and chair of the Domestic Promotion Committee. "We then got it to two and sent the options to our Retail Subcommittee who debated and polled the Boards of Directors of our membership organizations and the USA Rice Communications Committee before making the final recommendation that we accepted.

The new mark, called "GITUSA Badge," has a vertical orientation, is more compact, and can be made very tiny without losing messaging, making it the dynamic mark requested.

There are also some new elements to the mark qualification. "The old mark was available to anyone using 100 percent U.S.-grown rice, and that's still true," explained Trahan. "The new mark has that requirement, of course, but also requires a commitment to support the industry's climate and sustainability goals, and membership in USA Rice, or member organizations USA Rice Millers' Association, USA Rice Merchants' Association, or the USA Rice Council."

Trahan said end-users of rice, that meet all the licensing requirements but are not eligible to join one of the organizations mentioned, such as a restaurant, may still apply to license the mark from USA Rice and would be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

"Ultimately, we know consumers are interested in where their food is coming from and how it's being grown and manufactured, with a growing focus on environmental responsibility," he said. "U.S. rice farmers are leaders in food safety, stewardship, and sustainability, dedicated to conserving resources while producing a high quality and profitable crop. This new mark signifies all of that to consumers and I look forward to it being used broadly in the retail and foodservice spaces."

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Internships must offer at least 130 hours of work experience, not exceeding one year in duration, and interns must be paid at least the minimum wage rate as per the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

The application period is open online from July 1 through August 31. Once approved, the applicant will be required to submit an intern application to be completed by the intern or beginning farmer. Students currently enrolled at a Louisiana secondary or postsecondary institution or a young

and beginning farmer or rancher employed by an agricultural business are eligible to participate in the program.

Questions?

- For more information on the program, call (225) 952-8084.
- For the program application and guidelines, and how to apply, please visit www.ldaf.la.gov/business/ grants-funding/louisiana-agriculturalworkforce-development-program.

POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

Abbeville Poultry Sales & Swap will be held every 4th Sunday from 8 AM until 12 PM at the Tractor Supply, 3410 Veterans Memorial Drive. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. Contact: Kenneth Richard at (337) 319-5669.

Denham Springs Poultry Swap will be held every 2nd Saturday from 9 AM until 1 PM at the Tractor Supply on Florida Blvd. Only healthy animals, no dogs or cats. <u>Contact</u>: Daniel at (225) 665-9042.

Hammond Poultry Swap will be held 1st Saturday of the month at Tractor Supply on Florida Blvd. Only healthy animals. <u>Contact</u>: Jenna at (225) 439-9024.

New Iberia Poultry Swap & Sale every 2nd Sunday and 4th Saturday from 8 AM till 12 PM

at Tractor Supply on Hwy 90. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. <u>Contact</u>: Roy at (337) 523-1807.

Opelousas Poultry Swap & Sales every 1st Sunday from 8 AM until 12 PM at the Tractor Supply, Hwy. 190. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. <u>Contact</u>: Larry at (337) 945-2804.

Poultry Swap & Farmers Market every 1st and 3rd Saturday from 7 AM until at the Moss Bluff Tractor Supply. <u>Contact</u>: Joyce Conner at (337) 391-1790.

Reeves Auction & Livestock every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 3 PM. Located at 9271 Hwy 190 in Ragley. Includes general merchandise and poultry. <u>Contact</u>: Danny Reeves at (337) 309-9679.



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HORSE EVENTS

Bogalusa Cow Sorting

For more information, call Troy Crain at (985) 516-7507 or Blake Chiasson at (985) 285-0892 or email sorting@3DOTS.us.

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.

Deep South Stock Horse Show Association

All shows begin at 9 AM and alternate between Clinton and New Roads arenas.

Remaining show dates for 2024:

- Sept. 7 New Roads
- Oct. 5 Clinton Nov. 2 Clinton
- Nov. 30 New Roads

More information: http://dsshsa.weebly. com/ Email: dsshsa@gmail.com

Jefferson Davis Riders Club

All shows are held at Crowley Rice Arena and begin at 9 AM unless otherwise noted. For more information, call Cathy Meche at (337) 526-2281 or visit 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 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 or email lalbra@yahoo.com.

Louisiana Stock Horse Association

All shows start at 9 AM.

