

# **LAWDP Spotlight: Enterprise Aquatics**



Here at LDAF, the Louisiana Agricultural Workforce Development Program (LAWDP) is making significant strides in nurturing future agricultural leaders by providing vital support to businesses across the state. This grant program not only fortifies Louisiana's agricultural industry but also equips businesses with the necessary resources to offer impactful internship experiences. By reimbursing up to 50% of the financial cost of hosting an intern, with a maximum award of \$5,000, the program enables agricultural enterprises to concentrate on mentoring and skill development, ensuring a robust future for the sector.

Established following the passage of House Bill 69/Act 23 in 2020, the program began awarding grants in 2022 and has already aided five businesses in developing meaningful internship programs. Enterprise Aquatics, managed by Kenneth Rust and intern Kylie Miller, is a prime example of the program's success. Enterprise Aquatics specializes in Pond and Lake Management Services for residential and commercial properties. They also supply hydroponic, aquaponic, and aquaculture systems for schools and farms, as well as provide training on how to use these systems.

When asked about the overall impact of the

experience on the team and company, Kenneth shared, "The internship allowed for some flexibility, especially during the startup phase, where Kylie was able to learn and earn before taking on additional responsibilities. Kylie is a quality person with a drive to learn, and it continues to pay off for her and the direction of her career." Kylie has since advanced to a lead technician role in greenhouse and nursery operations, a position she helped design as part of her internship.

When asked how her internship experience differed from her academic learning, Kylie shared, "My job as an intern was completely different compared to the lessons I was learning academically. My courses were estuary-centric, and even though I had learned plenty about nitrification, water quality, and some biology, the amount of knowledge I gained by doing it hands-on was unmatched. By working on the farm, I was able to grasp how each chemical influenced water quality. how to maintain safe conditions for raising fish, how water parameters affected the growth of crops, and all the technical skills that go into maintaining an operation, such as plumbing. This experience compelled me to delve deeper into topics I was learning and provided me with the opportunity to learn through trial and error. Overall, this internship has laid the foundation of knowledge that I know I will continue to use in my future academic studies."

During her time at Enterprise Aquatics, Kylie maintained an aquafarm that featured crops such as lettuce, bok choy, kale, and peppers while also managing channel catfish. She gained essential skills and learned to transform fish waste into fertilizer. When



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COMMISSIONER

# **COMMISSIONER'S CORNER** Beat the Heat!

# Although we are technically only a few days into summer with the first day of summer just passing us on the 20th, it's felt like summer in Louisiana for much longer. Louisiana is quite familiar with the heat almost year

'round. With temperatures on the rise as we head further into 2025, it's always a good idea to be aware of preventative measures for you and your loved ones during this year's summer heat.

• Never ever leave people or pets alone in a closed car... Remember to "look before you lock."

• Drink plenty of fluids, even if you do not feel thirsty.

• When working outside, take frequent rest breaks and schedule strenuous activities for early mornings or later in the evening.

- Wear lightweight and loose-fitting clothing.
- Check on relatives and neighbors.
  - It's also important to know the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke, which include but are not limited to confusion, slurred speech, profuse sweating, high body temperature, throbbing headaches, dizziness, muscle weakness or cramping, nausea, vomiting, and rapid or shallow breathing.

Stay safe this summer!

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### **USDA Agriculture Marketing Service Hay Prices**

Values are in tons unless otherwise noted

### SOUTHEAST ALABAMA WEEKLY HAY REPORT, JUNE 12, 2025

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

### SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, JUNE 13, 2025

Bermuda Large Round	Fair/Good	\$80-\$90/ton
Bermuda Small Square	Fair/Good	\$8-\$10/ton

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**Eunice Farmers Market** 

Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

Stephensville Market Rec Park

Under bridge @ 3rd & Lima St

Abita Springs Art & Farmers •

Covington Farmers Market •

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

Mandeville Trailhead Market •

675 Lafitte St, Sat 9AM-1PM

Pearl River Farmers Market

& Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41

Camellia City Farmers Market •

2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking

Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave,

St. Joseph Tailgate Market

Sat 8-11AM, Mem-Labor Day

Cajun Farmers Market of

Houma, Naguin St & Martin L

King Blvd, Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM

Abbeville Farmers Market •

Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19,

Magdalen Sq, Abbeville

Kaplan Farmers Market

Leesville Farmers Market

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

Franklinton Farmers Market •

Washington St & 15th Ave

Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM

St. Francisville Market •

Winn Farmers Market •

301 West Main, Winnfield

Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out

Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall

WEST FELICIANA

9961 Wilcox St

WINN

2nd Sat. 8AM-12PM

WASHINGTON

VERNON

S. 3rd St

Oct 17 & Nov 21. 8AM-1PM

Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave

Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM

Hammond Market ●

Gazebo on Plank Rd

3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun &

3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City

Second St & Park Ave

Berwick Town Market

Market, 22049 Main St

609 North Columbia St

ST. MARTIN

2nd Sat, 10AM

**ST. MARY** 

Sept-Dec)

**ST. TAMMANY** 

Sun 11AM - 3 PM

1st Sat 8AM-2 PM

**TANGIPAHOA** 

Sat 8AM-12PM

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# VISIT YOUR LOCAL A FARMERS MARKET

### ACADIA

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

### ALLEN

Oberlin Farmers Market • 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-1PM

### ASCENSION

Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales Seasonal on Sat 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec

Riverside Farmers Market of • LA, 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 9AM-2PM, 1st & 3rd Sun 10AM-2PM

### ASSUMPTION

Barcelo Gardens Farmers • Market, 211 Franklin Ave, Napoleonville, Sat, 11AM-2PM

### AVOYELLES

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

#### BEAUREGARD

DeRidder Farmers Market • 206 N. Washington Ave Daily 7AM-6PM

### BOSSIER

Barksdale Market 3226 Barksdale Blvd Sun 10AM-2PM, Apr-Jun

Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov

Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM Bossier City Farmers Market 2950 E Texas St

#### CADDO

Greenwood Farmers Market • William Peters Town Park, 9381 Greenwood Rd Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug

Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 7:30AM-12:30PM, Jun-Aug

### CALCASIEU

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

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

Iowa Farmers Market 115 N. Thompson, Sat, 9AM-1PM

Lake Charles Farm & Table Market

110 W Pine St, Lake Charles Tuesdays 3pm-6pm

Moss Bluff Farmers & Crafters, Sam Houston Jones Pkwy Sat 8AM-12PM, April-Oct

#### CALDWELL

Columbia Farmers Market Main Street Sat 8AM-12PM, June & July

### CLAIBORNE

Harvest Time Homer • W Main & N 2nd St Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Oct

### CONCORDIA

Delta Farmers Market ● 405 Carter St, Vidalia Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze

#### EAST BATON ROUGE

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

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

Red Stick Farmers Market #3 • 7711 Goodwood, Baton Rouge Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct-Dec

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

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

### **EVANGELINE**

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

### GRANT

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

### IBERIA

605 S Railroad St (Hwy 330) 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec Da Berry Fresh Market 520 S. Hopkins St. New Iberia

Delcambre Farmers Market

Teche Area Farmers Market • 102 W Main St. Bouligny Plaza Tues 2-5PM, Sat 7-11AM

Wed -Sun 10AM-6PM

### IBERVILLE

St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 3rd Sat, 9AM-2PM

#### JEFFERSON

Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market, Oak Lane 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM

Gretna Farmers Market • Huey P. Long Ave Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM

Harahan Farmers Market • 501 Oak Ave @ Wilson & Hickory, Sun 9AM-1PM

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

Markets that accept FMNP Food Benefits Cards

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Crescent City #2 325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy. @ the Lake (Bucktown) Fri 3-7PM

