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FAITH FAMILY SHRIMP COMPANY IN COCODRIE

In a recent episode of CRAWFISH TALES with Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM, we visited with Certified Louisiana members Chad and Angela Portier of Faith Family Shrimp Company in Chauvin, Louisiana. This family-owned and operated dock and drying facility serves commercial fishing boats and their shrimp-loving community in Cocodrie.

Faith Family Shrimp Co. offers a variety of services and products. For starters, they sell fresh, frozen, and dried shrimp. Additionally,

they unload and buy fresh and frozen shrimp and sell bait shrimp/squid and commercial fishing vessel supplies, such as salt, ice, and gloves.

They also have an ice and fuel dock where both commercial and recreational boats are welcome. On top of all that, they now offer tours of their dried shrimp process.

Angela says they love to serve their local fishermen as they both come from generations of those who worked the waters in Terrebonne Parish.

> Notably, Chad's late father, Russell Portier Sr., was a wellknown boat builder on Bayou Petit Caillou, building over 150 boats in his lifetime. More than half of those were shrimping vessels, some of which still travel the bayou and unload their bounty at the Faith Family Shrimp dock.

> Chad is a fourth-generation fisherman who began his career on a shrimping vessel at 15 years old. Beyond that, they've been buying and selling shrimp since 2015 and expanded their operation when they purchased the dock facility in 2018.

In addition to serving the fishermen in surrounding areas, they also love to serve their local customers. "Louisiana is seafood. And seafood is Louisiana," says Angela. "People get excited when it's shrimp season." And shrimping is a lifestyle in their community. They love seeing their regulars, from commercial fishermen to folks who go shrimping for fun.

With two major shrimp seasons during the year in Louisiana, Faith Family Shrimp always has a variety of offerings, from fresh brown and white shrimp in a range of sizes to frozen products and even dried shrimp.

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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER *Planning a spring garden? Get your seeds tested!*

We've all been guilty of making excuses for why our vegetable seeds didn't grow... too dry, too wet, planted them too deep, or the stars just weren't aligned. The

truth is, many times the failure of vegetable seeds to grow is not due to the weather or cultural practices, but simply the result of bad seed.

> If you're looking for a bountiful spring garden, now is a wonderful time to get your old vegetable seeds tested. In general, as seeds age they tend to lose their ability to germinate. You don't want to go through the trouble of planting bad seeds in the garden. So get your seeds tested to find out if they're viable.

> > Many people may not realize that's one of the many things the Louisiana Department of

Agriculture and Foresty (LDAF) can help you with. LDAF's Seed Testing Laboratory can test your seeds for you.

Here's how seed testing works:

- Visit our website at www.ldaf.la.gov/plants/seeds.
- Complete a *Seed Sample Submission Form* and enclose a sample of the seed you want tested.
- Mail or hand-deliver the seed and the completed form to the laboratory.
- Test results will be made available to you by email or through LDAF's online service.

For more information on seed testing contact us by phone at 225-925-4733 or by email at **seed@ldaf.state.la.us**.



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ALABAMA SE HAY REPORT, DEC 21, 2023

| Bermuda Large Round | Premium | \$200 |
|----------------------|---------|-------------|
| Bermuda Medium Round | Premium | \$150-\$200 |
| Bermuda Small Square | Premium | \$280-\$440 |

SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, JAN 5, 2024

| Bermuda Large Round | Good/Premium | \$130-\$150/bale |
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| Bermuda Small Square | Good/Premium | \$10-\$13/bale |

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ST. TAMMANY PARISH

22049 Main St Sun 11-3PM, year round

Abita Springs Farmers Market

Covington Farmers Market #1

609 North Columbia (City Hall) Sat 8AM-noon, year round

Covington Farmers Market #2

1007 Pine St. Sun, July 1, 10AM - 3PM Sun, July 11-Sept 26, 10AM-2PM

Mandeville Trailhead Market

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

675 Lafitte St Sat 9AM-1PM, year round

TANGIPAHOA PARISH

Hammond Farmers Market

2 West Thomas St, Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

St. Joseph Tailgate Market

TERREBONNE PARISH

VERMILION PARISH

Abbeville Farmers Market.

Oct 17 & Nov 21, 8AM-1PM

VERNON PARISH

Sat 8-11AM. Memorial-Labor Dav

Caiun Farmers Market of Houma

Magdalen Sq, downtown Abbeville Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19,

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

Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM

WASHINGTON PARISH

Franklinton Farmers Market

Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM, year round

1st & 3rd Sat, 8AM-1PM, Jul-Oct

WEST FELICIANA PARISH

St. Francisville Farmers Market 9992 Wilcox St (Fair Barn) Thurs 9AM-1PM, May-Nov

Washington St & 15th Ave

Market on Turner's Pond

WEBSTER PARISH

Naquin St & Martin L King Blvd Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM, year round

TENSAS PARISH

Gazebo on Plank Rd

419 North New Hampshire Wed 10AM-2PM, year round

Abita Springs

Covington

Madisonville

Mandeville

Slidell

<u>Hammond</u>

St. Joseph

Houma

Abbeville

Kaplan

Leesville

S. 3rd St

Year round

Franklinton

<u>Minden</u>

301 Lakeshore

St. Francisville

WINN PARISH

Winn Farmers Market 301 West Main

Tues-Fri. 7AM-until sold out.

Winnfield

year round

Madisonville Market

VISIT YOUR LOCAL

ACADIA PARISH

<u>lota</u> lota Farmers Market Gazebo on Main St, 2nd/4th Sat, 8AM-12PM, closed in Jan

<u>Crowley</u> Crowley Farmers Market Located at Tractor Supply 1st Sat, 9AM-3PM, closed in Jan

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

ALLEN PARISH

Oberlin Oberlin Farmers Market 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-12PM, year round

ASCENSION PARISH

<u>Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market</u> 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales (corner of KC Road and 621) Seasonal on Saturdays 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec

Prairieville Riverside Farmers Market of LA 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 8AM-1PM

ASSUMPTION PARISH

Napoleonville Barcelo Gardens 211 Franklin Ave Fri, 11AM-3PM, Jan 14 & 29

AVOYELLES PARISH

<u>Marksville</u> Marksville Farmers Market 122 E. Mark St Sat 8-11AM, June

BEAUREGARD PARISH

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

BOSSIER PARISH

Benton Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson Sun 12-4PM

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

CADDO PARISH

<u>Greenwood</u> Greenwood Farmers Market William Peters Town Park Sat 8AM-12PM, June-Aug

<u>Shreveport</u> Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Aug

CALCASIEU PARISH

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

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

Moss Bluff

MB Farmers & Crafters Market Sam Houston Jones Pkwy Sat. 8AM-12PM, April-Oct

CALDWELL PARISH

Columbia Farmers Market Courthouse Square Sat. 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug

CONCORDIA PARISH

<u>Vidalia</u> Delta Farmers Market 405 Carter St - Old Courthouse Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

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

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

Red Stick Farmers Market #3 EBRP Library, 7711 Goodwood Blvd Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct-Dec

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

Zachary Zachary Famers Market City Hall side parking lot Sat 8AM-12PM, year round

EVANGELINE PARISH

<u>Ville Platte</u> Ville Platte Farmers Market East Main St May-Aug, Fri 4-6PM

GRANT PARISH

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

IBERIA PARISH

Delcambre Delcambre Farmers Market, Bayou Carlin Cove, 605 S Railroad St 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec

<u>New Iberia</u> Da Berry Fresh Market 520 S. Hopkins St Wed 10AM-6PM, year round

Teche Area Farmers Market Main St. Bouligny Plaza Tues 2-6PM, Sat 7-11AM, year round

IBERVILLE PARISH St. Gabriel

St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM www.stgabrielfarmersmarket.com

JEFFERSON PARISH

<u>Grand Isle</u> Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market Oak Lane 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM, year round

<u>Gretna</u> Gretna Farmers Market Huey P. Long Ave Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM, year round

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

<u>Metairie</u> Crescent City Farmers Market #2 325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy. @ the Lake (Bucktown) Fri 3-7PM, year-round

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

JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH

<u>Elton</u> Coushatta Farmers Market Hwy 190 & Pine St 1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun Cajun Country Farms Roadside ORL Produce Barce 26105 Liberty Cemetery Rd Seasonal - Call Sarah 337-368-7404 2301

<u>Jennings</u> Main Street Farmers Market 1333 Elton Rd

Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec

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

LAFAYETTE PARISH

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

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

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

LAFOURCHE PARISH

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

LASALLE PARISH

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

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

LINCOLN PARISH Ruston

Ruston Farmer's Market 220 East Mississippi Sat 9AM-1PM, year round

LIVINGSTON PARISH

<u>Denham Springs</u> Livingston Farmers Market 215 Florida St Sat 7AM-12PM, year round

MADISON PARISH

Tallulah 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 PARISH

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

NATCHITOCHES PARISH

<u>Natchitoches</u> River Front Downtown

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

Tues-Fri10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oc Nov Natchitoches Mobile Farmers

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



Find a farmer's market near you @ www.usdalocalfoodportal.com

ORLEANS PARISH

<u>Barcelo Gardens</u> 2301 Gallier St Sat 10AM-1PM, Jan 22

<u>New Orleans</u> Crescent City Farmers Market — UPTOWN 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM, year round

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

Crescent City Farmers Market — CITY PARK Tad Gormely Stadium Marconi @ Navarre Sun 8 AM - 12PM, year round

OUACHITA PARISH

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

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

RAPIDES PARISH

<u>Alexandria</u> Alexandria Farmers Market #1 2727 Jackson St Tues 3-6PM, year round

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

RICHLAND PARISH

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

ST. CHARLES PARISH

1313 Paul Maillard Rd

Wed 1-5PM, year round

ST. HELENA PARISH

6032 LA-10, Greensburg

ST. LANDRY PARISH

Eunice Farmers Market

Sat 9AM-12PM. Mav-Nov

Second St & Park Ave

ST. MARTIN PARISH

ST. MARY PARISH

Berwick Town Market

(Mar-Jun & Sept-Dec)

Morgan City

Berwick

Greensburg

Fri, 8AM-1PM

Opelousas

Eunice

Destrehan German Coast Farmers Market 1 Parking lot of Ormond Plantation Sat 8AM-12PM, year round Luling

German Coast Farmers Market 2

St. Helena Parish Farmers Market

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

Stephensville Market Rec Park

Under bridge at 3rd & Lima St 3rd Sat 9AM-1PM

3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City 2nd Sat, 10AM



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| FEB 22 | Thursday, February 8 |
| MAR 7 | Thursday, February 22 |

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CLASSIFIED AD FORM TO SUBMIT ADVERTISEMENTS

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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

Registered Black Angus, low birth weight bulls available, Pasture raised, limited feed, ready for heavy service, Will have EPD's on all bulls, \$2,500-\$3,000. Errol Aymond or Jacob Brown, Effie, Avoyelles Parish; 318-447-1206 or 318-541-0050.

Reg. Black Angus bull, 6 years old, calves to show, \$2,250. John Collins, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-3761.

Registered Black Angus Bull, 2 yrs old, virgin bull, Great Bloodlinel, Sired by Greenline Manning 8006, serious inquiries only please, \$3,000. Shannon Dinger, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-351-1159.

