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ROBIN'S OYSTERS

Farmers with fields in the Gulf

Although it might not feel like it down here in Louisiana, we are now officially in the fall season. Fall brings so many seasonal favorites, like jambalaya at your tailgate, seafood gumbo with the family, or some sweet potato pie for porch sitting and sunset watching.

Of course, local favorites taste better with local ingredients. As farmers across the state harvest their crops, you can find the freshest produce grown right in your own community at farmers markets, roadside stands, and the local section of your grocery store.

The same is true for Louisiana seafood. When you shop local, not only do you get a taste of culture, but you also support your Louisiana producers and the local food economy. Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM, recently found himself at the end of the road in St. Bernard Parish to talk to some of those whose bounty is served on a half shell.

Brad Robin, Sr. and Brad Robin, Jr. of Robin's Oysters in Hopedale, Louisiana, took a break from unloading their harvest to let us hear (and taste!) not only what makes Louisiana oysters the best in the world, but also why it's important to buy local Louisiana seafood.

Commissioner Strain notes that the oyster industry in Louisiana covers more than a quarter million acres. Not only

is it a huge part of Louisiana's economy, but Louisiana oysters are the finest, best tasting, saltiest, and freshest oysters out there. Brad, Jr., who's been oyster fishing with his father since his teens, agrees. "We have some of the best estuaries that have the perfect salinity with the right amount of current and the right amount of sediment that allows these oysters to grow," he says. "It gives the meat a good texture. It's a mouthful... fat and salty."

The Robins are a prime example of how generational the Louisiana seafood industry is. "You know, I don't think there were any tables at high school career day for oyster fishermen," jokes Brad, Jr. "It's something that you're born into and fall in love with." When he was a kid, he'd come down to the dock to work with his family and eat lunch with his grandparents. "Now, I work every day with my father. We talk every morning, figuring out what's going on for the day," Brad, Jr. says. "What better way to spend your day than being around something peaceful, something that you love, and people you enjoy being around?"

Being an oyster fisherman involves more than just love for what you do. Brad Robin, Sr. says that similar to farmers, oystermen have to cultivate their crop. They put their **cultch*** in the water, monitor conditions, and move their

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***Cultch** is material, such as oyster shells or concrete pieces, put down on oyster grounds to create points of attachment for the oyster larva (known as spat). The word "cultch" most likely derived from the French "couche," which means layer.

COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

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COMMISSIONER**

Thank a farmer for National Farmer's Day

October 12 is National Farmer's Day, a day to celebrate the endless hard work of farmers across the nation, and especially here in Louisiana. Farmers provide the food we eat and the clothes we wear.

They also create jobs and contribute to our communities and economy in countless ways. That's why it's so important that we support Louisiana farmers. And there are so many ways to do this.

One great practice is to shop at your local farmers' markets, roadside stands, and the local section of your grocery store. Nowadays, many farmers also have website

storefronts where you can purchase their products and participate in community-supported agriculture programs and cooperative farming endeavors.

You can also recommend locally produced products to your friends and family. This includes the many wonderful members of the Certified Louisiana family.

Moreover, you can engage your children in the fascinating journey of food production. It's not just educational, but also a lot of fun to learn about the processes that bring food from the farm to the table. And there are plenty of resources and local festivals to make this learning journey even more exciting.



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<p>ALLEN Oberlin Farmers Market ● 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-1PM</p>	<p>CONCORDIA Delta Farmers Market ● 405 Carter St, Vidalia Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze</p>	<p>Lafreniere Park Farmers Arts ● Market, 3000 Downs Blvd, Metairie Wed, Jan-Nov, 2-7PM Sat, Dec 3, 10, and 17, 9AM-1PM</p>	<p>Natchitoches Farmers Market Mobile Market #1 (City Park) Tues-Fri 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN Stephensville Market Rec Park 3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City 2nd Sat, 10AM</p>
<p>ASCENSION Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales Seasonal on Sat 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec</p>	<p>EAST BATON ROUGE Red Stick Farmers Market #1 ● Fifth St & Main St, Baton Rouge Sat 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>JEFFERSON DAVIS Coushatta Farmers Market Hwy 190 & Pine St, Elton 1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun</p>	<p>Natchitoches Mobile Farmers Market #2 (Riverbank) Mon-Wed 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov</p>	<p>ST. MARY Berwick Town Market Under bridge @ 3rd & Lima St 3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun & Sept-Dec)</p>
<p>Riverside Farmers Market of ● LA, 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 9AM-2PM, 1st & 3rd Sun 10AM-2PM</p>	<p>Red Stick Farmers Market #2 ● Pennington Biomedical (Perkins), Thurs 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>Main Street Farmers Market 1333 Elton Rd, Jennings Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec</p>	<p>ORLEANS Barcelo Gardens ● 2301 Gallier St, Sat 10AM-1PM</p>	<p>ST. TAMMANY Abita Springs Art & Farmers ● Market, 22049 Main St Sun 11AM - 3 PM</p>
<p>ASSUMPTION Barcelo Gardens Farmers ● Market, 211 Franklin Ave, Napoleonville, Sat, 11AM-2PM</p>	<p>Red Stick Farmers Market #3 ● 7711 Goodwood, Baton Rouge Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct- Dec</p>	<p>Welsh Farmers Market 103 W. Grove St Tues 3:30-6PM, May-Sept</p>	<p>Crescent City Farmers ● Market — UPTOWN New Orleans, 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM</p>	<p>Covington Farmers Market ● 609 North Columbia St Sat 8AM-noon, Wed 10AM-2PM</p>
<p>AVOUELLES Marksville Farmers Market 122 E. Mark St, Sat 8-11AM, Jun</p>	<p>Red Stick Farmers Mobile ● Market, ExxonMobil YMCA, 7717 Howell Blvd, Baton Rouge Thurs 9AM-12PM, May-Jul, Oct- Nov</p>	<p>LAFAYETTE Acadiana Farmers Market ● 801 Foreman Dr & Dulles St, Tues & Sat, 5-10AM, year round</p>	<p>Crescent City Farmers ● Market — MID-CITY New Orleans, Lafitte Greenway Plaza, 500 N. Norman Parkway Thurs 3PM - 7PM</p>	<p>Mandeville Trailhead Market ● 675 Lafitte St, Sat 9AM-1PM</p>
<p>BEAUREGARD DeRidder Farmers Market ● 206 N. Washington Ave Daily 7AM-6PM</p>	<p>Zachary Famers & Artisans ● Market, Memorial Park Sat 10AM-2PM</p>	<p>Lafayette Jockey Lot Flea Market, 3011 NW Evangeline Thruway, Sat 9AM-5PM, Sun 10AM-5PM</p>	<p>Crescent City Farmers ● Market — CITY PARK New Orleans, Tad Gormely Stadium Marconi @ Navarre Sun 8 AM - 12PM</p>	<p>Pearl River Farmers Market & Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41 1st Sat 8AM-2 PM</p>
<p>BOSSIER Barksdale Market 3226 Barksdale Blvd Sun 10AM-2PM, Apr-Jun</p>	<p>EVANGELINE Ville Platte Farmers Market East Main St, May-Aug, Fri 4-6PM</p>	<p>Farmers & Artisans Market ● Horse Farm, 2913 Johnston St, Lafayette, Sat 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>OUACHITA Monroe Farmers Market ● 1200 Washington St Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov</p>	<p>Camellia City Farmers Market ● 2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM</p>
<p>Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM</p>	<p>GRANT Colfax Farmers Market ● 8th St near Pecan Festival Bldg Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov</p>	<p>LAFOURCHE Lafourche Central Market 4484 Hwy 1 at US 90, Raceland Sat 9AM-12PM</p>	<p>W Monroe Farmers Market ● 1700 North 7th St Mon-Sat 8AM-5PM, May-Oct</p>	<p>TANGIPAHOA Hammond Market ● Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave, Sat 8AM-12PM</p>
<p>Bossier City Farmers Market 2950 E Texas St Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov</p>	<p>IBERIA Delcambre Farmers Market ● 605 S Railroad St (Hwy 330) 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec</p>	<p>LASALLE Olla Town Square Market ● 2990 Front St, Tues 1-5PM, May-Aug 11</p>	<p>Rapides Farmers Market ● 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM</p>	<p>TENSAS St. Joseph Tailgate Market Gazebo on Plank Rd Sat 8-11AM, Mem-Labor Day</p>
<p>CADDO Greenwood Farmers Market ● William Peters Town Park, 9381 Greenwood Rd Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug</p>	<p>Da Berry Fresh Market ● 520 S. Hopkins St, New Iberia Wed -Sun 10AM-6PM</p>	<p>Town of Tullos Farmers' Market Corner of S Main & Park St Fri, 12-4PM, May 1-Aug 28</p>	<p>Boyce Farmers' Market 627 Pacific Ave Wed 3-6PM</p>	<p>TERREBONNE Cajun Farmers Market of ● Houma, Naquin St & Martin L King Blvd, Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM</p>
<p>Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 7:30AM-12:30PM, Jun-Aug</p>	<p>Teche Area Farmers Market ● 102 W Main St. Boulligny Plaza Tues 2-5PM, Sat 7-11AM</p>	<p>LINCOLN Ruston Farmer's Market ● 220 E Mississippi, Sat 9AM-1PM</p>	<p>RAPIDES Alexandria Farmers Market ● 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM</p>	<p>VERMILION Abbeville Farmers Market ● Magdalen Sq, Abbeville Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19, Oct 17 & Nov 21, 8AM-1PM</p>
<p>CALCASIEU Cash & Carry Farmers Market ● 801 Enterprise Blvd, Lake Charles, Corner of Broad & Enterprise, Tues, 4-6PM</p>	<p>IBERVILLE St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 3rd Sat, 9AM-2PM</p>	<p>LIVINGSTON Four Seasons Farmers Market ● Sat 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>Delhi Farmers Market 1104 Broadway St Mon-Sat 8AM-6PM, Apr-Nov</p>	<p>Kaplan Farmers Market Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave 2nd Sat, 8AM-12PM</p>
<p>Charlestown Farmers Market Bilbo St. behind old City Hall Sat 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>JEFFERSON Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market, Oak Lane 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM</p>	<p>MADISON Tallulah Farmers Market #1 ● 404 N Cedar St, Hwy. 65 Tues, Thurs & Sat, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec</p>	<p>ST. CHARLES German Coast #1 ● St. Charles Parish Library, 160 West Campus Dr, Destrehan Sat 8AM-12PM</p>	<p>VERNON Leesville Farmers Market S. 3rd St Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM</p>
<p>Iowa Farmers Market 115 N. Thompson, Sat, 9AM-1PM</p>	<p>Gretna Farmers Market ● Huey P. Long Ave Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM</p>	<p>Livingston Farmers Market #2 Court House Square Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec</p>	<p>German Coast #2 ● West Bank Bridge Park 13825 River Rd, Luling Wed 1-5PM</p>	<p>WASHINGTON Franklinton Farmers Market ● Washington St & 15th Ave Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM</p>
<p>Moss Bluff Farmers & Crafters, Sam Houston Jones Pkwy Sat 8AM-12PM, April-Oct</p>	<p>Harahan Farmers Market ● 501 Oak Ave @ Wilson & Hickory, Sun 9AM-1PM</p>	<p>MOREHOUSE Morehouse Parish Market 305 E Madison, Bastrop Mon-Sat 7AM-5PM</p>	<p>ST. HELENA St. Helena Parish Farmers ● Market, 6032 LA-10, Greensburg, Fri, 8AM-1PM</p>	<p>WEST FELICIANA St. Francisville Market ● 9961 Wilcox St Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall</p>
<p>CALDWELL Columbia Farmers Market ● Main Street Sat 8AM-12PM, June & July</p>	<p>Crescent City #1 2614 Jefferson @ Maine St. (Ochsner) Wed 3-7PM Oct-Jul</p>	<p>Tallulah Farmers Market #2 Court House Square Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec</p>	<p>ST. LANDRY St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St, Hwy 190, Opelousas, Tu/Th/Sat 6:30- 11AM, Apr-Nov</p>	<p>WINN Winn Farmers Market ● 301 West Main, Winnfield Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out</p>