Lafreniere Park Farmers Arts 
Market, 3000 Downs Blvd,
Metairie

Wed, Jan-Nov, 2-7PM Sat, Dec 3, 10, and 17, 9AM-1PM

#### JEFFERSON DAVIS

Coushatta Farmers Market Hwy 190 & Pine St, Elton 1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun

Main Street Farmers Market 1333 Elton Rd, Jennings Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec

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

#### LAFAYETTE

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

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

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

#### LAFOURCHE

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

### LASALLE

Olla Town Square Market ● 2990 Front St, Tues 1-5PM, May-Aug 11

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

#### LINCOLN

Ruston Farmer's Market ● 220 E Mississippi, Sat 9AM-1PM

LIVINGSTON

Four Seasons Farmers Market 
Sat 8AM-12PM

Livingston Farmers Market 215 Florida St, Denham Springs Sat 7AM-12PM

#### MADISON

Tallulah Farmers Market #1 • 404 N Cedar St, Hwy. 65 Tues, Thurs & Sat, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

Tallulah Farmers Market #2 Court House Square Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

#### MOREHOUSE

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



Learn more the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) at www.ldaf.la.gov/food/farmers-market-nutrition-programs

#### NATCHITOCHES

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

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

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

### ORLEANS

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

Crescent City Farmers • Market – UPTOWN New Orleans, 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM

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

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

#### **OUACHITA**

Monroe Farmers Market • 1200 Washington St Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov

W Monroe Farmers Market • 1700 North 7th St Mon-Sat 8AM-5PM, May-Oct

#### RAPIDES

RICHLAND

Alexandria Farmers Market • 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM

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

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

Mon-Sat 8AM-6PM, Apr-Nov

St. Charles Parish Library,

Delhi Farmers Market

1104 Broadway St

German Coast #1

160 West Campus Dr,

German Coast #2 •

Market, 6032 LA-10,

West Bank Bridge Park

St. Helena Parish Farmers

Greensburg, Fri, 8AM-1PM

St. Landry Farmers Market

952 East Landry St, Hwy 190,

Opelousas, Tu/Th/Sat 6:30-

13825 River Rd, Luling

**ST. CHARLES** 

Destrehan

Wed 1-5PM

ST. HELENA

**ST. LANDRY** 

11AM, Apr-Nov

Sat 8AM-12PM

### **CLASSIFIED AD CATEGORIES**

Claiborne

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### AGRITOURISM

### ANIMALS

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

### AQUACULTURE

### **EQUIPMENT**

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

### FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

### FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

Nest

Carrol

East Carroll

Madison

Tensas

Tack

Morehouse

Union

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Caldwell

Lincoln

Jackson

Winn

Other ag implements

Richland

Franklin

Catahoula

### **FERTILIZER**

### FOOD

Eggs Fruits & vegetables Honey Jams & jellies From the farm

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### AGRITOURISM

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

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

### ANIMALS

### BEES

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.

PACKAGE LABELING: Any person who is pre-packaging goods for sale must ensure they label each package with the name of the commodity in the package, a Net Quantity Statement, and the name and place of business of the manufacturer, distributor, or seller.

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**5 frame nucleus hive saskatraz** honeybees, calm and gentle,

2025 marked mated queen, call for pricing. Kathy Baker, Pride, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 921-8640.

WANTED: Looking for property to place beehives on. Judd Decuir, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-0888.

### 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

1PB Black Angus Bull,

6-months-old, \$1,000. Clinton Breland, Angie, Washington Parish; (985) 515-8883.

**Registered Angus bulls, long** yearlings, big framed, long deep bodied bulls for heifers or cows, raised in the south for the south, \$4,000. Joseph Greg Tate, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-7120.

Three registered Black Angus Bulls 14, 15, and 16-monthsold, heifer ready, good EPD's, \$4,000 each. Rhett Dugas, Lone Pine, Evangeline Parish; (225) 571-6386.

Parish

**14 registered Black Angus** Heifers 6-7 months old, \$2,200 each. Rhett Dugas, Lone Pine, Evangeline Parish; (225) 571-6386.

Registered Black Angus high performance bull calves, 7-8 months, \$2,275-\$2,500. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-6526.

### **BRAHMAN**

White face Bram cross, 15-month bull, \$2,000. Curtis Wittie, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 662-6142.

6-year-old Herd Bull, Calves 65 to 75# BW, 1,000# YW, Sire H Ezekial Manso 760 940994, Dam D Bar Miss 766 898211, call for pricing. Eric Wingate, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 257-9071.

### **BRANGUS**

**Brangus bull, 3 1/2 years old,** call for pricing. Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

#### **CHAROLAIS**

Three Registered Charolais bulls, low birth weight, gentle, good confirmation, pictures to show, calves to show, \$2,500, \$3,500, \$5,000. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-6345.

### JERSEY

Registered Jersey bulls, 4 months old started on feed, \$1,500. Wesston Morvant, Deridder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 207-7255.

#### **HEREFORD**

**Registered Miniature Hereford** calves for sale, call for pricing. Blaire LeBlanc, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 931-3450.

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Two Hereford Heifers, extra gentle, ready to breed, \$1,850 each, one Braford heifer, gentle, Herford sire, \$1,900. Joseph Leon Jarreau, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 261-2077.

### OTHER

Beefmaster Cattle, breeding bulls, pairs, bred cows, etc. call for pricing. Roy, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 563-4566.

### DOGS

Free half German Shepard male, 2 years old. Amanda Chatelain, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-3826.

Karakachan aka Bulgarian Shepherd puppies, born May 5, 2025, black and white in color, large, sturdy, well socialized livestock guardians, \$850 registered. Aubery Paul LeBlanc, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (985) 688-6285.

ASDR Mini Australian Shepard litters born May 18th and June 1st, Red Merles, Blue Merles, Black Tris, Red Bis, call for pictures, questions, and pricing. Bernadette Murphy, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 821-8301.

**Rat Terrier puppies, short legs,** \$75, Purebred Teddy Roosevelt puppies, \$100. Bobby, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; (337) 852-1580.

**Free Rat Terrier female,** 2-years-old, male Rat Terrier 6-months-old, \$100. Bobby Broussard, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; (337) 852-1580.

**Registered Golden retriever** puppies, wormed and shots, born Feb 20, \$700. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

**Queenie Mountain Cur Squirrel** pups, ready end of May, wormed and shots, \$300. Brenda, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

AKC Basset Hounds, vet checked, first vaccination, and dewormed, \$650. Christian Doughty, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-1870.

Anatolian Shepherd puppies, \$200. Dorsey Dutil, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 967-4000.

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

Four Rat Terriers, 3 boys and 1 girl, 6-weeks-old, pure breed, \$400 each. James Winstead, Rayville, Richland Parish; (318) 355-5193.

Louisiana Catahoula Cur puppies, NALC Registered, breed from working stock, genuine bloodlines, serious inquires only, LC's Kennel, \$800. Lloyd Carpenter, Pineville, Rapides Parish; (318) 481-4222.

**Great Pyrenees puppies, born** 3/24/25, two males left, all shots and wormed, turned out everyday at home, one year



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old Pyrenees, all shots and wormed, parents at the house, \$250. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Catahoula Cur, pure no papers, 2 years, male, his name is Jake, trees, house trained, good guard dog, \$100. Penny Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 390-9108.

2 Male CKC Pomeranian Puppies, all shots, \$800 OBO. Richard Burns, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (678) 787-3604.

