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Illinois farmer's story sheds light on electrical dangers

By Michele F. Mihaljevich
Indiana Correspondent

URBANA, Ill. – As planting season nears, producers are being reminded to watch for electrical dangers, such as overhead power lines, around the farm.

The Safe Electricity website (www.SafeElectricity.org) offers tips and videos on electrical safety. The Safe Electricity program was created in 2001 by the Energy Education Council. The program operates under the University of Illinois Extension.

In a video posted on the site, Cody and Bailey Conrady share their story of how an accident involving a sprayer boom and a power line changed their lives.

Cody was in his second-to-last day at his job as an assistant manager for an agriculture fertilizer company in May 2019. He was out in a truck, trying to stay ahead of the sprayers. The sprayer pulled into a farm and Cody got out of the truck to add the fertilizer. “As the operator unfolded the sprayer booms, he unfolded into the power line,” recalled Bailey Conrady, Cody’s wife. “As he was doing that, Cody hit an alligator clamp to load the sprayer and took 7,400 volts.”

Cody was in a burn intensive care unit for weeks and had more than six surgeries. He lost his right leg below the knee and left arm below the elbow. Bailey was his fiancée at the time of the accident; they were married in September 2019.

“We knew life wasn’t going to be the same (after the accident),” Bailey said. “The normal before was not going to be the normal after.”

Cody said taking the time to be aware of potential hazards could keep a farmer safe. “Just driving around during the spring and fall, watching the sprayer operators operate or the fertilizer trucks with the augers sticking out close to power lines, I mean, pay attention a little more. Just keep an eye on your surroundings. Just take that extra second to look at things.”

Ann Augspurger, communications director for Safe Electricity, said the program is grateful to Cody and Bailey for sharing their experience. “I’m sure they didn’t want to relive that story,” she told Farm World.



Above: Bailey and Cody Conrady (photo provided).

“We hope their story will resonate with farmers. By sharing their story, it shows you how it can happen to anyone. If you can learn from someone else’s experience, it hits home in a more impactful way. Cody’s take-away is to learn from his experience.”

In the same video, Kyle Finley, an Illinois farmer and former electric line worker, said some producers take for granted that everyone on the farm knows what to do to prevent an accident. “As farmers, a lot of times it’s multi-generational that we’ve stayed on the family farm. Grandpa was never in a safety meeting, dad was never in a safety meeting. So now the son is taking over. He was never in a safety meeting.”

Daily safety meetings designed to remind everyone of the presence of safety hazards are recommended, said Josie Rudolphi, an assistant professor and extension specialist with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Orientations and safety training for new workers are also encouraged, she said. In the United States, about 1,000 people are killed annually from an electrical incident and upwards of 30,000 are injured, Rudolphi said.

“The key to prevention is to, first of all, know where the hazards are and be aware of the environment,” she explained. “A lot of these injuries are preventable if we just slow down, we realize the capacity for an electrical hazard and we’re aware of where those are and stay away from

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Above: Now is the time for 4-H members to select their show pigs. Brown Show Pigs of Wapakoneta, Ohio, said 4-H’ers interested in showing swing look for structure, muscle, tall Fronted, wide-based, along with big boned. Ideally by fair time the pigs need to weigh 220-280 pounds. These youngsters are the future generation of Brown Show Pigs. Photo by Leondia Walchle

Declining farm income prediction isn’t necessarily all bad news

By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. – A projected long-term decline in farm income following a banner year is viewed as “good news” by an agriculture economist at Purdue University.

Dr. Michael Langemeier said the USDA forecast still places farm income over the next 10 years at levels much higher than where they stood prior to the 2020 recovery. “I actually look at it as good news because we’re not dropping down to the prices we had in 2014 to 2019,” he said.

USDA is predicting it might be a decade or more before farm profits rise above the numbers from 2020. The \$120 billion in U.S farm income last year was the highest since 2013, according to USDA.

The agency predicts farm profits nationwide this year will decline by 8.1 percent and fluctuate annually from \$99.3 billion to \$109 billion through 2030.

If the forecast proves accurate, Langemeier said most farmers will be able to keep their heads above water by not having to take out as many loans or dip into equity as much to fund operating costs.

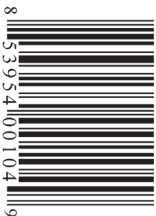
“If you start going to \$60 billion to \$70 billion in net farm income that really makes the working capital situation very, very tight,” he said.

The income declines were forecast despite USDA projecting an increase in annual sales through 2030.

Langemeier said farm income last year was artificially high by the amount of federal dollars awarded to help farmers weather the financial storm brought on by COVID-19 and the trade war with China.

He also said the projected income decline made sense because the amount of government aid reached historic levels just as long struggling grain prices took off from a big jump in demand for exports primarily by

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them.”

Farmers should resist the temptation to skip daily safety meetings, Augspurger said. “We all know how busy farmers are and we all know they know how dangerous power lines can be. For farmers, everyone’s safety is the most important thing. It should be paramount. If a farmer gets into an accident, that could mean serious injury or loss of life. Things can happen so quickly.”

Farmers who are inside a vehicle

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China.

Langemeier said government dollars represented a good portion of the farm income, and assistance is not expected to be anywhere close to the 2020 amount in the coming years.

He said prices will return to being the major driver of farm income in the future.

He doesn’t expect current prices to remain as high but he also doesn’t envision a major drop in prices any time soon.

Langemeier said prices started plummeting after 2013 because of a large surplus built from several years of producing more corn and soybeans to take advantage of high returns. Supplies are tight right now but the amount of time it took to eat into the surplus will be needed to rebuild the amount in storage, he said.

Langemeier said what actually happens to future prices also hinges largely on whether China continues to aggressively purchase corn and soybeans from the United States and economic conditions across the globe.

People from other countries with higher incomes purchase more protein. If greater need for meat in foreign countries isn’t served by U.S. livestock producers, there will be more orders for U.S. corn and soybeans from other countries feeding additional animals to meet consumer demand, he said.

Exports remaining at high levels will mean price stability for an extended period from continued strained supplies.

“I don’t think the prices are going to remain as strong as they are in 2021 but I don’t think we’re going to drop down to \$3.50 corn either. So, you have a positive situation no matter how you look at it,” he said.

According to USDA, the income projections are based on no change in current government policy in areas like trade and COVID-19 relief measures.

that comes into contact with a power line should remain inside unless it’s on fire, Rudolphi said. If they need to leave the vehicle, they should make a clean jump rather than just stepping down. They should continue jumping, or hopping, with feet together, until they are as far away as possible, as the ground closer to the vehicle may be electrically charged.

Farmers who might have a difficult time hopping could also shuffle away, Augspurger said. The important thing is to keep your feet together, she noted.

Producers who might need to be in

the fields at dawn or dusk should work the perimeter first to avoid being close to power lines when it’s dark, Rudolphi said. If possible, farmers should put reflecting tape on guidewires and should be sure their tractors and other equipment have good lights. “In the spring, especially, it’s important to take some time to reorient yourself with the fields,” she stated. “You should remind yourself where the ditches and other hazards might be.”

Farmers and motorists should remember tractors and other equipment will soon be on the roads as planting season starts, Rudolphi

said. “Farmers should realize that driving around a rural road is different than driving around the farm,” she noted. “They should have good lighting and markings on all vehicles and implements, and they shouldn’t be driving at night. If possible, they should have a pilot or follow car, with flashers on, to alert motorists.”

The Safe Electricity website offers several tips to help prevent electrical incidents on the farm and elsewhere. For farm safety tips, visit the site and click on the education tab, then “tips” in the dropdown menu, and then “farm and ranch safety.”



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Foreign ownership of U.S. farmland keeps growing

By Doug Graves
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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Drive through Van Wert and Paulding counties in Ohio and you'll come across Blue Creek Wind Farm with its 152 turbines, the largest wind-based power station in the state. The Spanish utility giant Iberdrola owns and operates the 304 mega-watt facility and the land it stands on as well.

In Wayne County, Ill., German fiberglass manufacturer Knauf owns farms on 3,700 acres and is registered as the Skillet Fork Farm Corporation in the United States.

Dutch farmers from the Netherlands have already opened dairies in Iowa, New Mexico and South Dakota. The largest concentration of Dutch dairy farmers appears to be in the fertile area where Ohio, Indiana and Michigan meet. In this tri-state area at least 41

Dutch dairy farmers have arrived the past 10 years.

According to statistics from the USDA, the state with the most foreign ownership and investment is Maine, which has 3.1 million acres that are foreign-controlled, followed closely by Texas at 3 million. Rounding out the top five are Alabama (1.6 million acres), Washington (1.5 million) and Michigan (1.3 million).


For the past 10 years, news of

growing foreign ownership of U.S. farmland is raising red flags in farming communities, and efforts to limit foreign ownership have gained momentum.

Jake Davis, policy director for Family Farm Action, advocates supporting limits on foreign ownership of farmland.

"Family Farm Action is a coalition of family farmers and our organization is working with lawmakers in Ohio, Oklahoma and Missouri to introduce bills banning foreign ownership," Davis

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Above: This silo in Illinois sports the American flag, but is the land owned by a foreign entity? USDA records show that 28.3 million acres in the United States are controlled by foreign investors. (photo courtesy USDA)

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said. “The closer you are to the land, the more likely you are to take care of it. The same goes to the closer you are to the ownership of farm animals.”

Already, six states have laws banning foreign ownership of farmland. Those states are Hawaii, Iowa, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota and Oklahoma.

Iowa law forbids any “nonresident alien, foreign business or foreign government” from holding agricultural land in the state, though certain exceptions can be made related to inheritance. Illinois does not limit foreign ownership of farmland. Foreigners, however, must register their purchases.

In Tennessee, foreign corporations must obtain a certificate of authority from the secretary of state before they can conduct business. In Kentucky, foreign corporations must be licensed to do business in the state. In Indiana, the number of acres that non-citizens can own is capped at 320.

“We strongly oppose foreign ownership of farmland,” said Blake Hurst, president of the Missouri Farm Bureau. “U.S. ownership of the land provides better stewardship of the land and it’s better for rural communities. We need to protect this valuable asset for the United States.”

Data from the USDA shows that foreign investors control (either through direct ownership or long-term leases) at least 28.3 million acres, valued at \$52.2 billion. That area is about the size of the state of Ohio.



Breaking it down further, 54.9 percent of American land under foreign ownership is forestland, 23.6 percent is pastureland and 21.5 percent is cropland.

Since 2011, Chinese businesses have made dozens of transactions for U.S. farmland, USDA data shows. For example, the Chinese firm Shuanghui received national attention when it purchased U.S. pork producer Smithfield Foods for a record \$4.7 billion. As part of that deal, Shuanghui also acquired more than 146,000 acres of farmland across the United States, worth more than \$500 million.

But the Chinese don’t come close to Canadian investors, who own 25 percent (or 7,271,590 acres) of combined agricultural and non-agricultural land. Thirty-five percent (or 10,090,874 acres) of U.S. land is owned by four countries: the Netherlands (17 percent), Germany (6 percent), United Kingdom (6 percent) and Italy (5 percent). The remaining 11,655,571 acres (or 40 percent) of all reported foreign-held agricultural and non-agriculture land, are held by other countries.