Registered Angus bulls for sale,

big frame, easy calving with high weaning weight, vet checked and ready to go, \$3,750. Greg Tate, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-831-7120.

Reg. Black Angus proven herd sire, Bd. 10/03/2019, wt. 2,315lbs., Reg. # 19760162, Bwt. 60 lbs., Wwt 700 lbs., lightly bred, outstanding EPD's and progeny, very docile, ready for fall breeding season, photo available, \$5,500. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; 337-288-6526, 337-896-9296, email: cquin1@ bellsouth.net. Reg. Black Angus cow,

#19481420, BD 6/2/2019, good performance, milker and low maintenance, gentle with daughter retained, due 12/1/2023 to bull Reg. #19760162, \$1,875. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; 337-288-6526, 337-896-9296, email: cquin1@ bellsouth.net.

Registered Black Angus virgin bull, 30 months old, \$3,000. Rhett Dugas, St. Landry, Evangeline Parish; 225-571-6386.

BEEFMASTER

Beefmaster cow/calf pairs, 4-6 years, exposed back to registered Beefmaster bull, \$3,000-\$3,500/ pair; registered bulls, polled and ready for service, \$2,500, all gentle, raised on farm, and on health protocol by licensed vet. Roy, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-563-4566.

Reg. Beefmasters, 5 excellent heavy bred cows, 5 to 7 years old, bred to our reg. bulls, \$2,500-\$3,500 each. Fred Moran, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; 225-921-7449.

Purebred 2 yr. old Beefmaster bulls, red, one dun, 7+ generations bred here, avg. 205 wts. was 643lbs., your choice with papers in your name and a current breeding soundness evaluation is \$2,500, sire of these bulls is a Wallen Prairie Ranch Total Package son. Mel Jackson, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; 318-308-0921 or 318-443-0203.

BRAHMAN

Registered Brahman cows and bulls, \$3,000 each. Philip Chaisson, Galliano, LaFourche Parish; 985-637-7538.

Reg. gray Brahman heifers,

easy calving and gentle, bloodline JDH Mr. Manso 854 and Maddox 684, \$2,000/each. Eric Wingate, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-257-9071.

(2) Two-year-old gray Brahman bulls, ready for service, very

gentle with a lot of meat, grandsons of Maddox 684, \$2,500/each. Eric Wingate, Church Point, Acadia Parish; 337-257-9071.

(2) Two-year-old pure pred registered Brahman bulls for sale, semen tested, \$2,500 each. Eric Wingate, Church Pointe, Acadia Parish; 337-257-9071.

(6) Reg. Grey Brahman virgin bulls, 23-24 mos., checked for breeding soundness, ready to go, bucket fed, \$2,500 each. David or Jarret Rachal, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-235-9080 or 225-290-3627.

BRANGUS

2 reg. Brangus bulls, 4 yrs. Old, gentle with calves to show, selling due to herd reduction, \$2,750 each. Steven Bates, Winnfield, Winn Parish; 318-471-2146.

Golden Certified F1 Brangus

Bulls, 2 years old, out of registered Angus cattle and JD Hudgins Brahman bulls, tested and ready, \$2,800-\$3,500. Philip Chiasson, Galliano, Lafourche Parish; 985-637-7538.

Brangus Bull 5 yrs. Old,

registered bloodline, but no papers, gentle calves to show, \$2,500. Tim Gautreau, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-519-3335.

Golden Certified F1 Brangus Bulls, virgin 2-year-olds that are tested and ready, \$2,800 and up. Philip Chiasson, Galliano.

BRAUNVIEH

Lafourche Parish; 985-637-7538

2- Reg. Braunvieh bulls, 7-mths old, sired by the calving ease specialist, MHF Xerox, one traditional coloring and one is chocolate coloring, \$1,600/ each. Alvin Williams, Angie, Washington Parish; 985-570-3224.



CHAROLAIS

ZEBU

Reg. mini zebu bulls, cows,

calves, show quality, \$500 and

up for each. Jerome Hammons,

DAIRY

Many, Sabine Parish; 318-508-

3-year-old, tall, Jersey and

Holstein mix, springing, bred

weight Black Angus bull, \$1,600.

with Jersev bull or low birth

Tangipahoa Parish; 985-373-

WANTED: 1 or 2 Holstein cows

with calf. Skip Russell, Ruston,

Lincoln Parish: 318-548-5050.

WANTED: Brown Swiss cow

wanted, no crosses, registered

or unregistered ok. converting

premium price paid for nice

cow, Will Fleenor, Loranger,

Tangipahoa Parish; 985-351-2311.

OTHER

Miniature Bull Calf (Aug '23)

Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee

Parish: 225-718-3604.

and Heifer Calf (Sept '23), Sold

Crossbred Cow with 4-month-

old Charolais cross heifer calf,

cow may be bred back to the

bull. \$1.600/both. Garry

3-year-old Balancer bull,

bull \$1,750 Darrin Olivier

Bull calf, registered with

sire is a reg. Hereford, dam

is reg. Aberdeen, black with

Rebecca White, LeCompte,

Bull calf. 75% Hereford.

registered with American

white face, born 8/9/23, \$900

Rapides Parish; 318-613-8890.

Aberdeen Association, Dam is

50% Aberdeen 50% Hereford,

LeCompte, Rapides Parish: 318-

Miniature bulls, cows and calf,

Zebu mix, not pets, but gentle

because they are fed every day,

pictures can be seen on FB Lazy

Bear Farm LLC, prior bulls have

been sold as youth bucking

bulls, price varies from \$300-

\$600. Anthony Hebert, Denham

Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-

sire is reg. Hereford. Polled

Black Baldie, born 3/29/23,

\$1.000. Rebecca White.

623-8890.

324-8228.

\$2,300, 2-year-old Simmental

Terrebonne Parish; 985-209-

American Aberdeen Association,

Parish; 337-831-6345.

8975.

same low-birth weight Charolais

Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline

Together, \$500. Kristen Burfield,

dairy to all Brown Swiss.

Delos Thompson, Folsom,

0800

4067

Charolais bulls, \$4,400, Charolais cows, \$3,300; pairs \$4,000, Charlangus cows, \$2,200, pairs \$2,800, Open Charolais heifers, \$1,600, Charlangus heifers, \$1,600, Charlangus heifers, \$1,300. Dr. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

Registered 2-year-old Charolais Bull, Low birth weight, Semen tested, \$2,500. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-831-6345.

Registered Charolais bulls, 18 months and older, \$3,500 and up, Registered Charolais heifers, bred, \$2,500 and up, Open Charolais heifers, \$1,200 and up, Grain fed butcher calves, \$4/lb. dressed. Coy Fitch, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 337-276-5991.

DEXTER

Dexter cattle, heifers, all are running with registered A2/A2 bull and should be bred, \$450. Karen Grubb, Caldwell Parish; 318-801-3342.

Reducing Herd, 4 mini Dexters, 3 white, 1 black (heifer calf, 2 bull calves, breeding bull has had 15 offspring), whole group price \$6,000, text for pics & info. Celia Lupin, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; 504-312-8282.

HEREFORD

Registered Polled Hereford bulls, 15 months, several to choose from, excellent blood lines, extremely good epds, long, thick and very docile, all fertility tested and sound breeders, \$3,000 and up. Brent, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-253-2194.

Horned Hereford bull, great EPD's, 80# birth weight, super thick and very gentle, all shots and wormed, 19 mos. old, \$1,800 plus \$300 for registration papers, delivery available for additional charge. Laura Hughes, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-933-2997.

Reg. 4 year old Polled Hereford bull, very gentle with calves to show, \$3,500. Chris Brouillette, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-3279.

4 Registered Polled Hereford bulls, 18-20 months old, excellent quality, \$2,800-\$3,500. Jim Fannin, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish: 318-259-4535.

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND

600-800-pound Scottish

Highland bulls for, \$2.25 per pound on the hoof, 97% fat free beef, the most delicious beef in the world. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-5050.

Baby Scottish Highland calves, boys \$1,000, girls \$4,000. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-5050.

HORSES, MULES & JACKS

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

17 hands pulling mule, smaller pulling mules and riding mules, gaited paint horse 14 hands. Call for price. Robert Amons, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-452-3471.

Will provide negative Coggins at time of sale, 15-year-old shire cross mare, large horse, sweet disposition, \$2,000. Kelly Landry, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; 985-237-5160.

Foundation & Running Bred Quarter Horses, Imprint as Foals, Freeze Branded and vaccinated. \$3,500 and up. Fred Rodosta, St. Landry Parish, 337-331-3151 or 337-948-6511.

AGHA Heck No Cryin has a filly on her right now, born 7/10/2022, after colt has been weaned off of her is when you can pick her up, ask for \$1,000 deposit, \$4,000. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

AGHA Filly DOB 7/10/23, CJ Heck No Dixie off stud Peponita Figure Four and Heck No Cryin, \$2,000. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

6-year-old mini stud pony, negative Coggins, kid friendly, super gentle, \$600. Scott McDowell, Jena LaSalle Parish; 318-623-2935.

WANTED: Will buy all of your mini horses. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-5050.

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.

AGHA WYO-Blue Buddy, born July 03, 2012, blue roan stallion, Reg.#5505700, \$500/\$10 mare care. 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/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

EQUINE SERVICES

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.

Horse Boarding and training, stud service: Chestnut Sorrel stallion, working range horse, call for pricing. Lynn Olivier, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-654-1657 or 337-692-5689.

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

Horse leasing, \$300/month, min., 3-days of riding/week, 1-30 min lesson/week if desired, AlmostaRanchPettingZoo.com. Bill Bolen, Sulphur, Calcasieu Parish; 337-558-5762.

Free horse training raffle, call me and I will put your name in a jar and randomly pick a winner on April 21. Cali Chandler, Pineville, Rapides Parish; 318-446-5659.

Equine weanling/ yearling desensitization and groundwork, two-week sessions. Perry Fontenot, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-351-3844.

Honey Do Farms, Western lessons, birthday pony parties, traveling petting zoo, summer camps. Kori Schexnayder, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; 337-668-4777.

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 lota, colt starting, finishing, tuning, showing, lessons & sales prep, trained under NRHA pros Dean Brown & Terry Gatte & AQHA judge Chele McGauly, \$750/30 hay & feed included. Taryn McSpadden, lota, 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

Show supplies, ropes, halters, lead ropes, hay bags etc., make an offer. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; 318-201-0697.

Handmade nylon bull whips, \$50/ up, repair whips too. Billy Anderson, Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-592-2431.

Saddles, bridles, pads, halters, nails, anvil, shoes, rope, etc., all or part, all for \$1,000. Robert Williams, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-654-0271.

SHEEP & GOATS

Spanish cross Doelings, 1yo. Sisters, Very friendly, Sold together, \$250. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

Registered Pygmy Doeling, Born 2/22/22, \$250. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

16 goats for sale, mostly registered Boer, call for more information. Cody Wilkerson, Many, Sabine Parish; 318-379-8938.

St. Croix Hair Sheep, registered stock, female exposed to ram, buy a female get the babies free, \$300. Willie Johnson, Clinton, East Feliciana Parish; 225-802-2910 prefer text.

Young Nigerian Dwarf goats born this year, males and females, some have blue eyes, text for prices. Edsel Poole, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; 985-630-8144.