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

**CKC Registered Yorkie Poos** and Shoodles, kennel reduction, 3-months to 2-years-old, \$200-\$600, 6-months-old for, \$350. Tommy Melancon, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; (337) 344-7634

Toy Poodles, \$400 OBO. Walter Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

**AKC German Shepherd** puppies. 1st shots and wormed. \$400. Walter Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

### DOMESTICATED BIRDS

Galvalume sheet metal nesting boxes, customized sizes, trays for rabbit cages, bird cages, etc., available, also wood duck

boxes, please call or text for pricing. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 254-4414.

> Diamond doves, wild type and blue with white tail, \$20 each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 817-9456.

Baby Seabright straight run, \$5 each. Linda Jordan, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 628-7636.

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

### **HORSES, JACKS &**

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

3 spotted pet donkeys, 1male, 2 females, 34-inches high, male 6-years-old, females 4-yearsold and 2-years-old, \$500 each. Russell Kettler, Gibsland, Bienville Parish; (318) 843-6312.

**PIGEONS** 

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

### POULTRY & FOWL

India Blue Peacocks, breeding age males only, worming and care instructions with each, ship USPS or pick-up, please leave message, \$200 each. B. Matheson, Bell City, Calcasieu Parish: (337) 274-1342.

India Blue Peachicks, care and worming instructions with each order, pick up or mailing available, please leave message, \$60 each, B. Matheson, Bell City Calcasieu Parish; (337) 274-1342.

Serama chicks and adult pairs, chicks \$5, adult pairs \$25. Jody Coyne, Belle Chasse, Plaquemines Parish; (504) 715-7210.

**Rhode Island Red and Black** Australorp pullets, 2 weeks, \$5, 6 to 8 weeks, \$10, young guineas, \$5 and up. Kerry Reviere, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 877-8249.

Ducks, Mandarin, Ringed Teal, Woodduck, Bahama Pintail. Pintail, Wigeon, others \$30-60 each, Peacocks \$40 each, Mute swan male \$400 each. Mark



Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

Baby Mallard ducks. \$4 each. baby Pekin ducks. \$4 each. baby chicks, \$2 each. Ray Dauzat, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4566.

**French Black Copper Marans** chicks, dark chocolate brown eggers, delivery available, \$7.50. Staci Warner, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-1614.

30 Cinnamon Queen Pullets, \$29 each. Stanley Stewart. Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 241-2269

High egg production pullet orders being taken, these are the highest egg producers available, will lay eggs throughout winter, delivery available, \$6 each, quantity discount available. Sunflower Hill Farm LLC, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-1614.

Meat chickens, taking orders now for slower growing heritage type meat birds that will be ready to harvest at 12-16 weeks and weigh 7-9 pounds, \$3.50. quantity discounts available. Sunflower Hill Farm LLC, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-1614.

### RABBITS

New Zealand bunnies, black and white, red and white, solid red, 7-weeks-old, one red buck, \$20 each, Two Netherland Dwarf bucks, 1 1/2 years old, \$20 each. Daniel Gaspard, Rayne Acadia Parish; (337) 789-5478.

Young and adult rabbits, \$8 and up. Jody Coyne, Belle Chasse, Plaquemines Parish: (504) 715-7210

New Zealand Meat Rabbits, \$25. Keith Austin, Kinder, Allen Parish; (719) 859-1787.

Nederland dwarf pet or show. various colors 12-weeks-old, \$15, New Zealand white meat or breeders, \$20. Richard L Wilgus, Anacoco, Sabine Parish; (337) 286-5565.

### **SHEEP & GOAT**

Lambs, males and females Katahdin doper sheep mixed, \$300. Joey Roy, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 201-2535

Nigerian dwarf goat bucklings, born mid-February and March 1st, some blue-eyed, good pets, very playful, \$100 each. Angela Winsko, Oakdale, Allen Parish: (318) 485-4200.

Myotonic buck, 2-years-old, \$300, half Boer-half myotonic buck, \$200, 4-months-old, 48.8% Boer buck, dapple in color. 4-months-old. \$400. all prices negotiable. Codv Wilkerson, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 379-8938.

**Five Nigerian Dwarf females** \$150 each, five young Nigerian

Dwarf males (possible pets) \$50 each, young Nubian female \$250, text for photos, near Barkers Corner, Edsel Poole, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 630-8144.

Seven Buckling Nubian, some

100% some 75%, from February and March 2025, beautiful colors, \$125 each. Jerral Jacobs, Monroe, Ouachita Parish; (318) 355-5476.

Pygmy/Dwarf Nigerian buckling

looking for a new herd. 4-months-old, tri-colored, silver, and has blue eyes, will stay very small and make a great pet or breeder, call for pricing. Kim, Bogalusa, Washington Parish; (985) 789-9692.

### Mini-Nubian triplet doelings,

Mom Nubian, Dad Dwarf Nigerian, Tri-color blue, black, and spotted, all have blue eyes, super sweet puppy personalities, will be wonderful mediumsized milkers, call for pricing. Kim, Bogalusa, Washington Parish; (985) 789-9692

Four young 2025 St. Croix ewes available, born March 27, two born April 5, and one born April 9, double registered with both SCHSB Inc. and SCHSBIA, \$350 each, \$1,200 for all four

Lamancha Buckling born Feb 6,

Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge

together. Pepper Allgood,

Parish: (225) 936-0405.

2025, blue-eyed and has wattles, pictures upon request, Dam is a registered Lamancha and Sire is a miniature lamancha, if he goes now he will be a bottle baby, he will be weaned ready for new home in May, downpayment for hold will be accepted, \$75. Rachel Fusilier, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish: (337) 336-1682.

Two Katahdin ewe lambs, born on 3/5/25 and 3/925, ready for new home in July, sire is a registered ram, pics on Facebook farm page, SDM Katahdin Farm, \$250 each. Shelly Monceaux, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-9524.

### AQUACULTURE

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

Pond stocking, blue catfish,

\$0.45/1: channel catfish. \$0.40/1, Copper nose bluegill, \$0.35/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$0.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$0.40/1; red-ear bream, \$0.40/1; black crappie, \$0.45/1; bass, \$1.25/1; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish: (318) 377-1525.

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### CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

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

Kubota B2320, 23hp, 4-wheel drive hydrostatic, front-end loader, box blade, less than 40 hrs, tires like new, great condition, \$14,600. Fred, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-2839.

**420 D Caterpillar, front end** loader backhoe, with loading bucket, digging bucket, clean out bucket, and set of pallet forks, \$37,500. John Matte, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-2467.

**Case 550 dozer parts or repair,** \$5,000, Oliver OC4 dozer parts, \$700. Ricky Bell, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-1255.

### EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

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

Land prepared, cleared, contoured, fields mowed, mulched, cultivated, and drained, trees removed, arenas and gravel roads reconditioned 8" deep, install and repair ponds, streams, roads, walls, fences, call for quote. John W Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 634-0074. **Track hoe, dozer and grinder** work for \$200 per hour, \$1,000 minimum, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

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

### HAY EQUIPMENT

JNew Holland 658 bailer for parts, machine is complete, pictures upon request, \$1,000. Kevin Laborde, Centerpoint, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-3376.

New Holland 575 square baler,

very good condition, hydraulic tongue and bale tensioner, high-capacity baler, \$12,000. Jessie Wheat, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 485-5252.

**New Holland BC 5070 Hay liner** square baler, very good condition, hydraulic tongue and

bale compression, high-capacity baler, \$14,000. Jessie Wheat, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 485-5252.

New Holland 256 Hay Rake, all new teeth and bearings, greaseable bearings, new tires, ready to work, \$650, 9ft offset disc, new blade, \$400. Bill Wyland, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (512) 963-1617.

**Pull Type 14ft pasture clipper,** \$4,500, 7ft 3pt clipper, \$2,500, both in excellent shape. Kelly Hundley, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 263-5520.

