



LOUISIANA MARKET BULLETIN

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Here in Louisiana, we're always cooking something good, but the tabletops in the Bayou State really shine for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. These celebrations are a true feast for the senses, with tables brimming with an array of delicious dishes that showcase the rich culinary heritage of our region.

For Thanksgiving, you might find a golden-brown turkey seasoned with a Cajun flair, accompanied by cornbread dressing and a generous helping of gumbo. Come Christmas, the air is filled with the aroma of roasted meats and sweet pralines, while boudin and jambalaya ensure a taste of tradition is always present.

As the New Year approaches, the festivities reach their peak with a grand spread that might include black-eyed peas and cabbage for good luck and king cake to herald the coming of Mardi Gras. Friends and family gather around,

sharing stories and laughter, creating memories that linger long after the last dish is served.

In Louisiana, it's not just food that brings people together; it's the joy and warmth that accompany every bite, making each holiday season a truly special time. This year, when you're planning your holiday menu, be sure to check your list twice for fresh, local Louisiana goods, including products from Certified Louisiana members.

The Certified Program includes Certified Louisiana, Certified Cajun, Certified Creole, Certified Craft Beverage, and Certified Farm-to-Table. The logo program was established by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry in accordance with RS 3:4721



to promote Louisiana-made, grown, manufactured, or processed products that enhance Louisiana's agricultural industry. The logo aids in marketing these products to consumers for farmers, processors, producers, and suppliers alike. With the recognition of the Certified logos, buyers can help support their local homegrown companies.

Show your support by looking for the Certified logo when shopping. When you see one of the logos in stores, farmers' markets, or restaurants, you can be confident you are getting a product with an

authentic Louisiana flavor from someone right here in Louisiana.

Why keep it local?

- Every dollar spent on Certified Louisiana products circulates more than five times in your local economy.
- Local businesses generate \$68 in local economic return for every \$100 spent, while spending \$100 at a national chain generates only \$43 of local economic return.
- Small businesses, which are almost exclusively locally owned, employ 54% of Louisiana employees.
- Small local businesses contribute five times as much to nonprofit organizations and community causes as large businesses.
- Local businesses hire other local businesses for everything from marketing to accounting, legal work to various suppliers.

"Louisiana is like one big family. We all want to know and support each other. For many people, it is important to know where their food comes from, and they genuinely want to support local agricultural producers and locally owned businesses," said LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM.

And let's not forget gifts... from jams, jellies, soaps, and seasonings, Certified Louisiana products are the perfect taste of Louisiana for anyone on your list.

Are you a local business owner or a Louisiana producer?

If so, consider becoming "Certified." For a product to be eligible for inclusion in the Certified Louisiana logo program,

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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Current Drought Conditions

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Drought is a normal part of all regions, including areas with high and low average rainfall. Drought results when the amount of precipitation received over an extended period of time (usually a season or more in length) is significantly less than normal amounts for that area. Although Louisiana features several large bodies of water, thousands of miles of rivers, streams, and bayous, and is home to thousands of acres of wetlands, the state does experience occasional drought conditions. A drought's impact may also include direct effects on local economic and hydrological resources (rivers, reservoirs, and water tables), as well as secondary effects such as wildfires. Historically, northern parishes have been especially prone to agricultural droughts, which can lead to severe decreases in soil moisture and have serious consequences for crop production.

According to the National Drought Summary for October 21, 2025, Louisiana is experiencing a varied landscape of drought conditions. Recent moderate to heavy rains have brought some relief to northeastern areas of the state, yet challenges persist, particularly in south-central Louisiana, where moderate drought conditions have expanded.

According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor data released on October 23, 2025, approximately 19% of Louisiana is experiencing drought conditions, while nearly half of the state, around 49%, is considered abnormally

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SOUTHEAST ALABAMA WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 16, 2025

Bermuda Large Round	Premium	\$160-\$200/ton
Bermuda Medium Round.....	Premium	\$160-\$200/ton
Bermuda Small Square.....	Premium	\$280-\$440/ton

SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 17, 2025

Bermuda Large Round	Good	\$75-\$85/ton
Bermuda Small Square.....	Good	\$10-\$12/ton



