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CRAWFISH TOWN USA... Certified Cajun, Darn Delicious

In the latest episode of CRAWFISH TALES WITH COMMISSIONER MIKE STRAIN, we visited with Certified Louisiana member Crawfish Town USA in Henderson, LA.

According to owner Johnny Hebert, much of what's considered Cajun food was born from the desperation of poor Cajuns whose only way to make a living was from the land. "In many cases, they had to sell higher quality cuts of meat and seafood and keep what was considered lower quality," says Hebert. "Crawfish came from that... it was poor man's meat."

Right off Interstate 10 and situated at the gateway to the beautiful and crawfish-filled swamps of the Atchafalaya Basin, Crawfish Town USA fully embraces

its Cajun heritage, turning the poor man's meat into coveted cuisine, one delicious bite at a time.

Hebert purchased the restaurant in 2005, although it originally opened in 1986. At that time, Hebert says, "There wasn't a whole lot of a reason to take our exit. They strictly served crawfish seasonally." Now Crawfish Town USA is a destination for travelers and locals alike.

From the building and dining room to the menu, methods, and market, Crawfish Town USA is THE place to be for crawfish and Cajun cuisine. To start, the restaurant sits inside an old farm building from the 1900s, transformed into a charming space filled with colorful and unique art from Louisiana artists.

Just a peek at their menu, and you'll see this is not the same old, same old... you'll find interesting specials like crawfish wontons and boudin taquitos, as well as perfected traditional dishes like fresh gumbo, etouffee, and pepper jack pork skins.

Aside from the ambiance, Crawfish Town has developed a unique soaking method to produce the juiciest, most flavorful crawfish you can imagine. It takes a little longer because they are cooked to order, but it's worth it.

Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM, was impressed with the method and agreed. "We've learned so much," said Strain. "They take crawfish straight from the pond, bring them in, wash them, sort them, and then cook them. They've got it down to an art. When they come out, they're absolutely perfect... perfect texture, perfectly seasoned, hot, and delicious!"

As much as social media has helped travelers seek them out, Hebert says most of their customers for the past 17 years are still locals. "We're genuinely Cajun," says Hebert. "We make things we eat."

When asked if he ever gets tired of crawfish, Hebert laughs and shakes his head, saying "I love crawfish... it never gets old. I love it any way you can prepare it."

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Two thumbs up from Commissioner Strain... "If you ever come here, you'll never forget it."

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LDAF Encourages Participation in Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) Commissioner Mike Strain, D.V.M., encourages senior citizens 60 years old and older who meet certain income requirements to apply for Louisiana's Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP). The program, which LDAF administers through a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant, provides food benefits to qualified low-income senior citizens to buy locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey sold at approved farmers' markets and roadside stands.

Those who qualify will receive a food benefits card with a value of \$50. The SFMNP food benefits card may only be used to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, cut herbs, and honey approved by the Louisiana



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Farmers Market Nutrition Program from farmers at approved farmers' markets and roadside stands (or farm stands). Each senior who receives a food benefits card also will receive a directory listing participating farmers' markets and roadside stands where the food benefits may be spent.

In addition to helping our seniors access fresh produce, the program offers our local farmers access to another revenue pool.

"LDAF is always looking for ways to help you shop for fresh, local produce, and with the increase in monetary allocations in the SFMNP program, senior citizens will get to do just that," said Commissioner Strain. "I encourage you to check your eligibility and apply today. Let's have another great year supporting

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Bermuda Medium	Premium	\$130-\$200
Bermuda Small Square	Premium	\$280-\$440

SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, FEB 10, 2023

Bermuda Large Round	Good/Premium	\$130-\$150/bale
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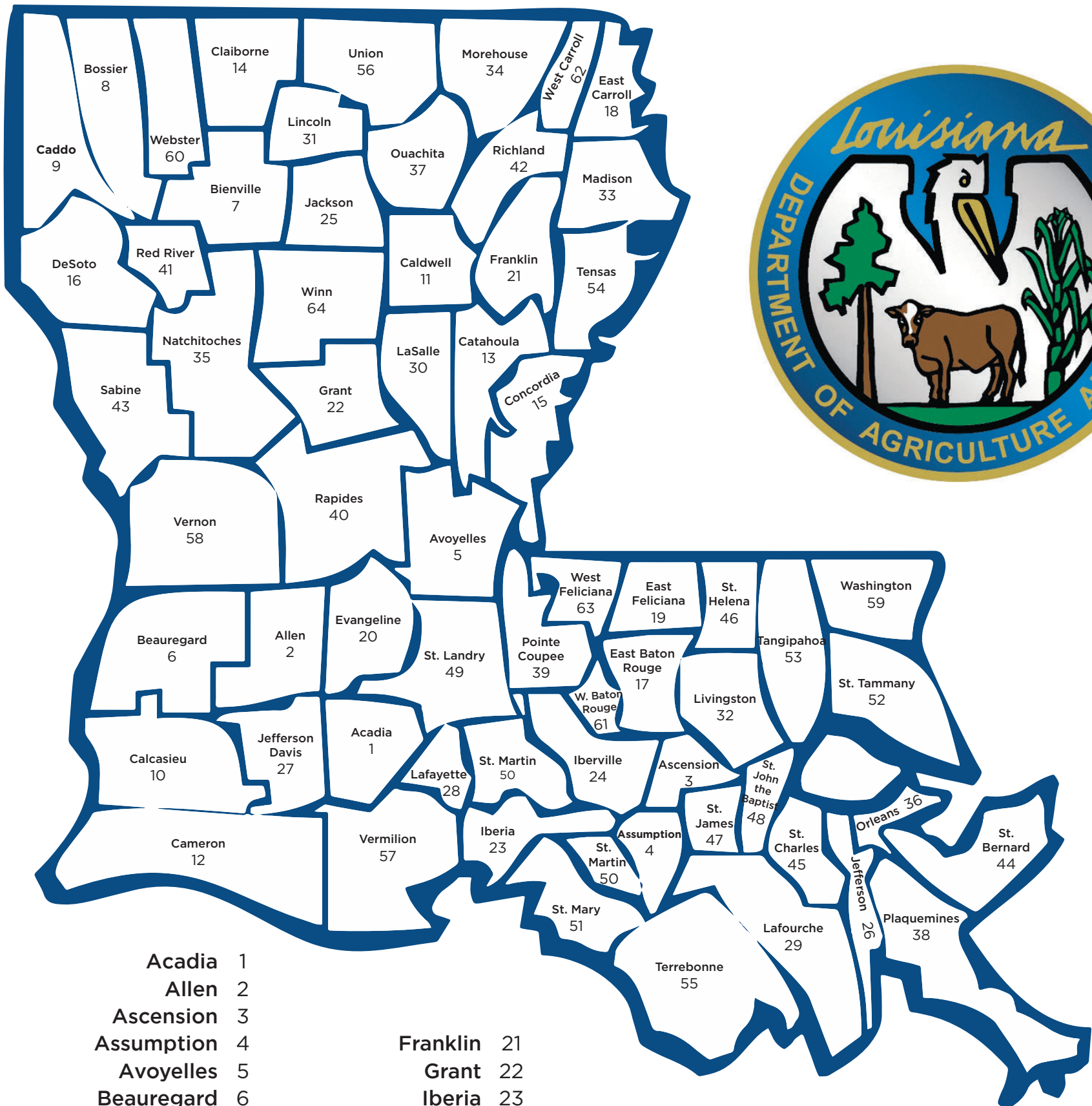
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ATTENTION bull sellers and buyers: All non-virgin bulls and bulls older than 24 months for sale in Louisiana must have a current negative trichomoniasis test from an accredited veterinarian before they may be sold. Virgin bulls must have a breeder's certification of virgin status signed by the breeder, the breeder's agent, or an accredited veterinarian. For more information, contact LDAF Animal Health Services and Food Safety at 225-925-3980 or visit the LDAF website at www.ldaf.louisiana.gov.