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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

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3 1st class replacement heifers, born February 2024, 1/4 Jersey 1/4 Hereford 1/2 Black Angus, AI sire Transcendent, on feed and fleshy, \$3,000 per head or \$8,000 for all three. Damon Kirk, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 709-8101.

Five Angus heifers, 7-9 months, sired by Resilient bull, call for pricing. Garrett Mire, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 459-4044.

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BRAFORD

2.5-year-old Braford Heifer for sale, about 700 lbs., ready to be bred, asking \$1,850. Justin Pearson, Moss Bluff, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 304-5463.

BRAHMAN

Registered Brahman Bulls for sale, 22-months-old, \$3,000 and up. Philip Chiasson, Galliano, Lafourche Parish; (985) 637-7538.

3 Purebred Brahman bulls, 10-18 months, very gentle, \$1,200 each. Dyron Jones, Robeline, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 472-6855.

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BRANGUS

Brangus heifers, yearlings, 10, 11, 12 months, by registered stock, \$1,800 cash. Brad Bardy, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 628-0936.

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5 B/W bulls, out of registered Brangus cow and Hereford bull, low birth weight, 14-18 months old, can send pictures, \$2,500 to 3,000. Ronald Chiasson, Larose, Lafourche Parish; (985) 291-5204.

2.5-year-old Brangus heifer for sale, about 900 lbs., on feed and hay, ready to be bred, \$2,100. Justin, Moss Bluff, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 304-5463.

CHAROLAIS

Registered Full Blood Charolais Bulls - Profit Maker Bulls, will add bone, tons of meat and growth to calves, very gentle, low birth weights and superior bloodlines, \$4,000. Marylyn M Fitzsimons, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-8527.

10 Charolais cows, \$3,300 for pairs, \$3,700 each. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

10 Charolais bulls, 18-24 months old, to have BSE in mid-September, \$4,500. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

HEREFORD

2 registered polled Hereford bulls, born March of 2023, thick, deep bodied bulls, outstanding pedigrees, excellent EPDs, fertility tested and sound breeders, sire is out of R Leader and on site for viewing, \$3,500 each. James, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-6101.

ZEBU

Small hardy cows, bulls and cows, good milkers, very protective, call for pricing. Jerome Hammons, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 508-0800.

OTHER

Miniature Longhorn virgin 3-year-old bulls, excellent horns, vaccinated and wormed, \$2,500 each. Bryan Boudreaux, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; (337) 278-3756.

25 cross bred cows, \$2,000/1, A few Braford, \$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.

30 Brangus/ Baldies, \$2,400 each, 10 Braford, \$2,800 each, 2-3-year-old Big Fancy Heifers, five or more due to calve in the fall. Keith Guillory, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-2150.

4 longhorn cows with huge set of horns, very colorful, bred to a Scottish Highland bull, \$1,250 each. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

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DOGS

Australian Shepherd puppies, good dogs, easily trained, ready mid January, will be UTD on shots, \$100 deposit, \$250 total. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Great Pyrenees and Anatolian shepherd puppies eating solid food 250 each, \$250. Dennis Lavergne, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-1596.

Great Pyrenees pups, born September 1, double blue eyes, parents on site, \$150 each. Larry Fontenot, Ragley, Beauregard Parish; (337) 302-4526.

Pure male, tan Pitbull puppy and 1/2 shepherd male, 1-2 years old, Free. Amanda Chatelain, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-3826.

Mountain Cur male Squirrel dog, hunts, trails and trees, \$900. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

Mountain Cur puppy, male, 7-weeks-old, \$400. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

2 Beautiful duel AKC/ASDR registered Male Australian Shepherd puppies born September 11, 1 red merle/1 red bi with minimal white, 2nd litter, deposits are \$300 till pick up in November, will show with appointment, they go fast, text first, \$1,200/\$1,000. Daisy Cox, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; (281) 413-7754.

CKC Jack Russell Terriers puppies, shots/wormed, \$500. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-0244.

Squirrel dog pups, NKC Feist, 4-months-old, started on squirrels, UTD on shots and wormed, call for pricing. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-0244.

Great Pyrenees gips, ready October 10, 2024, blue eyes, \$100 deposit, \$250. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Great Pyrenees puppies, to be born in November 2024, protects livestock, \$100 deposit, \$250. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Purebred Jack Russell puppies, squirrel dogs, easily trained, to be born end of November, great Christmas present, \$75 deposit, \$150 total. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

German Shepherd puppies, AKC bloodline, due in September, large, intelligent with good disposition, \$800-\$1,200. Norman Baudoin, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1733.

UKC Teddy Roosevelt terriers, \$400. Suzanna McAlister, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 507-0877.

ASDR Mini Australian Shepherds, due mid-September, Dam is blue Merle, Sire is Red bi/ double blue eyes, taking deposits, call for pricing. Bernadette Murphy, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 821-8301.

Great Pyrenees puppies, females ready to go, great with goats, sheep, cattle, and poultry, \$200 each. Jerry Corley, Trout, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-8101.

DOMESTICATED BIRDS

Indian ring neck parrot, male, green color, can talk, comes with large cage on stand, \$750. Carolyn Thornton, Olla, LaSalle Parish; (318) 495-3209.

Beauty, large Double Yellow Head Amazon, male, breeder, \$1,250, Plum heads, breeding age, \$350 each or 2 for \$300. J Olivier, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 414-1245.

Eastern Rosella's Black-Pied cock with Black Opaline hen, proven, \$2,500 for pair. Milford Johnson, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 241-8782.

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.

Handfed Cockatiels starting at \$100. Charles Fontenot, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-8165.

2 Opaline male Red Rumps with DNA papers, born March and April, \$160 each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish; (985) 652-6614.

Diamond Doves, \$25 each or \$20 each if more than 5 pairs. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish; (985) 652-6614.

Male Peacocks, 2-years-old, \$100 each. Harding Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

Mealey Rosellas, proven pair, Lutino Hen X Split Lutino cock, \$1,200 for pair. Milford Johnson, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 241-8782.

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.

One Mini Donkey, 4-month-old jack, very gentle and spoiled, used in petting zoo, \$400. Robert Henry, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-0904.

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.

4 young mini burros, \$300 for males, \$400 for females, 2 white mules 34 inches tall, 4-5 years old, \$300 each. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

6 mini horses, 6 months to 2 years old, in 6 months some will be old enough to ride, \$400 each. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

WANTED: Looking to buy a miniature paint donkey. June Fadler, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 729-0271.