ADGA Reg. Nigerian Dwarves, bucks \$200/1-up, does \$300/1up, cheaper prices if papers aren't wanted, some with blue eyes, find M&B's Mini Farm on Facebook. Megan Bergeron, Livonia, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-223-2008.

Herd of 14 Brush Goats, 7 goats 3 years of age or younger, 7 under 6 weeks of age, no Billy, \$1,100 for the lot. William Huffman, Pollock, Grant Parish; 318-321-6316 or wlhj@hotmail. com.

Brush goats, male, female, wethers, non-binary, \$125, taking deposits on future female births. Danny Hyorth, Killian, Livingston Parish; 504-450-9350.

Kiko Goats, to 8-month-old male Kiko goats, \$125 each or \$200 for both, photos on request. Steven Lansing, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; 225-931-2856.

DOGS

Two BLK Reg. Male Labs, ready to hunt, call for pricing. J.C. Trahan, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; 337-296-6645.

OMCBA CURS, started on squirrels and breeding stock, NKC FEIST started on squirrels and breeding stock, Kennel reduction, \$100 and up. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-447-0244.

AKC Belgian Malinois Pups, Pups are super well socialized

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ARKET

and easily trained, UTD on vaccinations and microchipped, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

AKC European German Shepherd Sable Pups, both parents are working K9s, pups are super well socialized and easily trained, UTD on vaccinations and microchipped, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; 601-299-0264.

Mini Australian Shepherds,

black/white, born Dec. 15, 2023, tails docked,1 male, 2 females, \$250 each. Lisa, Merryville, Beauregard Parish; 337-462-5354.

2 yr. old AKC registered Pembroke Welsh Corgi, great work dog, wonderful personality, just can't keep him, black and white, not neutered, \$300. Tracy, Patterson, St. Mary Parish; 985-397-6407.

PB Rat Terrier Puppies, D.O.B. 10-13-2023, UTD on shots and wormed, \$350. James Winstead, Rayville, Richland Parish; 318-355-5193.

AKC BEAGLES, trained and ready to go, come watch them run in my pen before you buy, \$400/ one. Albert Poche, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-974-7888.

Heeler puppies, born Nov. 5, red and blue parents on site, \$300. AI Reames, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-721-1673.

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

Jack Russell terrier, males and females, short legs, smooth and broken coats, \$500. Debbie King, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-773-2186.

2-Month-old Yorky Terrier, CKC Breed, small bred, \$700. Donald Vidrine, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-459-5951.

Registered Mini Australian Shepherd puppies, blue merles and black tris, males and females, parents on premises, born 10/30/23 and tails have been docked and declaws removed by vet, ready for new homes 12/9/23, \$400-\$600, text for info. and pics. Nancy Cooper, Longville, Beauregard Parish; 337-794-8059.

Mini Australian Shepherd puppies, purebred but not registered, tails and dewclaws were removed by vet, born 10/31/23 and will be ready 12/9/23, one blue merle male and one black ri female, \$400 each, parents on premises, text for info. and pics. Nancy Cooper, Longville, Beauregard Parish; 337-794-8059.

Rat Terrier puppies, small type, shots & wormed, born 10/4/2023, \$250. Susie Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; 318-447-0244.

AKC Reg. Rhodesian Ridgeback, female, 4 months old, up to date on worming and shots, \$500. Shelby Hughes, Oak Grove, West Carroll Parish; 318-355-5672.

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

Great Pyrenees/ Jack Russel puppies, born 12/1/2023, \$100 each, all shots & wormed, family pets. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; 337-423-3507.

WANTED: Miniature Dachshund, red, female, puppy. Horace Crosby, Siloam Springs, AR; 479-215-7266.

SWINE

Two Kune pigs, full blooded but not registered, intact boar about 210 lbs. born 6/2022, Gilt about 30 lbs. born 4/2023, \$300 for both, or \$200 for gilt and \$100 for boar. Summer Simpson, Avoyelles Parish; 337-302-3620.

Berkshire piglets sired by registered boar, barrows & gilts \$100; 3-year-old boar and 10mth old available. Brad Bardy, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; 504-628-0936.

DOMESTICATED BIRDS

Diamond Doves, assorted colors for sale, \$30.00 each. Roger Brown, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-277-7290.

American Parakeets, **\$20/1**, Adult Cockatiels, **\$75/1**, Baby Cockatiels 3to 4 weeks to be hand fed, **\$75/1**, factory made black cage, 14"X 14"X 20", **\$20/1**. Herman Hukins, Larose, Lafourche Parish; **985-413-3891**.

Mature Peafowl, \$200 each. Jim Hatfield, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-981-2020.

6 Sun Conures, 2 pair of Quaker Parakeets, \$250 each. Donald Brown, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; 337-466-3749.

Plum Heads, beautiful, healthy, young, ready to breed, males feeding females, call for pricing. John, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; 337-414-1245.

One pair of non-related Gouldian Finches, white breast, black head, green back female; purple breast, red head, green back male, 8 months, \$200 for the pair. Diamond Doves, blue white tails, \$30 each. Donald Jacob, La Place, St. John the Baptist Parish; 985-652-6614.

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

American Parakeet's **\$25/1**, \$35pair, English Budgies \$50-\$75, Love Bird's Peach face and Black Mask all colors \$90-\$120, YOUR AD HERE



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Cockatiel's \$100. Green Quaker female's DNA \$300. Mike Lafleur, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-658-1625.

Ring Neck doves, \$5 each, Pure White doves, when available, \$10, minimum order 4 doves. Victor Dugas, St. Martinville, St. Martinville Parish; 337-258-7565.

Proven Cockatiels with cage, next box, eggs and babies, \$350 each, Kakariki pairs, \$850 each, with cage, nest box, Single Cockatiels are \$100 each. Deborah Jessup, LaCombe, St. Tammany Parish; 985-710-7126.

Hand fed Cockatiels and Lovebirds for sale, \$75-\$125. Sarah Walker, Basile, Acadia/ Evangeline Parish; 337-254-4414 or sarahwalker7@me.com.

Peacocks, Indian Blue, 1 year old male and females, \$100/ each, 3-month-old \$40/each. Robert Church, Scott, Acadia Parish; 337-873-7682.

POULTRY & FOWL

Young Red Golden Pheasants for sale, have two juvenile cocks from Spring of 2023 hatch, \$40 each. Bill Strecker, Slidell, St. Tammany Parish; 985-640-9982.

Show Quality Salmon Faverolle, hen \$30, rooster \$20, PR \$45. Randy Turner, Boyce, Rapides Parish; 318-787-5860.

Jumbo Pharoh Quail, mix colors, price depends on age.



Old English Game Bantams BB Reds, show quality birds, \$30 each. Danny Broussard, Carenco, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-7007.

Silkie Chicks, all colors, all ages, call for prices, \$10 and up. Mike Schexnaydre, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; 225-715-8123.

Big beautiful white mute swan (male), 4-years old, \$750; Peacocks, white, black, shouldered, pied, young and healthy \$65-\$85/1. Mark Lumetta, Amite Parish; 504-451-6655.

Pullets, Rhode Island Red, Lavender Orphington, Wyandottes, Leghorns,Bantams, and others, \$10 and up. Greg LaFleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-831-0889.

2023 hatch Wood Ducks, \$50/ pr., extra males, \$25 each, female gadwalls, \$25 each, Pintails, \$60. Russell Bourgeois, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 985-397-0070.

Barnyard mix, \$10, Roosters, \$5, Pure Bred Hens, \$20, Goden Buff (ISO) pullets, 9 months old, \$20. Tracey Wagley, Rapides Parish; 318-664-5131.

Pharoah quail egg, \$.20, Pickled egg, \$.15, an egg day old \$1.25, 2-week-old, \$1.25. Blaise Sonnier, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; 337-856-5884.

Turkeys- 8 months old, female and male, \$45/each. David





McElwee, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-658-4426.

Rare Cotton Patch Geese, need to go due to health issues, pairs are \$150 or \$800 for all. Penny Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; 337-396-5051.

Exhibition Black Rose comb Bantams, Rick Hare stock, \$25 each. Kelly McMullan, Princeton, Bossier Parish; 318-453-6569.

Java Green peafowl, \$850/pair, Black Shouldered Peafowl, \$200/pair, Reeve Pheasants, \$150/pair, Grey Jungle fowl, \$200/pair. Tim Bora, Princeton, Bossier Parish; 252-455-6601.

Orpington Roosters, 4 months, \$10/each. Robert Church, Scott, Acadia Parish; 337-873-7682.

Lady Gouldian finches, selling out, (6) cages with nest boxes, (6) breeding pairs, several colors, not sold separately, \$975. Mark Lumetta, Amite Parish; 504-451-6655.

Red Jungle fowl, \$20/1 or \$10 each if you buy 15, Cotton Patch geese, \$150/pair or all 8 for \$500, Muscovy ducks, 4 months, the black with white spectrum, \$10 for drakes, \$15 for hens. Penny Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; 337-390-9108.



Baby Chicks for sale, Lavender Orpingtons \$5/each, Black Copper Marans, \$5/each, Fertile eggs, \$20 per dozen. Timmy Dumatrait, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; 337-296-6021.

PIGEONS

Yellow Homers pigeons, \$10 each. James Soileau, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-4379.

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.

Racing homers, some white grizzle, \$10/1. Penny Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; 337-396-5051.

Homing Pigeon, blue bars, Black eagles, young and some 4 years, have too many, \$20 for one. A. Savoy Jr., Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-400-6577.

EGGS

Farm fresh chicken eggs, Free range, Cage free, \$4/dz. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

Quail eggs for sale, fresh eggs, 15 cents each, Fertile eggs, 20 cents each, Pickled eggs, \$8 per jar. Timmy Dumatrait, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; 337-296-6021.

Extra-large white leghorn farm fresh eggs, \$4 per dozen, call for info. If no answer, leave a message or text. Goldie Hebert, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-319-6538.

Rhode Island Red, Black Australorp, Ameraucana, \$4 dozen fertile eggs. Kerry Reviere, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; 225-235-2482.

Chicken eggs for sale \$2/ dozen. Becky Clay, Pollock, Grant Parish; 318-451-3554.

RABBITS

Mini Rex Rabbits, does and bucks, handled daily, breeding stock, show and pet quality, \$25-\$75 each, all colors, great for 4H, can text. Sherry Kitchens, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; 225-337-0195.

New Zealand Meat does and bucks, 9 months old, \$25/1, Nether Dwarfs, breeding does and bucks, \$30/1, and Rabbit Hutchs, call for prices and pictures. Daniel R. Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

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.

WANTED: Pure Californian rabbits and Tamuk rabbits. Joey Landry, Jeanerette, St. Mary Parish; 337-380-1984.

AQUACULTURE

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

550 Pond Crawfish traps with 12" neck extensions made from heavy gauge coated wire, only used 2 seasons, \$9.50 each. Wyatt Berthelot, Addis, West Baton Rouge Parish; 225-620-6525.

FARM SERVICES

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.

Pecan cracking, and blowing, same day service, appointment if out of town for better service, proper equipment for all sizes and Elliot Pecans, call for pricing. Gene Domingue, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 337-962-8659.

We do architectural shingles for \$350 per square, call Lattie Martin, 225-405-9858. 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.

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Forestry mulching, land

clearing, storm debris removal, junk removal, bush hogging, gravel work, call for pricing and availability. Jonathan Williams, Albany, Livingston Parish; 985-750-9977.