Remaining dates for 2024:

- Sept. 14 Florida Parishes Arena, Amite
- Oct. 5 Pointe Coupee Multi Use, New Roads
- Oct. 26 Sug Arena, New Iberia;
- Nov. 23-24 Beauregard Parish Arena,

For more information, visit www. louisianastockhorse.com, follow us on Facebook, or call (225) 394-9534.

LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS

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1462 Airline Hwy., Baton Rouge (225) 356-5203, dominiqueslivestock.com

Amite Livestock Co. (TUES/SAT)

58449 Hwy. 51 Amite (985) 748-8636, www.cattleusa.com

Dominique Stockyard (TUES)

2800 W. Landry St. Opelousas (337) 942-5661, dominiqueslivestock.com

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8745 Hwv. 1 Mansura (318) 964-5330, www.cattleusa.com

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P. O. Box 456 Hwy. 1, Coushatta (318) 932-5691, www.cattleusa.com

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Acadia Parish Rice Arena

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

Assumption Parish Ag Complex & Arena

119 Robin St., Napoleonville www.assumptionla.com/AgComplex

Bogalusa Community Arena

20239 Airport Road, Bogalusa

Clinton Covered Arena

14730 Hwy. 10, Clinton (225) 316-6779 www.clintonarena.com

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202 Rodeo Rd.Farmerville www.darbonnerangeriders.com

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Agricultural Fair Assoc. Arena 221 Moffet Rd., Houma (985) 665-1005 www.terrebonne-livestock.org

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Protect your livestock during severe weather

By Halle Jefferson, www.KPLCTV.com

Taking a ride through Southwest Louisiana, you often see horses, cattle, and other livestock. In the event of a hurricane, while it may be easier to evacuate your family, owners of these animals face some hurdles.

What steps should be taken to ensure your livestock has proper shelter?

There are a lot of moving parts to this question, and it all depends on several factors, including the size of the operation.

McNeese Farm and Ranch Manager Darrin Goodwin said within a week of seeing storm paths coming and paying attention to the models, you should be in contact with someone making preparations to get out.

"Make sure you have a list of phone numbers for contacts, reach out to different agencies, we've hosted here several times for hurricanes, a station where people can come get hay and feed," Goodwin said.

He said it can be expensive to move a large amount of livestock for a hurricane.

"If you're a bigger operation, you've got 50 plus, 100, 200 head of cattle, it's hard to move that many, and the expense is huge to hire a truck and outlet to do that," he said.

For some cattle ranchers here in Southwest Louisiana, the moving of livestock begins well before hurricane season.

Will Baty said they start moving cattle along the coastline in areas like Johnson Bayou inn the first week of May. The cattle are moved north of the intercostal for higher ground in preparation for hurricane season.

"If there's enough stress on us, there's enough stress on anyone if there's a hurricane on the way, we don't need to worry about 1,500 to 2,000 head of cattle down there, so we leave just a handful at a time in the summertime, so if we do have one coming we can get down there within a couple hours and get everything brought back home, within a day at least," Baty said.

For most farmers, the livestock will remain in those more elevated pastures throughout the season.

Beauregard Parish farmer Stephen Smith said although he hasn't had to move his cattle for hurricanes, he's helped other farmers during the past storms.

"These animals they've got quite the instinct, mother nature blessing with, but depending on the direction the wind the rain coming in, they will huddle up in a certain part of the pasture," Smith said.

In the event some livestock do need out-ofstate travel, Baty said it's all based on having good friends and networking.

"You know as soon as we have a storm coming, just about every time the news broadcasts it, from across the country people will call and offer places for us to put them, offer places for us and if we need help. I know for Hurricane Laura and Delta there was a lot of help from east Texas, and central to south Texas that helped us out a lot as well as northern Louisiana, but a lot of help from other people is what it takes," Baty said.

Ilt doesn't just stop at shelter for the livestock.

Hurricanes can cause stress on the cattle, which can impact a cattle rancher's bottom line.

"These cattle are stressed throughout a hurricane or hurricane season, they know when something's not right, that brings our conception rates down every year, which leaves us not having a calf the next year, which gets into our pocket eventually," Baty said.

For more hurricane season information, visit KPLC's First Alert Hurricane Center at www.kplctv.com/weather/hurricane/.



For emergency planning livestock resources, visit www.ldaf.la.gov/animals/emergencies#livestock-planning-resources.