NH 565 square baler, good condition, Vicon drum cutter, NH 256 side rake, PJ Fuffer, \$8,000 for all. Marvin Onellion, Holden, Livingston

Parish; (225) 209-5362. **SP 451 Vicon square baler,** \$2,900. Mike Fournet,

\$2,900. Mike Fournet, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 515-1424. **670 John Deere side hay rake,** \$800. Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

### LAWN EQUIPMENT

John Deere X350, 48-inch cut, 18.5hp Kawasaki motor, new model, used but great condition, \$2,500. Blake Ducote, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4949.

2016 Dixie Chopper hp60 magnum, not used commercially, 24hp Kawasaki engine, new clutch, belts, and crank shaft, \$3,500. Don LeBlanc, Pine Grove, St. Helena Parish; (225) 324-9183.

### PICKERS & HARVESTERS

W&A 8-row hippers with

Ortham row markers, \$2,000, Taylorway 8-row cultivator, 5-plow gangs with shields, \$800, Ditch Witch with 4-way blade, land boring unit, drill pipe and bits, trailer, excellent condition, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Peerless all crop dryer, pecans and peanuts, propane burner, 12HP electric motor, thermostat controlled, 220/440 single phase current, 8ft wide 5ft high, 14ft long, \$3,500. Lynwood Wiley, Ferriday, Concordia Parish; (318) 719-2245.



Husqvarna DRT900E 17" 205cc Dual Rotating Rear tine tiller with electric start, \$300. Joseph Ronnie Andrepont, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-1807. Amco 12' heavy duty disc, pictures upon request, \$3,500. Kevin Laborde, Centerpoint, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-3376.

**Three-Bottom plow, good** condition, \$2,000 OBO. Marvin Nichols, Boyce, Rapides Parish; (318) 613-4153.

### TRAILERS & WAGONS

**25ft long, 5ft 8inch wide, 6ft** 6inch high, all covered trailer, one big door in rear, bumper pull, single axel, 15inch tires with 2 spares, ask for Allen, call for pricing. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

**20ft galvanized hay trailer,** \$3,000. Curtis Wittie, Robert, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 662-6142.

2007 Exiss horse trailer, 3-horse slant, all aluminum, 2 axels, Model ES-30, front tack with swing out saddle rack, water tank and spare tire, rear tack area with collapsible door, no issues, pictures upon request, \$13,500. Rachel Fusilier, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-1682.

**Cotton trailers for storing** Crawfish traps, Mardi Gras floats, hauling hay, nursery bark potting, \$4,200-\$4,500, delivery available for a price. T L Enright Sr, Sicily Island, Catahoula Parish; (318) 282-6299.

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

WANTED: Small to medium sized dump trailer in working condition. Mark Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

### OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

Allied loader 7 ft bucket \$750, 300+ gal totes, 3 for \$100, utility crane, \$125, tractor bumper and grill guard (heavy) \$550, old heavy box blade \$250. Cp McCune, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 505-7020.

WANTED: Looking for a plow to pull behind a tractor, also called a disk. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

**PTO Generator, IMD 22 KW with** automatic voltage regulator 120/24 V, less than 20hrs, brand new, \$3,500. Brian Gayle, Vidalia, Concordia Parish; (985) 960-3328.

**6ft Drag Harrow, used two** times, \$500, 6ft Root Rake/ Harrow, excellent condition, \$600. Bydie Everett, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 974-2263. **Six-foot bush hog, built in local** welding shop, sandblasted and painted, used very little, kept inside, \$1,150. David, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 352-0796.

**2021 Titan UM56 Rotary Tiller** used twice and shed kept, text for pictures, \$1,800. Dwight Coteau, Sunset, St. Landry Parish; (337) 352-9576.

**Ten old farm plows, \$25 each.** Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Case 590 backhoe, ready for work, \$16,500, Vermeer Rebel 5520 round baler 4X5, \$8,600, Vermeer folding rake 8-wheels, \$2,000, Kuhn side cutter GMD-600 GII, \$3,000. Harding Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

Heavy duty pressure washer, 13hp, Honda engine model MTM3504, with 50ft hose, \$1,500, 2-ton chain hoist, \$125. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 754-7682.

Free giant off-road equipment tires, ideal for submerging in ponds to enhance fish production, many other uses, still usable on equipment. Jim Smith, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 218-9690.

Welborn Pea sheller, drumtype, shells 1-5 bushel at a time, \$1,500. Joseph Andrepont, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-1807.

**19 Round pen panels on one** gate panel, total at \$40 each. K Wayne Huval, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 667-6803.

**Taylorway 12ft Vibre Shank,** good condition, \$1,200. Pierre Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 277-8297.

**Category 1 3-point Quick hitch** for tractor, \$125. Ronnie Andrepont, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 336-1807.

**Category II top link for New** Holland tractor, \$100. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

200 AMP double throw switch, \$150. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

Wood clippers, 10' poled disc, good clippers, \$2,000. T Grady, Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-2488.

**SA-200-F163 Lincoln gas** welding machine, leads included, welds great, call for pricing. Wayne Plauche, Carencro, Lafayette Parish; (337) 298-4820.

The Lien Black Line 7ft heavy duty disc with 20 blades, 3pt rear attachment, tillage disc, all new bearings, nothing wrong, no longer used, call for pricing. Wayne Shultz, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-7929.

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**Used Galaxy Earthpro Radial** Tubeless tractor tire, very good condition, 280/85r, hub Id 26-inches, pictures available, \$350, price negotiable. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-6526.

### FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

### TACK

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

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

### OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

Limestone, Asphalt, topsoil, sand, fill dirt, Calbase, 2004 Pontiac, Izuzu Rodeo, Dodge Ram work truck, call for pricing. Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

**Summit metal cutting lathe, 19-**4X96, Bridgeport Mill, 42inch table, 3 phase electric converter, 20hp, \$5,500 for all OBO. Ambrose Baham, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 351-1415.

**Two calf Creep feeders, feeds 6** to 7 calves at a time, each holds 500 to 600lbs, \$250 per feeder. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

Chicken coop, 4'X8'X6' tall, treated lumber and 29-guage sheet metal, floor 1/2-inch X 1-inch wire, outside nest box, red sheet metal, pictures available, \$1,000 cash. Daniel R Gaspard, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 789-5478.

New 55-gallon drums, \$20 each. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

**16ft Cow panels, \$30 each. Gary** Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

**Plantation bells, complete,** \$400 each, Plantation Bells, incomplete, \$150 each. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

All size wheels, \$30 to \$45 each, wheelbarrow wheels, \$25. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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

**Two sheets of aluminum,** 4ftX12ftX1/8inch, new, never cut on or used, \$200 each. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200. **Free disassembled cattle pen,** pieces of pipes different sizes. Pierre Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 277-8297.

FERTILIZER

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

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

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

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



### PLANTS AND GARDEN

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

FOOD

### EGGS

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

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

### **FROM THE FARM**

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

WANTED: Looking for fresh Figs to can. Brenda G Dignam, Haughton, Bossier Parish; (318) 525-2430.



Bahia hay, 4X5 rolls, 2024, \$50, 2025, \$60, 2024 Square bales, 2024, \$6, 2025, \$7. Danny

Schleismann, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-8341.

**2025 Horse hay, Pensacola** Bahia grass, first cutting.

fertilized, fine stem hay, baled in June, tight square bales, delivery available, \$7 per bale. David Joiner, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-3073.

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

**20-acre pasture available for** hay, you bale and haul, call for pricing. James, Richard, Acadia Parish; (337) 384-1683.

**20-acre laser leveled, well** drained, you cut and bale and haul, all in clover, no charge. JD Dugas, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 364-9103.