Custom plowing for hire, up to 30 acres, call for more information. Joseph or Patrick, Jennings, Acadia Parish; 337-526-8826 or 337-526-8825.

Cattle/livestock hauling from Evangeline Parish to Opelousas or Kinder, call for price. Kendall Fontenot, Evangeline Parish; 337-459-1634. Stump grinding and ISA certified arborist, consulting, Lic. AR1873. James Bourgeois, 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, pipe, 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.

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

WANTED: Seeking experienced

full-time Farm Manager to manage overall operation of privately owned, 1,500-acre, hunting and farming operation in Louisiana, please send resume to resumes@mpwproperties. com. William Mills, St. Landry Parish; 337-232-1438.

WANTED: T. Moise Farms is

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

LIVESTOCK BOARDING

Custom built horse wash holding rack, text for picture, \$300. Ted Smith, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-308-6506.

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

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

Dirt, river silt, and topsoil available to deliver, 7 days a week, pricing depends on distance travelled, call for more info. Mike Beard, Sunshine, Iberville Parish; 225-716-1781.

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Bennie's Pressure washing, serving the Baton Rouge and surrounding areas, free estimates, houses, barns, driveway, pool decks, insured. Bennie Martin, Livingston Parish; 225-287-3878.

Land clearing, dirt work, excavator work, bush hogging, mulching, culvert setting, small or big jobs, call for estimate. Rick Hardee, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; 337-249-9500.

Forestry mulching, debris clean up, stump grinding and dirt work, will travel, free estimates and reasonable rates. Grizzly Land Services LLC, Quitman, Jackson Parish; 318-533-5097.

For RENT-7-ft till drill, \$100 deposit plus \$8/acre plus \$20/day; feral hog trapping equipment w/camera, \$150 deposit plus \$100/mth. St. Martin Soil & Water Cons. Dist., Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; 337-332-2910, ext. 3.

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.

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.

Stump grinding, Baton Rouge & surrounding area/parishes, call or text with pictures for details. Peter O'Neal, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; 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, track hoe, backhoe & tractor work, \$1,000 minimum, state licensed, insured/ bonded. George Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; 225-405-5229

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

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

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

Proof of ownership may be required. Property must be personally owned by seller and not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker, or salesman.

15 acres on Comite River, quiet cul-de-sac. Tony Templet, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

25 acres, pastureland, home with 3 beds, 1 bath, 1, 40x20 SSB, 1-30x20 hay barn, 1 small storage shed, 1- 30x40 welding hop, located Duson rural area, APP only, \$345,000. Steven Breaux, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 337-257-5206 text only.

RURAL PROPERTY FOR LEASE

Proof of ownership may be required. Property must be personally owned by seller and not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker, or salesman.

463 acres of rice land for rent, \$75/acre in Vermilion Parish, highway 82. John Miller, Lafayette, Vermilion Parish; 208-354-3571.

FERTILIZER

SCALES - Any person selling goods by weight or creating packages of commodities to be labeled by net weight must use a legal-for-trade scale. This scale must be registered annually with LDAF Weights & Measures. Call 225-925-3780 or email weightsinfo@ldaf.state.la.us for more information. **Ag lime, \$32/ton. Brent** Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; call 985-515-6655.

Compost Cow manure, \$40 a yard. Brent Duncan, Washington Parish; 985-515-6655.

We spread chicken litter by the 18-wheeler load, \$ varies by how many loads you buy and your location, call for pricing. 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.

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. state.la.us for more information.

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Malpighia Coccigera (West Indian Holly) 4" pots, cutting grown in sun, excellent for bonsai, also Ulmus Parvifolia Seiju, tiny lead elm 4' pots, \$10. James Georgusis, Metairie, Jefferson Parish; 504-388-2058.

WANTED: 2-3 lbs. of velvet bean seed. Jimmie Newsom, Kelly, Caldwell Parish; 318-953-4237.

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.

Grafted pears my own varieties, hybrid mayhaws, grafted apples, blueberries, exclusive Pink Lemonade blueberry, thornless blackberries, cypress trees and more in 3-gallon pots, \$12/1. Lee Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-320-4478.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

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WANTED: Looking for some

Louisiana variety of white and green Mirliton seed, not Mexican Coyote please, anyone having or knowing anyone who has please contact. Michael Dugas, Plattenville, Assumption Parish; 985-992-0660.

WANTED: Wild black cherries

by the gallon. Al Duhe, Slidell, St. Tammany Parish; 504-329-0052, or alduhe@cox.net.

HAY & GRAIN

Jiggs Bermuda, 3rd cutting, clean, 4x5 Round bales, call for pricing. Bryan Payne, Lafayette Parish; 337-349-4173.

Mix 30 Liquid Cow Feed, \$1.95/ gallon delivered. Kevin Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston Parish; 225-337-3312.

2023 Alicia Bermuda square bales, \$800/bale. Blaine Leger, lota, Acadia Parish; 337-781-9929.

3- Grain carts, 2- tristate 250 & 350 bu., 1-Rayne Grain 250bu., all in good condition, all \$3,000. 2 combine sieves for JD 95, \$250 for both. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

Top quality Alfalfa for sale, from Arizona, 3 string bales approx., 100 lbs. each, \$30 a bale, located between Opelousas and Church Point, call for directions. Crystal Moore, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 254-721-0242.

Roasted soybeans, \$500/ton. Donovan Mire, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; 225-931-5964.

4x5 Net wrap, rolls rice, straw baled, 9-12-2023, \$35/roll. Blaine Leger, lota, Acadia Parish; 337-781-9929.

Taking Orders: 2023 Bermuda square bales \$9 per bale in the field or \$10 per bale in the barn. Call, email, or text. Bob Murphy, Acadia Parish, 337-230-5634, big_country1967@yahoo.com.

TRACTORS

(3) Antique Tractors, Allis

Chalmers 1949 Model B. John

Deere "Poppin John," \$1,000

for all 3. must take all. Kevin C.

Whetstone, Rayville, Richland

2019 Kubota L3901, 439 hrs.,

open cab w/cover. one owner.

Peter Broussard, Church Point,

JD 3020 diesel, side console.

excellent condition. good tires.

pump rebuild, new water pump,

new batteries, new role bar and

recent clutch and injection

radiator, temp gauge and 2

canopy, \$9,750. Renee Britt,

Mount Hermon, Washington

12 John Deere Model D, the

years range from 1935-1950,

none are running, and Farmall

regular thinks it's in the 1920w.

no wheels, no hood, from \$800-

\$2,000. Jimmy Bass, Longville,

Beauregard Parish; 337-661-

11 ft. oil field bed with 25-ton

winch and gin poles, \$1,500,

John Deere Model H electric

Model G, pulling tractor,

5045D John Deere, 40

start, \$1,600, 1947 John Deere

\$6,000. David Bass, Longville,

Beauregard Parish; 337-396-

horsepower, 2-wheel drive, 6'

dish, 6' bush hog, \$21,500. Joe

Nichols, Delhi, Franklin Parish;

(2) 16.9-30 R-1 lug rear tractor

New Holland rims, \$250 each,

both for \$400. Anthony Taulli,

Marrero, Jefferson Parish: 504-

(5) 10-16 tri-rib, (1) 10-16 five

rib, (1) 1 1L-16 tractor tires all

JD 6600, 105 hp, 4x4 AG

rubber, great shape, asking

\$47,500 OBO. Myron Mayard,

Calcasieu Parish; 337-274-8405.

n Ford New Holland rims, \$75

each. make offer on all. Anthony

Taulli, Marrero, Jefferson Parish:

tractor with loader, bucket, and

hay spear, cab has cold air, good

tires, 80% rubber on Ford

9638.

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318-498-1559.

756-6830.

504-756-6830.

Parish: 601-757-6055.

St. Landry Parish; 409-291-2262.

excellent condition, \$17,000.

w/loader, 4X4, shuttle shift,

Chalmers 952 D-17, Allis

Parish: 318-381-2900.

Ford tractor with frontend loader, gas rebuilt head, new carb, call for more info. Lawrence Camille, Washington Parish; 985-259-5019.

Sold cows don't need tractor, 2021 Mahindra 4 wheeled drive loader, bucket, hay spear, 79 hours, like new, with canopy, \$23,400. Louis Cook, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; 318-925-0916.

140 International, high clearance, some tools for front toolbar, runs good, \$4,000. Mike Schexnaydre, Praireville, Ascension Parish; 225-715-8123.

(2) 15.5-38 R-1 lug rear tractor tires, 80% rubber on John Deere rims, \$500 for both. Richard Stein, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; 337-380-0178.

4030 Kubota tractor, good shape, \$8,000. W.J. Mims, Calhoun, Ouachita Parish; 318-644-2236.

International

1066-1566-cylinder head with cover \$300; Flywheel \$500; Injector pump with lines \$600; Radiator \$300; front axle \$200. David VanMol, Rapides Parish; 318-308-4829.

John Deere mud hog, \$750 obo; Case I H 4800 vib-shank \$3,000; Wil-rich 40-foot bed leveler \$7,000; Silage wagon \$1,000. David VanMol, Rapides Parish; 318-308-4829.

2910 Ford Diesel Tractor, 2,200 hours, 6' Bushhog, 5' disk, Tool Bar with Hippers and small plow tools, all sold as one will not separate, \$11,500. Charles Seal, Oakdale, Allen Parish; 318-729-8600.

2 complete International 414 engines, \$800 each, \$1,500 for both. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

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

WANTED: Front mount tractor weights 50lbs-100lbs each. Robert Roy, Avoyelles Parish; 318-563-9111

WANTED: Looking for used Caterpillar 518 logging skidder, units can be running or not. Paul Triche, Luling, St. Charles Parish; 985-722-4947.

WANTED: One wheel plow hoss or plow mule in good condition. Millard Monk, Leesville, Vernon Parish; 337-238-1886.

CUTTERS & MOWERS

Yazoo front deck riding mower model YHRLK 20 – 20HP Kohler Magnum engine, low hours, 48" cut, very good condition, \$800. Ursin Rodrigue, St. John Parish; 225-806-3784.

Shredder Gearbox, blade hanger and pto shaft, \$200. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; 318-305-1705.

10' Bushhog Brand, extra heavy duty, two trailing wheels in rear for quick hitch or 3-point hitch, \$2,250. Larry Bordelon, Rapids, Alexandria Parish; 318-452-8767.

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

15' John Deere batwing cutter, deck is in very good condition, needs drive shaft and other repairs, \$3,000. Greg LaFleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-831-0889.

Alamo flail mower, 6 ft., good condition, extra blades to go with it, \$1,500. Danny Doucet, Washington, St. Landry Parish; 337-945-5294.

12' Batwing mower, PTO drive, hydraulic raise, lower, fold, Land Pride Series 7 RC3712, gently used, kept under cover, text for pictures, \$10,000. Warren Singer, Angie, Washington Parish; 225-715-1707.

Bush hog FTH 720 grooming mower, for parts or repair, deck needs work, \$175 OBO, John Deere 5ft. rotary mower from early'60s for parts or repair,

\$175 OBO. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

JD 15ft. Batwing mower, new deck, needs a little work, Model 1517, \$4,000. Michael Boone, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; 318-613-6505.

