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Choosing and caring for a Christmas tree is a beloved tradition that adds warmth and festivity to homes during the holiday season. In Louisiana, the rich variety of homegrown Christmas trees offers residents the opportunity to select the perfect centerpiece for their celebrations. Our state is home to many choose-and-cut farms, where families can pick from a diverse selection of tree species, including Leyland cypress, Arizona cypress, Virginia pine, and Eastern redcedar.

Selecting Your Christmas Tree

When visiting a tree farm, it's essential to consider the characteristics of each tree species. The Leyland cypress, a favorite in Louisiana, is known for its longevity after cutting and its narrow crown, characterized by medium to dark green foliage. It's perfect for those who want their tree to last well into the New Year. However, its branches are limber, which may require careful placement of ornaments.

Murray cypress is a variety of the Leyland cypress. This tree drops very few needles and, with proper care, will easily stay fresh throughout the entire Christmas season. In addition to being a beautiful tree with soft foliage and a lemon mint aroma, it does not produce pollen.

The Arizona cypress offers a distinctive pyramid shape, with dense, blue-green foliage and a pleasant citrus scent. Although it may not last as long as the Leyland cypress, it remains fresh through the holiday season with proper watering.

Carolina Sapphire and Blue Ice are varieties of the Arizona cypress and two of the newest species developed for Christmas trees. Their foliage is blue-green in color, soft to the touch, and very dense with an outstanding aroma. Due to their tendency to dry out even in water stands, it is recommended to cut these three to four weeks before Christmas.

Virginia pine is another excellent choice, especially for those who love hanging heavy ornaments. Its sturdy branches and shorter needles make it a versatile option, while genetic improvements have enhanced its suitability for Louisiana's climate.

The Eastern redcedar, a traditional choice for many southern families, offers a dense, pyramidal shape with dark green foliage and reddish-brown bark. Proper maintenance can ensure a straight trunk and dense growth.

Tips for Selecting the Right Tree

Before heading to a farm or lot, measure the space where the tree will be displayed to avoid purchasing a tree that's too large. Consider the type of decorations you plan to use, as some species have more open foliage or sturdier branches.

When choosing a tree, conduct a freshness test by running a branch through your hand; the needles should remain intact and not fall off. Check for indicators of dryness, such as excessive needle loss or discolored foliage. If in doubt, select another tree.

Caring for Your Christmas Tree

Once you've selected your tree, proper care is crucial for maintaining its freshness. Be sure to use plenty of water, as more than half of a cut tree's weight comes from water. Using a traditional reservoir-type stand to display your tree in water is the most effective way to keep it fresh and minimize needle loss. When displaying the tree indoors, select a stand with a water-holding capacity suitable for the tree's size; typically, the stand should hold one quart of water for every inch of stem diameter. Devices are available to help maintain a constant water level in the stand. Ensure the stand fits the tree without having to whittle down the trunk, as the outer wood layers are essential for water uptake.

Before placing the tree in the stand, make a fresh cut to remove about a half-inch thick disk from the base of the trunk, cutting perpendicular to the stem axis. Avoid cutting the trunk at an angle or in a V-shape, as this complicates securing the tree and reduces the available water supply. Drilling a hole in the trunk's base does not enhance water absorption. Once home, place the tree in water as soon as possible; most species can

See Christmas Trees, page 14

COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Louisiana Produce Safety State Certification Program

Are you a small or mid-sized farmer? Does your business purchase produce from local farmers? Your input is needed!

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's Produce Safety Program is conducting a survey to better serve our hard-working farmers and buyers. Working together we will be able to build a voluntary, free certification program that will focus on small and mid-sized farms providing opportunities for food safety, education and verification.

This voluntary program, with no cost to the grower, will build upon the established Produce Safety Program, and Louisiana Fruit and Vegetable Program (Good Agricultural Practices, GAP). It will benefit buyers

and emerging farmers and help prepare farmers for potential regulatory requirements or third-party audits necessary for business expansion.

Funded Initiatives will include:

- On farm assessments.
- Consultations to develop food safety systems.
- Access to crucial resources and funding.
- Documented certifications will provide buyers with an efficient food safety practice verification method ensuring they are buying food from farms who put food safety at the forefront.

If you are interested in this program please take this survey, <https://form.jotform.com/252165541452049>.

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SOUTHEAST ALABAMA WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 30, 2025

Bermuda Large Round	Premium	\$200/ton
Bermuda Medium Round.....	Premium	\$150-\$200/ton
Bermuda Small Square.....	Premium	\$280-\$440/ton

SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 31, 2025

Bermuda Large Round	Good	\$95-\$115/ton
Bermuda Small Square.....	Good	\$10-\$12/ton



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VISIT YOUR LOCAL FARMERS MARKET



ACADIA

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

ALLEN

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

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

BEAUREGARD

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

Lake Charles Farm & Table
Market
110 W Pine St, Lake Charles
Tuesdays 3pm-6pm

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-Dec

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

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

EVANGELINE

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

GRANT

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

CRESSENT CITY

Crescent City #2
325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy.
@ 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
Thruway, 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

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

NATCHITOCHES

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

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

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

ORLEANS

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

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 ●
1200 Washington St
Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov

W 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, Thur 3-6PM

Cabrini Farmers Market
2211 Texas Ave, Alexandria
Sat 9AM-12PM

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 ●
2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking
Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM

TANGIPAHOA

Hammond Market ●
Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave,
Sat 8AM-12PM

TENSAS

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

TERREBONNE

Cajun 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

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

WEST FELICIANA

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

WINN

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

● Markets that accept FMNP Food Benefits Cards



CLASSIFIED AD CATEGORIES

AGRITOURISM

ANIMALS

- Bees
- Cattle
- Deer & exotics
- Dogs
- Domesticated birds
- Horses, mules, & jacks
- Pigeons
- Poultry & fowl
- Rabbits
- Sheep & goats
- Swine

AQUACULTURE

EQUIPMENT

- Contractor equipment
- Equipment services for hire
- Hay equipment
- Lawn equipment
- Pickers & harvesters
- Planting & tillage
- Trailers & wagons
- Other ag equipment

FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

- Tack
- Other ag implements

FERTILIZER

FOOD

- Eggs
- Fruits & vegetables
- Honey
- Jams & jellies
- From the farm

HAY & GRAIN

HOBBIES & LEISURE

- Crafts & woodwork
- Sewing & fabrics

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

- Fishing & tackle
- Guns & accessories
- Leases & memberships
- Miscellaneous hunt/fish/camp

LUMBER & SAWING

PLANTS & GARDEN

- Seeds, flowers, & ornamentals
- Trees & fruiting vines

REAL ESTATE

SERVICES

- Equine services
- Farm services
- Livestock boarding
- Nuisance animal removal
- Stallion service

TRACTORS

VEHICLES

- ATVs
- Boats
- Farm trucks



DEADLINES & GUIDELINES

ISSUE	DEADLINE (12 PM)
November 27	PASSED
December 11	November 27
December 25	December 11
January 8	December 18

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- Ads will run for two consecutive issues. To keep your listing active, you must re-submit once a month.

AGRITOURISM

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

1.5-mile scenic woods trail, 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.

ANIMALS

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

Herd Bull Prospect 12Star

Angus breeding AAA20896430, sire Potts Bros Trail Boss, dam T/D Blackcap F612, born 11/7/2023 1610# BSE pass Trich negative, DNA tested, pictures available, guaranteed, \$6,500. Aaron Poirrier, Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 514-1043.