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

Square bale 007 Bermuda high quality horse hay, fields well

maintained, reference available, 20 bale minimum with discount on 100 or more, \$8. Kenny saucier, Tylertown, Washington Parish; (601) 248-0067.

Square bales of mix hay for

cows, goats or erosion control, \$4. Kenny Saucier, Tylertown, Washington Parish; (601) 248-0067.

**2025 Alicia Bermuda Hay,** 50lbs-60lbs square bales, good, fertilized horse hay, \$8 per bale. LD Stringer, Trout, LaSalle Parish; (318) 623-2764.

Wheat, Rye, and Clover round bales, 4X5, 20 total bales, \$20 per bale. Marvin Nichols, Boyce, Rapides Parish; (318) 613-4153.

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

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

Square hay, July 2025, Bahia, 2nd cutting fertilized with 28-19-19, sprayed for ants, call to place your name on the list, pickup in field behind the bailer, \$3.75 per bale. Paul Kirk, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 709-8101.

**4x5 net wrapped Bermuda hay,** fertilized with chicken litter, barn kept, outside \$25 to \$35 a roll, it's fertilized as well, \$45. Sean Coody, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish; (318) 355-6968.



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### CRAFTS AND WOOD WORK

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

WANTED: Near Hammond, wooden birdhouses and feeders for yard and lawn art reasonably priced. Terri Troxclair, Tickfaw, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 415-2487.

# SEWING & FABRICS

Vintage Sears Commander model 605 Electric, very pretty sewing machine, used, pedal and power cord included, no case, unknown working condition, \$60. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4930.

### HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

# GUNS & ACCESSORIES

**Savage 110 rifle, 270 caliber,** vortex scope 3X9X40 Crossfire II, camo sling, soft camo carrying case, rifle is camouflaged, \$850. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

**Para-Ordance LDA 18-9, \$800,** Sig Sauer P220 45ACP, \$900, Remington 700 308 cal., \$700, Browning BAR 7MM, \$1,100. Norm Stansbury, Loreauville, Iberia Parish; (337) 519-4075.

**M1 Garand for sale, \$1,800,** Mossberg 500 12ga. tactical, black with light, \$375, Smith Wesson AR 15 .22 long rifle, \$375. Paul Bellon, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 200-0532.

**S&W performance competition** model 929 9mm revolver, like new, 8-shot, 6-inch barrel, 12 moon clips, bag and box, leave message, \$750.

Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834. Browning Buckmark pistol Semi

.22, like new, comes with 6 magazines valued at \$200, bag, and box, leave message, \$450. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

**Glock G44 .22 pistol, like new,** 6 magazines valued at \$200, bag, and box, leave message, \$450. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

Remington 1100 semi shotgun, reblued, stock refurnished, shoots good, 12-guage, nice looking, leave message to call back, \$650 OBO. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

Like new KelTec PMR-30 pistol, 30-round capacity, six magazines, bag, and box, leave message, \$400. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

New Marlin 444 rifle primitive with scope, sling, box, leave voice message, \$350. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

### MISC HUNTING ITEMS

**16ft Crawfish skiff, 4ft bottom,** 2ft sides, 6-inch catwalk, heavy homemade trailer, text for pictures, \$3,500. Logan, Torbert, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 718-3608.

**2021 Montana high country 5th** wheel for sale, getting out of camping due to life changes, turn key, everything goes with it,

lots of extras, kept under cover, contact for pictures and more information, \$58,000. Darrell Arceneaux, Albany, Livingston Parish; (225) 413-5066.



.60 CCA treated poles, timbers, and lumber, great for livestock fencing, outdoor barns, and wharfs, call for pricing. Diamond Lumber Co., Moss Bluff, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 855-7714.

Heart Cypress, 4-inch to 10inch wide, 1ft to 8ft length, around 1-inch thick, roughcut, call for pricing. Kerry McClary, Cotton Valley, Webster Parish; (318) 294-5902.

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

### **REAL ESTATE**

### FOR SALE

Free mobile home, three bedroom, decent shape, central air, everything works, you move. Jim Smith, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 218-9690.



### EQUINE SERVICES

Race horse trainer, over 25 years experience training race horses, won races, licensed trainer, Delta Down, Fairground, Louisiana Down, Evangeline Down, \$50 per day. Ed or Cordel Cormier, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 326-7087. Horse trainer, breaking and training, pro cutter on site, ranch training, speed event training, riding lessons, call for quote. Rachel Bertrand, Crowley, Acadia Parish: (337) 384-6997.

AGMHorsemanship horse

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

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

### FARM SERVICES

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John Deere 6110M, 2016 Model, 4WD, Cab and a/c with JD H430 loader, three sets of rear remotes, 3,268 hours 24-speed power reverser transmission, excellent condition, \$72,500. Steve Bates, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 471-2146.

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# USDA Announces Availability of Low-Interest Physical Loss Loans for Producers Affected by Natural Disasters

Physical loss loans through the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) can help producers repair or replace damaged or destroyed physical property essential to the success of the agricultural operation, including livestock losses. Examples of property commonly affected include essential farm buildings, fixtures to real estate, equipment, livestock, perennial crops, fruit and nut bearing trees, and harvested or stored crops and hay.

### Impacted Area: Mississippi

<u>Triggering Disaster</u>: Severe Storms, Straightline Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding that occurred on March 14, 2025, through March 15, 2025. Application Deadline: January 21, 2026

### Primary Counties Eligible:

 Mississippi: Calhoun, Carroll, Covington, Grenada, Humphries, Issaquena, Itawamba, Jefferson Davis, Lee, Leflore, Marion, Montgomery, Pike, Prentiss, Sharkey, Smith, Walthall, and Washington

### Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

- Alabama: Franklin, and Marion
- Arkansas: Chicot
- Louisiana: East Carroll, Tangipahoa, and Washington Parish
- Mississippi: Alcorn, Amite, Attala, Bolivar, Chickasaw. Choctaw, Forrest, Holmes,

Jasper, Jones, Lafayette, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Monroe, Newton, Pearl River, Pontotoc, Rankin, Scott, Simpson, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Tippah, Tishomingo, Union, Warren, Webster, Yalobusha, and Yazoo

### More Resources

On farmers.gov, the Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool, Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet, and Loan Assistance Tool can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local USDA Service Center.

# Nominations Now Open for Farmers and Ranchers to Serve on USDA Farm Service Agency County Committees

Nominations are now being accepted for farmers and ranchers to serve on local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. These committees make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. All nomination forms for the 2025 election must be postmarked or received in the local FSA office by Aug. 1, 2025.

"Serving on an FSA county committee provides producers with a unique opportunity to have a say in local farm program decisions, ensuring FSA policies work, as intended, for producers at the county level." said FSA Administrator Bill Beam. "Nominations are now open; here's your chance to support USDA's commitment to putting Farmers First by amplifying the voices of farmers and ranchers within your community and effectively delivering the economic support they deserve."

Elections for committee members will occur in certain Local Administrative Areas (LAA). LAAs are elective areas for FSA committees in a single county or multi-county jurisdiction and may include LAAs that are focused on an urban or suburban area.

Producers interested in serving on the FSA county committee can locate their LAA through a geographic information system locator tool available at fsa.usda.gov/elections and determine if their LAA is up for election by contacting their local FSA office.

Agricultural producers may be nominated for candidacy for the county committee if they:

- Participate or cooperate in a USDA program.
- Reside in the LAA that is up for election this year.

A cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching operation to FSA, even if they have not applied or received program benefits.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others and qualifying organizations may also nominate candidates. USDA encourages all eligible producers to nominate, vote and hold office.

Nationwide, more than 7,700 dedicated members of the agriculture community serve on FSA county committees. The committees are made up of three to 11 members who serve three-year terms. Committee members play a key role in how FSA delivers disaster recovery, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as making decisions on county office employment and other agricultural issues.