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ACADIA Rayne Farmers Market Frog Fest Pavilion, 210 Frog Fest Dr 2nd Sat, 8AM-2PM ALLEN Oberlin Farmers Market ● 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-1PM ASCENSION Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales Seasonal on Sat 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec Riverside Farmers Market of ● LA, 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 9AM-2PM, 1st & 3rd Sun 10AM-2PM ASSUMPTION Barcelo Gardens Farmers ● Market, 211 Franklin Ave, Napoleonville, Sat, 11AM-2PM AVOUELLES Marksville Farmers Market 122 E. Mark St, Sat 8-11AM, Jun BEAUREGARD DeRidder Farmers Market ● 206 N. Washington Ave Daily 7AM-6PM BOSSIER Barksdale Market 3226 Barksdale Blvd Sun 10AM-2PM, Apr-Jun Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM Bossier City Farmers Market 2950 E Texas St Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov CADDO Greenwood Farmers Market ● William Peters Town Park, 9381 Greenwood Rd Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 7:30AM-12:30PM, Jun-Aug CALCASIEU Cash & Carry Farmers Market ● 801 Enterprise Blvd, Lake Charles, Corner of Broad & Enterprise, Tues, 4-6PM Charlestown Farmers Market Bilbo St. behind old City Hall Sat 8AM-12PM Iowa Farmers Market 115 N. Thompson, Sat, 9AM-1PM Lake Charles Farm & Table Market 110 W Pine St, Lake Charles Tuesdays 3pm-6pm Moss Bluff Farmers & Crafters, Sam Houston Jones Pkwy Sat 8AM-12PM, April-Oct	CALDWELL Columbia Farmers Market ● Main Street Sat 8AM-12PM, June & July CLAIBORNE Harvest Time Homer ● W Main & N 2nd St Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Oct CONCORDIA Delta Farmers Market ● 405 Carter St, Vidalia Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze EAST BATON ROUGE Red Stick Farmers Market #1 ● Fifth St & Main St, Baton Rouge Sat 8AM-12PM Red Stick Farmers Market #2 ● Pennington Biomedical (Perkins), Thurs 8AM-12PM Red Stick Farmers Market #3 ● 7711 Goodwood, Baton Rouge Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct- Dec Red Stick Farmers Mobile ● Market, ExxonMobil YMCA, 7717 Howell Blvd, Baton Rouge Thurs 9AM-12PM, May-Jul, Oct- Nov Zachary Famers & Artisans ● Market, Memorial Park Sat 10AM-2PM EVANGELINE Ville Platte Farmers Market East Main St, May-Aug, Fri 4-6PM GRANT Colfax Farmers Market ● 8th St near Pecan Festival Bldg Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov IBERIA Delcambre Farmers Market ● 605 S Railroad St (Hwy 330) 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec Da Berry Fresh Market ● 520 S. Hopkins St, New Iberia Wed -Sun 10AM-6PM Teche Area Farmers Market ● 102 W Main St. Bouligny Plaza Tues 2-5PM, Sat 7-11AM IBERVILLE St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 3rd Sat, 9AM-2PM JEFFERSON Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market, Oak Lane 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM Gretna Farmers Market ● Huey P. Long Ave Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM Harahan Farmers Market ● 501 Oak Ave @ Wilson & Hickory, Sun 9AM-1PM Crescent City #1 2614 Jefferson @ Maine St. (Ochsner) Wed 3-7PM Oct-Jul	Crescent City #2 325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy. @ the Lake (Bucktown) Fri 3-7PM Lafreniere Park Farmers Arts ● Market, 3000 Downs Blvd, Metairie Wed, Jan-Nov, 2-7PM Sat, Dec 3, 10, and 17, 9AM-1PM JEFFERSON DAVIS Coushatta Farmers Market Hwy 190 & Pine St, Elton 1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun Main Street Farmers Market 1333 Elton Rd, Jennings Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec Welsh Farmers Market 103 W. Grove St Tues 3:30-6PM, May-Sept LAFAYETTE Acadiana Farmers Market ● 801 Foreman Dr & Dulles St, Tues & Sat, 5-10AM, year round Lafayette Jockey Lot Flea Market, 3011 NW Evangeline Thruway, Sat 9AM-5PM, Sun 10AM-5PM Farmers & Artisans Market ● Horse Farm, 2913 Johnston St, Lafayette, Sat 8AM-12PM LAFOURCHE Lafourche Central Market 4484 Hwy 1 at US 90, Raceland Sat 9AM-12PM LASALLE Olla Town Square Market ● 2990 Front St, Tues 1-5PM, May-Aug 11 Town of Tullos Farmers' Market Corner of S Main & Park St Fri, 12-4PM, May 1-Aug 28 LINCOLN Ruston Farmer's Market ● 220 E Mississippi, Sat 9AM-1PM LIVINGSTON Four Seasons Farmers Market ● Sat 8AM-12PM Livingston Farmers Market 215 Florida St, Denham Springs Sat 7AM-12PM MADISON Tallulah Farmers Market #1 ● 404 N Cedar St, Hwy. 65 Tues, Thurs & Sat, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec Tallulah Farmers Market #2 Court House Square Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec MOREHOUSE Morehouse Parish Market 305 E Madison, Bastrop Mon-Sat 7AM-5PM	NATCHITOCHES Natchitoches River Front, Sat 8AM-12PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov Natchitoches Farmers Market Mobile Market #1 (City Park) Tues-Fri 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov Natchitoches Mobile Farmers Market #2 (Riverbank) Mon-Wed 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov ORLEANS Barcelo Gardens ● 2301 Gallier St, Sat 10AM-1PM Crescent City Farmers ● Market — UPTOWN New Orleans, 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM Crescent City Farmers ● Market — MID-CITY New Orleans, Lafitte Greenway Plaza, 500 N. Norman Parkway Thurs 3PM - 7PM Crescent City Farmers ● Market — CITY PARK New Orleans, Tad Gormely Stadium Marconi @ Navarre Sun 8 AM - 12PM OUACHITA Monroe Farmers Market ● 1200 Washington St Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov W Monroe Farmers Market ● 1700 North 7th St Mon-Sat 8AM-5PM, May-Oct RAPIDES Alexandria Farmers Market ● 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM Boyce Farmers' Market 627 Pacific Ave, Thur 3-6PM Cabrini Farmers Market 2211 Texas Ave, Alexandria Sat 9AM-12PM RICHLAND Delhi Farmers Market 1104 Broadway St Mon-Sat 8AM-6PM, Apr-Nov ST. CHARLES German Coast #1 ● St. Charles Parish Library, 160 West Campus Dr, Destrehan Sat 8AM-12PM German Coast #2 ● West Bank Bridge Park 13825 River Rd, Luling Wed 1-5PM ST. HELENA St. Helena Parish Farmers ● Market, 6032 LA-10, Greensburg, Fri, 8AM-1PM ST. LANDRY St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St, Hwy 190, Opelousas, Tu/Th/Sat 6:30- 11AM, Apr-Nov	Eunice Farmers Market Second St & Park Ave Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov ST. MARTIN Stephensville Market Rec Park 3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City 2nd Sat, 10AM ST. MARY Berwick Town Market Under bridge @ 3rd & Lima St 3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun & Sept-Dec) ST. TAMMANY Abita Springs Art & Farmers ● Market, 22049 Main St Sun 11AM - 3 PM Covington Farmers Market ● 609 North Columbia St Sat 8AM-noon, Wed 10AM-2PM Mandeville Trailhead Market ● 675 Lafitte St, Sat 9AM-1PM Pearl River Farmers Market & Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41 1st Sat 8AM-2 PM Camellia City Farmers Market ● 2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM TANGIPAHOA Hammond Market ● Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave, Sat 8AM-12PM TENSAS St. Joseph Tailgate Market Gazebo on Plank Rd Sat 8-11AM, Mem-Labor Day TERREBONNE Cajun Farmers Market of ● Houma, Naquin St & Martin L King Blvd, Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM VERMILION Abbeville Farmers Market ● Magdalen Sq, Abbeville Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19, Oct 17 & Nov 21, 8AM-1PM Kaplan Farmers Market Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave 2nd Sat, 8AM-12PM VERNON Leesville Farmers Market S. 3rd St Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM WASHINGTON Franklinton Farmers Market ● Washington St & 15th Ave Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM WEST FELICIANA St. Francisville Market ● 9961 Wilcox St Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall WINN Winn Farmers Market ● 301 West Main, Winnfield Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out
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CLASSIFIED AD CATEGORIES

AGRITOURISM

ANIMALS

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

AQUACULTURE

EQUIPMENT

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

FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

- Tack
- Other ag implements

FERTILIZER

FOOD

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

HAY & GRAIN

HOBBIES & LEISURE

- Crafts & woodwork
- Sewing & fabrics

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

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

LUMBER & SAWING

PLANTS & GARDEN

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

REAL ESTATE

SERVICES

- Equine services
- Farm services
- Livestock boarding
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AGRITOURISM

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

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

ANIMALS

CATTLE

ATTENTION bull sellers and buyers: All non-virgin bulls and bulls older than 18 months for sale in Louisiana must have a current negative trichomoniasis test from an accredited veterinarian before they may be sold. Virgin bulls must have a breeder's certification of virgin status signed by the breeder, the breeder's agent, or an accredited veterinarian. For more information, contact LDAF Animal Health Services and Food Safety at (225) 925-3980 or visit the LDAF website at www.ldaf.la.gov.

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

ANGUS

Herd Bull Prospect 12Star Angus breeding AAA20896430, sire Potts Bros Trail Boss, dam T/D Blackcap F612, born 11/7/2023 1610# BSE pass Trich negative, DNA tested, pictures available, guaranteed, \$6,500. Aaron Poirrier, Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 514-1043.

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

Registered Black Angus heifers, 8-months-old, \$2,900, Registered Black Angus cows bred to Registered Angus Bulls, \$3,900. Donald de la Houssaye, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 519-3446.

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

Registered Angus bulls, long yearlings, big framed, long deep bodied, bulls for heifers or cows raised in the south for the south, \$4,500. Joseph Greg Tate, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-7120.

Aberdeen Angus Registered PB Black Low Line Angus two cows(exposed) and bull(proven), perfect for homestead herd, LSU VET monitored herd, \$2,700. Steve, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 571-7780.

Six registrable heifer weanlings, pure black angus, 6 months, around 500lbs, call for pricing.

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

BRAHMAN

Gray bull, 2-years-old, ready to breed, branded and registered, papers available, \$2,500. Dyron Jones, Robeline, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 472-6855.

CHAROLAIS

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

HEREFORD

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

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

Registered horned Hereford bulls, will be 2 years old in October 2025, gentle, semen check and trick tested, \$5,500 each. Lennie Wales, Hammond, Livingston Parish; (985) 974-2903.