Above: Some of the 152 turbines that comprise the sprawling, \$600 million Blue Creek Wind Farm in Van Wert and Paulding counties in Ohio. (photo submitted)



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Inventory estimates hold steady in March WASDE report

In a somewhat surprising move, the USDA left carryout estimates on corn, soybeans and wheat unchanged from last month in the March WASDE report. This kept ending stocks at 1.502 billion bu on corn, 120 million bu (mbu) on soybeans and 836 mbu on wheat. The only change to balance sheets was a 1 mbu increase in soybean seed demand which was offset by a 1 mbu decrease in residual usage. The average cash values were also left unchanged at \$4.30 on corn, \$11.15 on soybeans and \$5 on wheat.

We did see slight changes to the global balance sheets, but surprisingly, they were upward on corn and soybeans and down on wheat. World corn ending stocks are now estimated at 287.7 million metric tons (mmt) compared to 286.5 mmt last month. Soybean ending stocks are now projected at 83.7 mmt, a slight increase from 83.4 mmt in February. The global wheat ending stocks are now forecast at 301.2 mmt, down from 304.2 mmt a month ago.

The main reason for these changes was from South America. Despite recent weather issues, the USDA increased its Brazilian soybean crop by 1 mmt to a total of 134 mmt. Brazil's corn crop was left unchanged at 109 mmt. The USDA is projecting 47.5 mmt crops of both corn and soybeans in Argentina. This is an unchanged number on the corn crop, but a 500,000 metric ton decrease to soybeans.

Of all the data that was released,




MARKET ANALYSIS
By Karl Setzer

the most interest was on global wheat balance sheets. The global wheat crop is estimated at a record 776.8 mmt this year, but world demand is forecast to rise as well. The biggest increase is coming from Chinese wheat feeding as that grain is edging out corn as a base. Not only is this from availability, but also from its higher protein content than corn which makes it an easy substitute.

When it comes to the global wheat supply it is interesting to note that China is holding 50 percent of the world supply.

The Brazilian soybean harvest is starting to advance after a slow start, and as it does, so do soybean exports. Brazil exported an estimated 5 million metric tons (mmt) of soybeans in February. While this was under initial expectations, it was still a sizable volume for the month. In March, Brazil is anticipated to ship out a large 15 mmt. The combination of these two is 128 percent of the volume of soybeans Brazil exported to start the previous export program.

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The question now is how long Brazil may remain a soybean exporter. It is currently believed Brazil will remain the world's leading soybean supplier through June. Last year, Brazilian officials exported long after it was thought they would run out, but in doing so, exhausted its soybean reserves. While Brazil may be more reserved in its exports this year, it will likely depend upon what value it can make imports for if needed.

Trade is also monitoring Brazil's corn export program. According to Brazilian figures the country exported more corn than the USDA predicted for the 2020/21 marketing year. There are now thoughts Brazil is sitting on just 4.2 mmt of corn inventory which is a minimal 15-day supply. This will remove Brazil from the corn export market until the Safrinha crop is ready which will be in August. This opens the door for elevated U.S. exports, but also for Argentine sales, which are currently being offered at a sizable discount to U.S. corn.

The United States continues to export a large volume of pork. For the calendar year the United States has already exported 148,600 metric tons of pork. This is a record pace and 13 percent ahead of last year, which was the previous record. It is no surprise the China is a primary buyer of U.S. pork but is being followed closely by Japan and Mexico. China is starting to rebuild its domestic hog herd though, which may weigh on sales as the year progresses.

The La Nina weather event continues to cause disruptions in global commodity production. The most talked about of these remains the drought in South America and also in

the Southern United States. An area that is getting more attention is what the La Nina may mean for Australian wheat output. Unlike other regions of the world, a La Nina tends to lead to elevated wheat production in Australia such as we had this year. It is believed that without this weather event Australia's wheat production could be down as much as 25 percent this coming year.

The La Nina is also having an impact on the United States, mainly in the Plains and Southern States. Drought has developed in these states causing a depletion of soil moisture. This has combined with the February cold snap to cause damage in the wheat crop in that region, and now there are reports some fields will likely shift to alternative crops. While it is unlikely this will be a significant volume of acres, thoughts are it may add production to either corn or soybeans.

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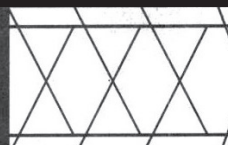
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Hill, Schneider win service awards from Indiana Pork

By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS – Her life on a hog farm became even more heavenly after being recognized for her dedicated efforts to the industry. Heather Hill is this year’s recipient of the Producer Meritorious Service Award from Indiana Pork.

“It’s very humbling to be recognized by my fellow producers for such a prestigious honor,” she said.

Indiana Pork awarded its Industry Meritorious Service Award to attorney Justin Schneider for his work on agriculture issues during his 14 years with Indiana Farm Bureau.

Hill, 43, didn’t grow up on a farm but her childhood home on two acres was used to raise a handful of pigs, sheep and rabbits. Her mother, Anna, grew up on hog farm. She encouraged her children to enroll in 4-H and care for the animals they showed during the LaPorte County Fair in the northwest part of the state.

“My parents made sure that agriculture was important to my siblings and I and it really became a passion of mine,” Hill said.

Hill was pursuing her animal sciences degree at Purdue University when she really began feeding at the trough by meeting her future husband, Marc, a fourth generation hog farmer. The couple, along with his parents, Steve and Debbie, operates a 600-head farrow-to-finish hog farm near Greenfield east of Indianapolis.

Hill, actively involved with Indiana Pork since 2009, was president of the organization for two years. For the past four years, she’s been a member of the National Pork Board and continues to serve the board of directors for Indiana Pork in an advisory role.

Hill is also a leader with the Hancock County branch of 4-H and serves on the National Future Farmers of America Career Development Sales Committee.

A vast majority of the pigs on her farm are sold to Tyson for processing at its plant in Logansport. The rest are used for meat she and her mother in-law offer under their private label, “The Pork Shop,” at farmer’s markets

and a local orchard.

Hill said her motivation to get involved is from a desire to make sure the livestock industry continues to be healthy for current and future producers. One way of doing that is educating people the livestock industry is a responsible care taker of its animals and the environment.

Hill and her husband have three children ages 11 to 18.

“We don’t know if they want to be involved in the industry or not but my husband and I feel very strongly that we need to be involved today to be their

voice so they have the opportunity to be involved in the future if they so choose,” she said.

Schneider, 45, grew up on a farm raising several hundred pigs in Brownstown about 60 south of Indianapolis.

His family still raises corn and soybeans on the farm he visits as

often as possible. “I still drive a tractor when I can,” he said. “That’s how I stay grounded.”

Schneider said he was pursuing a degree in agri-business management when he decided to go to law school after working with a couple of farmers

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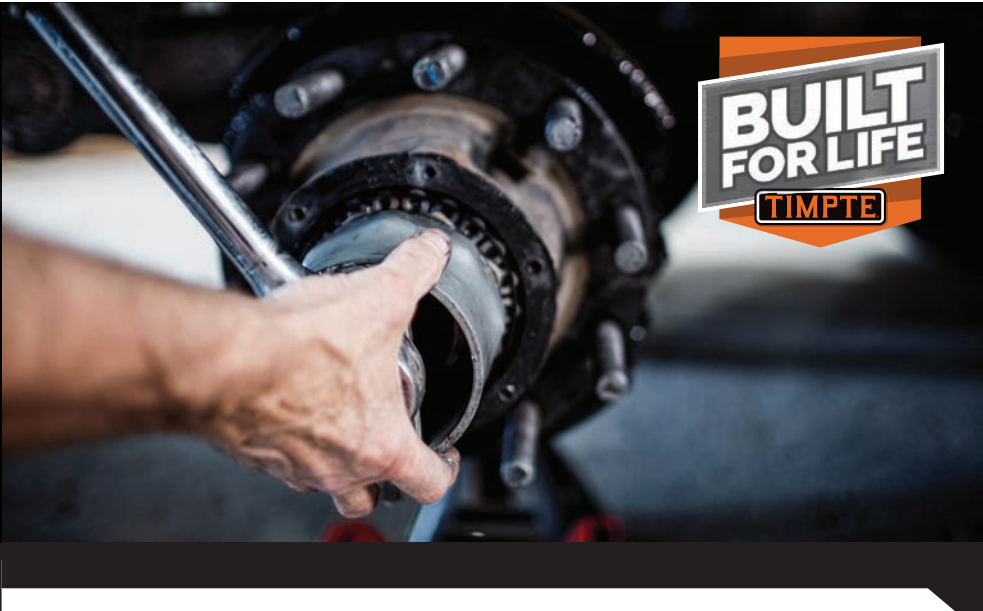






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Indiana Pork credited Schneider for leading a successful effort to transition permitting for confined animal feeding operations more from the federal to state level of government.

The group also cited his work on right to farm issues and motivation to “ensure commercial agriculture thrived in Indiana.”

Schneider was director of state government relations for Indiana Farm Bureau when he left about 18 months ago. He’s now in charge of government relations and business development for Indiana American Water. The

utility is a provider of water and waste water services throughout the state.

“I had an opportunity and I was ready for a new challenge so I took it,” he said.

Schneider said most satisfying about the award is his work at Indiana Farm Bureau apparently left a lasting impression. “Hopefully, it was a reflection of the good work we were able to do. Sometimes, we didn’t all agree on the approach or what needed to be done but we were always able to work through it,” he said.

Daryn Cordes, of Wabash County, received the Contract Grower Award. He has grown hogs under contract with Dykhuis Farms for more than 13 years and has more than 8,600 wean-to-finish spaces. He is also a volunteer firefighter for the Roann Fire Department.



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Cicadas to make return this spring

By Jordan Strickler
Kentucky Correspondent

LEXINGTON, Ky. – This spring will mark the 17-year emergence of billions of cicadas from the ground across the region. However, while the sound might a few decibels higher than average, don't expect much more.

"Periodical cicadas are not a pest necessarily, especially of people," said Jonathan Larson, an extension entomologist at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Food and Environment. "They are not going to bite us. They are not going to attack us. They are not inherently toxic to pets. There can be some annoyance with the noise they produce, especially if you are standing right next to them. It's like standing next to a jet airplane."

The cicadas will be a part of Brood X and will mostly inhabit the Midwest while also reaching south into parts of Georgia and as far north as New York. Larson said that those who have young trees, especially newly transplants which can be potential hosts to the bugs, should prepare to protect their trees. Host trees include young oaks and fruit trees.

"Those can be damaged as the female cicadas lay their eggs in their branches," Larson said. "Getting some netting with holes that are less than ½-inch wide and wrapping it around the young trees for about six weeks while the insects are out will keep those females from laying their eggs on them."

This year's cicada brood is expected to emerge in early May and end in late June. Cicadas usually come out of the ground when soil beneath the ground reaches 64 degrees. A warm rain will often trigger an



emergence.

Two types of cicadas populate the eastern United States: the dog-day, or annual, cicada, and the periodical cicada. The lifecycle of the annual cicada typically spans two to five years and are "annual" only in the sense that members of the species reappear each spring. The name is used to distinguish them from the periodical cicada species, which occur only in Eastern North America, are developmentally synchronized, and appear in great swarms every 13 or 17 years. All other cicadas from all other biogeographic regions produce annual broods, so the distinction is not made outside of North America.