### **Urban and Suburban County Committees**

FSA urban county committees work to promote urban, indoor and other emerging agricultural production practices. Urban committee members are nominated and elected to serve by local urban producers in the same jurisdiction. Urban county committee members provide outreach to ensure urban producers understand USDA programs, serve as the voice of other urban producers and assist in program implementation that support the needs of growing urban communities. The 27 cities with urban county committees are listed at fsa.usda.gov/elections and farmers. gov/urban.

#### **More Information**

Producers should contact their local FSA office today to register and find out how to get involved in their county's election, including if their LAA is up for election this year. To be considered, a producer must be registered and sign an FSA-669A nomination form. This form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at fsa.usda. gov/elections.

All nomination forms for the 2025 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by the Aug.1, 2025, deadline. Election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters in November 2025.

FSA helps America's farmers, ranchers and forest landowners invest in, improve, protect and expand their agricultural operations through the delivery of agricultural programs for all Americans. FSA implements agricultural policy, administers credit and loan programs, and manages conservation, commodity, disaster recovery and marketing programs through a national network of state and county offices and locally elected county committees. For more information, visit fsa.usda.gov.

# There's a Gen X Sized Hole In Agribusiness Leadership

In agribusiness, for every potential leader aged 35–50, two are preparing to retire. That stat was provided by Aaron Locker, Managing Director, Kincannon & Reed, during testimony in front of a Senate special committee on aging.\

He says this helps illustrate the quietly unfolding crisis that is rapidly cutting across the agriculture.

"And the consequences for our food supply, our rural communities, and our national security are serious," he said. "The 1980s farm crisis didn't just damage balance sheets. It's changed the interest of being involved in agriculture. That gap is being realized today in board rooms, field offices, agronomy teams and more." This is leaving a leadership and a talent gap for leaders, management and C-Suite roles.

Locker reflects on how when the agriculture industry is stressed—such as during the 1980s it brought less appeal to young professionals in higher education and early career opportunities.

"While college attendance overall rose nearly 7 percent between 1980 and 1990, enrollment in land grant colleges of agriculture- like Texas A&M, the University of Nebraska, University of Minnesota, and Iowa State University and others dropped by nearly 37 percent," he said.

Even more focused on the succession angle, Locker says of the agribusinesses his firm works with, less than one-third have a formal succession plan. "In agriculture, where many senior leaders have been in place for decades, this creates an acute succession challenge," he says.

From a general industry perspective, Locker points to other faster-growing industries as being more attractive. For example, while agriculture job growth is steady at 3%, other sectors such as tech and finance are growing three times faster.

"[They] are drawing top talent away from the food system. We are not just competing for attention—we are competing for leadership," he says.

By: Margy Eckelkamp. AG Web



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1 cup sugar

1 teaspoon baking soda

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup water

1½ teaspoons ginger

1 cup Steen's Pure Cane Syrup

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

3½ cups sifted all-purpose flour

1/4 teaspoons allspice

### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Cream together shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Combine water and syrup. Sift together flour, salt, baking soda, and spices. Add alternately to creamed mixture with water and syrup, blending well after each addition. Chill in bowl in refrigerator overnight. Roll out dough ¼ inch thick on lightly floured board or pastry cloth. Cut into rounds with a 4 inch cookie cutter. Place 4 at a time on greased baking sheet. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. To store, place in tightly covered container.

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### **COUZAN'S SHRIMP AND GRITS**

Submitted by Couzan's BBQ

### **Ingredients:**

1 pound shrimp, peeled and deveined

1 tablespoon Couzan's chocolate seasoning

1/2 cup seasoning blend (green, red, yellow bell pepper & onion), chopped

1 stick butter or margarine

4 cups chicken broth or water

1 cup grits

4 slices white cheese

### Instructions:

Cook grits according to box instructions. In a separate pan, add the butter, seasoning blend, and Couzan's chocolate seasoning and cook for 3 minutes. Add shrimp and cook over medium heat for 3-4 minutes or until the shrimp reaches 145°F. Scoop grits on to a plate then top with cheese and shrimp mixture.

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### FARMER'S MARKET PULLED PORK SANDWICH

Submitted by Russell's Cajun Sauces

### Ingredients:

15-7 pound Boston Butt pork roast

116-ounce bottle Russell's Cajun Barbeque Sauce

Hamburger buns or rolls

### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F. Brush pork roast with a light coating of sauce. Bake for approximately 5 hours or until meat is falling apart. (Pork may be prepared in a crock pot or a pressure cooker if desired.) While the pork is still warm, shred with two forks. Mix remainder of Russell's Cajun Barbecue Sauce into pulled pork. Serve on your favorite bun or roll.





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# This Louisiana program is training educators to build connections between students and local food

For Carl Motsenbocker, Farm to School is more than just a program. It's about local food systems and working to teach children and feed children within a local food area.

For more than 20 years, he has recruited LSU students and his own family to help plant gardens in local schools. Back in 2014, he attended a Farm to School conference in Austin, Texas, and realized Louisiana would be a perfect place to implement the Louisiana Harvest of the Month pilot program.

Earlier this summer, Motsenbocker, Louisiana Farm to School executive director and professor of Horticulture and Sustainable Agriculture at LSU, led the farm to school team to host 26 educators and community members from across Louisiana who participated in the Seeds to Success Farm to School Garden Leadership Workshop at LSU in Baton Rouge.

Participants drilled holes into large white trash bins to make strawberry grow towers. The methods were simple, the materials accessible and the practice possible for a classroom or addition to a school garden. After drilling, the groups of educators watched as Isabella Frank, Seeds to Success program manager for horticulture, filled a newly-made grow tower with soil media and taught them how to seed the towers.

Seeds to Success is the Louisiana Farm to School program which works to shore up connections that communities have with fresh, healthy food and local food producers by changing food purchasing and education practices at schools and preschools.

### Garden Leadership Workshop

The weeklong annual Farm to School Garden Leadership Workshop takes place at the Hill Farm Teaching Facility on LSU's campus. By the end of the week, the attendees build their network with each other, learn about sustainable food gardening, practice gardening methods and practice Seeds to Success curriculum.

"(The educators) learn a lot in the mornings in the classroom, and then in the afternoons, they have a lot of fun with the lessons," said Tyne Bankester, the program manager for curriculum integration and MarketMaker. "They get to experience it a lot like the students. They go through it and see so that way they can think about how this would work in their classrooms." The workshop involves a morning lecture and instruction, taught by Denyse Cummins, a master gardener and a Seeds to Success program adviser, followed by an afternoon hands-on training. After the training, the educator students practice lesson delivery using one of the lessons on the Seeds to Success curriculum resources website.

The workshop participants leave the weeklong training loaded down with garden tools they built, raised garden beds, recipes, seeds, Harvest of the Month trays with posters and other gifts to help them with their respective Farm to School plans.

### **Expansion of Seeds to Success**

In 2016, Gov. John Bel Edwards signed Act 404, directing the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry to create a farm to school program. This led to the development and launch of Seeds to Success: The Louisiana Farm to School Program, a partnership between the LSU AgCenter and the Louisiana Department of Education Division of Nutrition Support, funded by the USDA.

Motsenbocker, who had written multiple grants and started Harvest of the Month by 2016, was approached to lead the program and he has built it piece by piece since.

"It's been really rewarding," he said. "It's really nice to see it expand, and to see people using it, and to see excited kids, excited teachers and excited farmers interested."

Seeds to Success focuses on a threepronged approach to engaging communities and schools with fresh, healthy and local food — edible school gardens, nutrition and agricultural education, and purchasing local. The program is set up to support schools however they choose to implement Seeds to Success.