10' Bush Hog Heavy Duty, single deck rotary mower, 3pt. hitch, gear boxes, drives, wheels, and hydraulics in good condition, deck and frame needs work, for parts or repair, \$1,200 OBO. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

JD-10 ft. cutter, 1000 PTO, 3-point hook up, great shape asking \$5,500 OBO. Myron Mayard, Calcasieu Parish; 337-274-8405.

WANTED: 3 pt. attached sickle bar mower with hydraulic fold. Steve Rome, Gross Tete, Iberville Parish; 225-268-0663.

PLANTING & TILLAGE

A one row, 2 middle busters on a 3-point lift, \$300. Billy, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-229-5162.

Troy-Bilt Garden Tiller, excellent condition, \$500. Clovis Hagan, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; 225-715-4665.

16' heavy duty disc plow, Taylor-Way, 24" disc blades, very good plow, good tires, \$4,000. Norman Young, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; 337-303-3385.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

John Deere 7700 Combine final drives, \$500 each, 3-propane tanks, \$999. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Point Coupee Parish; 225-405-6965.

2003 JD 9650 Walker machine, 4-wheel drive straw chopper, big tires, lots of new parts, shed kept, \$39,000. Patrick Klein, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-517-0757.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

WesternDorf 3-point forklift, with hay spear and receiver hitch, can double stack hay or unload trailers, \$1,600. Danny Doucet, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; 337-309-0769.

3-Point reversible dirt scoop, \$300, Billy, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-229-5162.

S, S, fertilizer Buggy, ground driven with tarp, \$2,500. Bobby G. Denton, Jena, La Salle Parish; 318-992-4504.

W&A 8-row hippers w/ Ortham row markers, \$2,000; Taylorway (8)-row cultivator, 5-plow 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.

Danuser heavy duty post driver, fit 3-point hitch, hydraulic, will drive up to 7" posts, can text pictures, \$400. Donald Richardson, Chatham, Jackson Parish; 318-471-1627.

3pt. Middle buster, like new, \$200, 3pt. hay forks, \$150. Greg LaFleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-831-0889.

Cattle guard, 7'x13' R.R. Rails, no wings, \$400, cement pipe 3-16"x3', \$15 each, cement pipe 4-24"x4", \$30 each. Vince, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-878-4571.

Hydraulic ram from large plow, \$85. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

2015 John Deere 485A backhoe attachment w/2 buckets, in great shape, fits 3320-3720, 4120-4520, and 5000 series tractors, photos upon request, \$6,850. Rene Escuriex, Acadia Parish: 337-654-9584.

Pallet fork for front end loader, rarely used, \$800. Jim Varnado, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; 225-222-6343.

6' disc choppers, \$1,800. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; 337-962-1953.

WANTED: 24' +/- drag or spike tooth harrow with cultipacker for deer food plots. Martin Bienvenu, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-247-3152.

WANTED: Used T-posts. Ken Eversull, Boyce, Rapides Parish; 318-792-1628.

HAY EQUIPMENT

10 Wheel hay rake, shed kept, ready to go, made by National, \$3,500. James, Bossier Parish; 318-560-2625.

Fella SM320, shed kept, cutter conditioner 10ft wide, ready to go, \$10,000 obo. James, Bossier Parish; 318-560-2625.

Vermeer 605I hay roller with Accu-Bale monitor, shed kept, ready to go, 5x5 bales, 3,200 bales on monitor, \$7,000 obo. James, Bossier Parish; 318-560-2625.

Worksaver Hydraulic bale fork, 3pt., CAT 2, lifts round bales, 6-7ft., above ground level, \$1,200, 3pt. quick hitch, round bale spear, \$150. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-277-3932.

565 New Holland square baler, excellent condition, baled less than 10,000 bales, \$4,500. Douglas Madden, Saline, Natchitoches Parish; 318-471-1157.

JD model 556 hay roller, new tires, all bearings on pickup replaced, hydraulic string tie only and bale kicker, gathering wheels, makes 5'X5' rolls, bale monitor works, \$4,500, leave message. Danny Jones, Florien, Sabine Parish; 318-586-4225.



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CERTIFIED DELICIOUS RECIPES



PECAN PARMESAN CRUSTED TILAPIA

Submitted by Natalie Rabeaux of Guidry Organic Farms

Ingredients:

½ cup Guidry's Organic Pecans, chopped in food processor
¼ cup shredded Parmesan cheese
1 slice of bread
1½ tablespoon dried rosemary
½ tablespoon dried thyme
½ tablespoon lemon pepper
1 tablespoon white onion flakes
Dash salt
2-3 tilapia filets
2 tablespoons Guidry's Organic Pecan Oil

Instructions:

Toast Bread in the oven on 350°F for about 5-7 minutes until firm but not toasted and then cut into cubes. In a food processor, pulse the pecans until finely ground. Remove pecans and place in medium bowl. In the food processor add cheese, bread, and rosemary. Pulse until bread is ground and everything is combined. Add to the bowl with the pecans. Add thyme, lemon pepper, white onion flakes, and salt and mix everything together until well combined. In a separate bowl, crack and whisk the egg. Pat the tilapia filet dry and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Dip the filet into the egg to coat and then dip the egg-coated tilapia into the breading, generously coat. In a skillet, add pecan oil and heat over medium heat. Once heated, cook the tilapia for about 3-4 minutes on each side or until flaky.

www.guidryorganicfarms.com





PASTA CREOLE (CHICKEN OR SHRIMP)

Submitted by Curvy Creole

Ingredients:

pound of shrimp or chicken
 pints whipping cream
 onion, diced
 stalk onion top, diced
 stick butter
 tablespoon cayenne pepper
 tablespoon garlic powder
 tablespoon onion powder
 dry/fresh parsley, chopped
 tablespoon seasoning all
 packs pasta (bow tie or thin spaghetti)
 block Velveeta cheese, shredded
 can sweetened condensed milk

Instructions:

In large boiling pot, add pasta and boil about 10 minutes or until cooked. Once cooked and drained, remove from pot until later. In large cooking pot, add stick of butter, diced onions, and onion tops. Stir with butter and cook down. In bowl add chicken (cut into smaller pieces) or shrimp and season and add parsley. Once mixed add to pot with butter and onions. Stir in chicken or shrimp to golden brown. (You may add a little water while stirring if chicken or shrimp begins to stick.) Once chicken or shrimp is cooked. Add whipping cream 1 pint at a time and reduce fire to low heat. Continue to stir mixture together. Sauce should start to thicken up. If too thick add water. (Careful not to add too much. You want your sauce thick). Now add sweet condensed milk and continue to stir on low heat. Continue to stir sauce and now you are ready to add shredded Velveeta cheese into sauce. (You should add about 1 cup of shredded Velveeta cheese. You may add more or less depending on if you like cheese, or you can leave the cheese out completely if you like.) Once you have mixed the cheese in and the sauce is well blended, turn off heat. Add noodles that have already been cooked and mix well. You are now ready to serve and enjoy.





KARY'S SHRIMP JAMBALAYA

Submitted by Kary's Roux and Bar-B-Q Sauce

Ingredients:

1 box Kary's Jambalaya mix 2¹/₃ cups water 1 pound shrimp, peeled and deveined 10 ounces tomatoes with green chilies

Instructions:

In a rice cooker, add water, seasoning packet and rice from Kary's Jambalaya Mix, shrimp, and tomatoes with green chilies. Stir and turn on rice cooker. Allow rice cooker to cook until done. Once done cooking, stir and serve.

www.karysroux.com

PIRATE'S PUNCH

Submitted by New Orleans Distillers, LLC

Ingredients:

1 cup pineapple juice
1 cup orange juice
¼ cup New Orleans Distillers Aged Rum
¼ cup New Orleans Distillers Rum
½ cup grenadine

Garnish: Pineapple and cherries

Instructions:

Mix everything together in a pitcher and serve over crushed ice.









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New Holland roll-belt round baler, new belts, hay saver

wheels, have beits, hay saver wheels, bale ramp, field ready, less than 500 bales, \$15,900. Renee Britt, Mount Hermon, Washington Parish; 601-757-6055.

WANTED: Looking for a used

283 New Holland baler. Lawrence Thompson Jr., Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; 337-578-5304.

CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

32-Foot aluminum extension ladder, new, \$350, paid \$500. Charles Longino, Natchitoches, Natchitoches Parish; 318-715-4814.

3126 7.2L CAT Engine, 168 K miles, 2001-year model, runs good, In school bus, you pull it, \$3,700. Jason McDowell, Trout, LaSalle Parish; 318-715-5538.

Equipment Matt materials: plates, all thread rods, nuts, and more, \$500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

20'x20'x6'6" Shipping container Canopy Shelter, Gold Mountain C2020, 2x Available, Brand New in crate, \$2,500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

20'x30'x12' Arch Storage Shelter, Gold Mountain S203012R, 2x Available, brand new in crate, \$3,000. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

20'x30' Arch Wall Peak Ceiling Storage Shelter, TMG-ST2031P, Brand New in Crate, \$2,750. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

30'x40' Peak Roof Shelter for Sea Can, TMG-ST3040CVF, Brand New in crate, \$3,500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

Honda GX 270 8.5hp gas engine, New in box, \$500. Kristen Burfield, Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-3604.

SBX 720 BUSH HOG brand, 6 ft box blade, excellent condition, \$850. Louis Edwards, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-419-9315.

JET JDM-18, Vertical Bench drill and milling machine, w/h 21 bits used, good working condition, \$1,150. Aaron Slayter, Colfax, Grant Parish; 318-652-8107.

Fiat Allis motor grader, everything works, motor strong; \$6,000. James C Womack, Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-978-5605.

Ceramic business in Duson, 3 kilns, small, medium, large, all furniture, included about 1200 mods, paint, poring table, need a pump, \$15,000. Bonnie Decker, Duson, Lafayette Parish; 337-257-6705. **300 ft. 3" sewage PVC pipe,** 1,000 ft. 1 ½ light wall PVC 3", \$18 for 10 ft. joint 1½, \$8 for 8-10 ft. joint. Rhett Dugas, St. Landry, Evangeline Parish; 225-571-6386.

Peter Wright Anvil, \$300. Michael Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; 337-356-6693.

Drill Stem 30' joints, \$2 a foot. Regular pipe 20' joints \$1.50 a foot. John Falcon, Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish; 225-717-0296.

WANTED: Cattle gap, RR track, or steel pipe construction, 3 P.H. dirt scoop, 5' or 6' box scraper, 5' or 6' disk with greaseable hubs. Robert M. LeMaster, Summit, Pike County; 601-248-8843.

FARM TRUCKS

2018 Dodge Ram SLT, 3/4 ton,4x4, four-door, 195,000 miles,6.7-liter diesel engine, great work truck, Gooseneck hook up, Call for pricing. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6200.

2005 Chevy Duramax 2500 HD, crew cab, 4x4, gooseneck hitch, 300,000 miles, \$5,000. Kenneth Andries, LeCompte, Rapides Parish: 318-452-6414.

Steel Flatbed for truck, 7 feet long with 2' Dovetail 8 feet wide, fold down ides, two toolboxes, currently on 2003 Chevy 3500, \$3,400 OBO. Marlon Mitchell, Downsville, Union Parish; 318-348-0757.