WANTED: registered TWH/ SBEA mare preferably black/white or tobiano, no bad habits, ready to ride, no projects, preferably under 10 years old. Lydia Poret, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-7225.

WANTED: Horse mare in foal. Richard Macaluso, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-8213.

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 Grizzles Trenton birds, also Meuleman Grizzles, \$20 each. Vernon Champagne, Houma, Terrebonne Parish; (985) 873-8440.

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Red Sexlink hens, 21-months- old, \$20 each. Kera Stelly, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-4067.

Ducks, Mandarins, Wood ducks, ringed teal, silver Bahama pintails, others, \$40/1, young healthy peacocks, black shouldered, India blues, solid whites, peds, \$35-45/1. Mark Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

Peking ducks, \$15 each. Ray Dauzat, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4566.

Geese for sale, males and females, \$30 each. Tracey Wagley, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318) 664-5131.

Barred rock and Australorp chicks, 5 months, \$15, 4 months, \$10, 3 months, \$8. Brenda Dignam, Houghton, Bossier Parish; (337) 540-0188.

Flying Mallard ducks, full- grown, \$10 each. Harding Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

2024 hatched Red Golden Pleasants, \$60 per pair. Randy Montz, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 810-0237.

RABBITS

All sizes of crossbred New Zealand, Californian, and Texas A&M, including virgin does ready to breed, San Juans also available \$15 and up. Dale Falcon, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 278-5567.

Meat Rabbits and Lion Head rabbits, \$15 each. Sherry T Edwards, Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 481-8294.

Netherland dwarfs: whites, grays, blacks, black spotted whites, browns, \$20. Chester Guidry, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 783-3154.

SHEEP & GOATS

Netherland Dwarfs, Whites, Grays, Blacks, Black Spotted Whites, Browns, \$20. Chester Guidry, Morse LA., Acadia Parish; (337) 783-3154.

3-year-old buck, fainting goat, no horns, very gentle, good temperament, black and white, has sired a pair of twins and a single, \$100. Catherine Broussard, Sunshine, Iberville Parish; (225) 276-7989.

Pasture raised lambs for butcher or breeding stock, good genetics, parasite resistant, grass fed, Rams and ewe lambs to choose from, \$250 ewe/ \$350 ram. Kody Meaux, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 308-0769.

100% NZ Kiko buckling, born 1/22/24, very friendly, Sire - AKGA #20P054RMT36, Dam - AKGA# 20P108RMT52, call for pictures and details, \$550 registered, \$500 unregistered. Tim Thousand, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 280-1205.

Three young St. Croix ewes available, born March 28 and 29, 2023, and April 22, 2024, double registered with both SCHSB Inc. and SCHSBIA. \$350 each. Pepper Allgood, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 936-0405.

Barbados sheep ram born 1/14/2024, \$150. Buford Landreneau, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 461-5282.

Brush goats, females and wethers, \$100 each, 3 for \$275, 4 for \$350. Danny Hyorth, Killian, Livingston Parish; (985) 520-7047.

ADGA-registered Nigerian Dwarf bucklings, ages up to eight months, \$150 each. VHC Farm, Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 334-1653.

SWINE

Berkshire piglets, barrows and gilts by registered boar, \$100 cash. Brad Bardy, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 628-0936.

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' x 30' x 12' Arch Storage Shelter, Gold Mountain S203012R, 2 available, Heavy PVC plastic material, new in crate, \$3,000. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

20' x 30' 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.

20' x 20' x 6'6" Shipping container Canopy Shelter, Gold Mountain C2020, 2 available, new in crate, \$2,500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

30' x 40' Peak Roof Shelter for 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, \$400. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3604.

EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

Dozer and excavator work services, land clearing, limestone, dirt, ponds, crawfish ponds, roads, house pads, culvert settings, and level work, Chad Helming, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318)201-5767.

Tractor work, dozer work, Limestone, Topsoil, sand, washout, fill dirt, culvert work, trench, concrete, Asphalt, can travel, wheelbarrow also, call for quote. Alvin Joseph, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

Land prepared, cleared, contoured, fields mowed, mulched, cultivated, and drained, trees removed, arenas/gravel roads reconditioned

8" deep, install/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 \$100 per hour, \$1,000 minimum, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas, call for a quote. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

Bush hogging, land clearing, ditching, forestry mulching, call for quote. Lynn Meades, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 318-2439.

HAY EQUIPMENT

Vermeer 605 H round hay baler, 5X6, kept in shed, \$5,000 OBO. Mike, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 878-9765.

John Deere 430 round baler 540 PTO makes 4' wide hay bales, monitor, string auto tie, belts, chains, sprockets good shape, operator and service manuals, \$5,700. William Myers, Boutte, St. Charles Parish; (770) 468-8204.

Case IH 8840 swather/ windrower, 16-ft cutter, completely re-done and works perfectly, \$15,000. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; (985) 537-3750.

Vermeer, Rancher 664 (4' x 5.5') round baler, purchased new in 2011, in excellent condition, stored inside, has baled less than 5,000 bales, never baled over 350 bales per year, net wrap and twine tie, moisture monitor, 2.75 rolls net wrap included in price, pictures available, \$18,500. Ray Bergin, Kentwood, Washington Parish; (985) 514-3310.

Shop built heavy-duty hay spear, long reach, category 2, \$200. Ronald Mayeux, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-4943.

LAWN EQUIPMENT

Zero turn 331 Kubota lawn mower, 31hp diesel, needs a deck, runs great, \$3,500 OBO. Tony, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-8732.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

W&A 8-row hippers with Ortham row markers, \$2,000, Taylorway 8-row cultivator, 5-pow gangs with shields, \$800, 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.

John Deere 9760 Combine, stainless steel package, 2,044 separator hours, 2,699 approximate engine hours, excellent condition, shed kept, \$60,000. Russell Deselle Sr, Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-5745.

PLANTING & TILLAGE

13' Allis Chalmers plow, very good shape, \$1,500 OBO. Pierre Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 277-8297.

Frontier 73" 3-point hook-up tiller, good condition, \$2,000. Richard Stein, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 380-0178.

Case IH 3950 disc approximately 27ft wide, good blades, ready to go to work, call for pricing. Russell Deselle Sr, Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-5745.

TRAILERS & WAGONS

Homemade feed/grain trailer, top load rear shoot, dual axel with brakes, holds 3 tons, bumper pull spindle hitch, Bogalusa area, \$3,500 cash. A.J. Planche Jr, Marrero, Jefferson Parish; (504) 491-9817.

Containers for Sale - 53' Containers 53'L x8.5'W x9'H, \$3,500 each, 2 or more for \$3,200 each. Rene Perez, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 459-9929.

16 ft gooseneck trailer, 6ft 2 inch inside measurement, needs tires and wiring, decent floor, perfect for 1/2-ton pickup, \$3,500. Bennie Martin, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 287-3878.

Shop made trailer with ramps and extra tires and rims, \$850. D. F. Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

Lou's Trailer Sales, over 50 preowned travel trailers for sale, www.loustrailersalesinc.com. Lou Ransom, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 258-1714.

2000 Sundowner horse trailer, 3 horse slant, living quarters with bathroom, kept under top, all appliances work fine, \$20,000. Manuel Thibodaux, Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish; (985) 413-9800.

OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

DR fence row trimmer, pull behind mower, 7hp motor, text for pictures, \$400. Donald Richardson, Cahtham, Jackson Parish; (318) 471-1627.

6ft Box blade, good condition, text for pictures, \$300. Donald Richardson, Cahtham, Jackson Parish; (318) 471-1627.

Cattle head gate, \$600. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

3 PTO Post Hole Digger and 2 Augers, \$350 cash. A.J. Planche Jr, Marrero, Washington Parish; (504) 491-9817.

Cattle head gate, \$600. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

Bushog brand bushhog 5ft, call for more information and pricing. Tim Baxter, Dubach, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-9378.

Tufline 4ft disc, call for more information and pricing. Tim Baxter, Dubach, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-9378.

150-gallon butane/ propane tank, good condition, needs cut-off valve, regulator with it, \$225. David Charrier, Monterey, Concordia Parish; (318) 452-3343.

6' Disk Choppers, 3 pt hitch, \$1,200. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

Cattle head gate, \$600. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

Iron feeding troughs; stout 12" long, \$250. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

Row Hipper; w/ tool bar and middle buster, \$500. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

14' Pull Shredder, \$4,200. Kelly Hundley, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 263-5520.

30' drill pipe and other things, \$300. Kelly Hundley, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 263-5520.

15" Alamo Batwing Bush Hog, fair shape, priced to sell, sold tractor, \$2,900. Lynn Meades, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 318-2439.

Country Line Roto Tiller 6' like new condition, \$1,800. Zula Istre, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 368-1535.

Half inch Hammer drill, \$55, Quarter inch dry wall gun, \$45, 7-inch Skilsaw worm drive, \$75, electric sander, \$60, half inch reversible drill, \$55, 3/8 drill, \$45. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

WANTED: Requesting sealed bids for the 2001 Great Plains 10-ft No Till Drill model #1005NT 1408 0321, bids due November 12, 2024, at 12 noon, for more information contact the Iberia SWCD at (337) 369-3234, ext. 3 or email: adrienne.landry@la.nacdnet.net.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

TACK

Two saddles for sale, one 17" Billy Cook, good condition, \$550, one working saddle, 16", good condition, \$450, call or text for pricing. Chris "Red" Regan, Iota, Acadia Parish; (337) 523-4643.