Registered Hereford bull calves, horned, scrubbed, polled, DNA tested, \$3,500.

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

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

SANTA GERTRUDIS

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

OTHER

Cut The Bull, Certified Bovine Artificial Insemination, Seymore's Artificial Insemination, call for quote. Seymore, Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 907- 5792.

DOGS

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

Two young Mountain Cur squirrel pups, trail, call for pricing. Brenda, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

AKC Belgian Malinois Pups, both parents are working K9s, these pups will be great family protection dogs, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; (601) 299-0264.

AKC European German Shepherd Pups, well

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

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

Brittany pups, males and females, champion's blood line, excellent hunters or pets, whelped 8/18/25, Quail, woodcock, or retrieve dove, \$750 with \$100 deposit. David Brabham, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 974-1950.

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

Great Pyrenees puppies, born 6/1/25, three females left, born and living with sheep and cattle working parents on site, \$250 each. Donna Rico, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-6094.

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



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

Jack Russel Terrier pups, CKC registered, born June 16, 2025, UTD on shots and wormed, \$500. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-0244.

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

Catahoula mix puppies, beautiful brown leopard colors, born 8/29/25, ready October 24, will have first shots and vet exam completed, \$75. Kelly Landry, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (985) 237-5160.

Anatolian /Pyrenees 2 boys and 4 girls, they have had first shots and wormed once, \$50. Judy, Converse, Sabine Parish; (318) 521-4115.

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

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

Yorkie Puppies, please call or text for availability. Sarah

Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 298-8218.

Rat Terrier pups, born 7/9/25, smaller type, shots and wormed, \$200. Susie Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-0244.

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

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

DOMESTIC BIRDS

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

Blue Crossover Quakers, 3 pairs, proven, \$300 per pair. Charles Fontenot, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-8165.

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

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

Catalina Macaws, hatched early September 2025 in Acadiana,

should be weened by Christmas, currently being parent raised, Scarlet Hen, Blue Gold father, siblings talk, \$3,900. EV Gomez, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 669-1969.

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

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

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

HORSES, JACKS & MULES,

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

Mini Paint filly, 2 1/2 years old, very sweet and friendly to people and other animals,

pictures upon request, call for pricing. Earl E Jones, Slaughter, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 270-0066.

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

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

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

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

AQHA Registered Filly, born March 19, 2025, Sire This Hawk Is Fancy x Catty Hawk x High Brow Cat, Dam JR Rodeo Cowgirl X Blue Valentines Two, \$5,000. Paul Miller, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 391-1269.

PIGEONS

Classic Modenas, Voorburg sheild cropppers, text message preferred, or leave message,\$20 each. Jay Thibodeaux, OPELOUSAS, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-1660.

AutoSexing Texan Pioneers, 2lbs, Utility Pigeons, \$25 each. Norman Usie, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 332-1459.

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

POULTRY & FOWL

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

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

Bantam Roosters, pictures available, \$10 each. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

Ducks, Mandarins, woodducks, ringed teal, silver Bahama pintails, whitecheeks \$40 each. Mark Gregory Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

BB Reds, Sebrights, Polish, Silver Duckwings, and more, call for pricing. Mary B Johnson, Heflin, Webster Parish; (318) 230-6691.

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

Turkeys, one fully mature male, one laying hen 1, adolescent both tom and hen, \$25 for fully mature, \$20 for others. Scott Bourque, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (520) 226-6666.

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

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

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

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

RABBITS

Large 9-hole and 12-hole tower rabbit cages, all have baby saver wire, pee guards, removable trays, nesting boxes and auto waters, \$300. Donna, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-6094.

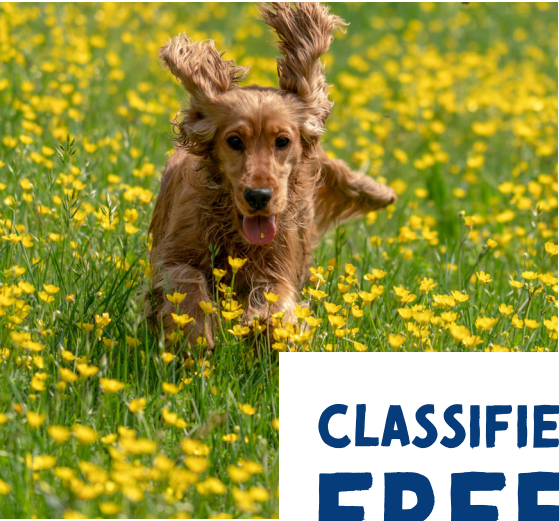
Going out of business must sell, New Zealand Whites, California, and mixed breed bucks, does, and fryer size, if no answer leave a message, \$20-\$25 for bucks and does, \$12 for fryers. Lizzie, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 233-9494.

Close out on all Rabbits Californians & Nederland Dwarfs \$10.00 each Fryers & Breeders, nearly new all wire cages \$20 each. Richard L Wilgus, Anacoco, Sabine Parish; (337) 286-5565.

California, New Zealand, and a mix of the two for sale, last one I harvested and cleaned was 12 pounds, \$15. Scott Bourque, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (520) 226-6666.

SHEEP & GOAT

Pb Dorpher ram, 18 months old, ready to service ewes, will



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make a very nice and huge ram, \$350 firm. Blake Bertrand, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 665-0499.

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

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

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

20-month-old Katahdin ewe, possibly bred, \$180 and 7-month-old ewe lamb, \$100. Linsten J Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

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

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

SWINE

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

AQUACULTURE

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

Pond stocking, channel catfish, \$0.40/1, Copper nose bluegill, \$0.35/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$0.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$0.40/1; red-ear bream, \$0.40/1; black crappie, \$0.45/1; bass, \$1.25/1; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; (318) 465-2350.

EQUIPMENT

CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

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

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

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

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

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

Case 445 track loader skidsteer, rubber tire over the tire tracks, 2,400 hours, \$19,500 or possible trade for large 4x4 tractor. Patrick,

Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

CAT 246 Skid Steer on wheels, 3,900 hours, good working condition, operates as it should, \$13,000, with Prowler tracks, \$16,000. Rayburn Bushnell, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 515-2294.

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

EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

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

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

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

Mobile welding, track hoe, handyman, call for quote. Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 526-8825.

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

HAY EQUIPMENT

NH bale wagon, \$1,200. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

NH 570 Square baler, \$4,000. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

NH 664 Round baler, \$4,500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

Vermeer 10-wheel rake, \$800. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

Vermeer Round baler, \$4,500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

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

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

John Deere R280 Disc cutter, 5 discs, 8ft mower, like new, good cover guard, used once, \$16,000. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

Tonutt, hay rake, good condition, RTP8 8-wheel, \$1,500.

Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

New Holland round baler, 450 roll belt (twine), shed kept, wanting net baler, call for pricing. Rod McCown, Welsh, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-1570.

LAWN EQUIPMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

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

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

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

PLANTING & TILLAGE

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

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

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



BUY

Halloween Pumpkins

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4-foot County Line Tiller and Cat 1 Quick Hitch, both in excellent condition, \$900. Pete Broussard, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; (409) 291-2262.

TRAILERS & WAGONS

2013 16' Gooseneck Brand Stock Trailer, kept under cover, \$7,000. G Perry, Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish; (225) 572-9667.