Two PB Angus Bulls, 6-months-old, \$1,250 each. Clinton Brelan, Angie, Washington Parish; (985) 515-8883.

Six Registered Angus, one 6-month-old heifer, two 18 month and three 6 year olds, bred back, great genetics, call for pricing. Connor Ledet, Delhi, Franklin Parish; (318) 341-2368.

Five 2-year-old registered black Angus bulls, low birth weight, superior genetics, big bone and muscle, 1 breeding season guaranteed, \$6,000 each. Earl Lemoine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-5503.

Three unexposed Angus heifers, near 2 1/2 years old, \$4,800 cash for all. Millard Goode, Sulphur, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 513-7573.

Six registerable heifer weanlings, pure black angus, 6 months, around 500lbs, call for pricing. Vanessa Hogan, Center Point, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 541-3923.

Three Registered Black Angus heifers, 11-12 months, 750 lbs, excellent quality, performance and EPD's, all vaccinations, 21291820, 21289584, 21291821, \$2,500-\$2,850. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-6526.

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Registered Full Blood Charolais

Bulls 16 -22 months old excellent bloodlines, high performance, low birth weights, adds meat and bone to calves, \$4,000 and up. Marylyn M Fitzsimons, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-8527.

HEREFORD

Registered Miniature

Hereford's, call for pricing and availability. Blaire LeBlanc, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 931-3450.

Registered Hereford bull

2-years-old, \$3,000. Greg Lafleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-0889.

Registered Hereford bull

calves, horned, scrubbed, polled, DNA tested, \$3,500. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Two-year registered bulls and heifers

call for more info and pricing. Paul Gaspard, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 717-5532.

Registered Miniature Hereford

Heifer, 6-months-old available, \$3,000 firm. Robert Falcon, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (985) 381-5762.

SANTA GERTRUDIS

Santa Gertrudis possible show calves for sale, these red beauties have top notch bloodlines. Heifer's born July 9, 2025, Bulls born July 14, 2025, both will come with their registration papers, for more information and/or pictures contact me, parents are on site, call for pricing. Charlotte Seymour, Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 907-5792.

OTHER

Cut The Bull, Certified Bovine

Artificial Insemination, Seymour's Artificial Insemination. Seymour, Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 907-5792.

DOGS

Great Pyrenees puppies, 3

males, 1 female, born 11/10/25, first shots and wormed, protect anything raised with on the farm, ready December 22nd right before Christmas, \$100 deposit, \$250 total.

Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

One eight-month-old Mountain

Cur squirrel dog, female, trails and trees, call for pricing. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

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.

Free Chi-poo/ Pek-a-poo

puppies, born 7/27/25, 4 males, 2 females, black and little white, one cream colored, small dogs, weigh 4 pounds or less, first shots and wormed. D Musselwhite, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; (318) 228-5083.

CKC Register Chihuahua

puppies, first shot and dewormed regularly, \$500. Donald Fornea, Angie, Washington Parish; (985) 750-1239.

NRTA Reg. Rat Terrier puppies, farm dogs, DNA testing, vet health certificate cleared by parents, call for availability, \$600 and up. George Snyder, Saint Amant, Ascension Parish; (225) 588-5757.

AKC Shih Tzu puppies, 1st shots and wormed, 3 males and 1 female, available after November 6, \$2,500 with \$500 deposit. Glenn Waters, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; (318) 787-7301.

Golden Doodle stud, proven, 60lb apricot standard, stud fee, \$1,500, live coverage and shipping options. Kelsey Higginbotham, Broussard, Lafayette Parish; (337) 654-3058.

CKC Registered Pekapoo pups, born 9/25/2025, 2 males and 1 female, black, parents on sight, small dogs 6 to 6 pounds grown, call for pricing. Patricia Plunkett, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish; (318) 533-0395.

Free Rat Terriers, young adult. Paul Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 322-1905.

One male CKC Pomeranian puppy, all shots, call for pricing. Richard Burns, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (678) 787-3604.

Yorkie Puppies, please call or text for availability. Sarah Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 298-8218.

AKC German Shepherd puppies, 1st shots and wormed, \$300. Walter Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

Toy Poodles, \$300 OBO. Walter Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

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DOMESTIC BIRDS

Galvalume sheet metal nesting boxes, customized sizes, trays for rabbit cages, bird cages, etc., available, also wood duck boxes, please call or text for pricing. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 254-4414.

Ringnecks, Pieds, White Doves, \$10 each. Charles Fontenot, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-8165.

15 normal Diamond doves, wild color, \$15 each, all young birds, take all 15 for \$200. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 817-9456.

Young pair of Scarlet Chestnut parakeets, hatched in July 2025, not mated, DNA tested, \$300. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 817-9456.

Grown flying mallard ducks and grown Pekin ducks, \$20 per pair. Ray Dauzat, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4566.

Handfed Green Cheek/ Pineapple/Sun Cheek Conures, Cockatiels, Quakers, Lovebirds, please call or text. Sarah Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 298-8218.

Sun Conures, 16 weeks old, DNA certificate included, \$650 each, text if interested. Rodney Granger, Metairie, Jefferson Parish; (504) 715-3162.

PIGEONS

Racing homing pigeons different breeds: Blue Bars and Blue Checks speed birds (Janssens), Black Eagles, Red and White and Black and White Blue Check Grizzle Trenton Birds and Muelemans, \$20 each. Vernon Champagne, Houma, Terrebonne Parish; (985) 873-8440.

POULTRY & FOWL

Four Mallard ducks about 7 months old, \$100 for all or \$25 each. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Two White Ducks about 6 months old, \$20 ea. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

India Blue Peacocks, breeding age males, overstocked, price reduced, worming and care instructions with each, will ship USPS, please leave message, \$150 each. Beverly Matheson, Bell City, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 274-1342.

India Blue peacocks for sale, \$100, text or call. Becky Clay, Pollock, Grant Parish; (318) 451-3554.

Bantam Roosters, pictures available, \$10 each. Gary

Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Young hens, 6-months-old, laying, \$25. Greg Lafleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-0889.

Young laying hens, actively laying. \$12 each, or \$10 each for 10 or more. I have a couple hundred available. Joshua Savage, Plaucheville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-2493.

Flying mallard ducks and peeking ducks, \$30 a pair. Ray Dauzat, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4566.

Young pair of friendly African Geese, \$150. Sarah Daggett, Elton, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-7404.

Hens, 5-months-old, all good breeds, \$15 each, 2 young white turkeys, \$20 each. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 241-2269.

Jumbo white and brown Pharaoh quail all size birds, \$1.25 to \$6.00 each, non-fertile quail eggs \$0.15 each, fertile quail eggs \$0.20 each. Timmy Dumatrait, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 296-6021.

Three 8-month-old IB / Pie male peacocks, looking to trade for females of a different breeds, not IB females, any other colors. Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 628-7636.

WANTED: Peafowl chicks or fertile eggs. John Anderson,

Pride, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 573-6314.

HORSES, JACKS & MULES,

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.

Mini Paint filly, 2 1/2 years old, very sweet and friendly to people and other animals, pictures upon request, call for pricing. Earl E Jones, Slaughter, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 270-0066.

Dun Buckskin mini filly, very good with people and other animals, pictures upon request, call for pricing. Earl E Jones, Slaughter, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 270-0066.

Smooth-As-A-Cat mare, 18 years old, \$3,500. Gene, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (225) 978-3820.

Gentle half-grown Donkeys, small type jacks, male, \$100. Harry L Trichel, Campti, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 476-2653.