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

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

Reg. 2-year old Angus bulls, ready for service, pasture raised, limited feed, gentle, easily handled, \$2500/each. Errol Aymond, Effie, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-1206.

Angus bull for sale, handsome 5-year old, Triple T and Son, semen tested, babies on the ground, \$1800. Lee Sisk, Saint Martinville, St. Martin Parish; 337-658-0417.

Reg Angus bred cattle, young, \$1500/each, up or if all 5 taken, \$7500. LD Lacour, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-345-0441.

BEEFMASTER

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

Reg Beefmaster bulls, born and bred here for 5-9 generations, since 1983, your choice \$2500/ with papers. Mel Jackson, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-308-0921 or 318-443-0203.

BRAFORD

Braford bull, 2-year old, ready to breed, \$2000. Ryan Danos, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; 337-304-1262.

Reg. Braford Bulls and Heifers, 11-months old & up, \$1500 & up, all vacc. and wormed, home raised. Lloyd Savell, Florian, Sabine Parish; home, 318-586-7378 or cell, 318-508-0293.

BRAHMAN

Reg. Brahman bulls, born 03/12/2021 and 4/22/2021, naturally polled, sired by Al son of LMC Sambo, dams are my two best and most fertile cows, \$2200 and \$2400. Clinton Twilley, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-910-0549.

Reg. Brahman bull, a little over (2)-years old, extra gentle, halter broke, ready to go to work, \$3000. Ray Reynolds, Roseland, St. Helena Parish; 985-747-2090.

Reg & pure-bred Red Brahman bulls & heifers, very gentle, top bloodlines & all shots 15-24 mos., \$1850-\$2850. Evert Talbot, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-978-1798.

Grey Brahman heifers and bulls form Maddox, U4 Barret, Thor, Manso 840 and KC Justice bloodlines for sale. Eric Wingate, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-257-9071.

BRANGUS

Brangus bull, 5-years old, gentle, \$2000. Bernard Leger, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-323-9808.

Reg Brangus bull for sale 21 mths, low birth wight bull, never been with cattle, \$2700. R&R Farms, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-655-9582.

Brangus bulls, 2-3 year olds, dam is a Mound creek cow, sires are MC Revalation 129T and Mr New Blood 50H, \$3250-\$4000. Ryan Danos, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; 337-304-1262.

CHAROLAIS

(3) Charolais bulls, 2-3 years old, semen tested, ready for breeding, \$2500/each. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-831-6345.

Charolais bulls, \$4000, Charolais cows, \$2500; pairs \$3000, Charolais heifers, \$2000, Charolangus heifers, \$1500, all vaccinated and branded. Dr. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

Commercial Charolais, pick up cows, off the top end, \$1250. Robert Simmons, Noble, Sabine Parish; 318-315-0794.

DEXTER

Mini Dexter, (1) red tipped white heifer, (1) solid black bull, both 13-mths old, \$1000 for heifer, \$800 for bull, text for pics. Steven Breaux, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 337-257-5206.

HEREFORD

2.5 year old reg. polled Hereford bull, LBW, very gentle, \$2500. James Sibley, Walker,

Livingston Parish; 225-686-2952.

(2) Horned Hereford bulls, born spring of 2022, dark red, nice & gentle, \$1250/each, call for a view. Damon Kirk, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-709-8101.

Polled Hereford heifer & bull calves, great EPD's, low birth weights, super thick and very gentle, all shots & wormed, 8-15 mos. old, \$1200-1 & up, delivery avail. for additional charge. Laura Hughes, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-933-2997.

(2) Reg horned Hereford virgin bulls, DOB 12/2020, horns tipped, gentle, easy going, lbw, thick stout, all shots, dewormed, BSE tested, \$3500/each. Lennie Wales, Hammond, Livingston Parish; 225-294-3198.

(3) Reg Hereford bulls, coming 2-year olds, semen tested, 80-90% score, LBW, \$2500/each. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

SANTA GERTRUDIS

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

WAGYU

(30) Wagyu, 1 yr. old, 5 mos. old, \$1000, \$650. W.V. Jackson, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-515-0520.

DAIRY

(2)-Reg. jersey bulls, \$900- \$1200. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-373-4067.

OTHER

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

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

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

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

(1) miniature bull, 4-years old, (3) miniature cows, 5-years old, cows should be bred, \$800 or \$3000 for all, Dexter highland piney woods cross. Jerry Corley, Trout, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-8101.

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

Sorrel, double bred doc olena ranch gelding, 15-years old, \$4500, call for details. Don Peroyea, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; 225-222-4278.

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

Quality cutting & performance prospects by colonels lil scoot, out of good mares, cowy, smart, trainable and athletic, \$2500-\$3500. Dave Broussard, Erath, Vermilion Parish; 337-937-6719.

Reg. (2) AQHA stud colts, very gentle, Royal King top and bottom, \$2500/each. Errol Aymond, Effie, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-1206.

STALLION SERVICE

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

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

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

AQHA horse, Peppi Figure Four, #5403078 BD, foundation bred stud, 4/20/11, bay roan, health cert. & neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$8 mare. Mitch Johnson,

Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

EQUINE SERVICES

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

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

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

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

Reining & ranch riding training in Iota, colt starting, finishing, tuning, showing, lessons & sales prep, trained under NRHA pros Dean Brown & Terry Gatte & AQHA judge Chele Mcgaully, \$750/30 hay & feed included.

Taryn Mcspadden, Iota, Acadia Parish; 337-532-3966.

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

TACK

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

Longhorn Comfort Cutter 15 1/2" saddle, \$400 with pipe stand, kept inside. Dalton Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-686-9066.

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

SHEEP & GOATS

Katahdin sheep KHSI 100%, registered, 2023, lamb crop, rams, ewes, Midwest champion bloodlines, top genetics, weaned mid to late May, prices vary. Ricky Lobell, Galvez, Ascension Parish; 225-715-9219.

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

Katahdin ram, Intact, born 05/13/23, nice conformation, pics on request, unregistered, \$200. Rachel Fusilier, Ville

Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-336-1682.

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

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

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

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

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

DOGS

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

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

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

Half Jack Russell, half Rat Terrier puppies, born on 4/9/23, \$150/each, \$50 deposit, 10-in-1

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

AKC yellow lab born, 7/5/2021, all shots, partly trained, retrievers, doves, geese, ducks, \$1000. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

F1bb Labradoodles ready to go for February 9th, \$1200. John Coon, Springfield, Livingston Parish; 985-551-1970.

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

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

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

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

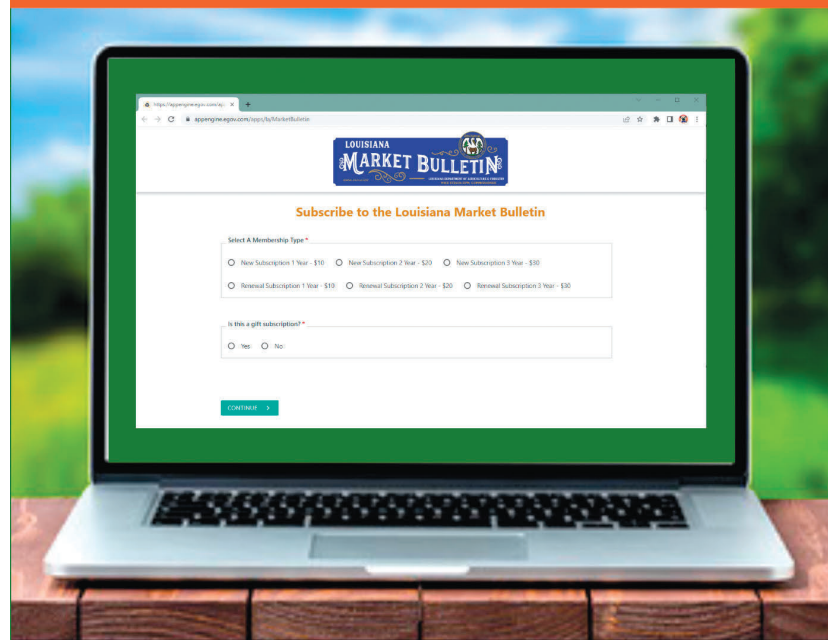
AKC European Belgian Malinois pups, excellent bloodlines, easily trained, super well socialized, perfect family protection dogs, \$2000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

AKC European German Shepherd pups, excellent family protection dogs, easily trained, gets along well with others, \$2000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

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

CKC Shih Tzu pups for sale, 4-mth old, shots & wormed, paper trained, \$600/each. Jean

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Bradley, River Ridge, Jefferson Parish; 504-737-1234.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SWINE

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

DOMESTICATED BIRDS

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

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

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

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

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

Exotic bird cage, call for pictures, \$100. Tyrone Dubroc, Jackson, East Feliciana Parish; 225-721-2730.