Long horn saddle, comfort cutter by Billy Cook, 15 1/2 " saddle, \$450. DF SIMS, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

16ft Waterlevel blade, \$950. Kentry Prather, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 466-2058.

Steel Pipe for sale, 12-inch, 16-inch, 20-inch, 24-inch, 30-inch, 36-inch, 48-inch steel pipe, call for price. Dan Roque, Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 201-1715.

Cattleguard, 12'W X 8'L, constructed of 3" pipe, heavy duty, \$1,250. Kevin Simpson, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 363-3196.

Two Ditch culverts, 18inX10ft, corrugated black plastic, brand new, never used, fits in back of pickup, \$400 for both. Roland Fontenot, Pine Prairie, Evangeline Parish; (337) 599-2021.

15 food approved, open topped, 55 gallon barrels with rings and gaskets, \$10 each or \$100 for all. Steve Traylor, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-8812.

Summit metal lathe, 19-4X96, 3 phase, Bridgeport Mill, 9X42 table, 3 phase, 3 phase connector, \$6,500 for all. Ambrose Baham, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-1415.

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.

Three Caldwell 400 bu grain carts, \$100- \$300, Two Taylormade 8 row cultivators with 25ft 4X7 tool bars, \$200 each, 50ft 3pt spray boom, \$250. Joe Dill, Shreveport, Red River Parish; (318) 455-4656.

Shop built commercial pecan cleaner, 220 motor, excellent

condition, out of business, \$5,000. Ronald Mayeux, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-4943.

Thompson Pecan sheller, used 1 year about 8 hours, comes with steps, single phase 110 motor, great condition, out of business, \$4,000. Ronald Mayeux, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-4943.

WANTED: Looking for a 2 or 3 row corn header for a Gleaner AZ combine, Kenneth Morris, Porte Barre, St. Landry Parish; (337) 290-5016.

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 or ag lime spreader, we spread it all over LA, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

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Rapides Parish; (318) 664-5131.

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Corn on and off the cob for
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drum, supersack, or bulk,
call for pricing. Kenneth
Morris, Port 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, \$1.95. Kevin
Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston
Parish; (225) 337-3312.

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Longhorn Okra, sliced and
ready to cook, 3.5 lbs. ziploc
gallon bag, \$10. Chester
Lee Guidry, Morse, Acadia
Parish; (337) 783-3154.

Sweet Potatoes, green tag, \$25
for 45lb box. Becky Dugas,
Marksville, Avoyelles
Parish; (318) 201-6840.

Sweet Potatoes, Beauregard
and Orleans Variety, call
for availability, \$25. Joey
Dugas, Mansura, Avoyelles
Parish; (318) 308-3120.

HAY & GRAIN

Hay, 4x5 round bales, net
wrapped, very tight,
hybrid Bermuda, baled
8/9, \$40. Norman Young,
Mamou, Evangeline Parish;
(337) 303-3385.

Hay for Sale, 143 4x5 Clean Mix
mostly Bahia will load, you
pick up, \$30 per bale. Bradley
Fontenot, Iowa, Jefferson
Davis Parish; (337) 802-9992.

Russell Bermuda square bales,
in bundles of 21, \$189 a
bundle. Craig Soileau,
Ville Platte, Evangeline
Parish; (337) 831-4234.

Organic large hay bales,
wrapped, barn kept, \$65
each. Kenneth Richard, Scott,
Lafayette Parish; (337) 230-8212.

Fertilized Bahia hay, weed free,
\$45, Alicia/ Bermuda round
bales, weed free, \$60. Kolbilyn
Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline
Parish; (337) 336-1428.

Round Bales 4X5, Bahia, \$45
each. Mike Beard, Sunshine,
Iberville Parish; (225) 276-8374.

Bahia grass hay, 4X5 bales,
clean, second-cutting, no
rain, net wrapped, barn kept,
bales tight and heavy, \$50
per roll. Roland Fontenot,
Pine Prairie, Evangeline
Parish; (337) 599-2021.

Bahia hay, net wrapped,
fertilized, in barn, 4X5 round
and square bales, call for
pricing. Joseph Patanella,
Independence, Tangipahoa
Parish; (985) 687-6621.

Square Summeral 007 hybrid
Bermuda horse hay, \$8, well
maintained hay fields, also have
other square hay for livestock
at different prices. Kenny,
Tylertown MS, Washington
Parish; (601) 248-0067.

Bahia Mixed Hay 4X5 round
bales, cow hay, \$25 per one.
Roland Thibodeaux, Scott,
Acadia Parish; (337) 983-9168.

2024 crop, Argentine Bahia,
Barn kept, fertilized, 4X4
1/2 rolls, \$50 per roll, 10 or
more \$40. Wayne Prats,
Plainview, Washington
Parish; (504) 908-3908.

Net wrapped 4X5 Bahia, barn
kept, \$50 per bale, \$45 for
two or more. David Fontenot,
Ville Platte, Evangeline
Parish; (337) 831-8120.

2024 Horse hay, Pensacola
Bahia grass, third cutting,
fertilized, sprayed, fine stem
hay, tight square bales,
\$7 in barn. David Joiner,
Loranger, Tangipahoa
Parish; (985) 320-3073.

4X5 rolled hay, fresh cut, Bahia,
Alicia, Bermuda and Dallas
mixed hay, \$20 per roll. Harding
Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles
Parish; (337) 288-2158.

Bahia grass, fertilized, net
wrapped, stored in barn, first
cutting, 200 bales, 4x5 available.
Simpson County Mississippi,
\$45 per bale. Harry Little, New
Hebron (MS), Washington
Parish; (601) 955-0708.

4X5 Round bales, net wrapped,
\$40 per bale, taking orders for
small square bales of Bahia, \$7
per bale in field, loaded. James
Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche
Parish; (985) 537-3750.

4X5 net wrapped cow hay,
mixed, 300 bales available, call

for pricing. James McDonald,
Sugartown, Beauregard
Parish; (337) 853-8019.

Square bales horse hay 007
hybrid Bermuda \$9 bales,
also have some square bale
mixed cow hay \$6/bale. Kenny
Saucier, Tylertown, Washington
Parish; (601) 248-0067.

Bahia and Bermuda mix, 4x5.5
rolls, \$60 delivery available
by semi load only, 38 per
load. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie,
DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

Bahia hay, 4X5 round bales,
fertilized to soil test, stored
in barn, 2024 season, \$75
dollars/roll, square, \$8
dollars/bale. Melvin Husser,
Loranger, Tangipahoa
Parish; (985) 517-1792.

Fertilized Bahia round bales,
4X6 tight, net wrapped,
weed free, \$50 per bale. Tony
Dommert, Sulphur, Calcasieu
Parish; (337) 526-2382.

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GUNS & ACCESSORIES

Ruger Americans NIB (1) 7mm-
08, 270 Win \$395 each,
(2) 22LR NIB 2 10round
and 1 25 round mag
\$325. Carl V. Berthelot,
Port Vincent, Livingston
Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Used Franchi Affinity Youth
20-gauge choke tube 2 3/4"-3"
26" bbl, full marsh camo, Vg-EX
\$600. Remington 870 Super
Mag 2 3/4"-3" 12-gauge Lam.
stock VG \$325. Carl V. Berthelot,
Port Vincent, Livingston
Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Savage (1) Axis 6.5 Creedmore
22"bbl. black Like new \$300
(2) Edge (Axis) 270 Win 22"
bbl. w/ Nikon 2-9 x 40 Prostaff
VG \$325. Carl V. Berthelot,
Port Vincent, Livingston
Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Beretta (1) 390 12 Ga. 28" VG-
EX \$650 (2) A-300 Outlander
Like New \$600, Mossberg
500E 410 pump G-VG
\$325. Carl V. Berthelot,
Port Vincent, Livingston
Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Beretta A-300 Outlander VG-
EX 12-gauge, 28" BBL.
choke tube, wood furniture/
black metal \$600, Rem. 870
Fieldmaster 12-gauge 28"
BBL. choke tube, black/black,
new in box, \$400. Carl V.
Berthelot Village Gun Repair,
Port Vincent, Livingston
Parish; (225) 698-3163.

WANTED: Benjamin and
Sheridan pellet guns from
50s, 60s, and 70s, \$75 max.
Russell Gautreaux, Baton
Rouge, East Baton Rouge
Parish; (225) 335-7834.

WANTED: Old paper 410 shells,
any brand. Russell Gautreaux,
Baton Rouge, East Baton
Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

MISC. HUNT/ FISH/CAMP

Yoshino Solar SST generator
B2000, with three solar panels,
new in box, never plugged
in, paid over \$2,100, asking
\$1,700. Gary Horne, Oakdale,
Allen Parish; (318) 335-5251.

Seed tender great to store and
transport deer feed such as
corn, beans, etc, \$10,000.
Steven Stagg, Port barre, St.
Landry Parish; (337) 308-0059.

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

Bass Pro Millennium L220, 18 ft.
double ladder climbing
stand, \$225. Larry Bordelon,
Alexandria, Rapides
Parish; (318) 452-8767.

LUMBER AND SAWING

11 Big pecan trees, call for
pricing. Raven Gotte, Iota,
Acadia Parish; (337) 250-2447.

Oregon 22-ton log splitter,
used 3 times, \$1,000.
Raven Gotte, Iota, Acadia
Parish; (337) 250-2447.