Very gentle 16-year-old Dunn gelding, used as a heel horse, good for beginners or could be used a kid's playday horse, negative coggins provided, \$10,000. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie, DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

Registered Half American Quarter Horse, sire is Peppinita Figure Four, \$2,500. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

RABBITS

Galvalume sheet metal nesting boxes, customized sizes, trays for rabbit cages, bird cages, etc., available, also wood duck boxes, please call or text for pricing. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 254-4414.

Two females and one male rabbits, proven, call for pricing. Kenneth Credeur, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 344-5461.

Going out of business must sell, New Zealand Whites, California, and mixed breed bucks, does, and fryer size, if no answer leave a message, \$20-\$25 for bucks and does, \$12 for fryers. Lizzie, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 233-9494.

Close out on all Rabbits Californians & Nederland Dwarfs \$10.00 each Fryers

& Breeders, nearly new all wire cages \$20 each. Richard L Wilgus, Anacoco, Sabine Parish; (337) 286-5565.

SHEEP & GOAT

Myotonic (fainting) goats, all does, need to find new homes, all born the end of June, MGR Registration papers ready to go, UTD on medical, all twins, more information and pricing send message by PM or text message. Charlotte Seymore, Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 278-5799.

Three PB Boer male goats and one Boer/Saanen male goat, all bucks are 2 years and under, pictures upon request, \$250 and down. Dwain Trapp, Pineville, Rapides Parish; (318) 729-4300.

Two Mini Nubian doelings, registered (MDGA), born 01/21/2025, blue eyed, very friendly and gentle, \$350 each. Jesse Crowder, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-7412.

2025 Blackbelly lambs, wethered, when calling please leave a message, \$100 and up. Lee Wise Jr., Goldonna, Winn Parish; (318) 576-3601.

Percentage Boer Billy goat, \$300. Norris, Plaquemine, Iberville Parish; (225) 385-8503.

WANTED: Nubian male goat. Bobby Broussard, Carenco, Lafayette Parish; (337) 852-1589.

WANTED: Young Purebred Boer Billy, no papers needed. Cheri McReynolds, Zwolle, Sabine Parish; (307) 730-8229.

SWINE

Kune piglets double and single waddles, seven females one male, shots and wormed, \$100 each. William Karr, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 912-0417.

AQUACULTURE

Steel Pipe, 12-inch, 14-inch, 16-inch, 20-inch, 24-inch, 30-inch, 36-inch, 48-inch, call for pricing. Dan Roque Jr, Clouterville, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 201-1715.

Pond stocking, channel catfish, \$0.40/lb, Copper nose bluegill, \$0.35/lb; Louisiana bluegill, \$0.35/lb; hybrid bluegill, \$0.40/lb; red-ear bream, \$0.40/lb; black crappie, \$0.45/lb; bass, \$1.25/lb; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; (318) 465-2350.

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CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

2 3/8-inch tubing, tested to 5,000 pounds, \$40 per joint. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Delta Unisaw, 20 years old, great shape, 3HP, 52" extension with T-square, \$900. Dave Bostic, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (225) 936-9356.

Four conductor #10 AWG, 100ft, \$190. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

Four conductor #12 AWG, 100ft, \$130. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

50 cond #10 AW, \$150. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

Case 445 track loader skidsteer, rubber tire over the tire tracks, 2,400 hours, \$19,500 or possible trade for large 4x4 tractor. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

CAT D5K2 LGP dozer, 2012, no DEF, good undercarriage, new engine installed by cat dealer 80 hours ago, 3,750 hours, new hydraulic lines, ready to work, \$60,000. Stan Muller, Krotz Springs, St. Landry Parish; (337) 945-5557.

EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

Dozer and excavator work services, land clearing, limestone, dirt, ponds, crawfish ponds, roads, house pads,

culvert settings, and level work, call for quote. Chad Helminger, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 201-5767.

Land prepared, cleared, contoured, fields mowed, mulched, cultivated, and drained, trees removed, arenas and gravel roads reconditioned 8" deep, install and repair ponds, streams, roads, walls, fences, call for quote. John W Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 634-0074.

Track hoe, dozer and grinder work for \$200 per hour, \$1,000 minimum, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

Mobile welding, dirt work, track hoe, handyman, custom plowing, plumbing, demolition, property clean up, call for quote. Patrick, none, Acadia Parish; (337) 246-3112.

Land clearing, excavator and dozer work, house pad, culverts, pond, excavation, bulldozing, site preparation, dirt hauling, grading and more, call for quote. Stephen, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 938-6836.

HAY EQUIPMENT

3-point lift hay spear, \$175. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

John Deere 468 Mega-Wide Plus hay baler, excellent condition, \$9,500 OBO. John Bazer, Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-9703.

Vermeer 605 H round hay baler, 5X6, kept in shed, \$4,000 OBO. Joseph, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 687-6621.

LAWN EQUIPMENT

2006 pole saw T242, \$75. Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

2016 super bronze tiller, \$300. Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

2018 weed trimmer, \$75. Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

Woods 7200 6ft finish mower Cat 1 / 2, some rust, great shape, \$800. Dave Bostic, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (225) 936-9356.

Outside Cast Iron Wood Burners, \$150 and up OBO. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

New belt for 48-inch snapper Z-row turn, ordered wrong size, belt #510392, bought for \$109, asking \$80. H. Boss, Church Point, Lafayette Parish; (337) 896-5783.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

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

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

Ditch Witch with 4-way blade, land boring unit, drill pipe and bits, trailer, excellent condition, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

WANTED: In search of a 1440 combine with bean header.

Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; (337) 290-5016.

PLANTING & TILLAGE

County Line 500lb capacity fertilizer spreader, 3-point, PTO driven, metal hopper, shop stored, can send pictures to your email, \$500. Carl Lejeune, Lacassine, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 452-7360.

Terra Force YJR 74, used 2 full days, excellent shape paid, \$4,200 plus, \$2,600. Dave Bostic, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (225) 936-9356.

3pt International 1-row planter with planting plates, all leveling row attachments, ready to plant, \$1,500 OBO. Earl Normand, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 308-6713.

TRAILERS & WAGONS

Gooseneck trailer, \$1,000 or best offer. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Amish buggy with navigation lights and brakes, like new, open to offers. John Robin, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-3221.

16ft X 6ft 10-inches flatbed trailer, tilt bed, all metal, \$2,500. JW Lott, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318) 729-5609.

New one-horse buggy with top and new set of harness, \$2,500. Russell Kettler, Gisbland, Bienville Parish; (318) 843-6312.

150 Bushel grain cart, \$2,000. Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

Covered wagon top, canvas, 9ft 6in X 11ft 9in, side ropes, clips, and hooks, 5 wooden bows, \$800. Wesley Forman, Monterey, Concordia Parish; (318) 758-3220.

2011 Econoline tilt trailer six new brakes six new bearings new tires gooseneck triple axle 21,000lbs 8x25, \$9,500 OBO. William Karr, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 912-0417.

Four-Horse trailer, two doors on each side, gate in the middle, damage top, will need tarp, pictures available, \$1,000 or best offer. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

WANTED: Looking for older grain carts or gravy wagon. Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; (337) 290-5016.

OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

2'x6' Bulkhead or bridge iron panels, 60lbs each, call for information and pricing. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

4000lbs-capacity pallet forks with skid loader quick hitch attachment, fits Kubota tractors also, never used, pictures available upon request, \$800. Adrian, Colfax, Grant Parish; (910) 320-6078.

Old hit and miss engine International Harvester, call for pictures and info, \$400 OBO. Amber Flom, Carenco, Lafayette Parish; (406) 690-5919.