Ring neck doves, different colors, \$10 and up. Ken Ardoin, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-655-8174.

Rose breasted hen, hand fed, close banded, 1-year, \$2500, emerald cockatiels, \$350 each white face emeralds and pied emeralds young birds close banded. Milford Johnson, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-241-8782.

Jumbo brown quail, different ages available, \$1.50/ week old chick, \$3/ 3-week old, eggs for sale too. Josh Savage, Plaquemine, Avoyelles Parish; 318-359-2493.

POULTRY & FOWL

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

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

Laying hens (3) Rhode island reds, (2) silver laced Wyandotte, (2) barred rocks, \$20/1, chicken coops, \$850 -\$1000, red metal, wire floor, nest boxes. Daniel Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

Pair white mute swans, 9-mths. Old, \$1500 and extra male for \$800. Skipper Hastings, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-764-3037.

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

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

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

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

Barnyard mixed breed of roosters, \$15/each for roosters, \$20/each for ducks for butcher, \$20/each for male guineas. Shane Granger, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-658-7257.

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

PIGEONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EGGS

Farm fresh chicken eggs, X-large mostly mixed colors, brown, white, pink & green, \$5/doz. Monica Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 504-415-2201.

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

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

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

Fresh yard eggs, \$3/dozen. Tina Rogers, Franklin/Garden City area, St. Mary Parish; 225-802-8543.

Pickling Quail eggs 0.30\$ each. Hatchling quail eggs 0.50\$ each. Please text or leave voice mail. Amy Darcey Houma, Terrebonne Parish, 985-688-8538.

RABBITS

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

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

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

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

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

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

AQUACULTURE

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

6" pump, very good condition, \$8000; 450 gal diesel, \$350/ gal; GMC 371 engine, \$4000, please leave message. Darrell Broussard, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; 337-224-8517.

Conveyor for Kerian crawfish grader w/drive motor, excellent condition, ready to go, \$5500. Bill Krielow, Roanoke, Jefferson Davis Parish; 337-753-2202 or 337-275-0027.

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

Minden, Webster Parish; 318-377-1525.

FARM SERVICES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



LIVESTOCK BOARDING

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

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

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

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

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

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

EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

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

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

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

Dozer & excavator work services, land clearing, limestone, dirt, ponds, crawfish ponds, roads, house pads, culvert settings & level work. Chad Helminger, Mansura,

Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-5767 or 318-964-2380.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Environmental Testing (sewer water & runoff water included), dozer, trackhoe, backhoe & tractor work, \$1000 minimum, state licensed, insured/ bonded. George Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-405-5229.

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

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

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

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

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

RURAL PROPERTY FOR SALE

Must offer 10 or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden) and what the land is best suited for. Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker, or salesman."

52-acres for sale located in Washington parish, 90% in open fields and 10% wooded area, great place for a home site and a pond, \$265000. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-515-6655.

40-acres on Hwy 111, DeRidder, West Beauregard, Dim. 1305' x 1328' x 1308' x 1344', Sec. 32, Timberland. E.H. Husband, Abbeville, Vermillion Parish; 337-277-2031.

15 acres on Comite River, quiet culdesac, please call for more information. Tony Templet, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

14+/- acres located 200 yards from Kisatchie National Forest, camp Claiborne where 500000 troops were trained during WWII, endless trails, beautiful building site, power & community water, \$158000. Edwin Broussard, Forest Hill, Rapides Parish; 512-673-3362.

RURAL PROPERTY FOR LEASE

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



FERTILIZER

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

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

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

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

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

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

SEEDS, FLOWERS, & ORNAMENTALS

Any person who sells, distributes, offers, or handles for sale agriculture, vegetable, or flower seeds or other propagating stock of one pound or more shall obtain a Seed Dealer's License from the LDAF Seed Programs Division. Call 225-925-4733 or email seed@ldaf.statel.la.us for more information.

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Purple chewing sugar cane, \$4/ stalk. Joe Owens, Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish; 985-518-0957.

Begonias, color light pink, 6"- pot, \$5/each. Roland Sauvant, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-802-4013.

Elephant Garlic corms, fresh from June harvest, \$20/ dozen, Sandra Fischer, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; 601-278-2999.

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

Wanted: California beer seeds with recipe. M. Stevens, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-477-4039.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

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

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

Grafter pears, my own varieties, hyb. Mayhaws, grafted apples, blueberries, exclusive pink lemonade blueberries, thornless blackberries, cypress trees & more, all in 3-gal pots, \$12-\$20/1. Lee, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-981-7819.

Oaks, Cypress, fruit tree seedlings for sale in spring, pawpaw, mayhaw, mulberry, and others, \$4 and \$5 each, can pick up or ship, www.lebretonland.com. Guy Breton, St. Martinville, St. Martinville parish; 337-380-5381.

BEEES & HONEY

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

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

Making splits in April, 10-frame medium box, top and bottom, queen, bees, and brood, \$210, taking orders. Charles Buckner, Webster Parish; 318-562-0887.

Sweet potatoes, Orleans & Beauregards \$20, Evangeline \$22, green tag, (3) varieties. Michael Mitchel, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-4998.

Sweet potatoes Beauregard variety, green tag. Becky Dugas, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-6840 or 318-253-6843.

Wanted: Loquat (Japanese plum) fruit wanted, local and EBR Parish area, can swap quart jars for fruit. Marilyn Woolfolk, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-301-2368.

bale. Melvin Husser, Loranger, 985-517-1792.

2022 Alicia Bermuda mix, square bales, heavy, tight, fertilized, cured, no rain, stored in barn, will assist in loading, 30 bale min., \$8/bale, by appt only. Jessie Wheat, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-485-5252.

Bahia Hay no rain, 4X5 good for horses or cows, \$55 in barn, \$45 outside, covered pallets, delivery available. Homer Dutsch, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; 985-807-4046.

Alicia Bermuda square hay, fertilized according to soil test, 20 bale min sale, by appt only, \$8/bale at barn. Doug Dorhauer, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-241-0204.

Horse quality Bermuda square bales, well fertilized, \$8.50/bale. Dwight Brignac, Washington, St. Landry Parish; 337-831-3758.

Round bales \$45/bale unwrapped, or \$55/bale wrapped. Mike Beard, Sunshine, Iberville Parish; 225-938-6972.

Wanted: Square bale hay wagon in decent to better condition. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-537-3750.

good, excellent for small garden, \$3500. Jerrod Marks, Arnaudville, St. Martin Parish; 985-991-1991.

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

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

2004 JX75 case tractor/ 7' front loader, 2-wheel drive, low hours, asking \$16500. Kendall Broussard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-258-9158.

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

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

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

1952 Super AV Farmall field ready, runs, no smoke, good tires, front & rear cult bars, complete excellent metal, strong tractor, \$4500, no trades. Kenneth Morris, Port Barre, St. Landry Parish; 337-290-5016.

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

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

1984 Kubota L345 2WD tractor, barn kept, roughly 2000 hrs., runs good, lift arms do not work, paint good, no rust, new seat, \$3500. Lamar Holmes, Desoto Parish; 318-286-7406.