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

2015 Big Tex GP14 20-foot gooseneck FB trailer, good condition, new deck boards and undercoat, only used twice a year for hay, \$4,500. Paxton W Latiolais, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 230-6811.

Older Hale Livestock Trailer 16-foot dual axle, bumper pull, sliding rear gate, 20-foot total length, \$750. Richard, Arnaudville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 308-2282.

Cotton trailers, 40ft, 36ft, 32ft, 30ft, 24ft, for bark, hay, Mardi Gras, 2, 3, or 4 axles, \$4,350-\$5,000, delivery available. T L Enright Sr, Sicily Island, Catahoula Parish; (318) 282-6299.



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

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

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

OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

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

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

Homemade 3pt blade, \$500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

250-gallon fuel tank on skids, \$50. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

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

All size pipe, all other metal \$0.50 per pound, bell all size black pot, sausage stuffer, 20 sugar kettle 1000, wagon wheel, call for pricing. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fire Pit 3' x 18" deep, \$200 or best offer. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

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

12ft plow, heavy duty, good tires, new hydraulic hoses, \$4,000. Larry Duhon, Rayne, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

12ft modern ag galvanized predator batwing mower, great shape, good hoses, \$12,000. Larry Duhon, Rayne, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

7ft galvanized rotary cutter bushhog made by Modern, highway special, \$4,500. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

Roar hay spear by Modern, galvanized, great shape, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

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

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

John Deere shredder, 6ft wide, brand new, never used, PTO shaft never been installed, \$5,000. Paul Darbonne, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 316-0514.

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

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

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

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

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

Used roofing tin, 27 sheets of 15ft, rustic, price includes 10 shorter pieces and other misc. metal roofing pieces,

\$600 for all. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4930.

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

WANTED: Single row to pull with tractor. Aaron J Fuselier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 457-5667.

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

WANTED: Rear Tractor Tire size 15/5/38. Harry Trichel, Campti, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 476-2653.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

TACK

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

16.5-inch Tucker pleasure riding saddle, comes with matching girt, excellent condition, \$950. Adrian, Colfax, Grant Parish; (910) 320-6078.

Handmade Champion roping saddle, 16", excellent condition, \$3,500 firm. Brant Duplechin, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 308-1239.

Heiser Keyston Mule Saddle, 16", good condition, \$850. Richard Vairin, Kenner, Jefferson Parish; (504) 467-8986.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

Livestock feed troughs on skids, 4ftX8ft, \$390. Anthony Brown, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 357-0616.

1-ton capacity bulk feed, \$850. Anthony Brown, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 357-0616.

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

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

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

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

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

Plantation bells, complete, \$400 each, Plantation Bells, incomplete, \$400. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Country charm 4 burner stove with bread warmer, \$1,000 OBO. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

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

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

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

10" ID well pipe, 10ft joints, threaded on both ends, most with collars and shaft guides, can load, \$100 per joint. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

DEK 5650 watt / 7060 surge generator, in great shape, \$325. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

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

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

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

FARM BUILDINGS
FOR SALVAGE

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

FERTILIZER

SCALES – Any person selling goods by weight or creating packages of commodities to be labeled by net weight must use a legal-for-trade scale. This scale must be registered annually with LDAF Weights & Measures.
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Chicken litter or ag lime spreader, we spread it all over LA, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

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

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

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

PLANTS AND
GARDEN

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

FOOD

EGGS

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

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

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

FROM THE FARM

GrangeGroceries is a FREE app and website connecting local consumers to local producers, sign up online today and sell directly to consumers! Alyssa, Allen Parish; (337) 523-5063.

Several varieties of blue and white sugarcane, excellent for chewing and syrup making, you cut at the farm, \$50 cents per stalk. Gerald

Burns, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (225) 937-3112.

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

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

HAY & GRAIN

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

5X5 twine wrapped mixed grass bales, bailed 9/13/25, 48 remaining, \$25 per bale. Donovan Mire, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (225) 931-5964.

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

4X5 round bales, no rain, \$25. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Round Hay bales, 4X4, baled September 2025, call only, \$25 each, bales from last year, \$10 each. Ronald Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-1324.

4X5 round bales of 2025 Pensacola Bahia cut a couple of weeks ago, \$25. Scotty Cormier, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 254-5223.

5X5 Bermuda/Bahia mixed round bale, \$25 per bale. Shane Gautreaux, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 466-2915.

2025 crop, Argentine Bahia, barn kept, fertilized, 4X5,

\$45 per roll. Wayne Prats, Plainview, Washington Parish; (504) 908-3908.

HOBBY &
LEISURE

CRAFTS AND
WOOD WORK

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

One of a kind Moroccan dining table, bought in Europe, \$4,900. Dannie W. Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

New regulation Ping-Pong table, \$300. Dannie W. Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

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

HUNTING,
FISHING, &
CAMPING

GUNS &
ACCESSORIES

1952 Vintage Browning Belgium 16-guage, good condition, \$650, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

Remington 45 Nitro Steel 10-guage shells, #2 shot, 3 1/2" long, 1 1/2oz, 1,450fps, sell for \$40 for all 45 shells, must leave message if interested. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

Six boxes of 270 hunting ammo, average box price is \$50 per box, 140-130 grain, valued at \$300, sell all for, \$150, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

Browning A-Bolt 22lr in good condition, comes with 4 magazines, 2 mags are new, old stock never used, \$650. Sean Harmon, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 981-7984.

Browning X-Bolt Target Max 6.5 Creedmoor, like new, low round count, \$1,000. Sean Harmon, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 981-7984.

WANTED: 16-gauge Remington 1100, will pay \$700 in good condition, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

MISC HUNTING ITEMS

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

Two Winnebago porter potty for camping on trailer for children, never used, \$20. DF Sims, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 305-6064.

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

Amax's climbing deer stand, with gun rest, rated up to 350lbs, \$200. Irven Theriot, Geismar, Ascension Parish; (225) 247-8422.

Tire chains extra HD, fits all 16- inch tires, \$100 a set, HD tire chain, \$50. Wesley Forman, Monterey, Concordia Parish; (318) 758-3220.

LUMBER & SAWING

.60 CCA Treated Poles, Timbers and Lumber. Great for Livestock Fencing, Barns, and Docks. Diamond Lumber Co., Moss Bluff, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 855-7714.

Split seasoned oak firewood, local delivery available, \$300 per cord. Stephen, Wakefield, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 938-6836.

Free firewood, large oaks on the ground, you cut and haul, some cut in firewood lengths. Jim Smith, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 218-9690.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE

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

60 acres 1690 LA Highway 1230 Georgetown, Grant Parish, good deer and hog hunting, does have house and sheds, house needs repair, \$4,000 per acre. Ken Bradford, Georgetown, Grant Parish; (318) 451-1937.

1.63 acres at exit 32/I-12 North, forms the corner of LA Highway 43 and Steward Road, asphalt road, no servitudes, \$295,000. Robert Tarifa, Holden, Livingston Parish; (504) 235-3778.

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

SERVICES

EQUINE SERVICES

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

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

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

5B Breaking & Training, AQHA Professional Horseman's Team member, specializing in 2-yr-old and problem horses, developing good broke ranch cow horses, 39 years' experience with references, covered and outside arena, call for quote. John Brown, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (225) 931-9210.

FARM SERVICES

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

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

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

Driveway work, road work, limestone, calbase, ash, roadbase, crushed concrete, recycled asphalt, sand, dirt paths, tractor work, excavator work, call for free estimate.

Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

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

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

Many years of experience in installation/repair of agriculture, commercial and residential fencing, fence row clearing, augering, demo/maintenance/repair projects both commercial and residential, call for free estimates. Joe Hensgens, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (985) 992-9119.

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

Handyman, sewer, water and air testing, fencing, bushhogging, concrete pouring, drainage and roofing, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas, call for quote. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

Cut The Bull, Certified Bovine Artificial Insemination, Seymore's Artificial Insemination. Seymore, Livingston, Livingston Parish; (225) 907- 5792.

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

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

STALLION SERVICE

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

AQHA WYO-Blue Buddy, born July 03, 2012, team roping head horse or to pin your cattle with, kids can ride, blue roan stallion, Reg. #5505700, health cert. and neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care.

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

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

TRACTORS

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

John Deere 4020 tractor, \$4,500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

5240 Case IH MAXXUM 4wd cab with air, great condition, everything works as it should, \$21,000 OBO. John Ray Trahan, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 654-5815.

John Deere 4020 diesel, new injector pump, needs water pump, 70hp, \$3,500. Robert Humphries, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 807-4650.

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

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

WANTED: Tractor with or without loader, 25-60HP. Joseph Major, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 945-6960.

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

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

VEHICLES

ATVS

1979 Red Honda CT90 trail bike, 1,100 actual mileage, \$1,200. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

BOATS

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

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

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

15'X46" V front Xpress original all welded boat with galvanized trailer, \$2,800 firm. Louis Poche, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-4197.

1996, 17', Sea Ark, Aluminum Outboard, equipped with depth finder, Johnson 50 Motor, MCLA Trailer included, \$4,500. Terell Broussard, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-4427.

FARM TRUCKS

Jeep Wrangler Unlimited RUBICON 4xe 28,780 miles, clean title, recent service, leather, convertible, powerful 470 torque, loaded, silver, manual transfer case, automatic transmission, towing, \$33,550. EV Gomez, Saint George, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 669-1969.

1988 Ford 250, 82,412 miles, has a welding bed and with bottle racks and rack behind cab, new gas tank with two new pumps, 6-cylinder, 4-speed transmission, new clutch, throw out bearing, new alternator, \$4,500 OBO. Harold Snowden, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; (318) 355-1797.

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

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

Mazda Protege, 5-speed manual, 30mpg, good ac and radio, \$2,800 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.



National Women In Ag Study Launches

A just-launched national Women in Agriculture Study is a comprehensive effort to capture women’s voices from across all 50 states and Puerto Rico. The survey remains open through March 31 to gather insights from women working in production agriculture, agribusiness, education and



National
WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE
Study

advocacy, as well as from men and others in related fields who can offer perspectives on women’s roles in agriculture.

The aim of the study is to better understand the experiences, leadership pathways and future needs of women in agriculture.

This study will help identify what’s working, where there are gaps, and how to strengthen engagement and support systems across agriculture. Optional follow-up interviews and focus groups will provide deeper exploration of leadership, mentorship, barriers and opportunities.

“More than a million women play vital roles in U.S. agriculture, accounting for 36% of our country’s farmers,” said American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall. “We want to make sure we’re clearing barriers and providing opportunities for them and understanding their perspectives is crucial. I encourage all women in agriculture and related fields to participate in this study,

which will deepen understanding of their future needs.”

Findings will be shared at the AFBF-hosted International Year of the Woman Farmer ACE Summit in Washington, D.C., in June 2026. Results will inform leadership development, outreach strategies and systems that strengthen support for women in agriculture nationwide.

The survey is open to individuals age 18 and older who are involved in or connected to agriculture, forestry or life sciences, including related industries such as aquaculture, horticulture, beekeeping and more. After completing the survey, participants may choose to sign up for a follow-up focus group or key informant interview. These sessions will allow for deeper exploration of themes and experiences. This study is sponsored by the American Farm Bureau Women’s Leadership Committee and is funded by CoBank and JBS.

For more information and to take the survey visit, www.fb.org/program/womens-leadership/national-women-in-agriculture-study

Certify Your Celebration!

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the product must be made, grown, manufactured, processed, produced, or substantially transformed in the state of Louisiana. The LDAF shall have sole discretion to determine whether an agricultural product or agritourism activity is eligible for labeling with one of the certified logos. In addition, a company must possess and be in compliance with all other applicable state and federal permits, licenses, and laws.

There is a \$25 non-refundable application fee. If approved, there is a \$30 registration fee per logo. All logos must be renewed every three years.

Crawfish Tales

Want to learn more? Be sure to check out Crawfish Tales, LDAF’s storytelling video series centered on Certified Louisiana companies. Crawfish Tales with Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM, takes you to the heart of Certified Louisiana companies, products, and the amazing people who have joined the Certified Louisiana program.

You can watch all episodes on the LDAF YouTube channel (@laagandforestry). Be sure to subscribe so that you don’t miss the next one.

Crawfish Tales highlights what the Certified Program is all about: the wonderful people of Louisiana and the quality products they produce. It is important to meet your

local small business owners, farmers, and ranchers, so you know exactly who you are supporting when you buy Certified. The program also reminds us that when we shop Certified, we are getting some of the most unique, flavorful ingredients in the world.

- For more information, visit <https://certifiedlouisiana.org/>.
- Be sure to follow Certified Louisiana on Facebook to learn more about the products and unique ways to use them.

Check out some of our favorite Certified Delicious Recipes on page 13 that are sure to be a hit at your next holiday celebration.



Producer Spotlight

Located in Lake Charles, Crying Eagle Brewing crafts bold, balanced beers that celebrate Louisiana's unique spirit. Each brew reflects a passion for quality and creativity, paired with chef-driven dishes, signature cocktails, and lively community events. More than a brewery, Crying Eagle is a destination where flavor meets connection, and every pour tells a Louisiana story.

#CertifiedCraftBeverage

Da-Byu Seasoning serves up authentic Southern flavor that transforms every dish. From their handcrafted spice blends to their goat milk soaps and beeswax lotions, each product reflects a deep love for Louisiana tradition and creativity. Proud competitors in cooking events across the region, they bring passion and flavor wherever they go. Find them at local farmers markets, where great taste and handcrafted quality meet community connection.

#CertifiedLouisiana

At Creole Comfort LLC, every dish tells a story of culture, comfort, and community. From catering special events to delivering homestyle meals, they bring the rich flavors of Louisiana straight to your table. It's more than food, its soul served Southern style.

#CertifiedCreole

CERTIFIED DELICIOUS RECIPES

LERUTH’S PECAN PIE

Submitted by LeRuth’s Gourmet Foods
www.leruthsgourmetfoods.com



INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 stick butter
 - 1/2 c sugar
 - 1 c Karo Syrup (light)
 - 3 extra large eggs
- 1 tsp LeRuth’s Gourmet Foods Vanilla Flavor
 - 3/4 c pecans cut into 1/4-inch pieces
- 9-inch-deep dish pie crust

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Pre-heat oven to 325 degrees
2. Defrost Pie Crust
3. In medium saucepan, melt butter until it boils
4. Add sugar, incorporate with whip
5. Add Karo Syrup, mix well
6. Add eggs, mix well enough to break up whites
7. Add LeRuth’s Gourmet Foods Vanilla Flavor with Vanilla Beans and mix
8. Place pecans into the bottom of pie crust. Slowly add combined ingredients to the pie crust shell. Place on sheet pan and bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour depending on the oven.