Fifteen broods have been described by scientists and are designated by Roman numerals. There are three 13-year cicada broods (XIX, XXII and XXIII), and 12 of the 17- year cicada broods (I-X, XIII and XIV). Also, there are three distinct species of 17-year cicadas (M. septendecim, M. cassini and M. septendecula) and three species of 13-year cicadas (M. tredecim, M. tredecassini and M. tredecula).

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Groups seek input from farm women on resilience to stress

By Susan Mykrantz
Ohio Correspondent

MT. HOPE, Ohio – Whether it was an old friend or a new idea, visitors will find it at Horse Progress Days in Mt. Hope. Now in its 27th year and back in Ohio again, the annual event draws thousands of people from across the United States and as many as 16 different countries. The host site is typically in a plain community. This year the event will be July 2-3, with the gates opening at 8 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person per day. The two-day event is jam-packed with field

demonstrations and seminars geared toward farming with horses, and small farmers.

Field demonstrations include the newest and improved vegetable production equipment, manure spreaders, logging equipment, tillage equipment and hay-making equipment. There will also be a presentation of popular draft horse breeds and round pen demonstrations, including working with mules and training horses to help them perform at their highest potential.

The produce demonstration area has been part of Horse Progress days for 10 years and has grown in the number of seminars, displays and demonstrations available for produce growers. The area will include a greenhouse featuring flowers and vegetables, the latest in produce growing equipment and products, and a trade show with the latest innovations in the industry.

Logging demonstrations are popular during the event. Proposed plans for the logging demonstration area include a portable sawmill, a contest for mini-pony teams and their teamsters, as well a horse pulling demonstration with logs. The committee also plans to demonstrate a treadmill used to power a sawmill.

The event will also include seminars for homemakers and farmers.

Farmstead seminars include making maple syrup, managing your farm pond, a panel of dairy farmers including an organic dairy farmer, a conventional dairy farmer and a grass-based organic dairy farmer, a panel on sheep production, and the role of horses in the Amish community. Homestead seminars include essential oils, flower production and bread baking.

Horse Progress Days will also feature a day-long tour featuring stops at farms, businesses and tourist attractions, as well as a meal at an Amish farm. For more information visit www.horseprogressdays.com.



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American FB asking lawmakers to require cattle market transparency

By Doug Schmitz
Iowa Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The newly-introduced Cattle Market Transparency Act of 2021 would bring much needed changes by increasing transparency in U.S. cattle markets, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF).

Sponsored March 2 by Sens. Deb Fischer (R-Neb.) and Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), the bill would focus on “ensuring robust regionally-negotiated cash trade and providing producers with more pricing information,” said AFBF President Zippy Duvall.

“America’s ranchers don’t control the prices they are paid for their products, and those raising livestock have legitimate questions about pricing,” he said. “When the pandemic hit, meat prices at grocery stores went up, while the prices paid to farmers fell through the floor.

“This legislation will ensure farmers and ranchers have fair access to markets, and are fully informed on pricing so they can continue to put food on the table in homes across the country,” he added.

The bill would mandate new reporting requirements and address confidentiality guidelines in Livestock Mandatory Reporting, such as requiring a packer to report the number of cattle scheduled to be delivered for slaughter each day for the next 14 days.

Fischer, a member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, and Wyden reintroduced the act after it failed to gain any traction when Fischer first filed it last year during the 116th Congressional session.

“I am pleased to reintroduce this bill with bipartisan support,” Fischer said. “It will help facilitate price discovery, and provide cattle producers with the information they need to make informed marketing decisions. I am committed to working across the aisle to advance the bill forward this Congress.”

The bill would require the USDA secretary to establish “regional mandatory minimums for the purpose of enhancing price discovery and transparency for cattle market participants,” said Michael Nepveux, AFBF economist.

“In developing these thresholds, the bill directs the (USDA) secretary to consider the number of packers in the reporting region, the availability of cattle in the reporting region, pre-existing contractual arrangements of packers in the reporting region, and the number of pricing transactions in the reporting region,” he said.

He said the bill would also mandate that the initial requirement for the regional mandatory minimums be greater than the three-year average percentage of the negotiated and negotiated grid purchases for the individual regions.

“These requirements would be subject to a review every two years under consultation with the USDA’s Office of the Chief Economist, to establish regionally-sufficient levels of negotiated cash and negotiated grid trade, seek public comment on those levels, then implement,” he said.

He said negotiated purchases – often referred to as the ‘spot’ or ‘cash’ market – are purchases for which the price is determined through buyer and seller interaction on the day of sale. Forward contract purchases are agreements for the purchase of cattle executed in advance of slaughter; the base price is established in the agreement.

With negotiated grid purchases, he said the base price is negotiated between buyer and seller, and is known at the time the agreement is made, but the final price is determined by applying a series of premiums and discounts based on carcass performance after slaughter.

He added formula purchases are the advance commitments of cattle for slaughter by any means other than negotiated, negotiated grid or forward contract. “Importantly, formula pricing uses a pricing mechanism in which the price is often not known until a future date,” he said.

Moreover, the bill would require the USDA to create and maintain a publicly-available library of marketing contracts between packers and producers in a manner that ensures confidentiality.

The bill would also require that within three years of enactment, the USDA conduct a data-driven cost-benefit analysis regarding the operation and effect of the regional mandatory minimums.

In turn, the bill would prohibit the USDA from using confidentiality to justify not reporting, and makes clear that the USDA must report all Livestock Mandatory Reporting



Below:The Cattle Market Transparency Act of 2021 would bring much needed changes by increasing transparency in U.S. cattle markets, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation (photo courtesy of the American Farm Bureau Federation).

information, “and they must do so in a manner that ensures confidentiality,” Nepveux said.

He said the bill aligns with the goals set forth last year by the AFBF’s Cattle Market Working Group, as well as new cattle marketing policy passed by the federation’s voting delegates


at the 102nd Annual Convention in January.

Duvall said, “We appreciate Sen. Fischer and Sen. Wyden for introducing the Cattle Market Transparency Act of 2021, and look forward to working with members of the House on a companion bill introduction.”

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Drought continues in North Dakota

MINOT, N.D. (AP) — Snowfall in the region in late February was a welcome sight, falling on parched ground throughout the area. However, much more moisture is needed to alleviate drought conditions that prevail from border to border in North Dakota.

The quarter-inch or less of moisture contained in the heaviest snowfall band along the U.S. Highway 52 corridor fell prior to the input of data for the latest U.S. Drought Monitor. However, given the very dry conditions, impact from the snowfall on the ongoing drought gripping the state is expected to be insignificant and have little or no influence in altering future drought designations.

In their weekly issuance of the Drought Monitor, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

concludes that nearly 68% of North Dakota is rated to be in “severe” drought, up from 58% a week earlier. The remainder of the state, primarily the southeast, remains entrenched in “moderate” drought or “abnormally” dry.

“Even though precipitation is normally low during the fall and winter seasons, it has been extremely dry during the past 3-4 months (less than 25% of normal), leading to a lack of any snow cover in eastern Montana, western North Dakota, and north-central South Dakota,” concludes the Drought Monitor. It added that drought conditions expanded this past week “southward across south-central North Dakota and central South Dakota.”

The weekly assessment was compiled while snow was falling in North Dakota, so this week’s snowfall was not part of the data included in the Drought Monitor. Impact from the snowfall, if any, will be included in the next Drought Monitor.

One of the impacts of a severe drought designation, according to the Drought Monitor, is that “river flow is decreased; stocks dams are low.” Low river and stream levels are normal for North Dakota at this time of year. Nevertheless, indicators remain troublesome.

“We are in water conservation mode,” said Tom Pabian, Upper Souris National Wildlife Refuge manager.

Dry weather can be expected to continue into the early part of March. The region’s 8-14 day precipitation outlook calls for a well below normal chance of moisture through March 10. The 3-month precipitation outlook for March-April-May favors normal precipitation for North Dakota throughout the outlook period.



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Indiana milk production is up 10 percent from one year ago

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

Last year's milk production growth has already carried over into 2021, according to Sarina Sharp, market analyst for the Milk Producers Council.

"According to the USDA's Milk Production Report, released Feb. 23, national milk production increased by 1.6 percent in January, the smallest year-over-year increase seen since June 2020," she said.

Sharp said most of the growth was driven by an expanding national dairy herd, with producers adding an estimated 8,000 head of cows between last December and this January.

"But improved productivity played a hand in the increase as well, with yields increasing by 0.6 percent year over year, equivalent to an additional 13 pounds of milk per cow," she said.

"The 1.6-percent increase was less than most analyst predictions," she added. "Surprisingly weak production in key dairy states like California and Idaho - which saw milk production decrease for the first time since 2017 - weighed on the national figure."

The report said U.S. milk production in the 24 major states during January totaled 18.3 billion pounds, up 1.8 percent from January 2020. December revised production, at 18 billion pounds, was up 2.6 percent from December 2019. The December revision represented a decrease of 74 million pounds, or 0.4 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major states averaged 2,049 pounds for January, 15 pounds above January 2020, the report said. The number of

milk cows on farms in the 24 major states was 8.93 million head, 92,000 head more than January 2020, and 6,000 head more than December 2020.

The annual production of milk for the United States during 2020 was 223 billion pounds, 2.2 percent above 2019, the report said. Revisions to 2019 production increased the annual total 59 million pounds. Revised 2020 production was up 165 million pounds from last month's publication. Annual total milk production has increased 13.7 percent from 2011.

In addition, U.S. production per cow averaged 23,777 pounds for 2020, 382 pounds above 2019, the report said. The average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 11.5 percent from 2011.

The report said the average number of milk cows on U.S. farms during 2020 was 9.39 million head, up 0.5 percent from 2019. The average number of milk cows was revised, up 6,000 head for 2020. The average annual number of milk cows has increased 2.1 percent from 2011.

The 24 states for which the USDA reports milk production are: Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

In Indiana, dairy herds produced 382 million pounds of milk during January, up 10.1 percent from a year ago. Production per cow averaged 1,990 pounds for January, 20 pounds above January 2020. The dairy herd was estimated at 192,000 head for

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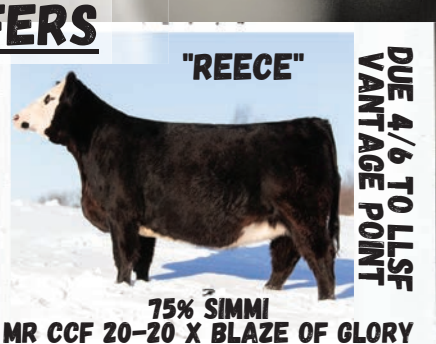


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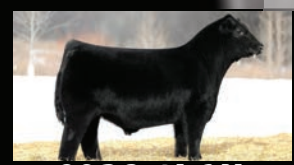


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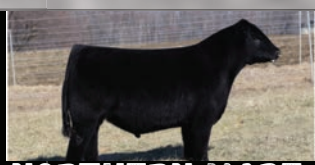
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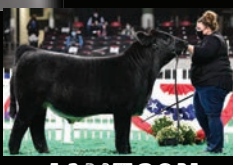
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Above: Last year’s milk production growth has already carried over into 2021, according to Sarina Sharp, market analyst for the Milk Producers Council (photo courtesy of the Iowa State University Dairy Farm).