EVENTS

Fireworks at LDAF's Indian Creek Recreation Area & Campground

Saturday, July 6

Experience a full day of family fun and the annual fireworks over the water. 100 Campground Road in Woodworth, LA. Entrance: \$7/vehicle.

For more information, visit www.facebook. com/IndianCreekRecArea or call (318) 487-5058.

Soul of the Soil luncheon

Wednesday, July 3 • 11 AM - 1 PM

Join the Southern University Ag Center in partnership with the National Minority Supplier Development Council for an event themed, "Rooted in the Future: Cultivating Tomorrow," at Harrah's Hotel and Casino, 228 Poydras Street in New Orleans, LA.

Black farmers, advocates, and supporters are invited to participate in critical conversations driving change and to network and build valuable relationships. To register, visit https://share.hsforms.com/loJcogygvRtGQj9-ZUrf-CQcqzi8.

Louisiana Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative Events

LGLCI has several tours and workshops coming up this summer.

Livestock Economics Workshop (Alexandria)

This workshop will cover foundational economics terminology, the economics of grazing and pasture management, and animal management costs, as well as budgeting, record-keeping, and marketing options.

Friday, July 19 • 9 AM - 3 PM • \$25

GROW MORE Conservation Outreach:

July 30 (New Orleans)

Aug 1 (Bossier City)

To learn more and register, visit the LGLCI website at **Louisianaglci.org/events**.

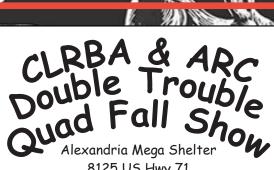
National Farmers Market Week

August 4-10

Now in its 25th year, this annual celebration highlights the vital role farmers markets play in our nation's food system.

In addition to the goodies you'll always find at farmers markets, look for special events, contests, and more this week. (To find a farmers market near you, see Page 3.)

SAVE THE DATE: Rabbit show



8125 US Hwy 71 Alexandria, LA 71302

September 13th & 14th, 2024

Judges:

Jeff Albright (FL)
Chase Austin (TX)
Tony Bell (TX)
Michael Franke (TX)
Dakota Manning (LA)
Mary Jo Terry (TX)
Joey Martin (OH)
Stacy Martin (OH)
Jennifer Schimpf (TX)
Ethan Weaver (ID)

The host club reserves the rights to hire or release judges as needed.

Show Staff:

Co-Superintendent: Alex Meche Co- Superintendent: Alyssa Ramstad Secretary: Collette Waters Vendor: KW Cages of Texas (Jason Platt) Registrar: Tracey Freeman (Sat. Only)

Schedule of Events:

Friday September 13th, 2024

2:00 pm: Building Opens/Check-In Opens
4:30 pm: Judges Conference Begins
7:00 pm: All Breed Check-In Closes
7:30 pm: All Breed Show A Begins
The building is to close approx. 15 minutes
after the show concludes. Rabbits may stay
in the building Friday night.

Saturday September 14th, 2024

6:30 am: Building Opens/All Breed Check-In Opens

7:30 am: All Breed Check-In Closes

8:00 am: Show B Begins; Show ${\it C}$ and Show D to follow

10:30 am- 11:30 am: Youth/4-H Show Check-In 12:00 pm: Lunch, Non-Sanctioned Youth/4-H Show Begins, Best Jr Contest will be held at lunch time.

Rabbits may not stay overnight Saturday night. Please consider donating items to our raffle table!

Entry Fees: All-Breed Open/Youth

Early Entry Deadline:	Sept. 10 th , 2024, by 10 pm.			
Early Entry Fees:	\$5 per rabbit per show.			
Day of Show Changes:	\$2 per change.			
Late/Day of Show Entry Fees:	\$7 per rabbit per show.			
Best Jr Contest:	\$5 per rabbit.			
Send all entries to:	centralrabbitshow@gmail.com			
Payment Ontions: CASH or CHECK				

- Sanctioned breeds:Argente Bruns O/Y
- Californians O/Y
- Dutch O/Y
- Havana O/Y
- Holland Lop O/Y
- · Lionhead O/Y
- Mini Lop O/YMini Rex Y
- Netherland Dwarf O/Y
- Polish O/Y

If you would like to discuss getting a breed sanctioned or would like to donate the sanctions for a breed, please contact one of the following no later than September 5, 2024:

Alex - aameche02@gmail.com

Collette - centralrabbitshow@gmail.com

A complete show catalog will be available at ARBA.net