Massey Ferguson 230, runs good, \$4000. James Gipson, Zachary, EBR Parish; 225-978-3708.

706 Farmall tractor, strong tractor with heavy 7-ft box blade, \$5500. Herbert Erwin, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-751-2258.

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

720 JD parts, 2-cylinder, \$1000; 8N for Ford Parts, \$600. Ricky Williams, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 601-810-0735.

1594 85 HP case tractor for parts with 8-ft dozier blade, blade sold separately for \$1500 or \$2500 for both. Sheila Beasley, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; 318-471-5713.

Large snapper lawn tractor mower, 42" cut like new, 2-years old, \$1600; (1) pair aluminum ramps, 12" wide 6' long, \$100. JC Dupre, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-2683.

(2) AGRA-cats, (1) 2920 4WD, (1) 2910 2WD, \$1650. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

(2) Belarus A-5 250, 2WD, (1) runs, new engine pump, (1) for parts, \$2200. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

Massey Ferguson 261 good condition, roll guard & canopy, with bush-hog, \$8000; Massey Harris 44LP, project tractor, rare, \$600; toro golf tractor, \$300. Billy Welch, Oakdale, Evangeline Parish; 318-201-8807.

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

CUTTERS & MOWERS

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

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

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

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

Edge JD belly mower for LV 2210 model tractor, 62" cut, good condition, needs new belt, \$450. Joel Tassin, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-9789.

15' stalk chopper, 3-pt. rear crazy wheels, extra heavy duty, excellent condition, \$1999. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

5' Bush hog for sale, Bush hog brand, excellent condition, cuts really well, \$800 cash. Janet Lavergne, 337-230-4167.

6' Woods grooming mower, used very little, \$1100, manual comes with it. Janet Lavergne, 337-230-4167.

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

PLANTING & TILLAGE

Case 5400 mulch till grain drill, 20', 3-pt. hitch, \$1500. Phillip Lamartiniere, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-1132.

(1) Mechanical sweet potato transplanter in excellent shape,

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HAY & GRAIN

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

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

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

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

Bahia hay Pensacola, round 4X5, fertilized to soil test, cut at 6-week interval, stored in barn w/o rain, \$65/roll, square, \$7.50/

TRACTORS

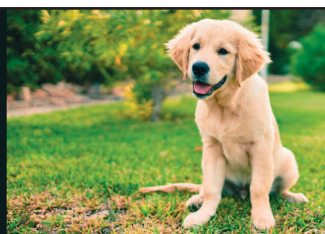
Farmall tractor w/row hippers, cultivators, middle buster, and tool bar, runs very

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\$500; (300) plastic sweet potato crates, \$5/each. Todd Cullen, Evergreen, Avoyelles Parish; 318-240-3862.

Case IH 3950 (25)-ft. tillage disk, \$17500. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

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

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

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

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

Terrace plow, nine blade, \$6000. Norman Saltzman, Gueydan, Lafayette Parish; 337-250-7579.

W&A 8-row hipers w/Ortham row markers, \$2000; Taylorway (8)-row cult., 5-prow gangs w/shields, \$800; Ditch Witch w/4-way blade, land boring unit, drill pipe & bits, trailer, excel. cond., \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-992-4504.

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

Wanted No till drill with colters. 2 seed boxes field ready. Cord Ensminger, Deridder, Beauregard Parish, 337-348-9694.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

3-Grain carts, (2)-Tristate, 250&350bu, (1)-Rayne Grain 250bu, all in good condition, all \$3000; (2)-combine sieves for JD95, \$250 for both. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

Ford 134 cu in gas block, \$195, 8N trans, assy, \$250, new long power steering pump, TX17112, \$170, used 8N-9N parts, \$20 and up. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-754-7682.

Manure spreader, may be pulled by ATV or lawn mower, \$1350. Harry Latiolais, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-470-9995.

Pull behind lime cart, 3-6 ton any condition. Larry Bordelon, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-452-8767.

Cat dozer, D-6C root rack dirt blade, K-Z blade, 9090 under carriage, ready to work, new

batteries. Dennis Wink, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 769-232-0963.

Wallenstein BX42 wood chipper, 4-inch capacity, 20-50 HP, gravity feed, \$2900. Jude Lemoine, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-664-3577.

100 HP International Harvester motor, radiator, and power take off, all self-contained, \$5000 Gilbert Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish, 318-359-3836.

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

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

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

Front end loader, Buhler Allied 595 loader, single joy stick, 6-ft bucket comes off, very little usage, JD 4020 \$5200. Dale Denais, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 331-561-9922.

Levee splitter/ V-ditcher, heavy duty, 3-point hitch, hydraulic adjustable tilt, located in Opelousas LA, \$1000. Dale Moreau, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-290-2917.

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

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

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

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

HAY EQUIPMENT

NH sickle mower, 7'kept in shed, excellent shape, \$3800. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

Vicon RV5101 round baler, has extra wide pickup and a new set of belts put on last hay season, 800 bales on new belts, \$6500. Jimmy Detillier, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-278-2721.

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

Vermeer R2300 hydraulic rake, excellent condition, \$8500. Johnny Caraway, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-6567.

3-point quick hitch equipped rd. bale spear, \$150, work saver 3-pt hitch hydraulic rd bale forks, lifts rd. bales, 6-7 ft above ground level, \$1200. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-3932.

AD, Vermeer hydraulic bale fork, heavy duty, 3-pt cat 2, good condition, \$1000. John Swindler, New Roads, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-937-4694.

JD 348 sq baler, 9K, JD 630 MOCO cutter, 10K, fella fluffer, \$3500, stackliner 3000, 300 gallon sprayer, \$1500, negotiable, discounts

considered. Carl Stevens, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-505-0706.

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

CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

Galvalum (6) sheets, 3' wide, 12' long, \$275. Dalton Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-686-9066.

Electrical wire, 3 conductor AWG, \$3/ft.; 4 conductor #10 AWG \$190/ 100 ft.; 4 conductor #12 AWG \$130/ 100 ft.; SO cord 10AWG \$160/ 100 ft. Dalton Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-686-9066.

New Orleans style lamp post, with lamp, 17-ft, call for more information. Tony Templet, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

10 ft. pull type box blade with hydraulic tilt, NEW, all hoses and cylinders included, heavy duty. Lacey Mouton, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-250-1810.

Sheets of used tin, some good condition some scrap, must take all, FREE! Earl Lemoine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-452-5503.

FARM TRUCKS

Ford F250, 04 Diesel, 4X4, crew 356K miles, bad motor, \$3200; Toyota Tundra, 06, 4X4, crew, 186K miles, bad motor, \$2500. Buddy Elliott, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-324-6843.

1982 351 Peterbuilt for salvage/ parts, \$3500. Ricky Williams, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; 601-810-0735.

98 F700 dump truck, 7-yard bed, \$15000; GMC 3500 4-door dually w/tool box bed, \$6000; automatic 2002 Dodge single cab truck, \$4000. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-526-1102.

1999 freightliner e160 w/40' drop deck trailer, \$30000. Mona Elkins, Minden, Webster Parish; 318-377-7792.

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

90000 lb B & W fifth wheel hitch, \$650; 25000 lb Reese gooseneck hitch, hardware included, was on a Ford F350,

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BBQ SHRIMP LELE

Submitted by Cajun Smoke, LLC

Ingredients:

- 3-4 pounds of raw shrimp
- 1 pound butter
- 2 lemons
- 1 large onion
- 1 bunch of shallots
- 1 pack of cut mushrooms (optional)
- 4 tablespoons Cajun Smoke Season-It-All

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. To make sauce, melt butter in a pan and place Cajun Smoke in and let simmer. Lay shrimp in pan stretching them out not to curl. Cut onion into thin rings, pull apart and place on top of raw shrimp. Squeeze ½ a lemon over the shrimp. Cut remaining lemons into thin slices and place on top of the onions and shrimp. (Optional) Place cut mushrooms on top of onions and shrimp. Sprinkle cut up shallots over everything. Pour the sauce over the shrimp. Place pan of shrimp in the oven for 45-60 minutes, depending on size of shrimp. When shrimp are done, pour everything into a big bowl and let sit for 10 minutes. Plate and enjoy!