Seeding LA provides engaging and educational materials related to agriculture and nutrition for teachers, parents and students. Seeding LA is broken up into three subcategories: Seeds to Grow, Seeds to Sow and Seeds to Know.

Harvest of the Month showcases locally grown foods in Louisiana schools, institutions and communities. Each month, participating sites focus on promoting one locally grown item. Activities could include serving local items in a meal or snack, offering taste tests, featuring posters around the school, or teaching food education to help students get to know the featured item.

Purchasing Local aims to unite local farmers with cafeterias. Seeds to Success Farm to School provides the framework and network for farmers and schools to find one another, and they also offer trainings on food safety and food procurement.

With the passage of Senate Bill 14 in the most recent legislative session, Louisiana schools will have to make sure that at "each public school and any nonpublic school that receives state funds shall purchase food produced in this state to the extent practicable." This law will go into effect at the start of the 2027-28 school year. Seeds to Success is set up precisely to assist with establishing farmer/ school relationships through their Purchasing Local arm.

Bankester says Farm to School programs thrive when they are supported — by administration, their district and the parents.

"To succeed, they need to build a team to work with, and that team can look however it needs to look, They need somebody to have their back," she said. "It's kind of about finding how this is going to work at your school. Every program looks different."

Seeds to Success also provides support to teachers throughout the year, especially at the annual Farm to School Conference in October that teaches gardening training, education training and procurement trainings. The conference is not restricted to educators — school food authorities, farmers and community partners also attend. The 2025 Farm to School Conference is scheduled for Oct. 8 in Baton Rouge.

One of the first grants Motsenbocker applied for and won was the Specialty Crop Block Grant to implement the Louisiana Harvest of the Month initiative.

Seeds to Success is continuing its programming and is looking forward to the fall. The Louisiana Farm to School Program Act that Edwards signed in 2016 is contingent upon appropriation of funds by the legislature or the availability of any other federal funding, grants, gifts, or public or private donations which may be used for coordination of resources for the farm to school program.

For more information, visit seedstosuccess. com.

## How to Grow the Next Generation of Agriculture: Start Small

Nelson & Sons Farm in Louisiana, alongside the National Black Growers Council, is cultivating the next generation of black row crop farmers through in-field experience and customized youth programming.

Growing up in the Mississippi River Delta, Willis Nelson says his family's 800 acres was the biggest farm he'd ever seen. When he and his brothers took over the operation, he dreamed of growing the operation to 1,000 acres, but he didn't know how to start.

"I went to a field day hosted by Harper Armstrong and he had 2,500 acres and he was a black guy," Nelson says. "Then I got involved with the National Black Growers Council and saw all the big growers and I thought 1,000 was not enough. It gave us a role model we hadn't seen before."

Today, Nelson, alongside his three brothers, farms 4,000 acres of corn, cotton, soybeans, rice and milo that spans over 100 miles in Louisiana.

Recently, Nelson and Sons Farm hosted a Model Farm Field Day for the National Black Growers Council that catered to the next generation with in-field experience and customized youth programming.

"We want to make sure these young kids understand where their food comes from," says PJ Haynie, chairman of the National Black Growers Council and owner of Haynie Farms in Virginia. "When we look over our shoulders, we want these young kids to be coming up the field behind us. We know every one of these young kids might not be a farmer, but we want them to understand the value of agriculture and the opportunities that lie in agriculture."

The next generations of Nelson and Sons Farm is filled with "too many cousins to count."





Most days, those kids are on the farm right alongside their family, lending a hand. Wil'Laddyn Nelson, Joel'Quavion Steward and Wil'Zaylan Nelson all like to drive tractors and help out where they can, but when they go to school, their peers don't understand the lifestyle.

"They don't know where their food comes from or what we do," Joel'Quavion says. "They play video games on their phones a lot."

The boys admit they play video games, too, but only when it rains or is too muddy to work outside. As soon as it is dry, they have to get back to work.

Nelson and his brothers have settled into their own niches and management roles on the farm. He says he wouldn't trade his family operation, and he is cultivating that attitude with the next generation.

"I just started Nelson Next-Generation Farm where I am starting all the nieces and nephews farming," he says. They are beginning with chickens, sheep, a cow and with their own muscadine crop.

Wil'Laddyn is already reaping the benefits: "I clean my eggs and sell them cheaper than the stores and I make money."

"I want them to see another side of farming other than just big ag," Nelson says. "I want them to come take over big ag, but first I want them to grow up into farming."

"I'm glad to be in this family," Joel'Quavion adds. "It's a blessing. If it weren't for my uncles, my aunties and my cousins, I don't know what I'd be doing right now."

Nelson says being part of the National Black Growers Council gave him role models to look up to as well as a sense of community within an





industry that can sometimes foster competition and isolation.

Breaking down those walls between farms was precisely how National Black Growers Council cultivates the next generation across the nation, Haynie says.

"We are a non-profit whose mission is to improve the efficiency, productivity and sustainability of black row crop farmers, period," he explains. "Black row crop farmers are the smallest herd of all black farmers in the country, and we figured if we could protect this small herd and create opportunities, the herd can grow."

By: Jamie Sears Rawlings, AG Web

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# **LAWDP Spotlight: Enterpise Aquatics**



asked how the experience has influenced her career aspirations, Kylie stated, "My internship with Enterprise Aquatics truly has changed my career goals. I had always aspired to work in environmental restoration, but after learning about aquaponics, I realized there were many different avenues I could take. I currently work for another aguafarm, where I am the lead technician in greenhouse/nursery operations. I help feed my local communities and educate others on sustainability practices. These experiences have led me to change my educational goals as well, and I am now studying marine ecology. I now aspire to use aquaponics to possibly grow wetland restoration plants and help support other sustainability projects."

As the Louisiana Agricultural Workforce Development Program continues to expand, it aims to offer similar opportunities to numerous other students and businesses, fostering a spirit of innovation and collaboration. The program serves as a model for how strategic investment in workforce development can yield longterm benefits, nurturing a skilled labor force that can address the challenges of modern agriculture while promoting sustainable practices for future generations. Continued from Front

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- Agribusiness
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- Farm management
- Agronomy
- Natural resources
- Forestry
- Research and development
- Marketing and sales
- Food safety
- Maintenance and repair of machinery and equipment

The Louisiana Agricultural Workforce Development Program is currently accepting applications for the 2025-2026 grant cycle. We encourage all eligible businesses to seize this opportunity to nurture talent and contribute to the industry's promising future. Apply today and join the movement to cultivate the next generation of agricultural leaders. For more information on business and internship eligibility requirements and to apply, visit www.ldaf.la.gov/business/ grants-funding.

# USDA to Survey Cattle Operations

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) mailed the July cattle survey to about 18,000 cattle operations nationwide to provide an up-to-date measure of U.S. cattle inventories. This is the first July cattle survey mailed to producers since the reinstatement of key reports was announced earlier this year.

"This information helps producers make timely, informed business decisions and plan for herd expansion or reduction," said NASS Livestock Branch Chief Travis Averill. "It also helps packers and government leaders evaluate expected slaughter volume for future months and determine potential supplies for export. Obtaining the current count of cattle will serve as an important decision-making tool for the entire agriculture industry."

During the first two weeks of July, U.S. cattle producers will have the opportunity to report their beef and dairy cattle inventories, calf crop, death loss and cattle on feed information. To make it as easy as possible for producers to participate in the survey, NASS offers the option of responding via the website agcounts.usda.gov, telephone, mail or a personal interview with a local NASS representative.

The July Cattle report will be released on July 25, 2025, at 3 p.m. ET. This and all NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov/publications.