7ft Bushhog brand grooming mower, \$1,700. Bobby Wyble, Arnaudville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 754-7169.

12ft Taylorway disk, fair condition, \$900. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

24ft JD field cultivator, fair condition, \$600. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

15ft stalk chopper 3pt, heavy duty, good condition, \$1,999. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

2 complete INT engines, \$1,500. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

5ft disc/chops, very good condition, photos available via text, \$950. Collins Taylor, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 298-4430.

5ft Grader blade for tractor, very good condition, photos available via text, \$375. Collins Taylor, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 298-4430.

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5ft heavy duty box blade, very good condition, photos available via text, \$700. Collins Taylor, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 298-4430.

Tiger Flail mower, rear PTO 90- inch, many new parts, text for pictures, \$2,500 OBO. Garrison Landry, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 288-2387.

All sizes metal pipe, call for more information, \$0.50 per pound or pipe length. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 713-4942.

9 1/2-gallon Jambalaya Pot, \$200. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

30-gallon Jambalaya Pot, \$500. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

25-gallon Jambalaya Pot, \$400. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

17-gallon Jambalaya Pot, \$275. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Cast Iron sausage stuffer, \$150. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

4" pipe 20' long, \$15 a foot. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

6 1/2-gallon Jambalaya Pot, \$175. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Fire Pit 3' x 18" deep, \$200 or best offer. Gary Hebert,

Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Six-foot galvanized hay rack with troughs on each side, originally cost \$600, \$375. Gene, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (225) 978-3820.

3pt Carryall or hay fork, homemade, good condition, \$50. Greg Lafleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-0889.

Tree sprayer self-contained, Pecan peerless dryer, I-Core #5141 Pecan color sorter, call for pricing. L B Wiley, Ferriday, Concordia Parish; (318) 719-2245.

Kewane Packer, 20ft, \$2,500. Larry Fontenot, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 230-5170.

Four-yard box scraper, \$2,500. Larry Fontenot, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 230-5170.

Two new 13.6-38 BKT RT135 tires and tubes on John Deere rims and cast center #F1500R sand blasted and painted, \$2,200. Myron Sieren, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 462-8469.

Two PTO Spinditchers, call for more information, \$2,500 for one, \$1,000 for other, or trade for plow. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

Modern brand 3PT 8ft plow, \$1,500 or trade for 12ft plow. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

John Deere shredder, 6ft wide, brand new, never used, PTO shaft never been installed,

\$5,000. Paul Darbonne, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 316-0514.

2017 Isuzu Old Swanson dairy truck, motor runs good truck is in good shape needs transmission work, \$8,500. Peter Sulham, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 292-8003.

Farmall super A 4' rotary cutter, House brand, garage kept like new with chainsaw guards, used 4 times, runs very quiet, hook to drawbar, \$1,000 OBO. Robert, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

Woods 42c belly mower for Farmall cub and 3 drawbars, great shape, 5' blade for Super A, will sell all or part, call for pricing. Robert Wilmore, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

John Deere Backhoe Attachment #47 with 20" bucket, mounting plates, and Power Beyond hydraulic kit, used on 4200 thru 4600 series John Deere tractors, \$2,500 OBO. Scott Kees, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 451-1180.

Strongway 60" acreage rake, 6 rake wheels with extra rake wheel, height and width adjustable, used one time, cost over \$400, selling at \$280. Scott Kees, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 451-1180.

2 3/8 and 2 7/8 oilfield tubing available, to be picked up near Crowley, \$35 and \$40 respectively. Wayne Hariisty, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-5126.

WANTED: Single row to pull with tractor. Aaron J

Fuselier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 457-5667.

WANTED: Komatsu side engine panels to fit a D31P. James Delrie, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 446-4785.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

TACK

Hand braided nylon cow whips \$50/up, repair whips too. Billy Anderson, Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 592-2431.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

Single axle1-ton feeder, good condition, \$1,800. Barry Soileau, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-3553.

2-axle trailer mounted hydraulic seed mixer and loader, used to mix chemicals and auto load seed hoppers on planters, \$2,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Iron insert, like new, \$550. Brenda, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

Milk cans, stainless steel, 5-gallon with covers, \$75 each. Ed Schwegman, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 373-6202.

Brass Fire brands, all numbers, 4-inch size with 42-inch handles, great shape, \$300. Edwin Broussard, Forest Hill, Rapides Parish; (512) 673-3362.

Jambalaya pots, 6 1/2 gallons, \$175, 9 1/2 gallons \$200. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Three pot belly heaters, \$175, \$250, \$400, OBO. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Jambalaya pots, 15 gallon \$225, 17 gallon \$275. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Jambalaya Pot, 30 gallon \$500, 25 gallon \$400. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Antiques, 60 years of collecting, prices vary, call for information, \$25 and up. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Aluminum used fence panels different sizes, \$25. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Plantation bells, complete, \$400 each, Plantation Bells,

incomplete, \$400. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Six rolls cyclone fence 6' x 45', \$65 ea. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

One roll of Barbed wire, \$75. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Two house Jacks, text for info, \$125. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Miller 250 welding machine/ 10kw generator, well-maintained and in good condition, 262 hours, 100ft leads on both sides, welding machine, \$4,500, with trailer \$5,500. John Smith, Roanoke, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 302-3437.

Food grade 55-gallon plastic barrels with removable lids and locking bands \$50 each. Joshua Savage, Plaucheville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-2493.

Wire cages for Macaw to Cockatiel, factory cages for parakeets and Conures, wire cages made with heavy gauge wire, leave message if no answer, call for pricing. Louis Pennison, Morgan City, Assumption Parish; (985) 631-2368.

Arrowquip 74 series Chute alley and tub, like brand new, \$18,000. Seth Broussard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 561-2567.

Crawfish traps, used, call for pricing. Shane Gautreaux, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 466-2915.

WANTED: Mustard green planter. Raymond Bates, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-5549.

FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

WANTED: Used Utility shed, sized 8X8 to 12X12, to keep my tools in. Raymond, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-5549.

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Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

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

Free horse manure, excellent fertilizer for gardens, will load in your pickup or trailer with tractor. Lloyd Caballero, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 781-2580.

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

PLANTS AND GARDEN

Grafted Mayhaw Trees, 3-gallon pot, \$25, Mayhaw Seedlings, 1-gallon pot \$3. William, Eros, Ouachita Parish; (318) 249-4512.

FOOD

EGGS

Smoked pickled quail eggs, \$10 per pint, 20 eggs per pint, other flavors available, pick up in Roanoke, \$10. Cody Lejeune, Roanoke, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 962-8140.

Pharaoh quail egg, \$0.20, Pickled egg, \$0.15, a week-old egg, \$1.25, 2-week-old, \$1.75, full grown quail, \$2.50 male. Blaise Sonnier, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (337) 856-5884.

Chicken eggs collected throughout the day for freshest eggs possible from happy and healthy chickens, new cartons, shelf stable, unwashed, bloom still intact, delivery available, \$4 per dozen, \$9 flat. Sunflower Hill Farm LLC, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-1614.

FROM THE FARM

Several varieties of blue and white sugarcane, excellent for chewing and syrup making, you cut at the farm, \$50 cents per stalk. Gerald Burns, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (225) 937-3112.

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Mayhaw juice for sale, frozen, undiluted, and deep red, makes beautiful jelly, \$12 per quart. Caroline Ancelet, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 781-2396.

Fresh Sweet Potatoes, Avoyelles and Orleans varieties, available in 40 lb boxes, call for more information, \$25. Joey Dugas, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 308-3120.