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December, up 16,000 head from a year earlier.

In Illinois, dairy herds produced 157 million pounds of milk during January, up 2.6 percent from a year ago. Production per cow averaged 1,870 pounds for January, which stayed the same from January 2020. The dairy herd was estimated at 84,000 head for December, up 2,000 head from a year earlier.

In Iowa, milk production during January 2021 totaled 468 million pounds, up 3 percent from the previous January. The average number of milk cows during January, at 222,000

head, was 2,000 more than last month, and 7,000 more than January 2020. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,110 pounds, up 5 pounds from last January.

In Michigan, milk production during January 2021 totaled 1,016 million pounds, up 4.3 percent from the previous January. The average number of milk cows during January, at 440,000 head, up 13,000 January 2020. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,310 pounds, up 30 pounds from last January.

In Ohio, milk production during January 2021 totaled 486 million pounds, up 3.6 percent from the previous January. The average number of milk cows during January, at

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259,000 head, up 6,000 January 2020. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,875 pounds, up 20 pounds from last January.

Sharp said the report made some important revisions, both to national and state-level data.

“In particular, the 3.2 percent increase in California’s December milk production published earlier was reversed to a 0.5 percent decline,” she said.

“Though the previous week’s horrific weather has largely become a memory, its impact on the dairy sector has not,” she added. “Many plants are keeping busy schedules as they attempt to compensate for the previous week’s closures.”

Meanwhile, Sharp said, “displaced spot loads of milk and cream are still moving around the country searching for homes.”

“Especially in Texas, the storm’s

impact on milk production, and particularly yields, has yet to be fully realized,” she said. “Nevertheless, milk for manufacturing remains abundant in most areas.

“Midwest spot milk could be obtained (in early March), with discounts as large as \$7 per hundredweight from Class III prices, larger discounts than what were available the week prior,” she added.

She said cheese manufacturers continue to turn out product at “a healthy clip and are playing a key role in absorbing excess milk from the market.”

“Given the robust production seen since the beginning of the year, it was somewhat surprising to see that at 1.4 billion pounds, total cheese inventories at the end of January were only 2.2 million pounds, or 0.2 percent greater than at the end of December.

“This past year, total cheese stocks increased by 31.6 million pounds during the same period,” she added. “Perhaps even more surprising was the 0.1 percent decrease in American cheese stocks, indicating that the increase was driven by growing inventories of Swiss and other types of cheese.”

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Pennington has worked on many research projects for the Michigan Wheat Program since 2016 and coordinates all on-farm wheat research on- and off-campus for the Michigan wheat check-off and MSU. He works in partnership with breeder Eric Olson on the variety trials, which continue to grow annually both in size and data available through the high management trials. He holds BS and MA degrees and is a forages expert.

In addition to all of his research and production responsibilities, he has also authored or collaborated on several publications. Pennington provides monthly content for the Michigan Wheat Program’s e-newsletter, Wheat Wisdom, and recently co-produced the just-released Michigan Wheat 101 publication, which should be hitting grower mailboxes very soon.

At the beginning of each webinar, Michigan Wheat Program executive

director Jody Pollok-Newsom will provide an update on the Michigan Wheat Program. Terry Henne from WSGW will emcee and introduce each program. Close-out will include time for a question-and-answer session. There is 1.5 CCA and 1 RUP credits for each workshop – so long as participants attend on the Michigan Wheat Program/MSU Extension Zoom link and take the survey at the end to enter their information. The webinars may also be viewed on Facebook Live, but there are no credits available for those viewers.

To register for the Michigan Wheat Program/MSUE Zoom link, visit www.miwheat.org and look at the “What’s Hot” box on the left. Register there and you will receive an email with the link and instructions to access the Zoom webinar on the Monday prior to the event.

The Michigan Wheat Wisdom Webinars are also broadcast live via Facebook. Check in through your Facebook account and watch at Michigan Wheat or MSU Extension Field Crops. Or in a partnership with Terry Henne and WSGW, view the webinar at the Facebook pages of WSGW Radio, Farm Service 790 or 94.5 The Moose. Neither CCA nor RUP credit are available for the sessions when viewed on Facebook Live. In order to get the credits, you must participate via Zoom.

As is customary, the Michigan Wheat Program’s 2021 Winter Wheat Wisdom Webinars will be free of charge to Michigan wheat farmers and friends of the Michigan wheat industry. Advance registration is required, to ensure you will receive the link the Monday prior to the event. Visit www.miwheat.org and register under the “What’s Hot” link.

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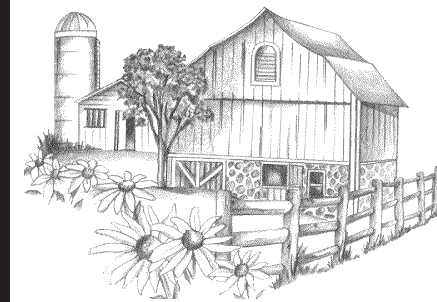
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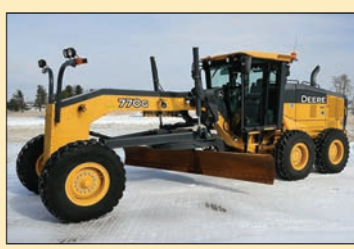
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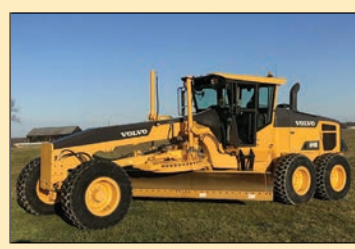
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ODA, ISDA accepting applications for specialty crop grant program

By Doug Graves
Ohio Correspondent

ORRVILLE, Ohio – The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) and Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) are now accepting applications for the 2021 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program. In Ohio alone, grant awards will range from \$25,000-\$150,000.

In Ohio, the grants must be used to support projects that raise awareness about and increase demand for specialty crops grown in the state. Eligible specialty crops include fresh fruits and vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits, and horticulture and nursery crops, including floriculture.

Growing specialty crops is an ideal way to turn gardening skills and knowledge into extra income. Specialty crops are not widely grown and bring higher prices for growers. It's not unusual to find growers earning as much as \$60,000 per acre with these unique cash crops.

According to the USDA, atop the list of top 10 most profitable specialty crops is lavender. Lavender farming can produce above-average profits for small growers, as it is a versatile crop. These flowers can be sold in bundles or used for lavender oil. The flowers are also easy to dry, for sales to florists and crafters to make wreaths and floral arrangements. Lavender is also used to make value-added products such as sachets, herbal pillows, aromatherapy products and skin care products like soap.

One couple, Jim and Amy Duxbury, of Orrville, have discovered the joy and profits associated with growing lavender.

Two years ago, the Duxburys, now owners of Lavender Trails, started their venture with lavender in 2018. The couple leased a plot of land next to the Orrville Industrial Park on the city's north end. That land was once a dumping ground



Above: According to the USDA, lavender the is most popular specialty crop around. (photo submitted)

for concrete and rebar. Remnants of the previous tenant are still visible.

The Duxburys cleared the land the first year, planted the lavender in 2019, and opened the four-acre fields to the public for the first time last summer. They call their specialty crop Lavender Trails.

Eight species of lavender (purple, white and pink shades) fill two acres. The majority of the flowers

are French lavender but Amy insisted on planting the light pink shade of English lavender. She also made a small garden featuring her daylilies.

"It helps me feel grounded," Amy said of coming to the fields. "There's something about coming out here, even in the middle of this pandemic. It helps you figure out your place in the big scheme of things."

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Specialty

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The Duxburys sell pre-cut lavender bundles and they make and sell small lavender wreaths and lavender-filled sachets. “Lavender can be used to make potpourri, inside oil lamps, sewn into stuffed animals or pillowcases, or simply to make the house or call smell better,” Amy said.

Their property has a garden trail, a pollinator garden that attracts a variety of butterflies, moths, bees, dragonflies and praying mantis. Visitors will find themselves amidst thousands of colorful, sweet plants with a calming scent lightly adrift.

The couple (both teachers at nearby Orrville High School) had planned to open the fields for a two-day festival with vendors and food

Below: Lavender ranks tops among specialty crop growers, just ahead of gourmet mushrooms and woody ornaments. (photo submitted)



Profitable specialty crops include lavender and mushrooms

Lavender lays claim to being the most profitable specialty crop for growers. According to the USDA, here’s a listing of the next nine:

2. Gourmet mushrooms – These plants can be grown indoors and can produce a very high return per square foot. The most widely grown gourmet mushrooms are oyster and shiitake, which are available fresh or dried in many grocery stores. At current prices of \$7 a pound, that’s \$17,500 worth of harvest from a 10 x 10 space.

3. Woody ornaments–Woodies are trees and shrubs whose branches are harvested and sold to florists and individuals for arrangements and craft products such as wreaths. Most woodies have colorful stems, like Red Twig dogwood. Some of the well-known woodies include holly in winter, pussy willows in spring and forsythia and hydrangeas in late spring and summer.

4. Landscape trees and shrubs. Seedlings for most popular landscaping trees and shrubs are available from wholesale growers for less than a dollar each. Add in a plastic pot and soil, wait two years, and you have \$15 a plant – a 750 percent markup.

5. Bonsai plants. From tiny trees the size of a finger to mature maples and pines just 18 inches high, bonsai is enjoying widespread and growing popularity. Growing these small plants requires very little growing area.

6. Japanese maples – The beauty of this tree is coveted by gardeners and landscapers everywhere. Because they are small trees, they

can be grown in containers to allow more varieties to be grown in a small space. The demand for these trees is high, thus very profitable.

7. Willows – This trouble-free tree is easy to grow and maintain. Florists use the stems for arrangements and wreaths, and crafters use the shoots for basketry and other fiber arts. A recent University of Kentucky report found growers could harvest four to five tons of willow shoots per acre, which brings \$7 a pound from basket weavers. That equates to \$56,000 per acre.

8. Garlic – Three types of garlic (Rocambole, Purplestripe and Porcelain) are coveted by chefs due to their flavor. Customers are willing to pay top dollar (roughly \$10 a pound) just for their flavor. Another is Elephant garlic, whose large, mild cloves bring \$6-\$8 per pound. Some growers call garlic the “mortgage lifter.”

9. Bamboo – This is a landscaping favorite of landscapers and homeowners. In the open, bamboo can reach 75 feet in height. By growing bamboo in containers, digging is eliminated, and the plants take up far less space. Container landscaping bamboo brings high prices, with the average plant fetching \$45.

10. Herbs – Herbs have remained popular the past two decades as people use them for cooking, medicinal purposes, in soaps, candles, teas and bath oils. The biggest demand is for fresh culinary herbs for grocery stores and restaurants.

trucks, but the ongoing coronavirus pandemic made it too risky to hold such a large gathering.