BOURBON TURKEY BRINE

Submitted by Rouses Market
www.rouses.com



INGREDIENTS

- 2 gallons of water
 - 1 c Buffalo Trace Bourbon
 - 1 c kosher salt
- 1 Rouses Brine Kit Bucket (or container of Rouses Turkey Brine)
 - 1 10-to-12 lb turkey

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mix all ingredients in a Rouses Brine Kit Bucket, stirring to dissolve ingredients. (You can also use a large stockpot.)
2. Remove giblets and packaging from turkey and discard (or save for another use).
3. Place the turkey in the brine and seal the bucket. Add more water if needed to ensure turkey is fully submerged.
4. Refrigerate 12-24 hours, repositioning the turkey halfway through as needed to make sure the bird is evenly brined.
5. Rinse the turkey, inside and out, thoroughly, under cold running water.
6. Drain turkey and pat dry with paper towels; discard the brine.

CANDIED YAMS

Submitted by Le Bon Papa Seasonings
www.sweetdaddy-d.com



INGREDIENTS

- 5 lbs Louisiana Sweet Potatoes, washed
 - 2 c dark or light brown sugar
 - 1 Tbsp ground cinnamon
- ½ c butter
 - ¼ to ½ c orange juice
 - ½ tsp Kosher salt

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place the yams in a stockpot, cover with water and boil for about 30 to 40 minutes until slightly tender.
2. Remove the yams from the pot and allow to cool.
3. When cool enough to handle, peel the yams and slice into ¼ to ½ inch medallions on an angle, Set aside.
4. Measure the brown sugar and blend in about ½ teaspoon of kosher salt. Measure the ground cinnamon and the orange juice.
5. Slice the butter into approximate ½ tablespoon pieces.
6. Place a single layer of Yams along the bottom of an 8 ½" X 11" baking dish. Slices should be touching or slightly overlapped, filling in the spaces so the bottom is completely covered.
7. Sprinkle about ⅓ of the brown sugar equally over the medallions, then sprinkle about ⅓ of the cinnamon lightly on top. Distribute about 8 pieces of the sliced butter on top of that layer.
8. Repeat this process two more times depending upon how much Yams you have. Make sure to finish the top with brown sugar, cinnamon and butter. Pour the orange juice evenly over the Yams and cover the baking dish with aluminum foil.
9. Bake in a preheated 375 degrees Fahrenheit oven for about 45 minutes.
10. Check to see if the Yams are soft. If so, remove the aluminum foil, increase the oven to 400-degree and return the baking dish to the oven (uncovered) for about 15 minutes or until the top begins to brown and the juices bubble around the edges.
11. Remove from the oven and allow to sit for 10 minutes before serving.



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PSA Grower Training

A PSA Grower Training + Optional GAPs Food Safety Plan Workshop to be held in Alexandria on November 4-5!

Who should attend this training? Fruit and vegetable growers, farmers market vendors, and others interested in learning about produce safety, the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule, good agricultural practices, and co-management of natural resources and food safety.

This course satisfies the FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirement outlined in section 112.22(c). It is \$20 to register. Taking this course qualifies you for the GAP Grant.

Scan QR Code to learn more and to register.



What is a GAP Audit?

Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) audits are voluntary audits that verify that fruits and vegetables are produced, packed, handled, and stored to minimize risks of microbial food safety hazards.

Cost of a GAP Audit:

\$171 per hour + travel time
(price is subject to change)

How can the GAP grant help you?

- Grant will cover 75% of incurred GAP expenses or up to \$1,000

Requirements to be eligible for the Grant:

- The program is open to any produce grower, packer, or handler operating in Louisiana.
- Farms must be active and engaged in selling or distributing produce.
- Farm manager must complete the PSA Grower Training/ GAP Training

For more information, please email Kelly Hughes at Khughes@ldaf.state.la.us or Achyut Adhikari at Acadhikari@agcenter.lsu.edu

Southern SARE Producer Grant Call for Proposals Released

The Call for Proposals for the 2026 Producer Grant Program, intended for farmers/ranchers and farmer/rancher organizations throughout the Southern region, is now available from the Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (SSARE) program.

Proposal submission deadline is December 5, 2025 at 12 p.m. (NOON) EST. Announcement of funded proposals will take place in late February 2026.

The maximum funding amount for a Producer Grant is \$20,000 for individual farmers/ranchers and \$25,000 for farmer/rancher organizations, paid to a grantee as a reimbursement once invoices and receipts are submitted for allowable project expenses.

Producer Grants are used to conduct sustainable agriculture research projects that solve agricultural production challenges farmers face and to develop information on what works and what doesn't so that other farmers and ranchers facing those same challenges can benefit from the results of the funded project. The goal of the Producer Grant Program is simple: Empower farmers to test, on a small scale, a practice or technology to a production or marketing problem (either as an individual or as a group), evaluate whether the results sustainably address the problem, and share how those efforts can benefit other farmers. Successful projects can then be applied by the farmer applicant or by others on a larger scale.

Proposed projects must focus on Southern SARE's program objectives in developing sustainable agriculture systems or moving existing farming systems toward sustainability, as defined by Congress in the 1990 Farm Bill. Applicants specifically should be aware of this definition, as proposals will be reviewed with this legal definition in mind.

Producer grants are not designed to pay a farmer to farm; buy livestock, equipment, or land; make permanent farm improvements, or support private enterprises through capital investments. Southern SARE Producer Grants are competitive research grants, designed to take some of the financial risk away from trying a solution to an agricultural production issue.

Projects are funded for two years. Producer organizations should be comprised primarily of farmers/ranchers and must have a majority farmer representation on their governing board.

The Producer Grant Call for Proposals includes all the information needed to apply for a grant. It includes information on eligibility requirements, allowable project expenses, proposal submission instructions, how the proposal will be reviewed, and contact information. Be sure to carefully follow the information in the Call for Proposals when submitting your proposal. Failure to follow the submission guidelines will result in your proposal being rejected.

Visit <http://www.southern.sare.org> for more information on the SARE program and sustainable agriculture.

Save the Date

- Join us on **Saturday, February 28, 2026**, for a special day celebrating two great legacies: our beautiful native plants and America's 250th Anniversary!

Whether you're a new gardener or a seasoned expert, you'll enjoy:

- Coffee and sweets to start your day
- Engaging presentations from gardening experts
- A market with unique, local vendors
- Lunch provided
- Silent Auction
- Famous Wagon Raffle
- Great door prizes!

Event to be held at the beautiful Cypress Bend Resort on Toledo Bend near Many, LA.

Full schedule and registration details are coming soon. Follow us on Facebook for the latest updates!

The Choctaw Cattle Company is redefining cattle farming in Louisiana



Choctaw Cattle Company is more than just picturesque pastures — it's a living laboratory of sustainable agriculture. Owned and operated by Dr. Angela Mayeux-Hebert, a retired orthopedic surgeon, and her husband, Roylee Hebert, a lifelong cattleman, the farm has become a model for progressive cattle farming practices and is partnering with the LSU AgCenter.

It was her love of horses the lead Mayeux-Hebert to cattle.

"I saw a small blurb in the Quarter Horse magazine. It was called Saving the Family Farm," Mayeux-Hebert said. "It was about rotational grazing and how expensive feed was. If you could save your grass, extend your growing season, you could save money and keep the family farm going."

She began rotational grazing in 1996, and when she married Hebert in 2002, the couple expanded the system by trenching water to smaller pastures.