HAY & GRAIN

Hay, Hybrid Bermuda, 4x5 round bales, net wrapped, very tight, baled 9/10/2025, priced to sell and move out quickly, \$32.50 per bale, 10 or more \$30. Norman Young, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; (337) 303-3385.

4X5 net wrapped round bales of Alicia and Jigs baled 9/25, square bales of Bahia baled 10/25, \$40 per round bale and \$9 per square bale. Blaine Leger, Iota, Acadia Parish; (337) 781-9929.

Taking orders for 2025 Bermuda square bales, email or text, big_country1967@yahoo.com, \$6 per bale in the field, \$7 per bale in the barn. Bob Murphy, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 230-5634.

4X5 Round Bahia bales, net wrapped, baled 2025, \$25 each. Carlos Guillot, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-6764.

4X5 good, fertilized, clean hay, no weeds, treated grass string, \$45 per roll. Charles Bell, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 839-9222.

Russell Bermuda square bales, \$7.50 per bale, 2024 hay in a bundle of 21, \$7 a bale, if two or more bundles taken, 5x5 round bales, \$45 a roll, baled in 2025. Craig Soileau, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-4234.

2025 Horse hay, Pensacola Bahia grass, third cutting, fertilized, fine stem hay, baled 9/20/25, tight square bales, delivery available for a fee, \$6 in barn. David Joiner, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-3073.

5x5 round bales, Bahia grass, well fertilized, under barn, \$55. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

Eight round bales Bahia, \$35 each. Derrick, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 306-9110.

Roasted Soybeans, \$.35/lb. Donovan Mire, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (225) 931-5964.

4x5 round bales, no rain, barn stored, \$3 for \$100. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Square Hay Bales, Barn held, No rain, \$6 each. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Approximately 200 round bales of quality Bahia hay, baled in October 2025, no rain, twine wrap, \$30 each, 1 to 3 bales, quantity discounts for more. John Nichols, Bogalusa, Washington Parish; (985) 516-4996.

2025 Bahia Hay, fertilized, horse hay, round bales, \$45, square bales, \$6.50, cow hay, round bales, \$30, cured without rain, stored in barn. Joseph Patanella, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 687-6621.

4X5 Round bales cow hay, 2025 bales, \$30 each, 2024 bales, \$20 each. Keith Guillory, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 884-5072.

Soybeans for feed purposes, deer, call for price. Kenneth Morris, Post Barre, St. Landry Parish; (337) 290-5016.

MIX 30 Liquid Cow Feed, \$1.95 per gallon delivered. Kevin Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston Parish; (225) 337-3312.

4X6 bales of Bahia grass, call or text, \$20. Lance, Eunice/ Richard, Acadia Parish; (337) 305-3655.

Bahia Hay, excellent 2024 Baling, 4x5 bales, clean, sprayed and fertilized, delivery available, \$25. Matheson, Bell City, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 496-4346.

Round Bales 4X5, Bahia, plastic wrapped for storing outside or transport, \$45, square bales, \$5 each. Mike Beard, Sunshine, Iberville Parish; (225) 276-8374.

Jiggs Bermuda bales, and other kinds, 5X4, round rolls, net wrapped, well fertilized, barn kept, over 200 available, can deliver, also have outside hay, \$25 per bale. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Bahia hay rolls, 4X5, in barn, \$35 per bale, square bales, \$8 each. Ralph Racca, Broussard, Lafayette Parish; (337) 789-1024.

5X5 Bermuda/Bahia mixed round bale, \$25 per bale. Shane Gautreaux, Ville

Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 466-2915.

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CRAFTS AND WOOD WORK

Cypress wood duck nest boxes, \$55 each, predator guards, \$30 each. Greg Vidrine, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-7295.

Antique building contents, one price buys everything, \$7,500. Dannie W. Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

Collection of antique gas meters some coin operated and early as 1870, 40-year collection rare and unique, \$4,000 OBO. Robert Wilmore, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

GUNS & ACCESSORIES

WANTED: 16-gauge Remington 1100, will pay \$1,000 in excellent condition, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

MISC HUNTING ITEMS

Stealth trail camera, \$75. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

Different sizes aluminum drip coffee pots, different prices depending on size. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE

3.5 miles west of I-55 at MS Exit 8, pine, hardwood, live creek, small pond, 192 acres, Highway 568 and Church Road, \$6,000 per acre. Bill Haag, Magnolia, MS, Acadia Parish; (601) 754-0861.

House to be demolished or removed, price negotiable. Pierre Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 277-8297.

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To be moved, 12X24 beauty shop, custom built, owner retiring, could renovate to camp, mancave, etc., \$12,000. Ted Smith, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 308-6506.

SERVICES

EQUINE SERVICES

Race horse trainer, over 25 years experience training race horses, won races, licensed trainer, Delta Down, Fairground, Louisiana Down, Evangeline Down, \$50 per day. Ed or Cordel Cormier, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 326-7087.

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

AGMHorsemanship horse training (lessons included), colt starting, tune-ups, basic manners, call for quote. Abigail Grace, Dry Creek, Allen Parish; (318) 229-1918.

5B Breaking & Training, AQHA Professional Horseman's Team member, specializing in 2-yr-old and problem horses, developing

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FARM SERVICES

Bushhog and finishing mower work, and lawn services, Avoyelles Parish area, call for quote. Blake Ducote, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4949.

Gravel, dirt, driveways, bushhogging, materials delivered for a price depending on location, many other services offered, call for free quote. Dawson Krull, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 945-6542.

Cattle penning, working and hauling, portable equipment, large or small herd, problem cattle, 50 years' experience, will travel, call for quote. Terry or Jason, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 789-1927.

Driveway work, road work, limestone, calbase, ash, roadbase, crushed concrete, recycled asphalt, sand, dirt paths, tractor work, excavator work, call for free estimate. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

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

Bennie's Pressure Washing, we wash houses, barns, concrete, pool decks and fences, insured, serving Baton Rouge and surrounding area, call for a quote. Bennie Martin, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 287-3878.

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Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 907- 5792.

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

Wooden armadillo trap, \$40. Don Sayes, Pineville, Rapides Parish; (318) 445-0600.

WANTED: Hog traps, new or used. Tyrone Dubroc, Jackson, East Feliciana Parish; (225) 721-2730.

STALLION SERVICE

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

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. and neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

AQHA horse, "Peppinita" 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.

TRACTORS

White tractor 2155 with cab and air, 160HP with new allied loader, hay spear, 1,600 hours, \$12,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

IH 1486 with Front end loader for parts, block cracked during freeze, will sell separate, \$5,000 OBO. Garrison Landry, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 288-2387.

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Farmall Cub Woods belly mower with lift bracket and rear pulleys, rear weights and 3 draw bars, 5' blade for Super A too, \$1,000 OBO. Robert Wilmore, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

4030 Kubota diesel tractor, good shape, toolbox, roll bar, good tires, auxiliary plugin, call for pricing. W. J. Mims, Calhoun, Ouachita Parish; (318) 644-2236.

WANTED: Massey Ferguson 245 for parts. Cecil Gassiot, Woodworth, Rapides Parish; (318) 715-4678.

WANTED: Tractor with or without loader, 25-60HP. Joseph

Major, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 945-6960.

WANTED: Abandoned or unwanted tractors, any make, model, or year. Mark Wittliff, Houston, Acadia Parish; (281) 442-5330.

WANTED: Quick-connect forks for Kubota 40hp or bolt on for bucket. Trahan, Sulphur, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 528-3456.

WANTED: Small tractor with front end loader, grapple if possible, also Kubota for parts and 8X8 rear wheels. Jim Smith, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 218-9690.