The Duxburys’ Lavender Trails will be open June 25. The site will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Appointments can be scheduled throughout July so patrons can walk among the thousands of lavender plants, buy lavender or purchase whole plants. Lavender Trails of Wayne County is located at 356 Collins Blvd., in Orrville.

In Ohio, the deadline for grant proposal submissions is April 15, 2021, at 5 p.m. EST. For more information on the 2021 program and to obtain necessary forms, visit www.agri.ohio.gov.

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Turkey buzzard's vicious cousin

When traveling through south central Shelby County last week, I came across two large birds dining on road kill just off of a county road. At first, I thought they were common turkey buzzards but as I got closer, I quickly identified them.

They were black and appeared to have less of a protruding tail than a buzzard and more plump in stature; rather than bald and flesh colored heads, their heads were feathered and black.

They were black vultures. In the past, I have encountered them along the Ohio River, but it appears to me their range into central Indiana might be expanding. The black vulture, *Coragyps atratus*, also known as the American black vulture, is a bird in the New World vulture family whose range extends from the northeastern United States to Peru, Central Chile and Uruguay in South America. They are native to the entire state of Indiana.

Like their cousin the turkey buzzard, black vultures predominately feed on carrion. But, this is where their common trait ends. Unlike their non-aggressive cousin the turkey vulture, black vultures are known to gang up and prey on living calves, piglets, lambs and newborn goats. They sometimes attack vulnerable, ill or birthing cows. They can be a nightmare for livestock farmers.

A livestock owner's only recourse is to house the livestock where they are protected from the black vultures.

According to the Cornell Lab, it's not just farm livestock in danger. Household pets may be at risk, too. Wayne Long, the Jefferson County extension agent for the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, said small pets like cats and dogs may be at risk of attack just by nature of being small animals.

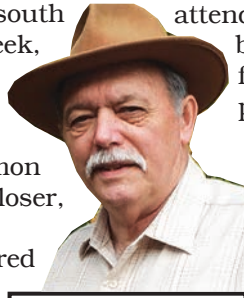
Harming the birds is out of the question since legally, black vultures are protected under the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918. It is illegal to harm, harass, or take (kill) black vultures without a permit.

Scaring off black vultures is not an easy job. Black vultures are highly sociable with humans and they are very intelligent. Many of the typical abatement techniques to scare off unwanted birds do not work with black vultures because they are smart enough to know they will not be harmed by bright lights, noises, shining objects and so on. Displaying an effigy or something appearing to be a dead vulture may be effective.

If black vultures are presenting a threat to livestock or pets, I would suggest contacting your local DNR biologist or conservation officer for advice on the situation.

State parks and inns hiring summer workers

Indiana state park properties and inns are hiring approximately 1,300 workers for the summer season. Positions available include gate attendants, laborers, naturalist aides, security, housekeeping, dishwashers, cooks, guest services and camp store



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By Jack Spaulding

attendants. Most positions will be seasonal, but some are full or part-time year-round positions.

To apply for a position at one of the properties, see WorkforIndiana.IN.gov. To apply for a position at one of the seven Indiana state park inns, see indianainnsjobs.com. See stateparks.IN.gov to see which property or inn is closest to you.

Avian cholera found in waterfowl in Gibson County

Wildlife officials have confirmed the presence of avian cholera in wild geese in Gibson County in southwest Indiana.

Avian cholera, which poses minimal risk to humans and the commercial poultry industry, is common among North American waterfowl. The incident is the second time the disease has been documented in wild birds in Indiana. Diagnostic testing was conducted at the U.S. Geological Survey National Wildlife Health Center (usgs.gov).

Avian cholera is highly contagious among wild birds, especially waterfowl. It is caused by the bacterium *Pasteurella multocida* and is unrelated to avian influenza.

About 176 snow geese have been found dead in Gibson County since the beginning of January. Tens of thousands of waterfowl spend winter in that part of the state, so the incidence of disease appears to be relatively low.

The DNR, together with federal and private partners, has increased surveillance of waterfowl populations throughout the state and is monitoring the mortality event in Gibson County.

Avian cholera is not expected to have a significant effect on overall waterfowl populations but could result in dead geese being found in small areas. Avian cholera spreads through bird-to-bird contact, birds ingesting food and water containing the bacteria, and birds scavenging infected carcasses. Infected birds die quickly but people might see diseased geese exhibiting lethargy and abnormal behavior.

To help prevent the spread of avian cholera, waterfowl hunters in southwest Indiana should consider cleaning and disinfecting their gear, including waders and decoys, using warm, soapy water.

Waterfowl hunters should also use gloves when cleaning birds they harvest, avoid eating, drinking or smoking while cleaning harvested birds, and thoroughly wash their hands afterward.

Animals known or suspected to be ill should not be consumed. Anyone who sees sick or dead wildlife in Indiana is encouraged to report it to the DNR using the online reporting application at on.IN.gov/sickwildlife.

Readers can contact the author by writing to this publication, or e-mail to jackspaulding@hughes.net. Spaulding's books, "The Best of Spaulding Outdoors," and his latest, "The Coon Hunter And The Kid," are available from Amazon.com.

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Astronomical Information

The new Robin Mating Chorus Moon reaches apogee, its position farthest from Earth, on March 18 at midnight. On March 21, it enters its second quarter at 9:40 a.m. Rising before noon and setting after midnight, this moon increases the likelihood of angling success when it passes overhead in the evening, especially as the low pressure systems in front of the March 19 and 24 cold fronts lower the barometer. After dark, Leo and bright Regulus lie overhead, forecasting daffodils. Arcturus is rising in the east, and when that star is above you at 10 p.m., tulips will be blossoming. Behind Arcturus comes the Corona Borealis, the corn planting star group. At morning chore time, the Summer Triangle, outrider of July’s corn tassels, fills the eastern half of the sky, and the Milky Way of harvest follows close behind. Spring equinox occurs and the Sun enters Aries on March 20 at 5:37 a.m.

Weather Trends

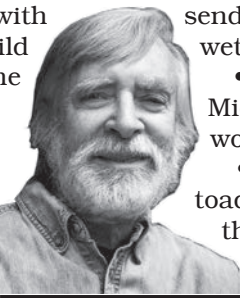
Does Spring really come with equinox? Well, Early Spring came a month ago; you’ve probably seen its footprints: pussy willows opening, a crocus here and there, red maples flowering, sap in the jugs. And this week, when the sun reaches its halfway point to Middle Summer, there’s more progress. Right after equinox, the chances for highs above 40 degrees suddenly rise to 90 percent (they were between 50 and 60 percent just two weeks ago). By the end of the month, an afternoon in the 30s – common not so long ago – becomes a rarity. Although chances for highs above 50 remain about the same as those of last week (that is between 35 and 45 percent), March’s third quarter shows a clear decrease in the likelihood for highs in the 20s. With equinox, the chances for that kind of cold fall below 5 percent for the first time since the middle of December.

**Zeitgebers
(Events in Nature that Tell the Time of Year)**

In warmer springs, snowdrops, aconites and snow crocus decline as peony stalks reach at least two inches above the mulch. This week is often marked by blossoms of grape hyacinths, and the earliest tulips. The first ragweed and touch-me-not sprouts emerge. Pollen often forms on the pussy willows, and gold finches turn gold just as the first daffodils bloom. Mock orange leaves out, pacing the boxwood, lilac, black raspberry, multiflora rose and coralberry foliage. In the greenhouse, tropical mother-of-millions blossom time ends just as day and night grow equal. Clematis leaves emerge beside new growth of the dodder. Comfrey leaves reach two inches long. In the Southeast, live oak trees shed their leave as new growth appears. Flickers and purple martins migrate to the Ohio Valley. Turkeys start to gobble in preparation for mating time, and the pre-dawn morning robin chorus moves well up into the northern states.

Countdown to Spring

- One week until golden forsythia blooms in town and skunk cabbage



POOR WILL’S ALMANACK
By Bill Felker

- sends out its first leaves in the wetlands.
- Two weeks until the blooming Middle Spring wildflowers in the woods.
 - Three weeks until American toads sing their mating songs in the night.
 - Four weeks until the Great Dandelion and Violet Bloom begins.
 - Five weeks until azaleas and snowball viburnums and dogwoods blossom.
 - Six weeks until iris and poppies and daisies come into flower.
 - Seven weeks until the beginning of clover bloom in yards and pastures.
 - Eight weeks until the first orange day lily flowers.
 - Nine weeks until roses bloom and thistles bud.
 - Ten weeks until the high tree canopy begins to shade the garden.

Mind and Body

The S.A.D. Index, which measures seasonal stress on a scale from 1 to 100, declines quickly as equinox approaches, dropping over 20 points to a mild 38 on March 21. With night and day now equal, and the moon near apogee and between new and full, and with the likelihood of clouds and wintry weather less threatening than just a week ago, seasonal affective disorder usually lightens in most people. For full S.A.D. statistics, consult Poor Will’s Almanack for 2021.

In the Field and Garden

This is ordinarily the latest date for seeding tobacco along the Ohio River. In the warmest years, the first head lettuce and sweet corn are planted in the Midwest for early harvest. Weak lunar position augurs well for livestock maintenance activities. Transporting sheep, goats, chickens and calves should be less stressful at this time unless they are sitting with you in the front seat of the family car. Your ewes and does should start gaining weight when their offspring are taken away to be weaned. Be

sure the baby chicks don’t get chilled in the March winds. Keep up winter precautions until both the season and the birds have matured a bit. As pasture season spreads north, have baking soda is on hand for bloat in sheep and goats. And consider culling before you put your animals out to pasture. Clean out the hen house. Check all your poultry for mites. If you have a broody hen, get her away from her nest for several days. Or try replacing her eggs with a

bag of frozen vegetables.

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If you move from place to place, as I did as a child, it becomes necessary, for self-preservation, to make life a game. With every move, sometimes the next house you will call home may not be ready to occupy, and a short-term residence must be found with
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little or no notice. When I was about five, the most incredible short-term residence was found, almost at the last minute.

My father had taken a position in Connecticut and had found a house in the suburbs, just outside of town. As our belongings were being packed

to be shipped by carrier truck, my parents were advised that the prior owners of the house were still in residence; their new house was still not ready and they were refusing the move out.

At the last minute, the real estate agent who sold the house offered my parents his fishing cabin in rural Connecticut to live in until the original homeowners moved out. With much reservation and a lot of trepidation,

my parents took the cabin.

To call the cabin “rustic” was an anachronism. The place barely had electricity, movement about the house caused the lights to flicker and fade, and mice could be heard scurrying inside the walls, making my mother and older sister crazy.

The most endearing feature, though, was the outhouse just outside the back door. It seems that the real estate agent really wanted to “rough-it” while taking a break from city life.

My mother put our furniture in storage; she did not want anything chewed by mice, flipped the oil painting of the reclining nude female to face the wall over the fireplace and unpacked our clothes. Luckily, it was summer and we would not need much for the next month or so. It was fun to go to the store every day to buy that day’s lunch and dinner items, as the tiny refrigerator in the cabin did not hold much food and my mother did not wish to leave food out in the open in order to not encourage the mice to stay. Equally, I enjoyed taking a bath in the wading pool in the kitchen at night, as there was just a small sink in the kitchen with running water and no tub to speak of.