For more information about this survey, visit nass.usda.gov/go/cattle. If you need assistance, please contact us at 888-424-7828.



The McNeese State University men's rodeo team has claimed its fourth straight championship title in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's (NIRA) Southern Region. Six members of the team, and one member of the women's team, are traveling to the 2025 College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) June 15-21 in Casper, Wyoming.

McNeese dominated the Southern Region saddle bronc standings, capturing the top four spots. Izaah Bartels, of New Underwood, South Dakota, is champion, Caleb Miller, of Welsh, is reserve champion, Jace Nixon, of Lake Charles, finished third and Drew Bordelon, of Ville Platte, is fourth. All four will represent McNeese in saddle bronc riding at the CNFR.

"We all work hard all year round and we all put in the blood, sweat and tears into it together," Bartels said. "So, it means a lot to go and compete with the guys that you work with all year." Texas, in bareback riding and Kash Krogman, of Sturgis, South Dakota, in bull riding. Both say they are excited to have another opportunity to ride.

"To be one of the top six guys from the Southern Region heading to Wyoming means so much," Lamon said.

On the women's side, Alyssa Gary, of LeBleu Settlement, qualified to compete at the CNFR in goat tying after a strong season. "It's a long race to get to the CNFR, but it's finally here," she said.

In preparing for the intensity of the CNFR, the team remains focused on bringing home a national title, either as individuals or as a team.

"Being on the rodeo team has taught me to chase my dreams and to strive to be better every day. Even if some days I want to pull my hair out it taught me just to keep pushing," Nixon said. "When you're getting your teeth kicked in, at anything, you have to try to keep going with a smile and work forward."



Miller says being on the rodeo team has taught him that sometimes sacrifice leads to success. "I've also learned to hold myself to a higher standard, so when I go out into the real world, I can perform at a higher level."

Also qualifying are Jacob Lamon, of Wells,

# **Ruston Farmers Market celebrates a flavorful tradition at the** 2025 Peach Cookery Contest

### Courtesy of Ruston Farmers Market

The Ruston Farmers Market and Drew Jones Teaching Kitchen were full of energy and excitement on Thursday, June 5, as community members gathered for the annual Peach Cookery Contest, a beloved tradition held in conjunction with the Louisiana Peach Festival.

Sponsored by Park Haus, the event celebrated local culinary talent with a delicious array of pies and cobblers featuring the region's favorite fruit, peaches.

Participants dropped off their peach dishes at 5:00 p.m. at the Ruston Farmers Market, with entries judged on taste, texture, appearance, peach flavor, and creativity. Judges faced a tough decision as they sampled each homemade dish.

After careful deliberation, judges awarded the top prizes in two age categories: adult and youth. Winners were announced at noon on Saturday, June 7 during the market.

Adult Division Winners:

1st Place: Mary Wilson

- 2nd Place: Laurel Nerren
- 3rd Place: AnnaGrace Hale

### Youth Division Winners:

- 1st Place: Kara Robertson
- 2nd Place: Willow Tingle
- 3rd Place: Milly McDonald

The Drew Jones Teaching Kitchen, now in its second year as the contest's home, provided an ideal setting for both participants and judges. The Ruston Farmers Market extends heartfelt thanks to all contestants, judges, volunteers, and community members who made the 2025 Peach Cookery Contest a success. A special thanks goes to Park Haus for their continued support and sponsorship, which helps make this event possible each year.

To continue the summer fun, Ruston Farmers Market is hosting a craft meet up for the community to engage in crafting activities while supporting local vendors from 5-8 p.m.



on Thursday, June 26. Weekly cooking classes are also available each Thursday at the Drew Jones Teaching Kitchen. More information about the Ruston Farmers Market, classes, and upcoming events can be found at www. rustonfarmersmarket.org.

### About the Ruston Farmers Market

Since 2008, the Ruston Farmers Market has been a vital part of the community, offering exclusively Louisiana-grown and produced goods. Operated by North Louisiana Farm Fresh (NLFF), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit since 2014, the market has grown into a year-round destination for fresh food and community programming.

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# Ashley Edwards: Pivoting during the pandemic to help the beef industry



When Ashley Edwards joined the LSU AgCenter in December 2019 as an extension agent and coordinator of livestock programs, she was eager to hit the road and begin visiting producers, conducting workshops and helping 4-H youth with their livestock projects.

"This was the perfect job for me," said Edwards, who grew up on a cow-calf operation in Central Texas and participated in livestock shows.

Within months at her new job, however, many of the events and activities that Edwards was looking forward to were canceled because of the coronavirus pandemic. "It really shifted my job," Edwards said. But the pandemic brought an unexpected — yet exciting — opportunity to revamp livestock extension efforts and reach a broader audience.

Edwards, who oversees livestock programs in central and northern Louisiana, and other AgCenter livestock agents turned their attention to producing online content.

For the past year, they've been diligently updating livestock information on the AgCenter website and regularly posting videos and podcasts aimed at producers. In addition to virtual field days, the team hosts Beef Brunch — a series of monthly educational webinars and bi-weekly news updates.

They've been busy planning other new programs too, such as a Beginner Cattleman course that will be offered in a hybrid format.

In-person events are gradually being reintroduced, and Edwards has been able to make some farm visits as well.

"It's been a challenge for sure," Edwards said, "but I'm very excited moving forward into the future."

By: Olivia McClure, LSU AgCenter



# USDA Researchers Find Viruses from Miticide Resistant Parasitic Mites are Cause of Recent Honey Bee Colony Collapses

Scientists at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service (USDA-ARS) are helping American beekeepers solve the mystery behind a widespread honey bee colony collapse and its debilitating effects on U.S. agriculture. Researchers have submitted a manuscript to a scientific journal for peer review based on our research findings that identified high levels of deformed wing virus A and B and acute bee paralysis in all recently USDAsampled bees.

These viruses are responsible for recent honey bee colony collapses and losses across the U.S. Since the viruses are known to be spread by parasitic Varroa destructor (Varroa) mites, ARS scientists screened the mites from collapsed colonies and found signs of resistance to amitraz, a critical miticide used widely by beekeepers. This miticide resistance was found in virtually all collected Varroa, underscoring the need for new parasitic treatment strategies.

"Our nation's food supply thrives, and is sustained, by the work of our pollinators," said Acting ARS Administrator Joon Park. "USDA scientists continue to research major stressors and new parasite treatment strategies, which will help reduce the agricultural challenge presented by the Varroa mites in honey bee colonies."

In January 2025, commercial beekeepers began reporting severe losses in commercially managed operations. As losses unfolded, it was evident that over 60% of commercial beekeeping colonies had been lost since the prior summer, representing 1.7 million colonies and an estimated financial impact of \$600 million.

ARS scientists collected colony and bee samples from across California and other western states in February 2025, prior to almond pollination.

The USDA-ARS Bee Research Laboratory in Beltsville, MD, analyzed the parasites and pathogens from all samples and focused on individual bees exhibiting behavior known to precede death by minutes or hours. Viruses were indicated in both pooled samples from surviving colonies, and in individual bees showing behavioral morbidities.

"While viruses are a likely end-stage cause of colony death, these results do not rule out the importance of other long known challenges to honey bees," said ARS Research Leader Dr. Judy Chen.

As the primary managed pollinator, the Apis mellifera, is an integral component of agriculture, providing key pollination services for a wide variety of crops and over one-third of U.S. produce. The value of crops that require bee pollination is estimated to be more than \$20 billion annually in the U.S. and \$387 billion globally.

ARS researchers will continue to screen honey bees and their colonies for other known stressors and determine the best way to mitigate these stressors, mite infection, and subsequent colony loss.

By: Autumn Canaday

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