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SOLA CRAWFISH ETOUFFEE

Submitted by SoLa Seasonings

Ingredients:

- ¼ pounds butter
- 2 cups onions, chopped
- 1 cup celery, chopped
- ½ cup bell pepper, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2-3 teaspoons SoLa Cajun Seasoning
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 pound crawfish tails with fat
- 2 tablespoons flour
- ½ cup water
- ½ cup chicken broth or stock
- Green onion tops, chopped
- Salt to taste

Instructions:

In a large skillet, melt butter. Sauté the vegetables for 10-12 minutes. Add the SoLa Seasoning and salt. Add bay leaves and crawfish tails with fat and sauté on medium for 5 minutes. Dissolve the flour in warm water and chicken broth or stock and add to skillet. Simmer for another 10 minutes. Remove bay leaves and serve over rice. Add chopped green onions as a garnish.

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HEARTY CAJUN ANDOUILLE SAUSAGE DIP

Submitted by Richard's Cajun Foods

Ingredients:

- 1 12-ounce package of Richard's Andouille Smoked Sausage, cut into small pieces
- ½ teaspoon Richard's Cajun Seasoning
- 2 16-ounce round loaves of bread
- 8 ounces soft cheddar cheese, cut into blocks
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened

Instructions:

Carve out center core of bread within 2 inches of bottom and sides, keeping bread intact. Cut reserved bread and other loaf into 1-inch cubes for dipping. Place Richard's Andouille Smoked Sausage pieces into large frying pan and sauté until cooked thoroughly. Add the soft cheddar cheese and cream cheese, and stir until melted. Add Richard's Cajun Seasoning; adjust to taste. Pour mixture into hollowed out round loaf. Serve with celery sticks and additional pieces of bread cubes for dipping. Serve with a spoon or knife to help spread this hearty dip.

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Chevrolet Silverado 2002, excellent condition, electric seats, windows, everything works, \$4500. Bob Stevens, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-447-5015.

Wanted: 1.5-2 ton used truck, 4WD, prefer military issue, gas engine, in working condition, body not an issue, price range around \$3000, within 100 mile radius of Slidell. Ferenc Hajdu, Lacombe, St. Tammany Parish; 985-237-9414.

TRAILERS, WAGONS, & EQUIPMENT

Curt 5th wheel hitch, fits GM trucks with puck system, \$3000. Phillip Lamartiniere, Marskville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-1132.

20' gooseneck trailer, tandem axles, good condition, \$2500. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

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

Gooseneck brand brand cattle trailer, 32' long, all redone, like brand new, \$14000. David Pondville, Donaldsonville, Assumption Parish; 225-413-6449.

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

White 3-horse w/dressing room, AC unit gooseneck trailer, good condition, 1992, TRMG, well made trailer, solid, hardly any rust, \$4000. Neil Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-945-9049.

Interstate equipment trailer 19' w/ 5' beaver trail, 25900 lbs, GUV, needs new deck & lights, \$4750, pintle hitch, tandem tires. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; 985-537-3750.

16 foot bumper pull cattle trailer w/ new axles needs tires, \$1500. Sheila Beasley, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; 318-471-5713.

One horse wagon, \$600; one horse harness, \$120; large log tongs, \$95; cross cut saw, \$75; sausage stuffer, \$120. Jimmie Netherlin, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-792-4275.

16-ft hay trailer, has high front railing for stacking square bales, can be used for round bales, metal floor and brakes, price is \$3700. Mike Bergeron, Ventress, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-324-4225.

Wanted: Bumper pull equipment trailer, dual axle, 20' long, 7'-7'6" or 8' wide w/ ramps or dovetail, all metal

preferred. Robert LeMaster, Summit, Pike County MS; 601-248-8843.

Wanted: 12' to 16' pull type cattle trailer. Ricky Juneau, Hesser, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

SEWING & FABRIC

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

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

Giant bamboo for crafts, movie sets, plays, etc., 1.5"-3" diameter up to 40' length, .50 cents/foot. Martin Peacock, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; 318-547-8971.

Rare black walnut coffee tables, end tables, fireplace mantle boards, priced by size,

beautiful wood. David Wood, Ashland, Natchitoches Parish; 318-544-2481.

LUMBER & SAWING

Jet JDM-18 Vertical bench milling machine, w/h 21 bits, used, good working condition, \$1950. Aaron Slayter, Grant Parish; 318-652-8107.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

Red River galvanized roping chute, never used, barn kept, \$1800. Kirk Racca, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-501-1786.

Man Saver t-post driver, works with air compressor, \$350; 16' heavy duty pasture drag, \$1000. Donald Richardson, Winnfield Parish; 318-471-1627.

Windpower 25 K generator, PTO power, original owner retiring, original operational manual, PTO shaft alternator, \$1350. Clayton Knight, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-515-3600.

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

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

Squeeze chute new economy plus chutes available, all basic functions, manual, smooth operating and built well, \$3000. Lacey Mouton, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-250-1810.

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

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

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

Wanted: 6-ft T-post in local area. Ed Kelley, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; 985-264-6532.

FROM THE FARM

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

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

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

1997 Jayco camper, 28', needs tires, last used as a hunting camp, includes (2) 8x30 canopies, \$2000. Wayne Reiners, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-0107.

Transit City Bus will make a great fixer upper for a camp, \$7500. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

Deer hunting club near Pearl River, St. Tammany Parish, \$1200/year and 598 acres, deer, hogs, turkey, rifle & archery hunting, camping allowed. KJ Lodrigue, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-789-1000 or lease@kjun.us.

Winnebago porta potty, for camping or at horse shows for children or adults if needed, \$25, good shape. Dalton Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-686-9066.

Deer hunting club in Perry County MS, 2400 acres, (half dog hunting/half still hunting), \$800/year. Mike Labouf, Houma, Terrebonne Parish; 985-665-7028.

Wanted: Vintage Cast Iron pots, pans, lids, etc. Lyle Brignac, Washington, St. Landry Parish; 337-351-0836.

ATV

Kawasaki 4010 mule 2009, always kept in garage, good condition, everything works, 860 original hours, \$6000. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie, Desoto Parish; 318-286-7406.

2011 Polaris 800 side by side w/trailer, \$9500, clean title, viper mud grip tires, excellent shape. Michael Boone, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; 318-613-6505.

2022 Polaris Ranger for sale or trade of old Ford truck of equal value, \$16500, no text calls only. Dallas Richard, Morse, Acadia Parish; 337-517-3750.

2021 Polaris Northstar Ultimate 1000, AC/heat, AM-FM, navigation, winch, F/R bumpers, LED, 6-seater, camo, 39 miles, electric windows, new, \$32000. Bob Stevens, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-447-5015.

Year 18 Honda Pioneer 1000, top windshield, winch, back glass, good condition, \$13500 firm. Daniel Brock, Franklinton, Washington Parish; 985-839-2764.

GUNS & ACCESSORIES

Remington SP-10 magnum, \$900; M1 garande springfield, \$1000. James Snell, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 318-623-1984.

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

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

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

Smith & Wesson Mod. 637-2 38 Special+P Air Weight 1" Barrel \$700, Marlin Mod. 60 22 w/ scope \$200. Paul Gil, Patterson, St. Mary Parish; 985-397-1292.

Citadel 12 gauge semi automatic, 20" barrel, home defense, 3" chamber, assorted chokes, brand new, \$275. Norman Saltzman, Gueydan, Lafayette Parish; 337-250-7579.

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

Wanted: Stevens model 77, 20 or 16 gauge pump shotgun, Old Benjamin and Sheridan pellet guns, broken or working condition. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-335-7834.