Woodmizer sawn, pine, oak,
ash, maple, cedar, call
for pricing. John White,
Central, East Baton Rouge
Parish; (225) 261-1257.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE

Oil and gas lease for sale, just
started production, \$65,000
firm. Dannie Lynch, Winnfield,
Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

12.5 acres, pastureland,
Lafayette, gravel road, one
neighbor, quiet, country,
text for information,
\$130,000 cash OBO. Steven
Breau, Duson, Lafayette
Parish; (337) 257-5206.

State Rte III, 30 acres along
Anacoco creek, hardwood
bottom land, sand beach on
edge, beautiful recreation
property, call for pricing. Elmond
Husband, Abbeville, Vermilion
Parish; (337) 643-7580.

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

260+/- acres (agriculture,
woods, batture) 840 ft frontage
LA 3127 & LA 18, \$7,000/acre
negotiable RR crossing property,
T. Bourgeois, Vacherie, St.
James Parish; (985) 859-2341.

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.

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training (lessons included),
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manners, call for quote.
Abigail Grace, Dry Creek,
Allen Parish; (318) 229-1918.

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Professional Horseman's
Team member, specializing in
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developing good broke ranch
cow horses, 39 yrs. exp. With
references, covered and outside
arena, call for quote. John
Brown, Franklinton, Washington
Parish; (225) 931-9210.

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mulched, cultivated, contoured,
aerated, and drained, trees
removed, recondition arenas/
gravel roads 8" deep, install
and repair ponds, culverts,
roads, walls, and fences, call
for quote. John W Cleary,
Hammond, Tangipahoa
Parish; (985) 634-0074.

Fencing, concrete pouring,
drainage and roofing, Livingston
Parish and surrounding
areas, call for a quote. Lattie
Martin, Walker, Livingston
Parish; (225) 405-5229.

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

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

WANTED: Cutting hay, 35 acres,
on halves. Ross Mule,
Franklinton, Washington
Parish; (985) 515-5219.

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REPORT OR SOLVE A CRIME

Cattle theft or other ag-related crimes

Contact the Crimestopper Hotline at 1-800-558-9741

Forestry-related crimes

Contact the Forestry Enforcement Program at 225-925-4500

pricing. Paul, Kentwood, St. Helena Parish; (985) 514-3641.
4030 Kubota diesel tractor, good shape, toolbox, roll bar, good tires, auxiliary plugin, \$8,000. W. J. Mims, Calhoun, Ouachita Parish; (318) 644-2236.

VEHICLES

ATVS

CFMO-ORV Four-Wheeler 2022, bought 2/4/23, 206 miles, like new, \$6,000 cash only, Christine Monica, Garyville, St. John the Baptist Parish; (985) 233-0526.

2008 Arctic Cat 650 H1TPV with speed rack, hi-lo seat, gun rack, 14" ITP MudLite tires, around 700 hours, garage kept, runs good, \$1,500. S Webb, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; (337) 254-2265.

FARM TRUCKS

04 GMC Dually with toolbox bed, automatic, cold AC, 6.0-liter gas engine, four-door, \$4,500. Alvin Joseph, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-4102.

95 GMC 7-yard truck, automatic, in good shape, \$15,000. Alvin Joseph, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-4102.

98 Ford F700 7-yard truck, automatic, in good shape, gas engine, \$12,000. Alvin Joseph, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-4102.

2007 Honda Ridgeline Pickup, V6 4x4. 239k miles, great work truck, \$3,750. Lynn Meades, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 318-2439.

1993 Ford F-350 1-ton pickup 2WD with flatbed, 8 cylinders manual transmission, 7.3L MFI Diesel OHV 444 CID with aux fuel tank, 250,000 miles, exterior green, interior brown, needs work from being parked, \$3,000 negotiable, no trades. Sandy Deville, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 363-1575.

2003 Chevrolet Silverado K-3500 "LT" 4X4 4dr crew cab, 254,575 miles, with gooseneck ball and 5th wheel tracks, \$12,500. Trent, Lafayette Parish; (337) 319-7891.

WANTED: Looking for a late 90s model Ford F-350 crew cab dually, 7.3 diesel, manual transmission, in good condition. Lynn Meades, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 318-2439.

WANTED: Newer nice used pickup, low miles, can make payments, 2020-2023, reliable. Dannie Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

STALLION SERVICE

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.

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.

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

TRACTORS

1953 Ford Jubilee project tractor or parts tractor, call for more information and pricing. Tim Baxter, Dubach, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-9378.

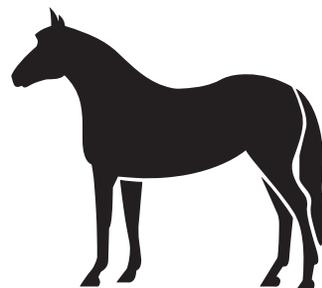
JD 6405, AC Cab, low hours 1733, FE Loader(620) with bucket, hay spears, box blade, 10" shredder(PG-210) sidewinder, 2 WD, \$44,000. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

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

Ford 4630 Tractor, 600 actual hours, \$14,000 OBO. Tony, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-8732.

JD 420 Ford 801, 50HP, with 6ft bushhog, \$6,500. Kelly Hundley, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 263-5520.

JD4430 SR transmission, mechanically sound, cosmetic issues, good rubber, R&C on back, duals go with it. tack OOS, cranks easy, no smoke, call for



2024 soybean season: September crop report

By Charmayne Hefley, www.agriculture.com

The 2024 growing season is wrapping up for the nation's soybean growers. As focus turns to harvest, soybean conditions have fluctuated across the top 18 growing states.

Nationally, soybeans were rated 3% very poor, 8% poor, 25% fair, 52% good, and 12% excellent in the Crop Progress report published Sept. 23.

Louisiana was the only state to report no soybeans in very poor shape. Nearly three-quarters of the state's soybean crop was rated in good/excellent condition.

According to USDA's June acreage report, Louisiana farmers are projected to harvest 1.13 million acres of soybeans.

See the report and all pie charts in the full article at www.agriculture.com/soybean-condition-suffering-in-ohio-tennessee-8717333.

Soybean condition in Louisiana

Soybean condition in Louisiana for the week ending September 23, 2024.

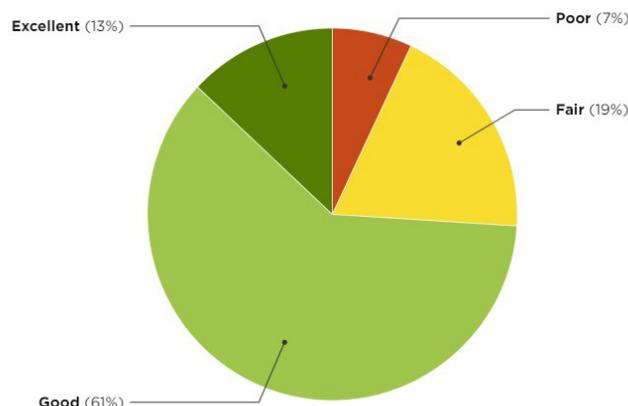


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CERTIFIED DELICIOUS RECIPES



ORGANIC PUMPKIN PANCAKES

Submitted by Gold Coast Traditions

Ingredients:

1 1/3 c. Gold Coast Traditions Organic Whole Wheat Buttermilk Pancake Mix
 1 egg
 2 Tbsp. oil
 7 oz. water
 1/2 c. organic canned pumpkin puree
 1/4 tsp. pumpkin pie spice

Instructions:

Preheat a nonstick griddle to 300°F. Mix together egg, oil, water, pumpkin, and pumpkin pie spice. Add pancake mix and whisk until lumps disappear. Pour about 1/4 cup of batter for each pancake on griddle. Cook about 3 minutes or until bubbles form (adjust heat as necessary). Flip over and cook another 1-2 minutes or until done. Makes about 10 4-inch pancakes.

www.goldcoasttraditions.com



FOUR INGREDIENT SPINACH DIP

Submitted by Gourmet Fournet

Ingredients:

8 oz. frozen spinach, drained
 8 oz. Gourmet Fournet Creole Onion Dip
 8 oz. cream cheese
 2/3 c. Italian cheese blend, grated

Instructions:

Thaw and drain spinach. Add spinach, Gourmet Fournet Creole Onion Dip, and cream cheese to pan. Stir on medium heat until blended. Add shredded cheeses and heat until cheese is melted. (Alternately, you can place dip in an oven safe dish, top with shredded mozzarella, and bake until cheese is golden brown.)

Serve with tortilla chips or your favorite dipping accessory. Talk about delicious!

www.gourmetfournet.com



KARY'S ROUX CRAWFISH BAKE

Submitted by Kary's Roux

Ingredients:

2 c. onions, chopped
 1 qt. half & half
 ¼ c. celery, chopped
 ½ c. American cheese
 1 tsp. garlic
 2 lbs. crawfish
 ½ c. bell pepper, chopped
 ¼ c. fresh parsley, chopped
 1 c. butter
 ¼ c. flour
 Kary's Roux Seasoning Blend
 16 oz. fettuccine noodles

Instructions:

Sauté onion, celery, garlic, and bell pepper in butter for 15 minutes. Add flour and cook 10 minutes. Add half & half and cook another 10 minutes. Add cheese, crawfish, parsley, and Kary's Roux seasoning. Cook for 15 minutes more. Remove from heat and add cooked noodles. Bake in covered casserole dish at 350° degrees for 20 minutes.