"The more you rotate your cattle, the better things really are," she said.

Hebert's roots in cattle farming run deep.

"My family has been raising cattle since the 1930s," he said.

His grandfather managed thousands of head of cattle for a New Orleans doctor, stretching from Pecan Island to the Sabine River. Hebert's experience and ag degree complement his wife's scientific background, setting them up to be mostly self-sustaining.

"Vet bills are very rare around here because we doctor everything ourselves," Mayeux-Hebert said.

The couple raise mainly Brahman and F1 Braford cattle, breeds well suited to Louisiana's climate. They also have a few Angus Herefords.

"The best cattle are the cattle that fit your environment," she said.

Their cattle thrive on forage-based diets, with minimal concentrate use. Cattle producers



often supplement forage in the fall with a concentrate that includes high-energy and low-fiber ingredients.

"We want a ration that doesn't have any sugar in it. No hard grains, no molasses," she said.

Their feeding philosophy is backed by science. Working with LSU AgCenter cattle researcher Marcelo Vedovatto, they are exploring how gut microbiota in calves is shaped by their mothers' diets.

"If a calf is born from a cow consuming a high-concentrate diet, it will develop a community of bacteria specialized in digesting this type of feed, and that microbial profile may last throughout its life," Vedovatto said. "On the other hand, if a calf grows up in a forage-based system, it will likely become more efficient at digesting forage later in life."

This research is now being tested at the Dean Lee Research Station with plans to monitor offspring performance from birth to slaughter.

Recognizing the couple's commitment to sustainable practices, the LSU AgCenter designated Choctaw Cattle Company as a model farm.

"We use the model farm mainly to train extension agents, producers, and establish nutritional and management practices that are profitable and proven by science," Vedovatto said. "We want to show that it's possible to have a good quality feed system without relying on concentrate."

One of the farm's key innovations is creating their own baleage, a method of preserving high-quality forage.

"Most people feed low-quality hay in the fall and winter, which forces them to buy concentrate," Vedovatto said. "If you can produce high-quality feed, you don't need to buy a lot of things."

The couple is experimenting with native grasses and cutting techniques to optimize baleage.

"We're topping the grass at 10 to 12 inches to leave enough for regrowth," Hebert said. "That way, we increase the sugars that help with ensiling." Ensiling is the fermentation process that preserves forage.

The pair also uses chickens for pasture restoration, which has had multiple benefits on the cattle farm.

"They break up cow patties, eat the bugs and reduce parasite loads," Mayeux-Hebert said. "The eggs are just a side benefit."

The chickens even help control fire ants and invasive buttercup flowers. The couple moves the chickens daily.

Shade trees and rotational grazing also contribute to animal welfare.

"You choose a breed that's adaptable to your system, or you adapt the system," Vedovatto said. In their case, they do both.

The couple's approach to cattle production is rare in Louisiana, where overstocking cattle on land and reliance on feed stores are common. Their philosophy is simple — observe, adapt and improve.

"Every year is a step forward in something bigger," Mayeux-Hebert said. "We've sold some really expensive cattle, but if they won't breed and they get skinny on grass, what are we doing with it?"

With their blend of science, tradition and innovation, the Choctaw Cattle Company is raising cattle while also raising the bar for sustainable agriculture in Louisiana.

By Tobie Blanchard, LSU AgCenter



Current Drought Condtions

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dry. The Fire Danger map, maintained by LDAF, shows high risk for a large portion of the state, and as of October 24, 2025, burn bans are in effect for parishes on the western border from Caddo down to Calcasieu.

Encouragingly, even though dry conditions are expected to continue, the Climate Prediction Center also forecasts cooler temperatures over the next 6 to 10 days. These lower temperatures can help alleviate drought conditions by:

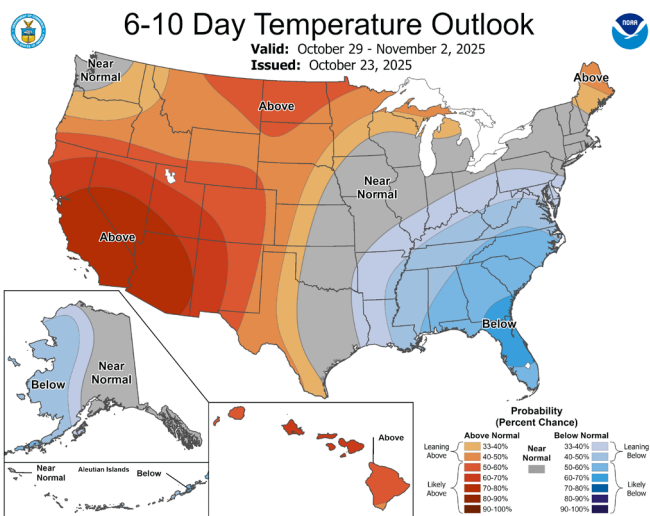
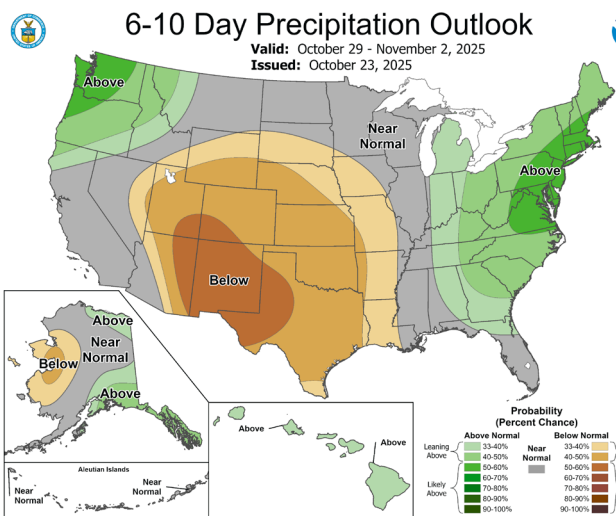
- Reducing Evaporation: Cooler temperatures result in decreased evaporation

rates from soil, surface water, and plant leaves, aiding moisture conservation.

- Increasing Moisture: By minimizing water loss to the atmosphere, more moisture remains in the soil, which can help disrupt or slow the progression of drought.
- Slow Flash Drought: A blend of high temperatures and low rainfall can trigger a rapid "flash drought," but cooler temperatures can help mitigate this.

It's important for residents and agricultural producers in Louisiana to remain vigilant and informed during dry periods. To stay updated on the latest drought conditions

and forecasts, visit droughtmonitor.unl.edu, and for information on burn bans and fire danger risk, visit www.ldaf.la.gov/land/fire/safety. In addition to monitoring drought conditions, it's crucial to be aware of fire safety measures, especially during periods of high fire risk. Residents should adhere to burn bans and take preventative actions to safeguard their homes and property from potential wildfires. Simple steps, like clearing dry brush and maintaining defensible space around structures, can significantly reduce the risk of fire damage.



How Current Weather Trends Are Shaping Global Grain Production

Kevin Marcus of Marcus Weather Consulting gives the areas to watch as harvest goes into the home stretch in the northern hemisphere and the growing season is shaping up in the southern hemisphere.

Looking at the U.S., South American and Chinese weather patterns, here are his takeaways on the impact and outlook of weather:

U.S. harvest season is a mirror of 2024 in many ways.

Marcus says for many in the Midwest, September and October are echoing patterns this time last year being warmer and dryer than average.

He notes two earlier weather patterns in the year are bringing attention to their impact on yields.