I can state without a doubt that my mother shuddered every time she had to use the outhouse. Within a week, she had cleaned the outhouse thoroughly, bought a new seat for the “throne” and curtains for the window, placed a few small vases with wildflowers around the inside of the outhouse, but the crowning achievement had to be the soft, fuzzy bathmat she placed on the floor. She had managed to turn the basic utilitarian structure into a thing of beauty. Unfortunately, her idea of beauty was not shared by the mice, who were regular tenants on the property.

Within a short period of time, the mice had shredded the curtains, knocked over all of the vases, and most disconcertingly, chewed large holes in the soft fluffy mat on the floor. There’s just no counting on the taste of some critics!

The Allergy Index Estimated Pollen Count

Allergy season comes to the whole nation with the last front of March. During the weeks ahead, trees are in full flower throughout the Central Plains, the Northeast, the Northwest and the Rocky Mountains. In the southeastern coastal plains, all the grasses are blooming. Pollen from whatever is blossoming to the west

of you will arrive at your homestead every two to three days. Cold fronts bring northern allergens to southern areas. Low pressure in advance of the cold fronts brings up allergens from the South.

The following estimates are based on average counts across the central states. Although each village and farm will have different pollution levels, a clear rise is visible in the amount of pollen in the air in most parts of the country throughout April.

Major pollen source: box elders, maples, pussy willows, flowering crabs and cherries.

(On a scale of 0-700 grains per cubic meter)

April 1: 10, April 10: 50, April 15: 100, April 20: 150, April 25: 200, April 30: 400.

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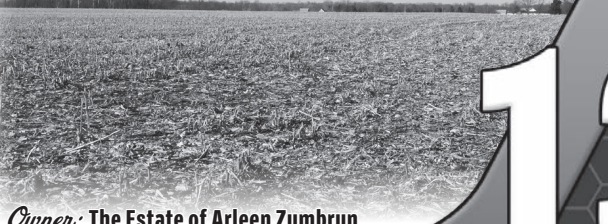
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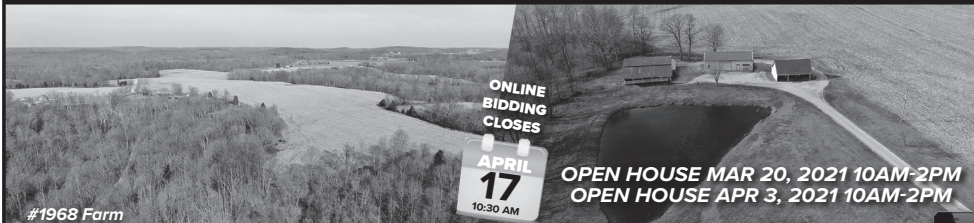
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Lessons from a wise king and an old school building

*Ecclesiastes 12:1a "Remember
also your Creator in the days of
your youth . . ."*



**VERSES FROM MAMA
By Sandra Sheridan**

The older you get the more you understand the brevity of life. No one truly knows what tomorrow will bring. So a wise person will learn from the past and plan for the future, but live fully in the moment.

I had a strange and unsettling experience recently. My colleagues and I spent many hours at an empty school building. A beautiful new complex now houses the teachers, administration and students who used to occupy the halls of this now abandoned building. So we were cataloging and taking pictures of excess equipment to sell at auction.

As we traipsed from room to room I couldn't rid myself of a sadness stemming from the deafening silence and the remnants of bustling days gone by. Teachers' nameplates still identified each classroom. Forlorn plants sat on dusty desks and dog-eared posters with encouraging slogans hung dejectedly on the walls.

But the thing that hit the hardest was outside the cafeteria. After eating lunch I stepped into the hall and noticed an old morning announcement hanging on the wall. Out of curiosity I took a closer look. It was dated Thursday, March 12, 2020 – the day

before everyone responded to the COVID-19 crisis.

No one knew that day they would not be coming back to this school as they had done in the months and years before. Teachers taught and students learned online for the rest of the year. When everyone finally returned to a somewhat normal setting, it wasn't to this old building. All the needed items were hurriedly moved to the new complex, but the morning announcement from March 12 remained on the board outside the cafeteria as a reminder of how quickly life can change.

A very wise man, King Solomon, understood the brevity of life. He spent his days seeking fulfillment in all the wrong things. But as an older man, he advised others to remember their Creator in the days of their youth. He learned from his past that all he had sought after was vanity. He had wasted a lot of life and now time was short. He entreated his listeners to seek the only Person worth living for. The Creator and God of the universe is the One Who never changes.

So take a lesson from a wise, old king and an abandoned school building; learn from the past and plan for the future, but live in the moment. Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, because tomorrow comes quickly, and only He knows what it will bring.

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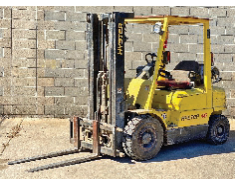
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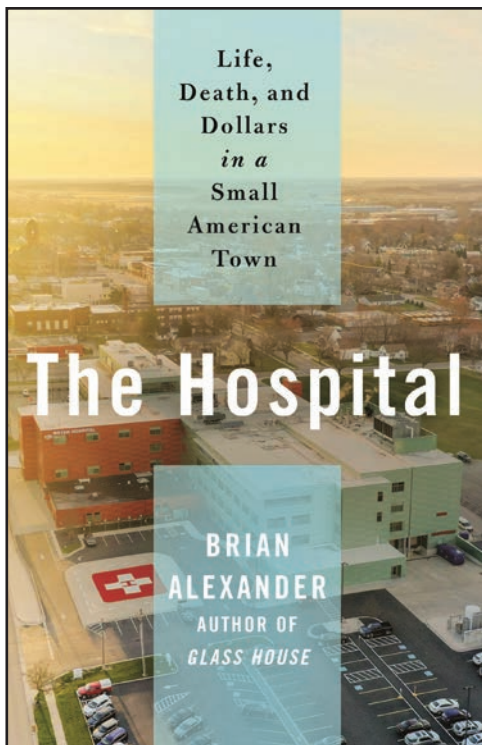


THE BOOKWORM SEZ
Terri Schlichenmeyer

"The Hospital: Life, Death, and Dollars in a Small American Town" by Brian Alexander c.2021, St. Martin's Press, \$28.99, 307 pages

102 degrees. That's what the thermometer said and that's an awfully high temperature, COVID or not. Your first thought was the hospital. That's where you're taken when you're very sick but as in "The Hospital" by Brian Alexander, will the facility be there to take you?

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(Bookworm continued on page 10B)

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PLANTERS & DRILLS: John Deere 7300 MaxEmerge2 Vacumeter Planter, 12 Row, 3pt; Monosem NGPlus2 Planter, 24 Row, 3pt; White 6342 12/15 Row, 15/30"; Monosem Planter, 24x22; Case IH 5100 Grain Drill, 21 Hole; NewMatics CB12 10 Row Planter; (2) Renaldo Transplanters.

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Bookworm

FROM PAGE 8B

Bookwormemployer, staffed by many doctors and nurses who've known their patients all their lives.

In other times, this might sound idyllic, like a perfect plot for a warm sitcom.

Now, though, CHWC struggles. As an independent hospital located near corporate-backed medical giants that have been "gobbling up small independents," CHWC has tinier margins and less access to discounts offered by suppliers and equipment manufacturers, and its size often means that high-tech cases go to larger facilities rather than to CHWC.

It's almost a David-and-Goliath situation but Goliath has the edge, a situation exacerbated by poverty, opioids, methamphetamines and lack of resources. Bryan, Alexander said, is actually, literally, physically bisected by haves and have-nots.

But, of course, the story of a hospital isn't just the story of a hospital. Alexander writes of the town itself, and of CHWC's CEO, who grew up in Bryan and who exhibits a sense of ownership for the hospital he loves. It's the story of patients: a woman with cancer; a husband with major life-threatening health issues; mothers and kids; and former factory workers who have multiple jobs but no health insurance. It's the tale

of nurses, of doctors who came for a year and stayed for many, and of a hospital board that wants what's best for the facility.

And it's a story of a budget, its balance and the wolves at the door... It's difficult this year, if not impossible, not to feel overloaded with medical updates and information. It's everywhere, everybody's talking about it, and you may feel like you know enough but you may not – at least, not until you've read "The Hospital."

Even for readers living in a metropolitan area with strong medical facilities, there's a hint of foreboding inside author Alexander's words here, and in inferences that one might make about the future of community hospitals and their patients. You also get a sense that much of what happened in Bryan can happen anywhere, a realization that's attached almost completely to money and insurance, issues which Alexander presents as two sides of a delicate scale that's being tipped by poverty and job loss.

"The Hospital" is like Hillbilly Elegy with a bad cough, just waiting for a room. It's political, scary and empathetic, with C-Suite-level details you can feel free to skip. Most importantly, this book will make you consider yourself, neighbors, and your own nearby facility, with righteous alarm and trepidation of a high degree.

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TRACTORS: White 4-175, 4x4, 5000 hrs, duals, 70% rubber, 3 pt, PTO; 1989 Deutz 9190, MFWD, 4400 hrs, 20.8-38 duals; JD 4520, dsl, 18.4-38, dual hyds, 5900 hrs, sharp; 1996 CIH 5240, CAH, cold air, 3900 hrs, 18.4-38, bar axles, LH reverser; CIH 756, gas, WFE, 540/1000 pto; MF 1155, 4000 hrs, new interior, 12 sp trans, Firestone tires w/fluid; MF 180, dsl; CIH 5250, 5500 hrs, left hand reverser, bar axles; IH 1086, 6000 hrs, eng overhaul, new TA & clutch; JD 4640, quad range, 6500 hrs, duals, wts, just off the farm; '89 JD 8760, 8000 hrs, 18.4-42 tires, 80%, always shedded.

INDUSTRIAL: 2003 CAT 287 Compact Track Ldr, CAH, cold air, good tracks; 2003 JD 310SG TLB, CAH, 3400 hrs, 4x4, Extend-A-Hoe, pilot controls; Skyjack SJ8841 Scissor Lift, 4x4, 800 series; 3pt Forklift; Ldr Bucket for Bush Hog Ldr, w/quick attach brackets; Woods 1050 Backhoe, 540 PTO pump, 3 pt hookup, sharp!; Case 310 Crawler Ldr, w/crush rake, runs great; Case 580 Super L TLB, 4x4, 5800 hrs, Extend-A-Hoe, 2 stick; Bobcat T250 Skidsteer, good tracks, 5200 hrs.

MECHANIC SPECIALS: AC 7040, runs but trans is out; Cub Lo-Boy 154 Tractor, does not run.

HAYBINES/DISCINES: JD 1327 MoCo, 9' cut, used last fall.

HAY BALERS: NI 551, square, twine tie; Hesston 530, round, good belts & chains, runs good, always shedded; NH 486, round, monitor; JD 14T, square; Vermeer 605 Series K, round, Equal-fill controls; NH 853, round, NH Bale Command.

HAY RAKES: (2) 2012 Vermeer VR1022, 10 wheel, hyd, like new; IH 9'0.

MISC FORAGE: NH 1034 Stackliner Bale Stacker; JD 20' Hay Wagon, like new!; Bale Spear for Bucket; Haybuster 2554 Bale Shredder; Badger 950 Silage Wagon, 16'; 16' Hay Rack.