DAVEY'S QUICK AND EASY GUACAMOLE

Submitted by Davey's Treasures, LLC

Ingredients:

5 ripe avocados
 Juice of 1 lime
 1 Tbsp. of red onion, minced
 ⅓ c. Davey's Treasures Salsa (original or hot)
 Salt and pepper to taste

Instructions:

Cut avocado lengthwise in half and twist to open. Use the knife or a spoon to remove pit. Place avocado in a flat bottom bowl, and mash with a potato masher or a fork. Add the remainder of ingredients and mix all together. Serve as a dip with pita chips, tortilla chips, flatbreads, vegetables, as a spread for toast, sandwiches, or burgers in place of mayo, or even stuffing for deviled eggs.

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CERTIFIED SPOTLIGHT



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ROBIN'S OYSTERS... *continued from front*

product from one area to another to get the best growing conditions and the best salinity. Brad, Sr. explains that the water's salinity affects the size and saltiness of the oysters. "We need somewhere between six and 15 parts per thousand to grow the perfect oyster. If it drops down below six, we may lose the product," he says. "If it goes over 25, it could die by being too salty."

Additionally, the industry has safety guidelines that are set by the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals and enforced by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. For example, oysters that are going to be eaten raw must be caught and placed in a cooler within an hour. The oysters must stay below 45 degrees in temperature-regulated coolers and be unloaded and put back in refrigeration within 45 minutes.

The safety and freshness of their oysters are just as important to the Robins as the flavor; thankfully, changes in technology have made that a little easier, but it's still hard work. According to Brad, Jr., traditionally, there was

no refrigeration on boats, and the boats were slower. "Our boat runs about 30 miles an hour now, where the traditional boat was seven miles an hour," he continues. "So now it's only an hour trip from the bedding grounds where it used to be four hours." Talk about fresh!

However, to make sure they're getting the freshest, tastiest oysters in the world, Louisiana consumers have to demand it. And



the easiest way to do that is to simply ask. "When you go to a restaurant, ask where their product comes from," says Brad, Sr. "I do it... whether it's shrimp, fish, oysters. Whatever it is, you can ask."

Commissioner Strain echoes this sentiment, saying, "If we're going to have fresh local seafood, *you have to ask before you eat.*" Remember... friends don't let friends eat imported seafood.

To watch LDAF's video about Robin's Oysters, check out TODAY'S CATCH on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/watch?v=OIp59mr4Fw.

"What better way to spend your day than being around something peaceful, something you love, and people you enjoy being around?"

- Brad Robin, Jr.

CRCL expands oyster shell recycling to Baton Rouge

Tax incentive for restaurants to participate in coastal restoration

The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana is expanding its Oyster Shell Recycling Program to Baton Rouge, bringing the state's only large-scale shell recycling coastal restoration program to that city for the first time. Through the program, which was established in 2014, restaurants collect their shell in bins that are picked up by a contractor several times a week. The shell is transported to a curing site, then placed into marine-grade mesh bags by volunteers. The shell is then returned to the waters of coastal Louisiana to create living shorelines, which provide habitat for new oysters to grow, slow the rate of erosion and minimize storm surge during hurricanes and tropical storms. CRCL is building its sixth reef at Grand Bayou Indian Village in Plaquemines Parish.

CRCL is recruiting Baton Rouge restaurants for the program. More than 30 restaurants in the New Orleans area already take part in the program, which has recycled more than 14 million pounds of shell.

Restaurants pay a monthly fee to participate in the OSRP, but those costs can be offset through a state tax credit for restaurants that recycle their shell for beneficial purposes. CRCL provides participating restaurants with the metrics to apply for the tax incentive, which went into effect Jan. 1. Restaurants will also have less volume and weight in their remaining trash.

Restaurants receive marketing support from CRCL in the form of social media posts and promotional materials such as table tents,

stickers and brochures. The program also attracts frequent media coverage, which often extends to restaurants that participate in the program.

The contractor for the OSRP's Baton Rouge restaurants is Coastal Environments Inc., a company founded by Woody Gagliano in the 1970s. Gagliano was widely considered the father of coastal restoration in Louisiana.

CRCL was the first statewide nonprofit to advocate for large-scale coastal restoration in Louisiana, where about 2,000 square miles of wetlands have been converted into open water in less than a century. To learn more about the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana or its Oyster Shell Recycling Program, visit www.crcl.org.

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SWCD Spotlight

Morehouse SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Located in northeast Louisiana, Morehouse Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) encompasses all of Morehouse Parish. The district was originally part of the Northeast SWCD, which included Morehouse, West Carroll, and Franklin parishes; however, the three parishes became stand-alone districts in 1970 to address the natural resource concerns specific to local landowners.

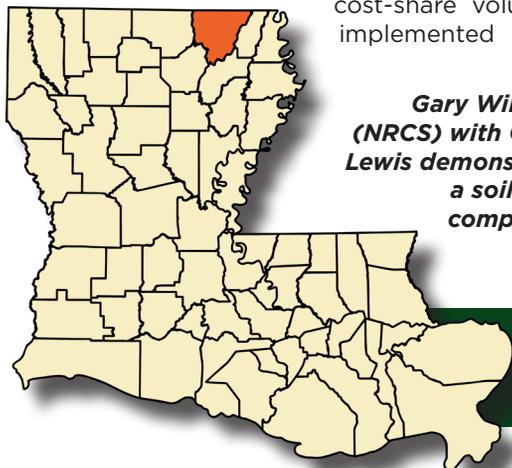
With over 25,000 residents and more than 400 farms producing cotton, corn, soybeans, rice, cattle, and more, the district works with staff, board members, and partners to ensure conservation projects are viable and successful.

Like other districts, each year Morehouse SWCD invites the public to their locally led information-gathering meeting to gather to discuss natural resource concerns and strategies to increase conservation awareness and implementation in the SWCD. Currently, the district has six special projects underway, all at varying stages of completion and ranging in size and scope. These include four watershed projects across three different watersheds and two district-wide projects targeting the rising feral hog population.

Three of the four current district watershed-specific projects target Bayou Bartholomew, a Louisiana Natural and Scenic Waterway and the largest bayou in the world, with a length of 364 miles through Arkansas and Louisiana.

The first accepted project, funded through the United States Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS), is the National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI). Focused on monitoring water quality and assessing resources, NWQI assists agricultural landowners with technical and financial assistance for voluntary conservation practices to improve water quality. In this case, the best management practices (BMPs), which include conservation tillage, nutrient management, and grade stabilization structures, are aimed at the reduction of agricultural contaminants. Landowner implementation of BMPs is cost-shared through the program, and funds are expected to be available over the next four years.

Morehouse SWCD also received funding through the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Clean Water Act - Section 319 Nonpoint Source Reduction Program to cost-share voluntarily implemented BMPs



Gary Wilkerson (NRCS) with Garrett Lewis demonstrating a soil health comparison.

on agricultural lands that will target water quality improvements within the watershed. The "319" Project boundaries are within the same drainage basin as NWQI, but each covers a different watershed.

Additionally, Morehouse SWCD is working with the USDA-NRCS and Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) to apply for federal assistance through the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program (PL-566). This program addresses flood prevention and reduction, water supply, erosion, wildlife habitat, wetland creation and restoration, and increased recreational opportunities. After the Preliminary Investigation Feasibility Report, which is currently underway, the district can apply for funding of the proposed project, which could include structural projects, like dams, levees, and reservoirs or land treatment projects like BMPs.

The fourth watershed project targets two different sections of Upper Bayou Lafourche: Bayou Coulee and Bayou Galion. Funding for this project was made available through the Gulf of Mexico Alliance (GOMA) and the EPA, to reduce nutrient loading in the Gulf of Mexico and the dead-zone created by excess nutrients from upstream. This project offers voluntary cost-share funding for cover crops, nutrient management, and residue/tillage management over the next three years. Through GOMA, funding for the implementation of specified conservation practices will be covered at 100% to participating voluntary landowners.

The last two projects involve feral hogs, which cause immeasurable damage across land uses and consistently rank as a top resource concern for cooperators. Firstly, the district purchased four net-style Pig Brig traps in 2020 to offer landowners and cooperators a cost-effective way to control hogs on their property. The program's success is reflected in record catches, as many as 33 hogs at once. Four years in, with additional traps donated by the local Farm Bureau Federation, hundreds of hogs are removed each season, and new



Above: Cell cam image of more than 20 trapped feral hogs



Left: Drone footage of feral hog damage to corn crop

cooperators continue to join the district in order to participate.

In addition to the trapping program, the district participates in the NACD's Feral Hog Perimeter Fencing program, which provides cost-share assistance to landowners to repair or install perimeter fencing that restricts feral hogs' access and impact. SWCD has been awarded funds to cost-share roughly 83,000 feet of perimeter fencing to landowners in need, and applications are currently being accepted.

Since 2019, Morehouse SWCD has been the recipient of the National Association of Conservation District's (NACD) Technical Assistance Grant, which provides funding for a hired technician, Garrett Lewis, who works directly with cooperators, creates conservation plans, and educates the public on soil and water conservation practices.