VEHICLES

ATVS

1979 Red Honda CT90 trail bike, 1,100 actual mileage,

\$1,200. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

BOATS

Carolina Skif, 21ft, 115-Suzuki motor, 24-foot troll motor, power jack plate, power poll, depth finder, new tires on gal. trailer, center console, good condition, ready for work or pleasure, \$15,000 firm. CD Aguillard, Evangeline Parish; (337) 363-3427.

16ft aluminum V-Hull Southfork boat with 22hp go-devil and trailer, \$3,300. CP Chandler, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 974-2151.

18-foot Grumman Aluminum canoe, double ended, excellent condition, \$500. James Payton, Ruston, Jackson Parish; (318) 245-3358.

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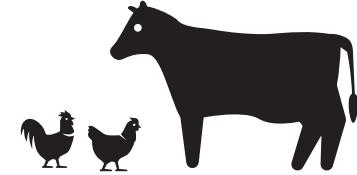
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FARM TRUCKS

1990 Wayne School bus, 85,000 miles, \$2,000. Dannie Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

1999 Ford Ranger, good farm truck, runs good, A/C and radio, some body damage, \$2,000 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

2007 F350, 4-door work truck, runs and pulls, 163k miles, \$4,200 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.



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Termite training program helps fill crucial need in south Louisiana

When Qian "Karen" Sun first moved to Baton Rouge, the entomologist was able to experience something she had never seen in her life: a swarm of Formosan subterranean termites.

The event, which happens around Mother's Day yearly and can include millions of alates, shows the scale that termites can reproduce and destroy.

This regional problem is why the LSU AgCenter has operated the Lois Caffey Termite Training Program for more than 30 years.

"There is a need. I know a lot of people need to take the training. And they need to take the training to take the licensing exam," Sun said. "Companies want to send their new employees to this program so they can learn."

The program, now led and organized by Sun, is offered in October with two classes. The basic class is aimed at exterminators who have been working for no more than a year with termites, and the master class is designed for those with a year or more of experience. Each class is taught twice annually: in the spring and the fall.

The classes are taught at the Lois Caffey Termite Training Facility, which is located south of the LSU campus at the AgCenter Doyle Chambers Central Research Station. The program is a joint effort of the AgCenter, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry and the Louisiana Pest Management Association.

In the basic class, students are taught the biology of termites, minimum requirements for treating termites and basic procedures on how to use different techniques to

safely apply termiticide. Sun is joined by Aaron Ashbrook, an entomology professor at the AgCenter, as well as Tyrone Dudley and Milton Schleismann, both former LDAF employees, to teach the classes.

The classes are taught both in a classroom and outside at the termite training facility, where the hands-on demonstrations are done. To be a part of the class, students are sent to the program from their employers. There are usually 15 students in the basic classes and about 30 in the master class each time.

The master classes are a more in-depth look at termite behaviors and techniques to manage them.

After the completion of the master class and following a passing grade on the exit exam, participants are presented with a certificate that is recognized as an important achievement for exterminators. This certificate is only one of three in the state that is officially recognized by the LDAF Structural Pest Control Commission, which is a requirement for termite control license application.

"The certificate shows the students have attended this class and they also passed the test, and their employer will know the results, and that's something that would motivate the participants to learn and pay attention to the lectures," Sun said. "We try our best to help them learn and pass the test, in particular for the master program because a lot of participants are going to take their licensing exam, and it has to be after this."

In Louisiana, there are nine species of termites. The most common and most destructive are the non-native Formosan



subterranean termites, which experts believe came to Louisiana on battleships that were stationed in the Pacific Ocean following the end of World War II, Sun said.

Termites have been the focus of government-funded programs in New Orleans, as they decimated old wooden building structures. With problems persisting in New Orleans and other parts of south Louisiana, it is important for up-and-coming exterminators like Kelvin Johnson, an exterminator in the basic training class, to learn background information along with practical skills.

"I'm doing this for the knowledge and a license, and so if I ever decide to move somewhere else, I'll have this under my belt, and I can use it in my own house as well too," Johnson said.

By Anthony Bailey, LSU AgCenter

Nomination Deadline For Louisiana Agriculture Hall Of Distinction Approaching

The Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction is still accepting nominations through Nov. 19 for its induction ceremony, which will be held Feb. 26, 2026, in Baton Rouge.

The nomination form can be found online at www.louisianaagriculturehalloffdistinction.com or any parish LSU AgCenter extension office.

The nomination form should include the nominee's major contributions to Louisiana agriculture, any leadership roles, honors and awards received by the nominee, and significant civic and public service accomplishments.

A joint effort of the LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Radio Network, Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation and Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, the Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction honors individuals who have made significant contributions to agriculture or agriculture-related industries. Nominations can represent farming, ranching, forestry, aquaculture, fisheries, education or agribusiness.

The three individuals inducted in 2025 were the late Joe D. Burns, a forester formerly of Jonesboro; the late Mike Danna, longtime Louisiana Farm Bureau public relations

director and host of the organization's long-running television program "This Week in Louisiana Agriculture," formerly of Baton Rouge; and Steve Harrison, an LSU AgCenter small grains plant breeder from Baton Rouge.

For more information, contact Don Molino with the Louisiana Radio Network at 225-291-2727, ext. 210, or don@louisianaradiodnetwork.com or Bobby Soileau with the LSU AgCenter at 225-578-3659 or bsoileau@agcenter.lsu.edu.

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CERTIFIED DELICIOUS RECIPES

CRAWFISH ETOUFEE

Submitted by C'est Tout
www.thisiscajun.com



INGREDIENTS

- 1/4 c butter + 1 Tbsp
- 1/4 c all-purpose flour
- 5 Tbsp C'est Tout Dried Trinity Mix
- 2 Tbsp garlic, minced
- 1 Tbsp tomato paste
- 2 tsp salt
- 1 lb Louisiana crawfish tail meat, including fat
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper
- 3 c water (or stock)
- 1 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1/4 c green onion, minced
- 1 Tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
- Hot Louisiana rice

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In large saucepan or cast-iron pot, melt cup butter over medium-high heat.
2. Add C'est Tout Trinity Mix and sauté for 5-6 min until onions begin to brown.
3. Reduce heat to medium, add flour, stirring constantly for 5-6 min creating a roux. Cook until roux is light brown/reddish in color.
4. Add reserved 1Tbsp. butter, garlic, tomato paste, salt, black pepper, and cayenne and cook an additional 3 minutes.
5. Add water, Worcestershire, and lemon juice then bring to a boil.
6. Add crawfish tail meat (with the fat from package) and green onions, then bring back to a boil.
7. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook for 6-8 minutes until crawfish tails are heated through and sauce has thickened.
8. Turn off heat and stir in parsley. Serve immediately over hot, cooked rice.

EMERALD COAST SEAFOOD BISQUE

Submitted by Ippolito's
www.ippolitofoods.com



INGREDIENTS

- (1) jar Ippolito's Naturally Italian Spicy Tomato Sauce
- 1 1/2 c heavy whipping cream
- 1 c chopped fresh seafood of your choice, shelled and deveined
- 1 Tbsp Olive Oil
- Fresh basil
- Salt & Pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Sauté seafood in olive oil in a medium pot on medium/high until fully cooked. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
2. Once fully cooked, drain the liquid reserving only 1 tablespoon to add to sauce later. If necessary, chop seafood into spoon size pieces.
3. In a blender, pour 1 jar of Ippolito's Naturally Italian Spicy Tomato Sauce. Blend until smooth. About 30 seconds to 1 minute.
4. Pour blended sauce into the same medium size pot. On medium-high heat, stir until sauce comes to a very low boil.
5. Add cooked seafood of choice along with the 1 tablespoon of reserved liquid from the sautéed seafood.
6. Stir in whipping cream until blended evenly. Reduce heat to low/medium and continue stirring for 2-3 minutes until heated through. (Do not boil or overcook the cream)
7. Ladle bisque into 4 bowls and garnish each with a fresh basil leaf. Serve with a slice of garlic or Italian bread.