PLANTERS: White 6180, 16R-30", SM4000, clean planter; 2001 JD 1780, 6/11R, NT, down press springs, sharp; JD 7000, 8R-30", folding markers; Kinze 3600, 12/23R, NT, liquid, row clutches, farmer retire.

PLANTER PARTS: (32) JD Spike Closing Wheels; (16) Rows of Kinze Residue Wheels; (10) JD Insect Boxes; (13) Yetter Trash Openers; (32) JD 7000 15" Coulter; (32) JD 7000 13" Coulters; (32) JD 7000 Coulter Assembly.

GRAIN DRILLS: JD 1690, 30', air seeder, soybean special, markers, w/JD 1910 commodity cart; GP SS15, 15', 7.5" sp, press wheels.

DISKS: JD 220, 20', 9" sp, cone blds; IH 496, 24', w/3 bar spike drag.

SOIL FINISHERS: Glencoe 4300, 24', walking tandems on main & wings, rear hitch, 5 bar spike drag; Landoll 875, 25', beater bar, spike drag; Landoll 850, 25', narrow main frame, hyd frnt gang.

FIELD CULTIVATORS: JD 2210, 60', triple fold, 250 lb shanks, 5 bar spike drag; JD 960, 42'; JD 960, 33'; JD 1010, 24', narrow frame, CT harrow; IH 4800, 24', 5 bar spike drag.

ROTARY HOES: M&W 1821, 20', 80% on spoons;.

CULTIVATORS: Kewanee 8R-30"; Glencoe 12R, row crop, fold, shields; Wil-Rich 2800, 26', sharp!

RIPPERS: Brillion 4x Inline Ripper, spring reset, coulters.

SPRAYERS: Top Air TA1200, 1200 Gal, 90' booms, New Ace belt drive, PTO pump, hyd drive pump, 3 position T-Jet quick change tips, SCS 450NV mon; Hardi 1000 Gal, tandem axle, 60' hyd booms, lg PTO pump; Rogator 854, 90' booms, foam markers, inductor, Raven controls; Rogator 1254, 90' booms, 6000 hrs, 20" nozzles.

CULTIMULCHERS: Kewanee #89, 25', scrapers, only worked 1000 acres, sharp; Kewanee 14'.

PACKERS: Dunham 26', w/rear scrapers; Dunham 42, 28', flatfold, solid notched wheels.

SOIL SAVERS: JD 712, 9x, spring shanks.

CRUMBLERS: J&M TF215, 45', double basket, nice.

PLOWS: Oliver 546, 3x, semi-mount, 2 hyd cyls.

GRAVITY WAGONS: EZ Flow Seed Wagon, on 8ton gear.

GRAIN AUGERS: Feterl 10"x60', hyd lift, w/hopper; 27' Drag-out Auger; Kewanee 8"x60'.

GRAIN VACS: Dunbar Kapple 266 GR, 40' suction hose, 8" & 10", dust collector, floor fan.

MOWERS: Woods 84, 3pt.

IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT: Knip Lift Pump, only used 1 yr; (45) 5"x30' Irrigation Pipes.

TRUCKS & TRAILERS: '91 Freightliner FLD120 Semi, flat top sleeper, NTC-400, 9 speed; '99 Volvo VNL Semi, day cab, rebuilt M11-370, 10 speed; (2) Agritrader 36' Hopper Bottom Trailers;

2012 XL 53' ALUMINUM TRAILER, PULL OUT OUTRIGGERS, AIR RIDE, SS WHEELS, PSI AUTO AIR INFLATION FOR TIRES, NEW BRAKES 1 YEAR AGO, USED DAILY, VERY GOOD CONDITION!

MISC EQUIPMENT: Yetter Seed Jet II, mounted on cart; DMI 12R ANH3 Applicator; 4 Yard Dirt Pan w/dolly wheel; King Kutter 3pt Dirt Scoop, like new!; McFarlane 24' Harrow on Cart, 4 sections; Lindsey 24' Spike Drag; GP 1300 Sub Soiler.

TIRES: (2) 23.1-26 Tires; Pr 18.4-34 Clamp on Duals; Pr 18.4-38" Dual Rims; (2) 8"x38" Band Dual Ext; (4) Good Year 18.4-46 Tires.

MISC: (2) Cat II Quick Hitches; (2) 15' Sweep Augers; (35) New Cultivator Sweeps; Perkins 354 Dsl Engine, off MF 510 Combine, 2000 hrs; (61) WR FC Shanks; (16) Yetter 28% Applicators w/knife injectors; Pr Fork Tines for Bucket; 3pt Quick Attach; 3pt Adaptor for Gooseneck Trailer; 48 Compartment Bolt Bin; (2) Remote Cylinders; Heavy Duty Cat II 3pt Hitch; Muffler Assembly for CIH 215-275 Magnum Tractor; Fuel Tank for CIH 215-375 Magnum Tractor; Heavy Duty 3pt Lift w/forks; Year-Round Cab & Steps off IH 856 Tractor.

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USDA lowers estimate on 2021 milk production

The USDA lowered its estimate on 2021 milk production in the latest World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report "as a higher expected cow inventory was more than offset by slower growth in milk per cow."

2020 production and marketings were finalized and estimated at 223.2 and 222.2 billion pounds respectively, up 100 million pounds on production from February's estimate. 2020 production was up 4.8 billion pounds or 2.2 percent from 2019.

2021 production and marketings were estimated at 227.3 and 226.3 billion pounds respectively, down 100 million pounds on production. If realized, 2021 production would still be up 4.1 billion pounds or 1.8 percent from 2020.

The annual cheese price forecast was unchanged from last month as weaker prices in the first part of 2021 were offset by expected improved demand later in the year. That resulted in the 2021 Class III milk price average being projected at \$16.75 per cwt., up 15 cents from the February estimate, and compares to \$18.16 in 2020 and \$16.96 in 2019.

Butter, nonfat dry milk and whey price forecasts were raised from last month with expected improvements in both domestic and export demand. Thus the Class IV price was pegged at \$14.45, up 75 cents from last month's estimate, and compares to a \$13.49 average in 2020 and \$16.30 in 2019.

This month's 2020/21 U.S. corn

U.S. corn supply and use outlook was unchanged from last month.

The projected season-average farm price was unchanged at \$4.30 per bushel.

U.S. soybean supply and use projections were mostly unchanged. Soybean crush and exports were projected at 2.2 billion bushels and 2.25 billion bushels, respectively. Ending stocks remain at 120 million bushels, down 405 million from last year's record.

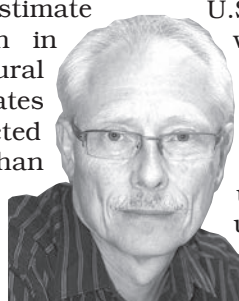
The U.S. season-average soybean price was projected at \$11.15 per bushel, unchanged from last month.

The March 9 Daily Dairy Report (DDR) stated: "While China failed to buy as much corn in February as it did in January, export bookings for U.S. corn and soybeans have been setting a record pace for the 2020-21 marketing year."

The DDR warned that feed costs have climbed to their highest levels since 2014 and "continue to squeeze dairy producer margins and even record or near-record large crops this year will likely not be big enough to provide much price reprieve."

Uncertainty seems to never end in the dairy industry and right now dairy farmers face some challenging contrasts. U.S. milk output is rising as we enter the spring flush, but will rising demand and exports offset that? U.S. milk prices are strengthening but will rising feed costs offset that, and what will government food purchases look like in COVID relief under the new administration?

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MIELKE MARKET WEEKLY
By Lee Mielke

Kurtz AUCTION & REALTY. CALENDER OF AUCTIONS

Newly built 2 Br, 1 1/2 Ba Brick Home - at 411 Legion Blvd, Owensboro, KY. Selling Tues. March 30th, 5 PM - David Hawes, Auctioneer

Vinyl sided, 2 Br, 1 Ba Home - at 2025 Sunset Dr., Owensboro, KY. Selling Tues. March 30th, 6 PM - David Hawes, Auctioneer

80 AC w/ 77 acres of cropland - in Iroquois Co., IL NE of Hoopeston. Selling Thurs. April 1st, 1 PM. - John Kurtz, Auctioneer

334 AC, 35% cropland - 3 Br, 2 Ba Home, 4 tracts - on HWY 271 & 334 Hawesville, KY. Selling Tues., April 13th, 10 AM - Joseph Mills, Auctioneer

Commercial building w/ 2,600 sq. ft. - at 1415 East Parrish Ave. Owensboro, KY. Selling Wed. April 14th, 10 AM - Jason Blue, Auctioneer

459 AC, 350 AC pasture land w/homes & barns - in the Olaton Community east of Hartford, KY. Selling Thurs. April 15th, 10 AM - Jim Goetz, Auctioneer

3 Br., 2 Ba. frame home on 5 acres & household - on HWY 1207 at Utica, KY. Selling Fri. April 16th, 10 AM - Joseph Mills, Auctioneer

48 AC of almost all cropland - on Smith-Denton Rd. east of Henderson, KY. Selling Tues. April 20th, 10 AM - Joseph Mills, Auctioneer

3 Br., 1 Ba brick home & pole barn on 12.8 acres & household - at 9828 Oak St. Utica, KY. Selling Thurs. April 22nd, 10 AM - Clay Taylor, Auctioneer

25 Acres, pole barn, home & household - at 1805 Ville Hill Rd., Beaver Dam, KY. Date to be set. - Clay Taylor, Auctioneer

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SALE CALENDAR

MAR 18 DELPHI, INDIANA: Brown — Olson Auctions, Inc.. Farm equipment, misc.. 10 am Eastern

MAR 18 JASPER, INDIANA: Schitter Estate — Brahm & Brahm. Real estate.. 6 pm Eastern

MAR 18 ST. PAUL, INDIANA: Land Auction — Landproz, Brian Owens. Decatur & Shelby Co., IN.. 5:30 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 12B

MAR 18 TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA: Jones Estate — Johnny Swalls Auction. Real estate.. 2 pm

MAR 18 CHESANING, MICHIGAN: Turnwald — Sykora Auction Service. Farm equipment, machinery, misc.. 10 am

MAR 18 NEW VIENNA, OHIO: Ames — The Wendt Group. Real estate.. 6 pm

MAR 19 SUGARCREEK, OHIO: Andreas Farms — Kaufman Realty & Auctions. Equipment, machinery, other.. 10 am EST

MAR 20 OKAWVILLE, ILLINOIS: Several Owners — Riechmann Auction Service. Modern farm equipment and collector tractors.. 10 am

MAR 20 BATTLE GROUND, INDIANA: Roy Farms — Goetz Auctions, LLC. Farm equipment, misc.. 10 am

MAR 20 HANNA, INDIANA: Consignment — Lestinsky Auction Service. Farm machinery, construction equipment.. 9 am Central SEE AD ON PAGE 18B

MAR 20 UNION CITY, INDIANA: Smith — Wagner Auctioneering & Real Estate. Tractors, combines, equipment, misc.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 18B

MAR 20 WOLCOTT, INDIANA: Kyburz — Larry Scherer Auctioneer. Equipment, machinery, other.. 10 am EST