Morehouse SWCD cooperators, employees, and partners, stay busy from dawn to dusk. Not only are they effectively managing and implementing conservation through ongoing projects, but they continue to look for more opportunities to better assist their cooperators with all natural resource concerns.

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To learn more about SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS in Louisiana, or to find your local SWCD office, visit www.ldaf.la.gov.



✔ FIT FOR A KING: PURPLE RICE

In a recent episode of LDAF's CRAWFISH TALES with Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM, we took a trip to Crowley, Louisiana, where Blanca Isabel Purple Rice is milled.

This purple rice was developed by the late Milton C. Rush, an LSU AgCenter professor and plant pathologist who dedicated more than 39 years of service to the rice industry in Louisiana and the United States. In addition to teaching and mentoring students from all over the world, Dr. Rush and his program pioneered the development of quantitative rating scales for rice diseases in the South, and his research enabled breeders to develop and improve varieties with partial and complete disease resistance.

Dr. Rush's daughter, Claudia, explains how her father worked more than a decade to combine a Sri Lankan black rice with a Louisiana long grain rice. The new variety has qualities of both the Louisiana long grain and Sri Lankan black rice. Thanks to qualities from the black rice, Blanca Isabel Purple Rice is high in antioxidants and resveratrol, the good stuff you find in red wines and blueberries. Additionally, their purple rice has more of the bran, or outer layer, than white rice. For folks with blood sugar issues, that means it causes less of a blood sugar spike than white rice.

Typically, you have to soak black rice in water for at least 24 hours and cook it for a long time; however, Blanca Isabel Purple Rice cooks just like Louisiana long grain rice. Best of all, it's delicious and looks gorgeous in a dish. From a regular plate of simple rice to special LSU and Mardi Gras recipes, the purple color is something special.

The rice is currently grown in Louisiana by Zaunbrecher Farm and then stored, milled, and distributed by the Rush Family. Claudia and her family are proud of her father's work and this unique rice produced in Louisiana. Rush's wife Blanca Isabel and their daughter Claudia say it was his dream to contribute to a Louisiana product that is healthy and beneficial, and they are keeping that dream alive in a delicious way. "Even though my dad

has been gone for 10 years," says Claudia, "we keep pushing on because that was his dream, and now it's our dream to make his dream come true."

Commissioner Strain loves to see the innovation and development that comes out of the LSU AgCenter's H. Rouse Rice Research Station. "It is the pre-eminent rice research station in the world," said Strain. "We're talking about a lifetime of innovation. This delicious, nutritiously dense product was a result of someone's dream and long-term research, and it's available to you."

Blanca Isabel Purple Rice is in the process of rebranding and will soon be called Louisiana Royal Purple Rice. Whatever the name, we encourage you to check out this beautiful, delicious, and nutritious rice. To find a store or farmers market near you that sells Blanca Isabel Purple Rice, visit purpleblackrice.com.



Blanca Isabel purple rice was developed by the late Dr. Milton C. Rush, who worked as a rice pathologist at LSU for 39 years.



The Certified Louisiana program was established to enhance and promote Louisiana's agricultural industry. The program aids in marketing Louisiana products to consumers for farmers, processors, producers, and suppliers alike. Projects eligible for inclusion must be made, grown, manufactured, or processed in the state of Louisiana.

- Find Certified Louisiana members, recipes, and more: www.certifiedlouisiana.org
- Watch the CRAWFISH TALES video series featuring more Certified Louisiana members: www.youtube.com/c/LouisianaDepartmentofAgricultureandForestry





HARVEST SAFETY: Sharing the road

Stay alert for tractors & other farm vehicles

The 2024 harvest season is underway, and that means farmers and motorists will be sharing the road, perhaps more than usual.

Whether you're driving on rural roads or main highways, it's always important to pay attention. And while inexperience sharing

the road with large farm vehicles can make driving on country roads risky, we could all use a refresher on safe driving practices.

Check out the following tips from State Farm factors that give guidance for safely driving around farm vehicles:

DRIVE defensively

- ✓ Anticipating dangerous conditions is especially important during planting and harvest seasons which are typically around the spring and fall.
- ✓ Driving defensively and being alert when agricultural vehicles may be present could help you avoid road incidents.

SLOW down

- ✓ Farm vehicles often travel at slow speeds.
- ✓ To help reduce the risk of a collision, begin braking when you see the slow-moving vehicle.
- ✓ Stay a safe distance back — around 50 feet — the farm equipment driver may have trouble seeing you otherwise.

PASS carefully

- ✓ Wait for a safe passing zone, watch for oncoming traffic, signal before changing lanes and return to the lane once the vehicle is in your rearview mirror.
- ✓ Don't pass near intersections, around curves, over railroad crossings or near bridges; honk your horn beforehand in case the driver can't see you.
- ✓ If the vehicle is extra-wide, wait until the driver pulls over and signals that it's safe.
- ✓ The vehicle may be turning into a farm field; look for entrances to fields and consider this possibility before attempting to pass.

YIELD to others

- ✓ Give a wide farm vehicle the right-of-way when it's traveling in the opposite direction.
- ✓ Large farm trucks or farm tractors can't always pull over to the road's shoulder safely.
- ✓ If possible, pull onto the shoulder or into a field entrance to allow the farm vehicle to pass.

BE cautious

- ✓ A driver may appear to be pulling to the right to let you pass when they are actually making a wide left-hand turn.
- ✓ Before proceeding, look for driveways, roads or fields where the vehicle might be turning.
- ✓ Also check for hand gestures or lights signaling the driver's intention to turn.

KNOW the basics

- ✓ Following the speed limit and wearing your seat belt is just as important in the country as it is on city streets.

STAY calm

- ✓ It can be frustrating to drive behind farming trucks as they are often classified as a slow-moving vehicle, and travel significantly slower than typical traffic.
- ✓ You may not be able to pass right away, so don't risk a potential accident by partaking in aggressive driving.

TAKE another look

- ✓ Before you pull into an intersection or make a move to pass, be sure your path is clear in all directions.
- ✓ Tall crops can create "blind" corners, and farm vehicles could enter the roadway from unmarked access drives on the fields.

FOLLOW the rules

- ✓ In general, farm vehicle operators must follow the same rules as car drivers when they are on the road; they have the right of way in the same situations a typical car will have the right of way.

Support for financially distressed farmers and ranchers

The USDA has announced the launch of the Distressed Borrowers Assistance Network, an initiative designed to provide personalized support to financially distressed farmers and ranchers across the nation. Through a series of Cooperative Agreements, this national network will connect distressed borrowers with individualized assistance to help them stabilize and regain financial footing.

Network partners include Farm Aid, Rural Advancement Foundation International, the University of Arkansas, the Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Policy Center at Alcorn State University, and the University of Minnesota. Through this initiative, we are collaborating with community-based organizations to better serve financially distressed producers. Network partners will provide farm loan policy training to the community-based organizations so the organizations can work alongside FSA to help producers understand

financing available through FSA, ensuring that when they visit an FSA office, the partner organization representative and FSA staff can better assist.

FSA, in collaboration with farm support organizations and land-grant institutions, will facilitate this network, which will provide the technical resources and guidance of USDA partners to experts from distressed and underserved communities. The network's approach includes integrating knowledgeable service providers to deliver one-on-one support to borrowers so they can best make plans and understand options to overcome their financial challenges.

The Distressed Borrowers Assistance Network will address the immediate needs of distressed borrowers and provide comprehensive, wraparound services aimed at addressing the unique challenges faced by financially distressed producers. Once

stabilized financially, these borrowers will be better positioned to access new opportunities and continue contributing to the agricultural economy. These investments will also build a system of service providers that can better support agricultural communities for years to come. Investing in a network of agricultural financing service providers to help bridge access to FSA loans is a benefit for rural and agricultural communities.

FSA recently announced significant changes to Farm Loan Programs through the Enhancing Program Access and Delivery for Farm Loans rule. These policy changes, to take effect Sept. 25, 2024, are designed to expand opportunities for borrowers to increase profitability and be better prepared to make strategic investments in enhancing or expanding their agricultural operations.

FSA also has a significant initiative underway to streamline and automate the Farm Loan Program customer-facing business process. For the over 26,000 producers who submit a direct loan application annually, FSA has made several meaningful improvements including:

- The Loan Assistance Tool that provides customers with an interactive online, step-by-step guide to identifying the direct loan products that may fit their business needs and to understanding the application process.
- The Online Loan Application, an interactive, guided application that is paperless and provides helpful features including an electronic signature option, the ability to attach supporting documents such as tax returns, complete a balance sheet, and build a farm operating plan.
- An online direct loan repayment feature that relieves borrowers from the necessity of calling, mailing, or visiting a local USDA Service Center to pay a loan installment.
- A simplified direct loan paper application, reduced from 29 pages to 13 pages.
- A new educational hub with farm loan resources and videos.

USDA encourages producers to reach out to their local FSA farm loan staff to ensure they fully understand the wide range of loan making and servicing options available to assist with starting, expanding, or maintaining their agricultural operation. To conduct business with FSA, producers should contact their local USDA Service Center.

To learn more about FSA programs, producers can contact their local USDA Service Center. Producers can also prepare maps for acreage reporting as well as manage farm loans and view other farm records data and customer information by logging into their farmers.gov account. If you don't have an account, sign up today. For more information, visit fsa.usda.gov.