Ford F250, 04, diesel, 4x4, crew, 350,000 miles, bad motor, \$2,600, Toyota Tundra 06, 4x4, crew, 186,000 miles, bad motor, \$2,000. Buddy Elliott, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; 225-324-6843.

TRAILERS, WAGONS, & EQUIPMENT

Wagon with brakes and 2 sets of harnesses (Double or Single) Horse, mule, or truck. Wagon and Harnesses, \$2,500. John Greene, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-5351 or maykay57@gmail.com.

20' Gooseneck Flatbed Trailer.

5' dovetail, tandem axle, new floor and good tires, \$6,000. V. Humphries, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-654-4962 or 225-937-6625.

Vintage Amish-made, double seating wagon with single hitch tee. Budweiser cast iron horse wagon, 2 hitch tees, \$4,500 each. Ken Scott, Angie.

\$4,500 each. Ken Scott, Angie, Washington Parish; 985-750-0901.16'x6'6" Utility trailer,

2-3,500lbs axles, ramps and spare tire, 2" Bull Dog Hitch and jack, clean title, \$1,000 firm. S. Webb, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; 337-254-2265.

Reese's fifth wheel hitch for back of pickup truck, \$150.

Joseph Zito, Holden, St. Helena Parish; 225-777-5054.

2000 Sundowner, full living quarters, 3 horse trailer, \$40,000. Joseph Zito, Holden, St. Helena Parish; 225-777-5054.

18-ft utility trailer, electric brakes, \$2,500. Tony Templet, Baton Rouge, EBR Parish; 225-356-2094.

1999 Featherlite 4-horse slant model 8534, \$13,000 obo. Steve Billings, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; 337-692-2456.

Refrigerator trailer, 14-foot box on trailer, therm. king unit, \$4,000. Wayne Descant, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; 318-964-5125.

WANTED: Used, clean, bumper pull, aluminum, for horse or cow trailer. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; 318-548-5050.

SEWING & FABRIC

Sewing Machine Brand Name Model #877093 treadle type, FREE. Shirley LaCaze, Natchitoches, Natchitoches Parish; 318-540-7167.

Feather mattresses, (2) Vintage, handmade, blue striped ticking, clean, excellent condition, \$400 each. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

Passap duomatic, 80 knitting machine, legs, parts, books, \$450. Elaine LaRive, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; 337-233-5320.

CRAFTS & WOODWORK

Custom made Wood Duck boxes, \$70 each. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia/Evangeline Parish; 337-254-4414 or andywalker5967@gmail.com.

Cypress Wood Duck nesting boxes, \$50/1, predator guards, \$30/1. Greg Vidrine, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; 337-230-7295.

Cypress mantle, \$300. Tony Templet, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-356-2094.

Cypress chest handmade with 1x lumber, 36"x24"x22" high, \$300, Vintage cypress columns (3) 6' tall, tapered 8"-10"" diameter, \$200 each, Vintage cypress doors (10), \$400 each, Vintage cypress windows, (12) some panes missing on a few, great for restoration, \$50 each, long leaf pine 2x6 rafters, \$4 board foot. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

Peacock eye feathers, large and

small, tall and short, great for vases, centerpieces and Mardi Gras masks, \$1 each. Becky Clay, Grant Parish; 318-451-3554.

Homebrew Equipment, 5 corny kegs, 4 glass carboys, capper misc. equip., 200+ empty bottles, text or call, \$300 for all. Sarah Bailly, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-831-1551.

LUMBER & SAWING

Creosote Timbers for sale, \$10 per foot, negotiable if you are interested in all, size available is 6x14x20, please do not leave a message on phone. Sonny Bennett, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-969-0001.

Black walnut lumber & mantles, pictures available, call for pricing. David Wood, Bossier City, Bossier Parish; 318-553-3703.

36 inch X 36 foot sawmill with 30HP Deutz diesel engine, \$17,000. Edger with 25HP Briggs and end table, \$4,000. Winston Vidrine, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; 337-789-1721.

Cypress Lumber, 1xs and 2xs, various lengths and widths, nails removed, clean, dry, kept in shed, great for paneling, cabinets, furniture, and crafts, \$4 board foot. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

Portable band sawmills and other equipment for sale, we're the Louisiana dealer for Hudson Forest Equipment, call if you want to come by and try out a sawmill, mills \$3,000 and up. Dan Enterkin, Jena, LaSalle Parish; 318-312-1882.

Cypress, cedar, and pine lumber milled with portable sawmill, cheap, call for pricing. Donald Richardson, Chatham, Jackson Parish; 318-471-1627.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

Out-of-business sale, all rabbit cages, feeders, automatic watering system regulator, cages may be bought separately, \$1,000 or best offer. Godfred Schexnayder, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; 985-859-8230.

10'x14' galvanized shed, slant roof, 8" galvanized C channel walls and sides and rafters, 3"x3" galvanized bottom frame, metallic roof, corrugated tin walls, \$3,500. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6200.

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318-992-4504.

3-pt hitch b' disc, old but good, \$200; 7' Harrow drag brand, harrow used one time, \$300. Lee, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-981-7819 or 985-320-4478, www.theamazeingtrace.com.

Chicken Coop, 4'x8'x6' tall, \$1,000, Hutches for chickens, quail, or pigeons, \$400 and \$300, Brooder cages, 3'x8' and

4'x8', all have treated lumber and red sheet metal, call for pricing. Daniel R. Gaspard, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; 337-789-5478.

(100) Creosote used fence posts, 6ft., \$2 each. Tommy

Montgomery, Lottie, Pointe Coupee Parish; 225-718-5724.

Heavy Duty plastic feed box, never used, 21" deep, 41" wide, 49" long, \$300. Joseph Zito, Holden, St. Helena Parish; 225-777-5054.

Custom made sheet metal

nesting boxes for parrots, also custom-made sheet metal rays for parrots and rabbit cages, prices range from \$20-\$150 depending on nesting boxes. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia/ Evangeline Parish; 337-254-4414 or andywalker5967@gmail.com.

PTO driven spray pump with

intake and spray hoses and spray nozzle, \$45, Plastic feed lick tubs (40), many with covers, \$4 each, PVC field pipes, 8" and 10" diameters, 6'-8' lengths, \$1 per ft. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

WANTED: 1-ton portable bulk bin in good condition (Livestock Feeding Equipment). JS Venable, St. Landry Parish; 337-

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Vintage milk can, 8 gal.,

galvanized, \$100, vintage feather pillows (6), homemade, \$50 each, Mule drawn single plows, need handles, \$50, horse collars, wooden and metal hames, \$10 each, burrow packing saddle tree, \$50, vintage cypress swing for 2, \$200, vintage hand crank corn sheller, \$125, screen doors (3), \$75 each. Wayne Couvillon, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; 337-652-6919.

Hurricane fence wire, (2) 50ft. rolls by 48 inches, heavy duty, total 100 ft., \$50. Claude Sellers, Lafayette Parish; 337-298-4750.

Plow 3 point works with 3-point hitch, \$75. Claude Sellers, Lafayette Parish; 337-298-4750.

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Old Hay rake, 8ft., horse drawn or tractor, good condition, \$250. Claude Sellers, Lafayette Parish; 337-298-4750.

Horse drawn planter, corn and bean seed late, \$125. Claude Sellers, Lafayette Parish; 337-298-4750.

Steel Pipe for sale, 12-inch, 14inch, 16-inch, 20-inch, 24-inch, 30-inch, 36-inch, 48-inch steel pipe, call for price. Dan Roque, Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish; 318-201-1715.

WANTED: 50-gallon plastic barrels, either clamp lid, screw to or closed bung top. Robert LeMaster, Summit, Pike County; 601-684-4540.

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Tiffin Motor home 200 model, 50,000 miles, 35' long diesel pusher, lots of extras, \$25,000. Carl E. Barr, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; 318-455-3551.

1999 Beaver motor home, 40foot, diesel, 350 HP, caterpillar, 116,000 miles, \$19,000. Gene Lindner, Belle Chase, Plaquemine Parish; 504-427-9014.

1996 Holiday Rambler, motor home, runs well, everything works, 36ft. long, kept under roof, 50,000 miles, \$10,000. Joe Kimble, Ethel, East Feliciana Parish; 225-326-9112.

Deer hunting club near Pearl River, St. Tammany Parish, \$1,200/year and 598 acres, deer, hogs, turkey, rifle & archery hunting, camping allowed. KJ Lodrigue, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; 985-789-1000 or lease@kjun.us.

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(1) Polaris 2 VO5, 800 V Twin 4-wheeler, completely redone, lifted, tires, wheels, good condition \$5,500 OBO. (1) set of 4 Outlaw tires with Polaris wheels and lug nuts, tire size 28x9.5x14 and 28x11x14, excellent condition, \$1,200 OBO. John Falcon, Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish; 225-717-0296.

WANTED: Kawasaki mule 3010 motor and parts. Jim Smith, Stonewall, Desota Parish; 318-218-9690.

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S+W C/C .45 Cal, new, \$475; S+W 357 MODEL 19-4, excellent, \$475; S+W S/S 357 mod. 66, great, \$500; S+W Chrome 357 mod. 66, excellent, \$500. Gary Horne, Oakdale, Allen Parish; 318-335-5251.

PSE Precision edge, 100c, 65%

let off, never shot after restringing last year, arrows, broadheads, new bow case, complete setup, \$150 obo. Daniel Tonagel, Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish; 985-264-0445.

Remington Model 700 BDL 270, left-handed, \$700. Paul Gil, Patterson, St. Mary Parish; 985-397-6407.

WANTED: Old 410 paper shotgun shells, any shot, Super X, Remington, Peters and Federal brands. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-335-7834.

WANTED: Broken older Benjamin and Sheridan pellet guns, Model 312,317,310, 1950-1960. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; 225-335-7834.

BOATS

1997 14ft Flat Boat, 25HP, w/ trailer, aluminum steering

console, pulling pipes, 30ft trawl and boards, ropes, \$2,000. Gary, Barataria, Jefferson Parish; 504-615-4334.

2017 18' Alweld, 40HP, Tohatsu center console, trolling motor, live fish well, rigged out for fishing, \$22,500. Irvin Nugent, Iowa, Calcasieu Parish; 337-304-1039.

2013 14ft. Tracker aluminum boat trailer and 9.8 Nissan outboard, \$4,000. Michael Boone, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; 318-613-6505.

Two-man Water Moccasin Pirogue rigged out for duck hunting, variable speed trolling motor, and stick steering, \$1,100 firm. Ernie Bruce, Downsville, Union Parish; 318-366-4524.

Carolina Skiff, 16ft, 25hp, seats, troll motor, and trailer, good condition, ready to use, \$3,500. D. Aguillard, Evangeline Parish; 337-363-3427.

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industry sees financial impact from drought, wildfires

By Colin Vedros, www.kalb.com

The timber industry in Louisiana suffered major losses as a result of weeks-long wildfires and ongoing drought. Most of the damage comes from Vernon Parish and surrounding areas, where timber normally thrives.

"It's very important," said Dustin Robison, procurement manager for WD Clips. "I mean most of the jobs here in Vernon Parish are either somewhere dealing with the timber industry, whether you're logging or at a mill or something like that."

WD Chips produces hardwood chips and pine chips to make paper, but because of the lack of rainfall mixed with wildfires, the mill saw water levels get critically low. Robison said it is something the mill has never experienced.