In the eastern corn belt, the prolonged heat may have dinged yields.

"We had lots of warm night sin July and August," he says. "For some, it was the highest numbers since 2010 and 2011."

When nighttime temperatures remain elevated, the respiration steals from grain development resulting in shallower kernels.

In the western corn belt, the focus is on the favorable conditions for disease—including the expansion of southern rust.

"We're seeing southern rust stealing 40 to 50 bu/acre in fields that were left untreated," Marcus says. "Iowa was the epicenter of the problem, and if just 10% of the fields weren't sprayed properly at a 50 bu loss, that's 5 bu. off the state yield. And 1 bu. off the national yield."

La Nina is a factor.

Marcus is watching the development of La Nina, warmer waters in the eastern Indian ocean and systems and patterns developing in southeast Asia. He says it all adds up to polar jet getting invigorated.

As such, he sees "more of a slug" for the finishing weeks of corn harvest across the Midwest.

And this winter, especially compared to last year, he sees wet heavy snow across the northern plains starting in November.

Questionable start for the southern hemisphere.

As Brazil and Argentina's growing seasons get kicked off, there's cooler and less wet weather.

"This isn't typical. It usually rains every other day. Now it's only raining once a week. And temperatures are popping above 100 degree. Young crops are being stressed early," Marcus says.

Looking ahead, he notes there aren't any "red flags" for the weather dramatically effecting yields, but there is definitely risk in the forecast.

China's domestic production is a question mark.

Marcus says a developing story to watch are yields for the Chinese corn crop.

"We just came through seven weeks of exceptional rain in the north China plains," he says. "When corn can't be harvested, and you're getting rains every other day for seven weeks, you have an idea of what that quality will look like."

When a comparable weather pattern occurred in 2022, Marcus points to private estimates stating a loss of 30 million metric tons.

By Margy Eckelkamp, AgWeb

Higgins, Governor Landry, USDA Secretary Rollins, and Commissioner of Agriculture Mike Strain Hold Roundtable Discussion with Louisiana Farmers



Congressman Clay Higgins (R-LA), Governor Jeff Landry (R-LA), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Brooke Rollins, and Louisiana Commissioner of Agriculture Mike Strain held a roundtable discussion with Louisiana farmers, cattlemen, and aquaculture reps, focused on strengthening the state's agricultural industry.

During the meeting, Congressman Higgins advocated on behalf of Louisiana's rice, crawfish, and shrimp producers. He discussed proposals to suspend imports on these commodities, expedite assistance through USDA's Commodity Credit Association, and pass H.R. 5710, the Bridge the Gap for Rural Communities Act. Congressman Higgins also outlined these requests in a delivered letter that he led with Louisiana Governor Jeff Landry, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Mike Strain, and Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation President Richard Fontenot. Read that letter [here](#).*

Earlier this week, Congressman Higgins delivered a letter to President Trump urging

him to suspend all foreign shrimp imports due to public health concerns. Read that letter [here](#)*. Congressman Higgins also delivered a letter urging President Trump to suspend rice imports in response to market volatility and unfair trade practices from foreign producers. Read that letter [here](#).*

Congressman Higgins said, "I appreciate Secretary Rollins visiting Louisiana and taking time to hear directly from farmers in our state. We're working closely with her and President Trump to support the agriculture industry and put American farmers first. Today's roundtable embodies the Trump administration's commitment to Louisiana's farmers, and my office will continue to advocate for agricultural and seafood industries."

**Referenced letters are available at <https://www.ldaf.la.gov/about/news/article/higgins-governor-landry-usda-secretary-rollins-and-commissioner-of>*

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Honeybees and the blueprint for AI development in agriculture

When it comes to building smart machines, engineers often turn to the human brain for inspiration. But a recent study published in eLife suggests we might do just as well by looking at the compound eyes of the humble honeybee.

Relatively speaking, bees have minuscule brains. But they still manage to perform incredibly elegant navigation, pattern recognition, and decision-making processes. One of their most impressive tricks? Recognizing symmetrical patterns and spatial relationships in flowers, a key part of their unmatched foraging behavior ... and a capability highly prized for the enhancement of artificial intelligence (AI).

A research team from the United Kingdom developed a neuromorphic model of bee vision, focusing on the visual processing area in the insect brain. By simulating the bee's spatiotemporal encoding (the way neurons respond not just to spatial patterns but also to how those patterns move across time) they created a system capable of mimicking how bees identify and discriminate between different visual cues.

Using a combination of behavioral experiments and biologically-inspired computer modeling, the team re-created how bees explore their environment visually. They found that this scanning behavior, paired with specific encoding strategies in the visual neurons, allowed bees to compress visual data into efficient representations. This means that bees can recognize a flower not by memorizing every pixel, but by distilling it down to its most informative features.

This bee-inspired pattern recognition was replicated using AI architecture that mimics

the timing of real neuronal firing. The result? A resource efficient visual recognition system that could identify patterns with a high degree of accuracy, without the need for complex computational resources.

These findings are massive because while current deep learning AI systems are powerful, they are computationally expensive and often brittle when faced with novel stimuli. In contrast, bees use minimal energy to achieve robust recognition across varying, adaptable conditions.

By borrowing concepts from this insect neurobiology, engineers could theoretically design future AI systems that are faster, more energy-efficient, and more adaptable. This could be especially useful for autonomous drones, micro-robots, and low-power vision systems where resources are limited.

Moreover, this work highlights the power of active perception: Instead of passively absorbing data, intelligent systems (biological or artificial) may benefit from strategically interacting with their environment to extract meaning.

Nature has spent millions of years refining vision systems for organisms with severe resource constraints. This study is a reminder that intelligent behavior doesn't require a massive brain — it just needs the right strategy. As we design the next generation of AI, looking to the smallest creatures among us may prove invaluable.

From hive to hardware, our honeybee friends may hold the blueprint for smarter, leaner machines.

By Leah Elson, Ag Daily

Local mushroom farm supplies fresh fungi across southeast Louisiana

A mushroom farm is drawing a fungi following, supplying mushrooms to restaurants and homes throughout the capital area.

Maggie Long and Cyrus Lester are the wife and husband duo who have owned and operated Mushroom Maggie's Farm since 2018.

"We wanted to do farming, but we didn't have any money, we didn't have any land," Long said. "We didn't come from farming, so what do we do, you know? So, we looked at stuff to do indoors, we saw that no one was doing mushrooms at the time. It's become more than just a passion, it's become our lives now."

Every Monday, the crew at Mushroom Maggie's Farm packs blocks of a material made of ground sawdust and flakes of soybean hulls. Lester said they make over 600 blocks each week. The blocks are then injected with mushroom spawn and left to rest anywhere from 10 days to two months.

Once the mushrooms fruit, the different varieties are separated, sliced and sorted, ready to go to restaurants, the Red Stick Farmers Market and select grocery stores. 1,200 pounds of fresh mushrooms go out every week into the hands of mushroom enthusiasts.

"They're so incredible, not just for the food supply, but for health reasons too!" Long said.

Anything leftover, Long and Lester said, goes into a compost pile, which will eventually be sold off, too. The two added that they are excited to share their love of mushrooms with the community.

"We've been talking with the parish about doing a mushroom festival one day and having it in this region here out of St. Francisville. That will be exciting," Long said.

Lester said the mushroom farm's reach extends through St. Francisville, New Roads, Baton Rouge, New Orleans and the Northshore.

By Sarah Gray Barr, WBRZ

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