PUMPKIN MUFFINS WITH CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

Submitted by Hummer and Son
www.hummerandsonhoney.com



INGREDIENTS

- 2 c all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 c chopped walnuts
- 1 c solid-pack pumpkin
- 1 c Hummer & Son's honey
- 1/4 c vegetable oil
- 2 eggs, at room temperature, slightly beaten
- 1/4 c low-fat buttermilk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a large bowl, stir together flour, cinnamon, baking soda, and salt. Stir in walnuts.
2. In a separate bowl, blend pumpkin, honey, oil, eggs, buttermilk, and vanilla until smooth.
3. Pour pumpkin mixture over dry ingredients. Stir just until mixed.
4. Spoon batter into paper lined muffin cups, filling each to just below the rim.
5. Bake at 350°F for about 25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center of muffins comes out clean.
6. Let pan cool on rack for 5 minutes. Remove muffins from pan and let cool on rack completely.
7. Frost with Cream Cheese Frosting, if desired.

Cream Cheese Frosting:

1. In a small bowl, with electric mixer, beat 8 ounces cream cheese (softened to room temperature) with 1/3 cup honey, until fluffy.



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Christmas Trees

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go 6 to 8 hours after cutting and still absorb water. Avoid bruising or dirtying the cut surface and temporarily store the tree in a cool location if necessary, keeping the cut trunk in a water-filled bucket.

The water temperature for the stand does not affect water uptake, but check the stand daily to ensure the water level remains above the tree base. Keep the tree away from heat sources, such as fireplaces, heaters, and direct sunlight, as lowering the room temperature will slow down the drying process and reduce daily water consumption. Use low-heat lights, such as miniature lights, to minimize tree drying. Always inspect light sets before use, and replace worn ones. Avoid overloading electrical circuits and turn off tree lights when leaving the house or going to bed. Monitor the tree for freshness, and if it becomes very dry, remove it from the house.

Recycling and Living Trees

After the holidays, consider recycling your tree at a local program. If you've chosen a tree with roots, such as a potted or burlap-wrapped tree, ensure it's stored in a cool, sheltered area and watered appropriately. When replanting, follow recommended guidelines to ensure the tree's survival and growth.

Christmas tree farms are often family-owned and operated, and they pride themselves on growing their trees with care and consideration for the environment. According to the National Christmas Tree Association, for every tree purchased, farmers plant 1-3 seedlings in its place. So, not only will you bring home a beautiful, fresh tree, but you'll also be contributing to a cycle of planting and harvesting that maintains green spaces and provides habitats for wildlife.

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SUPPORT LA FARMERS



We've made efforts to verify that all farms listed here will be open for business this year. There may also be more active farms in your area that were unintentionally omitted. Please check local and/or social media for additional choose-and-cut operations in your area.

If your Christmas tree farm is not listed here, and you would like to be added to the list, please call (225) 925-1243 or email marketbulletin@ldaf.state.la.us.

NESWCD Crafting for Conservation

The Northeast Soil and Water Conservation District (NESWCD) is hosting a new series of outreach events: Crafting for Conservation. Children of all ages are welcome to join us monthly for a craft accompanied by a lesson in conservation.

In September, NESWCD jump started the series with a lesson on native birds while making pinecone bird feeders. In October, we painted pumpkins while learning about the pumpkin lifecycle and its benefit to the soil. Future crafts will include eco-friendly turkeys, pinecone Christmas trees, and popsicle stick snowflakes.

We hope that "Crafting for Conservation" will continue to grow and educate the next generation of conservationists! Follow



Northeast Soil & Water Conservation District on Facebook to keep up with future events or contact Katie Taylor at northeastswcd@yahoo.com with any questions.

Winter Weather Tips for Pet and Livestock Owners



As temperatures drop, the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine reminds pet and livestock owners to take extra precautions to keep animals safe and healthy during the coldest months of the year. Cold weather can worsen medical conditions such as arthritis, and animals—like people—have different tolerances for low temperatures. LSU Vet Med veterinarians encourage owners to schedule preventive care exams to ensure pets and livestock are ready for winter.

Tips for pet owners

Know the Limits

Cold tolerance varies by breed, coat thickness, body fat, age, and health. Short-haired, small, elderly, or arthritic pets are more vulnerable to cold and ice. Pets with diabetes, heart disease, kidney disease, or hormonal imbalances (such as Cushing's disease) may have a harder time regulating their body temperature and may be more susceptible to problems from temperature extremes. The same goes for very young and very old pets. If you need help determining your pet's temperature limits, consult your veterinarian.

Stay Inside

Cats and dogs should be kept inside during cold weather. It's a common belief that dogs and cats are more resistant than people to cold weather because of their fur, but it's untrue. Like people, cats and dogs are susceptible to frostbite and hypothermia and generally should be kept inside. Longer-haired and thick-coated dog breeds, such as huskies and other dogs bred for colder climates, are more tolerant of cold weather; but no pet should be left outside for long periods in below-freezing weather.

Make Some Noise

Before starting your car, bang on the hood and honk the horn to scare away outdoor or feral cats that may be sheltering near warm engines.

Check the Paws

Check your dog's paws frequently for signs of cold-weather injury or damage, such as

cracked or bleeding paw pads. During a walk, sudden lameness may be due to an injury or may be due to ice accumulation between his/her toes.

Dress for the Weather

Short-haired pets benefit from sweaters or coats. Always use a dry garment when heading outside. Some pet owners also use booties to protect their dog's feet; if you choose to use them, make sure they fit properly.

Keep Pets Identified

Snow and ice can hide familiar scents, making it easier for pets to get lost. Ensure collars and microchip information are up to date.

Avoid Cold Cars

Just as hot cars are dangerous in summer, cold cars can be deadly in winter. Limit travel and never leave pets unattended in a vehicle.

Prevent Poisoning

Clean up antifreeze spills immediately; even a small amount can be fatal. Use pet-safe de-icers whenever possible.

Protect Family

Odds are your pet will be spending more time inside during the winter, so it's a good time to make sure your house is properly pet-proofed. Use space heaters with caution around pets because they can cause burns or they can be knocked over, potentially starting a fire. Install carbon monoxide detectors to keep your entire family safe from harm. If you have a pet bird, make sure its cage is away from drafts.

Provide Shelter

If pets must stay outside, supply a sturdy, insulated shelter raised off the ground with dry bedding and fresh, unfrozen water. Avoid heat lamps and space heaters due to fire and burn risks.

Recognize Problems

Watch for shivering, weakness, anxiety, or attempts to burrow—these may signal hypothermia. Contact a veterinarian

immediately if you suspect hypothermia or frostbite.

Be Prepared

Keep an emergency kit with pet food, water, and medications for at least five days in case of power outages or severe weather.

Feed Appropriately

Outdoor pets may need more calories to maintain body heat, but consult your veterinarian to ensure proper nutrition without overfeeding.

Tips for Livestock Owners

Schedule Veterinary Care Early

Address health concerns, vaccinations, and deworming before harsh conditions arrive. Animals that are pregnant, very young, or elderly may need special attention.