BOATS

Push boat for crawfishing, 3'wide, flat bottom, 5'long, 1'high sides, tray to grade crawfish 1" by 7/8", hole at bottom, few cracks. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; 337-457-5053.

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

Outboard motor, 25 Merc, 2-stroke, \$1000. James Payton, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-245-3358.

1950 Dunphy 12 foot mahogany wood boat with 1950 Mercury 25 horsepower motor and 1950 trailer, all restored, \$7,000 or best offer Robert Legnon Jr, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish, 337-365-8249.

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

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Farm Bus tour, \$1000, all inclusive ticket, the tour will go to multiple parishes in Louisiana (EBR, Rapides, Acadia, St. Landry), four day/ three-night tour to six agricultural locations, purchase tickets at heartlandtoursla.com. Taylor McCann, Pineville, Point Coupee Parish; 225-240-3376.

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The following seniors are pre-qualified for the SFMNP:

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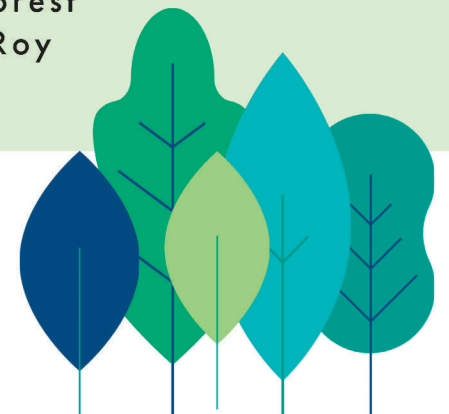
APRIL 8

Trees

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- Crawfish can shed (molt) their shells up to 15 times nearly doubling in size with each molt.
- Crawfish tails are an excellent, low-calorie source of protein. In fact, a quarter pound of crawfish tails contains only 82 calories.
- Crawfish are also a good source of calcium, phosphorous, iron, protein, and the B vitamins.
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Projects eligible for inclusion in the Certified Louisiana logo program must be made, grown, manufactured, processed, produced, or substantially transformed in the state of Louisiana.



The LDAF has sole discretion to determine whether an agricultural product or agritourism activity is eligible to be labeled with one of the certified logos. In addition, a company must possess and comply with all other applicable state and federal permit, licenses, and laws.

Check out all the Certified Louisiana programs:

- certifiedlouisiana.org
- Facebook.com/CertifiedLouisiana

Hunters for the Hungry Now Accepts Feral Hogs

Freshly Harvested Game Program Adds Hog Donations

Hunters For The Hungry Louisiana is now accepting hog donations at partner processors that are signed up with the organization throughout the state. Under the “Freshly Harvested Game Program,” deer have been approved to be processed and delivered to one of Louisiana’s five food banks and their affiliate kitchens and shelters. Due to the current need to control the feral hog population in Louisiana, hogs are now added to the program and accepted year-round.

Hunters are encouraged to visit the Hunters For The Hungry Louisiana (H4H) website to find a convenient partner processor where they can deliver their bounty. There is no cost to the hunter as H4H will pay the processing fee. As long as the H4H partner processor is called ahead of time, they’ll accept the hog, process it, and have it picked up by a local food bank or agency within that community.

According to the Louisiana State University AgCenter, feral hogs cause \$76 million in agricultural damage in Louisiana annually. Overpopulation of feral hogs is a statewide issue due to the impact the species has on our natural resources, so

H4H hopes Louisiana’s sportsmen can do their part in helping heavily impacted agriculture and wildlife by controlling the population, while feeding the hungry.

“Adding hogs to the Freshly Harvested Game Program has been a major priority, due to the frustrations they give farmers, land owners, and hunters,” says Julie Grunewald, executive director of H4H. “We look forward to the impact this will have on our ability to provide more protein for the hungry, especially since we’re not bound to a season.”

The mission of H4H is to encourage Louisiana’s sportsmen to share their bounty of wild game and fish in order to combat hunger. Lean protein is the most difficult part of a meal to get donations for, yet it’s the most essential, so sportsmen are encouraged to share what they have access to.

In the 2021/2022 season alone, H4H collected over 49,000 pounds of protein resulting in over 196,000 meals across the state of Louisiana to provide to the 5 Louisiana food banks with the support of volunteers, churches, community betterment organizations, and donors.

In addition to the Freshly Harvested Game Program, H4H hosts “Clean Out Your Freezer Day” and provides ways to donate monetary funds to help cover the costs of processing. To learn more, visit www.h4hla.org, and to find a Partner Processor that will accept hogs, visit www.h4hla.org/processors.



About Hunters For The Hungry

Started in 1994 by a group of local hunters, Hunters For The Hungry has a mission to encourage hunters and fishermen to make a difference in the lives of their neighbors by sharing their bounty of wild game and fish in order to combat hunger. They provide food throughout the state by partnering with all 5 major food banks in Louisiana and conducting multiple programs such as the Clean Out Your Freezer Day and Freshly Harvested Game and Fish Programs.

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LDAF at Louisiana Fisheries Forward Summit 2023

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry will be at the Louisiana Fisheries Forward Summit on March 1. We’ll have three booth spaces including **Weights and Measures**, **Certified Louisiana**, and **Soil and Water Conservation**. STOP BY AND SEE US!

WEBINAR: Suicide Prevention Training

Agrisafe’s QPR training for farmers & farm families teaches people to recognize and respond to mental health crises using the Question, Persuade and Refer approach.

- Thursday, March 16
- 12 - 1:30 PM (CT)

This training (for participants 18 years of age or older) will provide information on the unique challenges farmers face that can lead to stress, depression, and suicide. Participants will learn how to use QPR to help someone at risk of suicide.

Learn more and register at www.agrisafe.org/event/qpr-for-farmers-and-farm-families-15/



USDA NIFA- Funded Aquaculture Projects Featured at Aquaculture America 2023

By 2050, global fish consumption will increase nearly 80%, while the total weight of the world's fish harvest may only double, according to a 2021 Stanford-led study. This future projection underlies the great and growing importance of efficient, sustainable production of aquatic animals at farms around the U.S. and internationally.

Preparing for that future requires innovative basic and applied aquaculture research and Extension program efforts that can jumpstart the sustainable expansion of aquaculture and improve understanding of the local context for the food on our plates.

In cooperation with Land-grant University partners and diverse stakeholders, USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) provides leadership and funding for aquaculture research, technology development and Extension programs.

NIFA-funded researchers will present their latest aquaculture research and extension programming at Aquaculture America 2023, to be held Feb. 23-26 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

NIFA national program leader Dr. Tim Sullivan, who provides leadership for programs in aquaculture, animal health and biotechnology, will moderate a session highlighting the breadth and impact of NIFA-funded aquaculture research and outreach.

For more information on NIFA's grant programs that fund aquaculture research, visit www.nifa.usda.gov/grants/programs/aquaculture.



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LSU AgCenter Extension
Office in Napoleonville

MARCH 23
7 AM - 1 PM

PLANNING TO ATTEND THIS EVENT? If so, please help us prepare by submitting an inventory sheet. They can be found at www.ldaf.state.la.us/event/unwanted-pesticide-pick-up-napoleonville/ or through your local LSU AgCenter Office. Inventory sheets should be turned in by Thursday, March 9 to bgueltig@agcenter.lsu.edu. **QUESTIONS?** Call 225-925-3763.

USDA's Vilsack Announces Funding for Voluntary Conservation Programs

At NACD's 77th Annual Meeting, U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the availability of Inflation Reduction Act funding to support oversubscribed voluntary conservation programs.

In Fiscal Year 2023, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will make \$850 million available for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), the Agriculture Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), and the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP).

Secretary Vilsack spoke to an audience of over 800 conservation professionals during his keynote presentation at the NACD Leadership Luncheon.

"The reality is, we can't get it done without you. There needs to be a strong partnership between USDA and conservation districts. You're the trusted source in your communities," remarked Secretary Vilsack. "Now, for the first time in a long time you're going to have significant resources to drive adoption, get producers ready to participate in climate-smart markets, and quantify and measure those outcomes. This is the moment for people to understand what you've been advocating for a long time — conservation. This is your opportunity."