"We've seen dry weather before, but we've never seen it this prolonged," Robison said. "I mean, even the guys that are way older than me have been doing it a long time, more than me. They've never experienced anything like this."

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) reports \$71 million lost in wildfire damage this year. Across the state, the timber industry as a whole lost approximately \$325 million to \$350 million. LDAF Commissioner Dr. Mike Strain said about half of the losses in the timber industry statewide come from Vernon Parish and surrounding areas.

"Most of it is due to decreased or reduced rate of growth," Dr. Strain said. "And so it will have that negative effect. And that is over a quarter of \$1 billion right there just in reduced rate of growth."

"It affected us a lot," said Robison. "We're also in the logging business, so a lot of this timber you had, this is the big fire, the Tiger Island fire south of here, the biggest fire in the history. It's 30-something thousand acres. You have one just across the highway about two miles from here, the Ida Bailey Fire. So, a lot of that timber got burned up. The worst part of it was a tremendous amount of that timber never made it to a mill."

The reason, Robison said, is because WD Chips cannot take charred wood. However, even though the mill lost water due to evaporation, Robison expects more rainfall after the wildfires.

"Most of the time when there's a big, big dry drought like this, it's going to be followed up by some wet periods," Robison said. "So hopefully we'll work through some of this inventory."

FAITH FAMILY SHRIMP CO... continued from front

Of course, people usually want fresh or frozen, but their dried shrimp are also very popular, and they dry shrimp all year long. They're stable for more than a year and can be rehydrated for cooking, or you can snack on them right out of the bag!

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The dehydrated shrimp make a great gift for folks who live outside of Louisiana, and they're so easy to ship! Imagine gifting the taste of home to someone who can no longer get their hands on Gulf seafood.

Their whole process wowed Commissioner Strain, and it is indeed an amazing operation. "You know, the shrimping industry is a billion-dollar industry here in Louisiana. And you can't get any fresher than when the boat pulls up to the docks. Today, we've seen beautiful shrimp get unloaded from the boat and go into the boil in less than

five minutes. From there, they started the dehydrating process, and within 24 hours, they were done... and delicious. "

Chad and Angela appreciate the buyers who support the local fishermen, docks, and processors. With their support, everyone is able to work hard and do what they love while providing for their families. They love seeing customers promote American jobs and a healthy product to seafood consumers.

"Being Certified Louisiana is important to us," says Angela. "We wanted to make sure that people know the product is coming straight out the Gulf of Mexico, straight from our local fishermen onto your plates."

Commissioner Strain echoed the need to support the local industry. "When you go to a restaurant and order seafood, it is so critical that you ask before you eat," he says. "We must demand Louisiana products from our Gulf of Mexico, bayous, bays, and estuaries. Nothing tastes better. It's healthy, it's delicious, it's nutritious, and you have a taste of Louisiana in every bite."

Angela says that everything from Faith Family Shrimp is made with faith, love, and heart. That's why the name of their company means a lot to her. There is something special about a family business

where everyone contributes "Louisiana is seafood. And seafood is Louisiana."
and finds their place. And it's even more meaningful when you get to serve your community. "Sometimes things can feel out of order, but I think the name brings me back to my priorities and why am I doing this," says Angela. Faith. Family. Shrimp. Enough said! and finds their place. And

If you've got a taste for some Louisiana shrimp anytime of

the year, be sure to support Faith Family Shrimp Company. Whether it's fresh, frozen, or dried, there are so many ways to get your hands on their shrimp.

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Check out all the programs at www.certifiedlouisiana.org or Facebook.com/CertifiedLouisiana.

LDWF to hold three public hearings in January on Louisiana Black Bear hunting season



The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) will conduct three public hearings in January to receive public input for the Louisiana black bear hunting season notice of intent (NOI) passed by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in November.

The meetings will be:

| Tues., Jan. 16, 2024 | LSU Ag Center |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 6 p.m. | 4531 LA Hwy 605 in St. Joseph |
| Thurs., Jan. 18, 2024 | West Monroe Convention Center |
| 6 p.m. | 901 Ridge Ave. in West Monroe |
| Tues., Jan. 23, 2024 | Black Bear Golf Course Conference |
| 6 p.m. | Center, 253 Black Bear Dr. in Delhi |

To see the full NOI, go to https://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/resources/ category/commission-action-items.

For more information or to comment on the NOI, contact LDWF Large Carnivore Program Manager John Hanks at **jhanks@wlf.la.gov** or 318-343-8325.

Public comment on the NOI will be accepted through Feb. 5, 2024, at 4 p.m.

USDA to conduct the 2023 Census of Aquaculture

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) announced that starting Dec. 18 they will mail the 2023 Census of Aquaculture to all producers who indicated in their 2022 Census of Agriculture that they produce and sell aquaculture products. The deadline to respond is Jan. 15, 2024.

An ag census special study, the Census of Aquaculture will provide comprehensive aquaculture data at the state and national levels, including production volume and methods, surface water acres and sources, and sales. Federal, state, and local governments, agribusinesses, trade associations, and producers use these data.

The information that respondents provide will serve as the foundation for many decisions

involving the sustainability and growth of the U.S. aquaculture sector for years to come. This is an opportunity to share your voice and showcase the uniqueness of American aquaculture.

NASS has made survey response more convenient with their online Respondent Portal at www.agcounts.usda.gov. On the site, producers can complete their NASS surveys, view historical reports, and access other resources.

We recognize that producers are incredibly busy, and we want to thank them in advance for taking their valuable time to participate.

Responding to the 2023 Census of Aquaculture is required by law under Title 7 USC 2204(g) Public Law 105-113. The same law requires NASS to keep all information confidential, use the data for statistical purposes only, and publish in aggregate form to prevent disclosing the identity of any individual producer or farm operation. NASS will release the data from the Census of Aquaculture on Dec. 16, 2024.

To learn more about this census, visit **www. nass.usda.gov/agcensus/**, where producers and other data users can access frequently asked questions as well as past ag census and special study data.



United States Department of Agriculture







Seasonal Affective Disorder

From the NATIONAL INSTITUTE of MENTAL HEALTH

What is seasonal affective disorder?

Many people go through short periods when they feel sad or unlike their usual selves. Sometimes, these mood changes begin and end when the seasons change. Many people feel "down" or have the "winter blues" when the days get shorter in the fall and winter and feel better in the spring when longer daylight hours return.

Sometimes, these mood changes are more serious and can affect how a person feels, thinks, and behaves. If you have noticed significant changes in your mood and behavior when the seasons change, you may be experiencing seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

In most cases, SAD symptoms start in the late fall or early winter and go away during the spring and summer, known as winter-pattern SAD or winter depression. Other people experience depressive symptoms during the spring and summer months, known as summer-pattern SAD or summer depression. Summer-pattern SAD is less common.

What are the signs & symptoms?

SAD is a type of depression characterized by a recurrent seasonal pattern, with symptoms lasting about 4–5 months out of the year. The signs and symptoms of SAD include those associated with depression as well as disorder-specific symptoms that differ for winter-pattern versus summerpattern SAD.

Not every person with SAD experiences all the symptoms listed below. Learn more about signs and symptoms of depression at **www.nimh.nih.gov/depression**.

Symptoms of depression can include:

- Persistent sad, anxious, or "empty" mood most of the day, nearly every day, for at least 2 weeks
- Feelings of hopelessness or pessimism
- Feelings of irritability, frustration, or restlessness
- Feelings of guilt, worthlessness, or helplessness
- Loss of interest or pleasure in hobbies and activities
- Decreased energy, fatigue, or feeling slowed down
- Difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions
- Changes in sleep or appetite or unplanned weight changes
- Physical aches or pains, headaches, cramps, or digestive problems that do not have a clear physical cause and do not go away with treatment
- Thoughts of death or suicide or suicide attempts

Additional symptoms of winter SAD:

- Oversleeping (hypersomnia)
- Overeating, particularly with a craving for carbohydrates, leading to weight gain
- Social withdrawal (feeling like "hibernating")

Additional symptoms of summer SAD:

- Trouble sleeping (insomnia)
- Poor appetite, leading to weight loss
- Restlessness and agitation

- Anxiety
- Violent or aggressive behavior

Winter-pattern SAD should not be confused with "holiday blues"—feelings of sadness or anxiety brought on by stresses at certain times of the year. The depression associated with SAD is related to changes in daylight hours, not the calendar, so stresses associated with the holidays or predictable seasonal changes in work or school schedules, family visits, and so forth are not the same as SAD

How is SAD treated?

Treatments are available to help people with SAD. They fall into four main categories that can be used alone or in combination:

- Light therapy
- Psychotherapy
- Antidepressant medication
- Vitamin D

Light therapy and vitamin D are treatments for winter-pattern SAD, whereas psychotherapy and antidepressants are used to treat depression in general, including winter- and summerpattern SAD. There are no treatments specific to summerpattern SAD.

Talk to a health care provider about the potential benefits and risks of different treatment options and which treatment is best for you. NIMH has tips for talking with a health care provider at **www.nimh.nih.gov/talkingtips**.



National Institute of Mental Health



The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) has information on ways to get help and find a health care provider or access treatment at **www.nimh.nih.gov/findhelp**.

If you or someone you know is struggling or having thoughts of suicide, call or text the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at 988 or chat at 988lifeline.org. In life-threatening situations, call 911.

Port NOLA awarded \$73.7 million U.S. DOT grant for Louisiana International Terminal

The Port of New Orleans (Port NOLA) will receive \$73.77 million from the federal government to assist in building the Louisiana International Terminal (LIT) project, which will provide an efficient gateway for the movement of cargo on the Mississippi River and the inland waterways of the United States.

Department The U.S. of Transportation has alerted Congress that it intends to award this funding through its MEGA Grant Program, which will support the first phase of the overall \$1.8 billion project's construction and is in addition to significant funding commitments from private industry partners and Port NOLA. This priority project for Louisiana garnered support from more than a dozen ports in six states and major trade and agriculture associations throughout the heartland of America.

"I want to thank the Biden Administration. Secretary Pete Buttigieg and the U.S. Department of Transportation for selecting the Port of New Orleans to receive this award and recognizing its importance and powerful potential," said Governor John Bel Edwards. "The Louisiana International Terminal will become one of the greatest public economic development projects in Louisiana's history. It is an investment that leverages the economic power of the Mississippi River and will expand opportunities for residents and business across our entire state and beyond. This is a direct result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law supported by Sen. Bill Cassidy and U.S. Rep. Troy Carter. It is a testament to the great things that can happen for our state when we work together."

The new state-of-the-art container terminal in Violet, Louisiana, will eliminate air-draft restrictions that limit the size of vessels that can currently call on the Port of New Orleans. LIT will serve vessels of all sizes, dramatically increasing Louisiana's import and export capacity while also fostering strategic inland growth. "This is a great day for the Port of New Orleans and our state. The funding will not only benefit the Port but also create numerous jobs and boost our communities," said U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy, M.D. "Because I had a seat at the table for the infrastructure law, Louisiana is punching above its weight in the amount of funding we are receiving. We are building an economy for 2050."

"The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is bringing critical investments in our water systems, roads, bridges, and broadband. Louisiana continues to receive outsized benefits from this historic legislation which I championed," said U.S. Rep. Troy Carter, Sr. "With this grant, the Port of New Orleans will be able to modernize and grow its operations for this century and ensure that it continues to be the economic driver for the entire region."