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- Please note that the winner will be responsible for applicable taxes on the vehicle before delivery or pick-up from Sunshine Quality Solutions.
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USDA offers \$58 million to help organic dairy producers

Program improvements include increased payment rate & production cap

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced \$58 million available for marketing assistance to eligible organic dairy producers through the Organic Dairy Marketing Assistance Program (ODMAP) 2024 to help expand the market for organic dairy and increase the consumption of organic dairy.

"In preparation for the launch of ODMAP 2024, we met often with organic milk industry leaders and their constituents to ensure that the assistance we provide addresses their expressed needs," said USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Zach Ducheneaux. "Through this proactive engagement, we identified the need for and are pleased to offer increased payment rates and an increased production level eligible for marketing cost-share assistance."

ODMAP 2024 helps mitigate market volatility, higher input and transportation costs, and unstable feed supply and prices that have created unique hardships in the organic dairy industry. Specifically, through ODMAP 2024, FSA is assisting organic dairy operations with projected marketing costs in 2024 calculated using their marketing costs in 2023. FSA will begin accepting ODMAP 2024 applications on Sept. 30. Eligible producers include certified organic dairy operations that produce milk from cows, goats, and sheep.

ODMAP 2024 program improvements

Dairy producers who participate in ODMAP 2024 will benefit from improvements to provisions outlined in the program.

Specifically, ODMAP 2024 provides for an increase in the payment rate to \$1.68 per hundredweight compared to the previous \$1.10 per cwt. Additionally, the production level eligible for marketing cost-share assistance has increased to nine million pounds compared to the previous five million pounds.

How ODMAP 2024 works

ODMAP 2024 provides a one-time cost-share payment based on marketing costs on pounds of organic milk marketed in the 2023 calendar year or estimated 2024 marketing costs for organic dairy operations that have increased milk production or entered the organic dairy market. The assistance provided by ODMAP 2024 and the original ODMAP 2023 is provided through previously unused Commodity Credit Corporation funds remaining from earlier pandemic assistance programs.

ODMAP 2024 provides financial assistance that immediately supports certified organic dairy marketing during 2024 keeping the organic dairy market sustainable until markets return to more normal conditions.

HOW TO APPLY FOR ODMAP

FSA is accepting applications from September 30 to November 29, 2024.

- To apply, producers should contact FSA at their local USDA Service Center, which can be found at www.farmers.gov/working-with-us/service-center-locator.
- To complete the ODMAP 2024 application, producers must certify to pounds of 2023 milk production, show documentation of their organic certification, and submit a completed application form.
- Organic dairy operations are required to provide their USDA certification of organic status confirming operation as an organic dairy in 2024 and 2023 along with the certification of 2023 milk production or estimated 2024 milk production in hundredweight.

ODMAP 2024 complements other assistance available to dairy producers, including Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC), with more than \$36 million in benefits paid for the 2024 program year to date.

You can learn more on the FSA Dairy Programs webpage, which is located at www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-bill/farm-safety-net/dairy-programs/index.



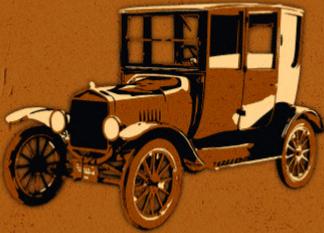
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One such event coming up is the 49th annual Old Farmer's Day in Loranger on October 19 and 20 this month. This delightful celebration is a throwback to sustainable farming and practices of the "old days."

Old Farmer's Day is a re-enactment of the methods our forefathers used to live, work, and enjoy life. It includes farm-fun activities for the whole family, including arts and crafts, live music, face painting, pony rides, an antique tractor show, a petting zoo, and more.

Even better, you'll get to see all kinds of "old-time" demonstrations, like cane syrup

making, campfire cooking, whip making, cornmeal grinding, a spinning wheel, blacksmith shop, 100-year-old working kitchen, and much, much more.



There will also be a teamster contest, horse and mule pulling contest, fun contests for kids, lots of fieldwork with horses, and even a church service on Sunday morning.

For more information about times of operation and entry fees, visit www.facebook.com/oldfarmersday. I hope to see you there.

POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

Abbeville Poultry Sales & Swap — 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 — Held every 2nd Saturday from 9 AM until 1 PM at the Tractor Supply on Florida Boulevard. Only healthy animals, no dogs or cats. Contact Daniel at (225) 665-9042.

Hammond Poultry Swap — Held 1st Saturday of the month at Tractor Supply on Florida Boulevard. Only healthy animals. Contact Jenna at (225) 439-9024.

New Iberia Poultry Swap & Sale — Held every 2nd Sunday and 4th Saturday from 8 AM until 12 PM at Tractor Supply on Highway 90.

No sick animals and no dogs or cats. Contact Roy at (337) 523-1807.

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

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

Reeves Auction & Livestock — Held every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 3 PM. Located at 9271 Highway 190 in Ragley. Includes general merchandise and poultry. Contact Danny Reeves at (337) 309-9679.

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

Remaining show dates for 2024:

- 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

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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:

- Oct. 5 — Pointe Coupee Multi Use, New Roads
- Oct. 26 — Sug Arena, New Iberia
- Nov. 23-24 — Beauregard Parish Arena, DeRidder

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Upcoming dates for LSU AgCenter Master Horseman Program

The LSU AgCenter's Master Horseman Program consists of eight three-hour clinics that educate interested horse owners on the science of equine management and the concepts of training and riding. In addition to print and digital materials, instructors utilize hands-on demonstrations to allow participants to develop foundation techniques and learn best management skills. On average, 75.5% of graduates have adopted research-based practices emphasized in the Master Horseman program.

The goal of this program is to have a group of well-trained volunteer leaders around

the state and to increase the knowledge of horsemen. Graduates have a responsibility to teach others throughout the equine community and donate 40 hours of service. Since its inception, the program has graduated over 1,200 men and women who serve in leadership roles in horse organizations and youth programs throughout the state.

For more information, visit www.lsuagcenter.com/portals/extension/master-volunteer-programs/master-horseman.

You can also contact Dr. Neely Heidorn, LSU AgCenter Equine Extension Specialist at nheidorn@agcenter.lsu.edu.



LOUISIANA MASTER HORSEMAN PROGRAM

The LSU AgCenter Master Horseman Program's purpose is to improve the horsemanship skills of adults and prepare them to serve as leaders in the Louisiana Horse Industry. It includes 4 weeks of instruction on many topics related to equine science and horsemanship. Graduates serve in leadership roles in horse organizations and youth programs throughout the state.

DATES AND LOCATIONS:

Oct 19 - Lectures – Scott Center - 212A Macon Ridge Road Winnsboro, LA 71295

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USDA Farm Loan Program changes now in effect

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) long-awaited updates to the Farm Service Agency's (FSA) Farm Loan Programs are officially in effect. These changes, part of the Enhancing Program Access and Delivery for Farm Loans rule, are designed to increase financial flexibility for agricultural producers, allowing them to grow their operations, boost profitability, and build long-term savings.

These program updates reflect USDA's ongoing commitment to supporting the financial success and resilience of farmers and ranchers nationwide, offering critical tools to help borrowers manage their finances more effectively. What the new rules mean for you:

- **Low-interest installment set-aside program:** Financially distressed borrowers can now defer up to one annual loan payment at a reduced interest rate. This simplified option helps ease financial pressure while keeping farming operations running smoothly.
- **Flexible repayment terms:** New repayment options give borrowers the ability to increase their cash flow and build working capital reserves, allowing for long-term financial planning that includes saving for retirement, education, and other future needs.
- **Reduced collateral requirements:** FSA has lowered the amount of additional loan security needed for direct farm loans, making it easier for borrowers to leverage their existing equity without putting their personal residence at risk.

These new rules provide more financial freedom to borrowers. By giving farmers and ranchers better tools to manage their operations, we're helping them build long-term financial stability. It's all about making sure they can keep their land, grow their business, and invest in the future.

If you're an FSA borrower or considering applying for a loan, now is the time to take advantage of these new policies. We encourage you to reach out to your local FSA farm loan staff to ensure you fully understand the wide range of loan making and servicing options available to assist with starting, expanding, or maintaining your agricultural operation.

To conduct business with FSA, please contact your local USDA Service Center.

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EVENTS

LSU AgCenter Louisiana Homesteader Conference

Fri. & Sat., October 11-12

Join the LSU AgCenter at the Red River Research Station located at 262 Research Station Drive in Bossier City, LA. You'll learn about homesteading, food production and food preservation for backyards and small acreage. Topics include poultry production, backyard rabbits, raising meat and milk goats, small-scale beef production, meat processing, vegetable gardening, fruit trees, and more. Contact Donna Haynes at dhaynes@agcenter.lsu.edu.

LGLCI Family Day at the Farm

Sat., October 12 • 10 AM - 2 PM

Co-Hosted by Southwest Soil and Water Conservation District and Louisiana Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative, and hosted graciously by SD Farms, this family friendly event in Basile, LA, features interactive learning stations about conservation farming, bees, soil health, rotational grazing, erosion, and more. Live music by Alphonse Ardoin and the Zydeco Kinds, and free hamburger lunch by Eunice Superette. For more information or to register, visit www.louisianaglci.org/events-1/family-day-at-the-farm

Louisiana Beef Quality Assurance Certification

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