NACD applauds this investment in voluntary and locally-led conservation efforts. It is critical for the conservation districts to have the tools needed to face the challenges of the future.

"Conservation districts are ready to work closely with USDA to implement these new investments in voluntary, locally led programs," said NACD President-Elect Kim LaFleur. "As local partners, districts are uniquely positioned to expand conservation opportunities for historically underserved producers. We know that strong collaboration is the key to success and look forward to continuing that work with USDA."

Funding Aims to Make Farm-to-School Sales Easier

The Louisiana Farm to School Program is designed to get locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables to school cafeterias, but a number of barriers have been slowing down the process.

Louisiana has received a \$3.3 million Local Food for Schools grant to ramp up the process. The funding comes from the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service and is administered by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF).

To discuss ways the grant can help close the gap that is impeding farmers from selling directly to the schools, USDA undersecretary for marketing and regulatory programs Jenny Moffit held a listening session Feb. 3 for stakeholders at Southside Junior High School in Livingston Parish.

"My purpose for being here today was to hear from producers, from schools and from community members on ways to increase the market for farmers to local schools and for local schools to buy from local farmers," she said.

The session was attended by partners from all aspects of the farm-to-school

program, including growers, LSU AgCenter staff, and administrators, including Mack Williams, administrator of LDAF's food distribution program, the conduit that funnels the funds from the school districts to the farmers.

All involved in the Louisiana Farm to School Program see this type of meeting as a win for buyers and sellers.

Jacquelin Richard, Calcasieu Parish School Nutrition Program director said, "The future of local food in schools is bright. Purchasing local helps to build relationships in the communities we serve and has economic benefits all around."

Many of the farmers who attended the meeting are already selling to schools, and school nutrition directors are sourcing local whenever possible," said Crystal Besse, Louisiana Farm to School Program director, adding that a lot of the barriers they're facing involve distribution.

"It's a learning curve for everyone involved, but this funding will inspire change," she said.

Jenny Deroche, nutrition coordinator for the School Food and Nutrition Service

of New Orleans, Inc., said she purchases local when possible. "The potential of the Local Foods for School funding will give us the opportunity to provide the freshest and best quality food that the state can offer," she said. "Many famous restaurants pride themselves on local sourcing, and our students deserve restaurant-quality food."

Sommer Purvis, supervisor of Child Nutrition Programs for Livingston Parish Public Schools, said the Local Foods for Schools funding would benefit the schools, the students, and the communities.

"Local Foods for Schools funding would provide school districts the needed resources to procure and purchase local products for school meal programs," she said. "Using local farmers and producers would allow child nutrition programs to enhance menus and nutrition education opportunities for students while investing in our local economy."



According to the 2019 USDA Farm to School Census, more than 55% of Louisiana school districts participate in farm-to-school programs, impacting roughly 505,811 students.

LDAF Weights & Measures Earns Certificate of Metrological Traceability



Left to right: Paul Floyd, Director of Weights & Measures, Jennifer Adair, Metrologist; Bobby Fletcher, Ph.D., Asst. Commissioner of Weights & Measures; Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM; Gene Cavalier, Asst. Director of Weights & Measures; Whitney Corley, Metrology Program Manager; Tyler Holmes, Metrologist

LDAF's Weights and Measures Division recently received a two-year Certificate of Metrological Traceability from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) which ensures that all calibrations performed by the laboratory are traceable to the International System of Units through NIST and that the lab is also competent, impartial, and independent.

The State of Louisiana voluntarily participates in this formal evaluation process for the recognition of metrological traceability. To obtain the certification, LDAF's Weights and Measures Division must submit their laboratory's Quality Management System documents, an internal audit, results from the year's proficiency tests, and all measurement assurance evidence.

Depending on NIST's confidence in laboratory competency and compliance with all standards and requirements associated with state weights and measures laboratory programs, they issue either a one- or two-year Certificate of Metrological Traceability. Of the 47 state labs in the US, only 22 of them have a two-year certificate, and Louisiana is one of them.

LDAF's lab received a two-year certificate for the first time in 2021, and they have done it again in 2023. We're proud of this outstanding achievement and will continue to embrace high standards in the work we do every day to protect Louisiana consumers.



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Leadership and Teambuilding at LDAF

At the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, we believe in team building and the importance of developing leadership skills. After all, great leaders inspire great people. The LDAF Office of Agro-Consumer Services (ACS) held its monthly directors' meeting yesterday, where they dedicated a portion of the meeting to team-building with a focus on leadership.



David Iatona, DEMCO Vice President, Communications & Governmental Affairs, joined the group to present on leadership and team building strategies. He covered what he calls CAP Leadership. CAP Leadership focuses on the leadership principles of Communication, Appreciation, and Participation.

In attendance were Dr. Bobby Fletcher, Asst. Commissioner of ACS; Rene Simon, La. Dairy Stabilization Board Director; Kyra Holden, La. Agricultural Commodity Commission Director; Paul Floyd, La. Weights & Measures Commission Director; and Gene Cavalier, Louisiana Weights and Measures Commission Assistant Director.

POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

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

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

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

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

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

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

BIRD EVENTS

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



Mike Strain, DVM Commissioner

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985-543-4057, 4024

Haughton Office
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Indian Creek Recreation Center
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Jena Office - Forestry only
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318-345-7595

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318-357-3126

New Orleans Office
504-286-1125

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Oberlin Office - Forestry only
337-639-4978

Opelousas Office
337-948-0230

Woodworth Office
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HORSE & LIVESTOCK EVENTS

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

Cotton Country Open Horse Show Association — All shows held at the NE LA Exhibition Center on Hwy 33 in Ruston. For more information, visit www.ccohsa.com.

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

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

Livingston Horse Show Association — All shows 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 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 9AM each day. November 19 & 20 — LaSH Finals, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish Arena For more information, visit www.louisianastockhorse.com or call 337-208-2336.

Louisiana Polled Hereford Association
The Bayou Classic Sale will be held Sat., April 8, 2023, at the Tiger Lake Livestock in Mansura, LA at 1PM. Contact Ronnie Bardwell (985-320-8978 or ronniebardwell@gmail.com) or Brett Daigle (225-571-1766 or fitter70737@yahoo.com).

LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS

CATTLE

Kinder Livestock (MON)

13008 Hwy. 190, West Kinder
337-738-2778, www.cattleusa.com

Dominique Stockyard (MON)

1462 Airline Hwy. Baton Rouge
225-356-5203

Amite Livestock Co. (TUES/SAT)

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

Dominique Stockyard (TUES)

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

Mansura Livestock (WED)

8745 Hwy. 1 Mansura
318-964-5330, www.cattleusa.com

Red River Livestock Auction (WED)

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

Delhi Livestock Auction (WED)

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

SHOW ARENAS, BARNES, ETC.

Acadia Parish Rice Arena

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

Assumption Parish Ag Complex & Arena

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

Bogalusa Community Arena

20239 Airport Road, Bogalusa

Clinton Covered Arena

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

D'Arbonne Range Riders Arena

202 Rodeo Rd. Farmerville
www.darbonnerangeriders.com

Morehouse Activity Center

9525 Marlatt St., Bastrop
318-281-3164
www.morehouseactivitycenter.com

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713 Northwest Bypass (Hwy. 3212)
New Iberia 337-365-7539
www.sugarena.com

Sweetwater Campground & Riding Stables Arena

57056 N. Cooper Road, Loranger
985-878-6868
www.sweetwater-campground.com

Terrebonne Livestock

Agricultural Fair Assoc. Arena
221 Moffet Rd., Houma
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Veterinary Services Grant Program

The USDA'S National Institute of Food & Agriculture Veterinary Services Grant Program (VSGP) offers two types of grants aimed at relieving veterinarian shortage situations and supporting food animal veterinary services.

Authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill and initially funded with \$2.5 million, the VSGP now has \$4 million in funding. The legislation emphasizes two areas: Education, Extension, and Training and Rural Practice Enhancement.

Education, Extension, & Training (EET)

- EET grants will be made available on a competitive basis to qualified entities to develop, implement, and sustain veterinary services through education, training, recruitment, placement, and retention of veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and students of veterinary medicine and veterinary technology.

Rural Practice Enhancement (RPE)

- RPE grants will also be made to establish or expand veterinary practices in rural areas.

You can learn more about these programs at a live FAQ event on Wednesday, March 15 from 2-3 PM (ET). To register, visit www.nifa.usda.gov/vsgp-live-faq.

The application deadline for this year's grants is 5 PM (ET), March 29, 2023.

For more information, visit www.nifa.usda.gov/grants/programs/veterinary-services-grant-program.

New Research Re-envisioning Worldwide Staple: *Scientists improve nutrients, add value to rice*

Rice, already the primary staple for half the world's population, is getting a makeover from a research team in New Orleans, LA. The results are a more healthful grain and many potential new products.

The team, based in the Agricultural Research Service's Southern Regional Research Center (SRRRC), is making rice a more valuable commodity by developing new technologies that capitalize on the grain's natural health benefits.

"We're interested in processing treatments that enhance resistant starch and other bioactive components," said Stephen Boue, a research chemist with SRRRC's Food Processing and Sensory Quality Research unit. "We're also using whole grain sprouts from rice to develop unique functional foods, like rice beverages and enhanced rice flour as a cooking ingredient."

Bioactive compounds — such as lycopene, lignan, and tannin — may promote good health. Studies are underway to determine their role in the prevention of cancer, heart disease, and other diseases.

One such development is a rice variety that is more beneficial to human health. According to Boue, rice contains 76–78% starch. Cooked rice typically contains 1-2% starch that resists digestion, but the newer rice varieties have 8-10% resistant starch, or more. Resistant starch is not digested in the small intestine; rather, it passes through to the large intestine, where it ferments and produces beneficial metabolites.

"Resistant starch has many health benefits, like the prevention of diabetes, fat loss, better insulin resistance, and reduced risk of colorectal cancer," Boue said.

Another new variety not only enhances human health, it's good-looking, too.

"Red and purple whole grain rice offer U.S. consumers more colorful and



healthy options to put on their plates," Boue said. "They provide some of the same antioxidants as fruits, like grapes and blueberries. Additionally, the food industry can use these new rice varieties to make novel foods, particularly snack foods."

Antioxidants help neutralize free radicals, which are naturally occurring molecules that form in the body. Free radicals are thought to play a role in a variety of diseases, including cancer, cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases, cataracts, and age-related macular degeneration.

One of the new products, created by Ryan Ardoin, SRRRC sensory scientist, is rice-based horchata, a sweet drink. It begins as a rice-milk, with flavors like cinnamon and vanilla added later. Horchata made from white rice is currently available at grocery stores, but Ardoin is re-creating the traditional drink using sprouted rice, which provides added health benefits. Another beverage he is developing is a rice version of iced tea made by cold-brewing purple rice bran.

"I'm excited about exposing consumers to the new colors, flavors, and products from rice and helping to change their perceptions about rice from 'just a starch' to 'something healthy,'" Boue said.

**By Scott Elliott,
ARS Office of Communications**

EVENTS

Herb Day at Burden

- Saturday, February 25
- 8AM to 2PM

LSU AgCenter Botanic Gardens at Burden, 4560 Essen Lane, Baton Rouge.

You'll find 1,000s of healthy herbs and vegetable plants, along with local vendors, food trucks, and educational sessions on native medicinal plants, container gardens, and more! Free admission!

18th Annual Buds & Blooms — Piney Hills Master Gardeners

- Saturday, February 25 @ 9AM

First United Methodist Church, 903 Broadway, Minden, LA. \$15 registration. Visit www.phlmg.com/buds--blooms.html.

LA Farm Bureau Grain Bin Safety & Rescue Training Workshops

- Tuesday, February 28 at 5:30 PM

K&T Farms, 1861 Hwy 492, Colfax, LA. Register at togaard@sfbic.com or 318-448-1691.

- Wednesday, March 1 at 5:30 PM

Natchitoches Fair Grounds, 450 Fairgrounds Rd, Natchitoches, LA. Register at bprocell@sfbic.com or 318-352-8111.

- Thursday, March 2 @ 5:30 PM

Lynn Farms/Lynn Commissary Bldg, 11580 Hwy 3049, Belcher, LA. Register at kstaggs@sfbic.com or 318-524-5200.

Southern University AgCenter 80th Annual Livestock & Poultry Show

- March 2-4

Maurice A. Edmond Arena, 14,600 Scenic Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA. Visit www.suagcenter.com for detailed schedule.

Unwanted Pesticide Disposal Pick-up

- Thursday, March 23
- 7AM to 1PM

LSU AgCenter Extension Office in Napoleonville, LA. Inventory forms due March 9. For more info, see ad on Page 19.

\$133 Million in Grant Funding Available to Expand Local Food Systems

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is now accepting applications for this year's Local Agriculture Market Program (LAMP), with a total of \$133 million available in competitive grant funds to expand and strengthen local and regional food systems and increase the availability of locally grown agricultural products.

The funding available for this year's program includes \$65 million in supplemental funding authorized by the American Rescue Plan, carry over funding from last year's program and funds provided through the 2018 Farm Bill and annual appropriations.

See below for details and contact information. On the web, you'll find FAQs and webinars. Or email grant staff directly to help you with the application process.

USDA's LAMP is made up of three programs, all administered by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS):

- Regional Food System Partnerships (RFSP)
- Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP)
- Local Food Promotion Program (LFPP)

"Through LAMP, USDA is helping to maximize opportunities for economic growth and ingenuity in local and regional food systems," said USDA Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Program Jenny Lester Moffitt. "Over the years, these grants have generated new income sources for small, beginning, and underserved farmers, increased local food access across rural and urban communities and provided platforms for value-added and new products to shine."

Application Information

A Request for Applications (RFA) for each program is available on the program pages linked through the LAMP webpage.

Applications must be submitted electronically through www.grants.gov by 11:59 PM (ET) on the due dates established in the RFAs. Any grant application submitted after the due date will not be considered unless the applicant provides documentation of an extenuating circumstance that prevented their timely submission of the grant application. More information is available in the AMS Late and Non-Responsive Application Policy.

AMS encourages applications that serve smaller farms and ranches, new and beginning farmers and ranchers, underserved producers, veteran producers, and/or underserved communities. For grants intending to serve these entities, applicants should engage and involve those beneficiaries when developing projects and applications.

Regional Food System Partnerships

The RFSP grant program supports public-private partnerships that build and strengthen viability and resilience of local or regional food economies. Funded projects focus on increasing the availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products and alleviating unnecessary administrative and technical barriers. Projects can cover the planning and design of a local and regional food economy as well as implementing or expanding an existing one. This program requires a 25% cash match of the federal portion of the grant.

- www.ams.usda.gov/rfsp
- IPPGrants@usda.gov

Farmers Market & Local Food Promotion Programs

FMPP and LFPP — together referred to as FMLFPP — seek to develop, coordinate, and expand local and regional food systems. This year's program includes a new option in FMPP and LFPP to apply for Turnkey Marketing and Promotion grants using a simplified application for a set of common FMLFPP activities.

FMPP supports producer-to-consumer markets such as farmers markets, roadside stands, agritourism activities, community-supported agriculture programs (CSA), and online sales.

- www.ams.usda.gov/fmpp
- USDALFPPQuestions@usda.gov
- FMLFPPGrants@usda.gov

LFPP grants support local and regional food business enterprises that engage as intermediaries in indirect producer to consumer marketing. Both programs require a 25% cash or in-kind match of the federal portion of the grant.

- www.ams.usda.gov/lfpp
- USDALFPPQuestions@usda.gov
- FMLFPPGrants@usda.gov