"This is exactly the type of investment that Louisiana and America need and builds upon our recent efforts to deepen the Mississippi River - America's Commerce Superhighway - to handle the largest container vessels in the world," said U.S. Rep. Garret Graves. "The Louisiana International Terminal takes advantage of a newly deepened Mississippi River and Louisiana's strong rail, highway, maritime transportation and network to connect our state even more closely to 31 states in the river's northern watershed and the international market to our south."

Port NOLA President and CEO Brandy D. Christian, called the grant award a total team effort for the benefit of Louisiana and the nation.

"On behalf of the entire team at the Port of New Orleans, I would like to thank Governor John Bel Edwards, Louisiana's federal delegation and the Biden Administration for sharing our vision to build a new efficient gateway to serve the entire state of Louisiana and America's Heartland," Christian said. "With Louisiana's unmatched inland



The number of shipping containers moving in and out of the U.S. has increased significantly over the last 10 years. To meet the industry's growing needs, the Port of New Orleans is investing in a new \$1.8 billion container terminal project— The Louisiana International Terminal. The proposed terminal will serve vessels of all sizes, providing goods to support Louisiana's homes and businesses. This modern maritime gateway will also create family-supporting jobs, generate new opportunities throughout the state, and keep Louisiana competitive.

connections and with no bridges in its way, the new Louisiana International Terminal will meet market demands for muchneeded supply chain solutions and bring prosperity to our region for generations to come. This funding award builds on years of careful market analysis, planning, due diligence, and community outreach to ensure the project adequately addresses the market need and provides community benefits. We also look forward to working with the incoming State legislature and Administration to deliver this critical project."

The Louisiana International Terminal will be built through a historic public-private partnership between Port NOLA and two private terminal operators. New Jersey-based Ports America, one of North America's largest marine terminal operators, and Geneva, Switzerland-based Mediterranean Shipping Company. through its terminal development

and investment arm Terminal Investment Limited (TiL), have committed \$800 million toward the project.

Additionally, Louisiana lawmakers have already provided nearly \$30 million toward early development costs for the LIT project, currently in the federal permitting and design process. The state also committed \$50 million for the design of the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor that will connect the terminal to the interstate system, delivering a road that has been sought for years by St. Bernard Parish leaders and residents.

LIT is the biggest public economic development project in the state of Louisiana. It's expected to generate 32,000 new jobs nationwide, 18,000 here in Louisiana and 4,300 in St. Bernard Parish, as well as more than \$1 billion in total new state and local tax revenue by 2050.



For more information, visit portnola.com or louisianainternationalterminal.com



POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

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

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

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

New Iberia Poultry Swap & Sale every 2nd Sunday and 4th Saturday from 8 AM till 12 PM at Tractor Supply on Hwy 90. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. <u>Contact</u>: Roy at (337) 523-1807.

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

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

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



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Anyone seeking to consign animals to the Polled and Horned Hereford and F1 sale can contact Ronnie Bardwell (985-320-8978 or **ronniebardwell@gmail.com**) or Brett Daigle (225-571-1766 or **fitter70737@yahoo.com**). The consignment deadline is January 15, 2024.

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Researchers, farmers team up to develop industrial hemp in La.

By Kyle Peveto. LSU AgCenter Louisiana Agriculture magazine

In St. Landry Parish, where soybeans, rice and sugarcane typically flourish, a new crop is rising high above one field.

On a 12-acre plot in the south Louisiana parish, Pat Deshotels and Matthew Indest have grown hemp three times, but this crop — standing thick in the field with tall, slender stalks leading to bunches of green leaves — is their most successful.

"This is it," Indest said, gesturing toward a 10-foot plant rising out densely planted hemp. "I think if we can show this growth here, people will be interested."

Once a staple crop grown for fiber, food, oil and other uses, hemp disappeared from American fields for decades until federal law once again permitted its production five years ago. Now, a handful of Louisiana growers and a team of researchers at the LSU AgCenter are working to figure out how this plant fits in the state's agricultural industry.

"There has been no research on hemp for 40 years," said AgCenter researcher Babitha Jampala. "So, we are picking up from scratch."

Jampala, whose expertise is in molecular breeding, leads the AgCenter Industrial Hemp Working Group, which began in 2019, to test which varieties of hemp fare well in Louisiana and to develop best management practices for the crop.

Hemp in the U.S.

Hemp was grown to supply fiber for textiles in North America as early as 1645, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service. By the 1700s, cultivation of hemp spread to the South, but it never became a major crop because of increased cotton production and the importation of cheaper fibers.



Patrick Deshotels (foreground) inspects a stalk of hemp, while Matthew Indest cuts down a hemp plant. (Photo by Kyle Peveto) In 1937, the Marijuana Tax Act discouraged hemp production by requiring all hemp growers to register with the federal government to limit the production of marijuana. While marijuana and hemp share a genus and species, Cannabis sativa, hemp contains a negligible amount of tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, the psychoactive compound found in much higher percentages in marijuana varieties.

Production of hemp in the U.S. peaked in 1943 and '44 when the government encouraged farmers to grow the crop to supply rope and cords during World War II, according to the USDA ERS. The last remnant of the American hemp industry hung on in Wisconsin until 1958.

Hemp officially became illegal when Cannabis sativa was added to the federal Controlled Substances Act in 1970. The 2018 Farm Bill removed legal barriers to grow the crop, and Louisiana created a structure to regulate growing the crop in 2019. The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry licenses hemp growers and works with them to ensure the plants contain no more than 0.3% THC.

Growing hemp in Louisiana

At an informational meeting about growing hemp soon after its legalization, Pat Deshotels noticed Matthew Indest taking detailed notes. Deshotels, a conservation biologist and owner of La Bonne Terre Resources, struck up a conversation with Indest, who had earned a doctorate studying agricultural sciences and focused on cotton breeding at LSU in 2015.

On land they lease in St. Landry Parish, the pair tried growing hemp for cannabidiol, or CBD, which could be sold for health supplements packaged as oils, creams, capsules and other delivery methods. After two years and little luck, they took a break for one growing season.

"We were growing (hemp) CBD varieties, and the market was just saturated," Indest said.

This year, they partnered with a newly formed business, Delta Agro Fiber Solutions, a company aiming to develop a Louisiana hemp industry in part to create building materials such as hempcrete, which can be poured like concrete or formed into blocks. Indest chose a variety developed for the two types of fiber that hemp can produce, the hurd fiber from the inside of the stalks and the bast fiber that surrounds the stem.

They experimented with all aspects of planting. Then the summer

turned hot and dry. Hemp, which is known to "hate getting its feet wet," Deshotels said, thrived where they irrigated.

Indest monitors their plants regularly to test THC levels. They walk a fine line between raising a thriving crop and "getting hot," or testing too high, Deshotels said.

In late October, after testing the crop, they received an approval from LDAF to harvest within a 30-day window. With little hemp-focused farming implements available, they are experimenting with different methods of mechanical harvesting and hand-harvesting smaller plots.

A future for hemp?

In 2022, according to USDA statistics, only 20 acres of hemp were planted in Louisiana. The growers planting the crop now envision an industry similar to that of cotton.

"I saw it as an opportunity," said Deshotels while checking the crop in October. "And in my life, I've seen a lot of opportunities. This looked like one that I would be disappointed if I didn't jump on it."

Hemp proponent Brian Bolyer from Coushatta in Red River Parish owns Okhish Mound Farm and is a member of the National Hemp Growers Cooperative advisory board.

"We've always made stuff out of this plant, whether it be paper or clothes or rope or canvas. Henry Ford was the first one to make plastics out of it," Bolyer said.

Last year Bolyer partnered with а landowner to experiment with growing hemp for carbon Because sequestration. hemp grows so quickly, it stores a large amount of atmospheric carbon, and farmers can sell carbon credits to trading firms. Bolyer and his partner harvested 1.700 pounds, he said, and transported it to Dama Bioplastics in Colorado. He called the first crop a "proof of concept."

Both Bolyer and Indest communicate with Jampala and the AgCenter hemp team as they research solutions for the nascent hemp enterprise, but they have no formal cooperation agreement.

Next steps

Before industrial hemp acreage can grow in Louisiana, reliable varieties must be found, and an infrastructure must develop to process the harvest. The few farmers growing hemp for fiber this year must transport their crops to other states to process it.

"It's like the chicken and the egg," Jampala said. "Which comes first? We don't have enough acres,



Matthew Indest shows the seeds that lie within a hemp flower at his hemp farm in St. Landry Parish. (Photo by Kyle Peveto)

so processors don't want to set anything up in Louisiana. Farmers don't want to grow it because they don't know where the crop will go or how much they are going to earn on it."

Delta Agro Fiber Solutions cofounder Joe Strong said he and his company's investors plan to purchase some hemp processing machinery, such as a decorticator that separates the strong, silky bast fibers used in textiles from the tougher hurd often used in the building materials Strong wishes to create.

"Then we can keep the crop and the money within the state and create the jobs and show that this crop is capable," Strong said.

This October Jampala planted a crop of hemp at the AgCenter Doyle Chambers Central Research Station in Baton Rouge after harvesting the spring-planted variety trial in September. She thinks the varieties she is testing will grow more easily in cooler months, and soon she hopes to begin breeding varieties especially for Louisiana.

"Our state is a microclimate," she said. "We have heat, we have moisture, we have humidity. And because of that humidity and heat, we have high insect and pest pressure. We are trying to see which ones are growing. And then from there, we'll start selecting our parents and start making crosses."

While they have made great progress through their own research and work, Deshotels and Indest know that cooperating with other growers and researchers is the fastest way to reach their goal of building a hemp industry in the state.

"I've learned so much, and I really look forward to the future," Deshotels said. "We've done well with it. But it comes down to partnering up with the right people."

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January 12-14, 2024

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Saturday, January 27, 2024

EBR Main Library, 7711 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA

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February 28 - March 2, 2024

Maurice A. Edmond Llvestock Arena, Southern University AgCenter, Baton Rouge, LA

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APHIS expands citrus greening quarantine area in Louisiana

Effective December 20, 2023, the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), in cooperation with LDAF, has established a federal quarantine area for Huanglongbing (HLB; citrus greening), caused by *Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus*, in all of St. Charles Parish.

The quarantine, which includes safeguard measures on the interstate movement of regulated articles from the quarantined areas, is the result of HLB detections in plant tissue samples collected in multiple locations during routine surveys. APHIS is taking this action to prevent the spread of HLB to noninfested parts of the U.S. Citrus greening, or huanglongbing (HLB), is a devastating disease of citrus that prevents citrus fruit from ripening and ultimately kills the tree. HLB is spread by grafting with diseased budwood or by the feeding habits of the Asian citrus psyllid infected with the disease.

This update expands the federal quarantine areas in Louisiana; it does not affect the state-level quarantine areas or the regulatory requirements for any stakeholders in Louisiana. LDAF established the intrastate quarantine on April 20, 2022. The federal and state HLB quarantine areas in Louisiana are now parallel.

For more information, visit the APHIS Citrus Greening webpage at www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ ourfocus/planthealth/plant-pest-and-disease-programs/pests-and-diseases/citrus/citrus-greening



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