Provide Shelter

Livestock can tolerate cold but need protection from wind, rain, and snow. Structural shelters with ventilation and dry bedding are best. Check blankets regularly for irritation or injury.

Ensure Water Access

Keep water sources from freezing with heated buckets or tank heaters. Livestock will drink less if water is too cold, increasing health risks.

Manage Feed

Increase feed quality or quantity to help animals generate heat, and minimize ice or mud buildup to prevent slips and ensure veterinarian access.

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Farm Bureau Welcomes Next Era Of Supporting Farmer Mental Wellbeing

The American Farm Bureau Federation is expanding the reach of its landmark Farm State of Mind initiative to a broader coalition of food and farming sector partners by joining forces with the Farm Family Wellness Alliance to launch the Farm State of Mind Alliance.

Building on the work started as a pilot project in 2020 by Farm Foundation and National 4-H Council, the Farm Family Wellness Alliance expanded in 2023 to support offering Togetherall and Personal Assistance Services products to farm families nationwide.

Coming together under Farm State of Mind, managed by Farm Bureau, will centralize resources and amplify unified messaging, allowing for an even greater impact in rural communities.

"This is a critical time for mental health in rural America. Farmers and ranchers are facing economic uncertainty, the likes of which we haven't seen in a generation," said AFBF President Zippy Duvall. "I've heard firsthand from Farm Bureau members how our Farm State of Mind resources are changing lives in rural communities. I'm so proud to broaden our coalition and bring even more organizations alongside us to share the message that it's okay not to be okay."

Farm Bureau first began focusing on the issue of rural mental health in 2017 through a collaboration with National Farmers Union. The two organizations, along with Farm Foundation and 4-H, will participate in the Farm State of Mind Alliance as Founding Members.

"Family farmers and ranchers face enormous pressures today, and the effects on their mental health can't be ignored," said NFU President Rob Larew. "No one should have to carry that weight alone. Through the Farm State of Mind Alliance, NFU is proud to continue our work with partners across agriculture to make mental health care more accessible, break down barriers to support, and strengthen the sense of community that has always defined rural America."

Existing Farm State of Mind resources will remain available at farmstateofmind.org,

including a comprehensive, searchable national resource directory for rural mental health services, as well as the landmark peer-to-peer support program, Togetherall, which served as the cornerstone for the original Alliance managed by Farm Foundation.

"Farm Foundation is honored to be a founding partner of the Farm Family Wellness Alliance, opening the door for rural families facing challenges to access the support they deserve," said Shari Rogge-Fidler, president and CEO of Farm Foundation. "In this next chapter, as the administration of these critical services moves to the American Farm Bureau Federation, we're proud to see this work continue in a way that strengthens and centralizes mental health and wellbeing resources for farm families. AFBF's broad reach and deep network of affiliates will help ensure even more farmers can find care and community when they need it most."

Farm Foundation first began supporting farmer mental health wellness via a pilot project in Iowa in coordination with 4-H.

"When farm families have access to mental health resources and feel supported, they can focus on providing the food, fuel and fiber that sustain us all. Through partnerships like the Farm State of Mind Alliance, we're building a culture where caring for the people is just as essential as caring for the land," said Jill Bramble, president and CEO of National 4-H Council. "As we look to the next generation, we know wellbeing programs and resources will support a healthy workforce."

Additional groups or organizations interested in supporting the work of the Farm State of Mind Alliance will have several options for getting involved, allowing organizations to join at the level that works best for them. Organizations can support mental health wellness through a financial contribution or by amplifying Farm State of Mind resources and messages as an Alliance marketing partner.

To learn more about the FSOM Alliance, visit fsomalliance.org. For information on marketing partner or funding partner opportunities, please contact farmstateofmind@fb.org.

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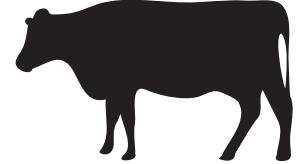
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Anyone seeking to consign animals to sale can contact Brett Daigle (225-571-1766 or fitter70737@yahoo.com) or Ronnie Bardwell (985-320-8978 or ronniebardwell@gmail.com). The consignment deadline is February 15, 2026.



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Anhydrous Ammonia: One Small Mistake Can Have Life-Changing Consequences

When handling anhydrous ammonia (NH₃), safety precautions aren't simply a checklist to review and mark off your to-do list — they can help prevent a crisis. A recent incident shared by Chase Dewitz serves as a powerful reminder of the potential dangers of working with NH₃ and the importance of staying vigilant about safety.

In late October, what began as routine equipment maintenance on the farm turned into a workplace accident that left one of Dewitz's employees severely burned.

The incident unfolded at a fill site with a bulk tank of NH₃ that had a faulty O-ring on the metering system and allowed product to leak, recalls Dewitz, who farms near Steele, N.D.

He and the employee discussed getting the O-ring replaced, but other priorities took precedent and that didn't happen. Furthermore, on the day of the accident, the O-ring appeared to be functioning properly.

"I think what happened is the O-ring got wet from product, sweated, swelled, and seemed to kind of fix itself, because there was no leaking. He proceeded to take the chamber apart, loosening bolts, and when he reached a certain point, the O-ring failed and a fair amount of anhydrous blew out on him," Dewitz says.

In a panic, the employee didn't turn to the emergency water soak tank that was located less than 10 feet away and immerse himself in water. Instead, he went to the farm shop, which was more than 150 feet away. Fortunately, Dewitz says one of his other employees, who has some first aid training, was at the shop and able to step up and take charge of the situation.

"They got all his clothes removed and started pouring water over him, irrigating him, but he still had some significant burns," Dewitz says.

Now, several weeks later, the injured employee is recovering in a Minneapolis-based burn facility after undergoing skin graft surgery — a stark reminder that short-sighted decisions can have life-altering consequences.

A Cautionary Reminder For Farmers This Fall

As fall anhydrous ammonia applications get underway, Dewitz says he wanted to share this story to remind farmers and

farm employees to stay diligent with safety practices that can keep them safe while handling NH₃.

"I think we're going to see people who maybe haven't used anhydrous for quite some time use it this fall, and they may have forgotten how much respect you need to have for this product," he says. "My other concern is if farmers drag an old piece of equipment out of the shed that hasn't been used for a number of years, and it isn't up to the job."

Fred Whitford says anhydrous ammonia training — and retraining — needs to be provided to all workers, whether part-time seasonal workers, newly hired recruits, tenured farming veterans, or even those who work behind customer counters at retail facilities.

"A constant focus on anhydrous ammonia safety helps ensure that everyone fully appreciates their role in protecting themselves, their coworkers, and the community," says Whitford, director of Purdue Pesticide Programs.

"Three-fourths of your staff may have never been around anhydrous," Dewitz adds.

Here are additional takeaways to keep in mind if you plan to use NH₃ for 2026 crops:

Never underestimate the need to prep equipment adequately. A malfunctioning O-ring might seem trivial, but as this case demonstrates, overlooking small details can lead to significant consequences.

Always use protective equipment. Protective clothing, masks and gloves are not optional — they're essential. As Dewitz notes, "A lot of protective equipment is available... people just fail to utilize it."

Stay calm if an emergency does occur. That's easier said than done in emotionally charged situations, but panic can amplify risks and accidents.

Take precautions when driving a tank of product to the field. Do not exceed 30 miles per hour, display a slow-moving vehicle emblem visible from the rear, and secure tanks with two independent chains in addition to the hitch pin or clip, advises the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

By Rhonda Brooks, AgWeb

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