MAR 20 MONTPELIER, OHIO: Siebeneck Estate — AA Brown Auction Service. Equipment, machinery, other.. 9:30 am

MAR 20 OTTAWA, OHIO: Consignment — Siefker Auctions. Farm equipment.. 9 am

MAR 20 WILLSHIRE, OHIO: FG&A 108 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm equipment.. 10 am

MAR 20 WILLSHIRE, OHIO: FG&A 108 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm and industrial equipment.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 16B

MAR 20 WILLSHIRE, OHIO: FG&A 108 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm equipment.. 10 am

MAR 23 BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN: Rose Brook — Kreeger & Associates LLC. Complete herd dispersal.. 11 am Eastern SEE AD ON PAGE 15B

MAR 25 CROWN POINT, INDIANA: Sander FE/PP 142 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm equipment.. 10 am Central SEE AD ON PAGE 9B

MAR 25 BARODA, MICHIGAN: Mikel — Hahn Auctioneers. Farm equipment.. 9 am

MAR 26 LIBERTY, INDIANA: Consignment — Abernathy Auctions. Farm machinery and lawn & garden.. 5:30 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 14B

MAR 26 PENDLETON, INDIANA: Annual Spring Auction — Don Smock Auctions. Equipment, machinery.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

MAR 26 HESPERIA, MICHIGAN: Heritage Farm MAI 12 — Miedema Auctioneering. Farm equipment, other.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 8B

MAR 27 PARIS, ILLINOIS: Woodland — Moss Auction Team. 44.51 +/- acres in Edgar Co., IL.. 10 am Central

MAR 27 HOPE, INDIANA: Sigman Estate — Owens Auction Service. Farm equipment, trucks, trailers tools, other.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

MAR 27 LITTLE YORK, INDIANA: Blue River Acres Angus — Blue River Acres Angus. Cattle sale.. no time given

MAR 27 LITTLE YORK, INDIANA: So. IN Angus — Gold Buckle Cattle. Selling 50 Angus lots.. 1 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 19B

MAR 27 MILAN, INDIANA: Clear Choice — DP Management. Bull sale.. 1 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 19B

MAR 27 ROCHESTER, INDIANA: Rochester FFA Consignment — Olson Auctions. Farm equipment, other.. 9 am Eastern SEE AD ON PAGE 15B

MAR 27 ROYAL CENTER, IOWA: 47th Annual — Farrier Stock Farms. Selling 120 head.. 1 pm Eastern SEE AD ON PAGE 14B

MAR 27 EATON, OHIO: Consignment — Walnut Harvest Auctions. Farm equipment and machinery.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 8B

MAR 27 LEBANON, OHIO: Consignment — Gene Steiner Management. Farm equipment.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 13B

MAR 28 MARION, OHIO: Formula V Pig Sale — Tony Nye, Nye's Club Pigs. Pig sale.. 4:30 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 7B

MAR 29 FAIR OAKS, INDIANA: TD Farm 135 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Real estate.. 10 am Central

MAR 30 ST. ANNE, ILLINOIS: Consignment — St. Anne Area Consignment Auction. Farm machinery.. 8 am SEE AD ON PAGE 11B

APR 1 NEW PARIS, INDIANA: Annual Spring Collector — Polk Auction Co.. Tractors, toys, literature and memorabilia.. 8:30 am

APR 2 NEW PARIS, INDIANA: Annual Spring Collector — Polk Auction Co.. Tractors, toys, literature, memorabilia.. 8:30 am

APR 3 NEW PARIS, INDIANA: Annual Spring Collector — Polk Auction Co.. Tractors, toys, literature, memorabilia.. 8:30 am

APR 3 GREENVILLE, OHIO: Triple H Farm — Aaron Brown Auctions. Farm equipment, other.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 17B

APR 6 LIBERTY, INDIANA: Moore 132 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Real estate.. 6 pm

APR 7 MUNCIE, INDIANA: Zumbrun 144 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Real estate.. 1 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 7B

APR 10 BROOKVILLE, INDIANA: Spring Consignment — White's Auction. Farm machinery.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 11N

APR 10 MUFORDVILLE, KENTUCKY: Hart Co. KY Amish Consignment — Raber's Auction Service. Farm machinery, tools, household, other.. 9 am CDT SEE AD ON PAGE 7B

APR 11 LOGANSPOUT, INDIANA: Northern Indiana Angus Breeders Sale — American Angus Hall of Fame. Selling 60 hand selected lots.. 1 pm EDT SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

APR 14 BLOOMFIELD, INDIANA: Worth, Freeman, Edwards — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 pm EST

APR 17 FRENCH LICK, INDIANA: Land Auction — LandProz Brian Owens. 442 acres +/- in Orange and Dubois Counties, IN.. 10:30 am SEE AD ON PAGE 7B

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Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo announces 2021 theme

"Retool for the Future" is the theme of the 2021 Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo, to be held Dec. 14-16 at Grand Park in Westfield, Ind. The show brings together the largest gathering of current and cutting-edge farm production technology in the Midwest, along with a free educational seminar series that addresses the current and future needs of Corn Belt farmers. The Expo will showcase the latest in farm equipment and the innovation in technology that represent the future of agriculture.

"Farmers are having to adapt to changing climate and market conditions as well as environmental regulations and consumer buying trends," said Gary Truitt, president and producer of the event. "All of these will require a retooling of farm production and management. The show will give producers, both large and small, the information they will need to adjust to the changing future of agriculture and expose them to the tools available to enable them to thrive in a post-pandemic economy."

After its cancellation in 2020 due to

government restrictions, the 42-year-old event has relocated to the state-of-the-art Grand Park Sports Complex, where an expanded show floor, easy access, free parking and a safer environment will enhance the experience for both exhibitors and attendees. Keynote speakers Machinery Pete and Chad Colby will headline a seminar series that will help farmers make decisions on retooling their current operations and preparing for the new technology that will be on the farm in the next few years. Several outlook sessions will present a look into market, weather and economic conditions in 2022.

Exhibit space is still available. Reservations and information can be found at www.indianafarmshow.com. For advertising or special activities, contact Kim Stockment, 765-588-1520; exhibitor questions contact Toni Hodson, 800-876-5133.

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TRACTORS - CONSTRUCTION

NH TC21D w/belly mower; MF 1100; IH 460, NF; IH M, NF; '58 Cat D4 dozer, elect start, hyd blade, PTO; MF 6500 forklift, motor noise; 36" roller w/Briggs engine;

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(TITLES MUST ACCOMPANY VEHICLES & TRAILERS AT CHECK-IN)

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HEADS - EQUIPMENT

JD 693 CH w/NH adapter; NH 973 24' GH; JD 4x38 liq planter; JD 8300 drill; JD FB drill; NI 330 Super Sheller picker; NI 324 picker; Kent 45' soil finisher; Sunflower 7231 36' crumbler; 2016 Landoll 7431-33' vertical tillage tool; JD 235 24' disk; IH 720 6x ASR plow; IH 560 6x plow; IH 60 4x plow; Ford 150 3-4x 3 pt plow; AC 3x plow; Brillion 12' cultmulcher; Demco 600 gal sprayer w/45' booms; Meridian 4 box tender w/conveyor; Parker 2600 2 compartment wagon w/auuger; Woods HD15 batwing mower; UM HT 30 head cart; Kewanee 500 50' elevator; Kewanee 8' rear blade; Bush Hog 8' rear blade; P&H 5th wheel gear; JD 725 loader w/7' bucket; Westgo rock picker; 3 pt 6' rotary mower; Farm King T600 snow blower; Buhler 8' 3 pt snow blower; King Kutter 6' rotary mower; Mayrath 10x76 SA auger w/power swing; Hutch 10x60 SA auger w/power swing; 1000 gal tank on gear w/pump;

FORAGE & LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

Farmhand CG7000 tub grinder on trl w/JD power unit; JD 1460 discbine; NH 499 12' haybine; IH 7' sickle mower; IH pull-type sickle mower; NH 255 rake/tedder; Sitrex 2 basket tedder; NI 4240 rotary rake; JD 672 dolly wheel rake; NH 166 hay inverter; Pequoa 10 wheel v-rake; JD 530 baler; IH 37 sq baler; Vermeer 504 Super G rd baler; AC rd baler, new belts; 2012 Du-Mar 4800 gal slurry tank w/6x inj; Gehl 250 manure spreader, slop gate; Gehl 1000 chopper w/2RN & pickup heads; JD 716A silage wagon w/TA gear; Gehl 920 silage wagon; NH 770 2 RW head; Roose 16' hyd hog trailer; (35) 5" treated posts; Paul electric livestock scale; Martin hydraulic sheep/hog scale; hog catch chute; (2) rectangle 1 ton feeders; elect post stomper; Sunbeam clippers; Nelson waterer; 10 hp hammer mill w/screens; (4) SS fence-line troughs; wood steer stuffer; (100) small sq bales of straw;

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2018 Cub Challenger 500 UTV, 4x4, 179 hrs; 2010 XUV 500, 2 seats, 4x4; Cub Cadet 126, 104, 106 & 149 mowers; GH 718D 61" diesel ZTR mower; Wheel Horse 14 hp mower w/deck; King Kutter 60" tiller; skid steer pallet forks; Mercury 9.9 hp boat motor; Tomahawk skid steer bale spear; 8' skid steer angle blade; Turf Buddy SS fert spreader; Wood wheeled pony wagon; Miller gas powered welder; North Star steam/hot water washer; CM 1 1/2 hp compressor; SF 260 welder; metal band saw; Dewalt dual miter saw; torch table; 6 & 12" post hole augers; 5T floor jack; Stihl 009 chain saw; cement mixer w/motor; 1000 gal poly nurse tank; Snyder 200 gal saddle tanks; Tem Tech cooler unit; CM 8.5 hp chipper/shredder; UM fill auger for JD 1560 drill; pallet racking; Knapheide 9' walk-in service bed; (24) Martin UMO fert openers for JD 1770; Case 2' backhoe bucket; fast hitch PHD; 500 gal fuel tank on cart; (4) new Goodyear 295/75/22.5 tires; (4) 380/85R34 tires; 18.4x34 duals; (2) Pro boxes; (6) 250 gal shuttles; (4) 12x16.5 skid steer tires; pr 18.4x30 T-rail duals; pr 13.6x24 tires & rims; antique hay forks; 100 gal L-fuel tank; pr steel wheels; 3T & 5T AC condensers; lg variety nursery stock: evergreens, fruit & ornamental trees & shrubs from certified nursery;

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quarter, as bullish food service demand tones have seldom been positive since the onset of COVID. Butter churning is at a brisk clip, as demand has strengthened and export demand reports are notably rising. Butter market tones have steadied since the unexpected surge following the "new crop" rule on the CME, DMN said.

Grade A nonfat dry milk finished the week at \$1.17 per pound, down 0.75 cents, but 11.75 cents above a year ago, on eight sales for the week.

In the week ending Feb.27, 71,600 dairy cows were sent to slaughter, up 12,000 from the previous week and 8,000 or 12.6 percent more than that week a year ago.

Checking demand on the home front; the USDA's January data showed a lot of positive news. Total cheese disappearance, at 1.14 billion pounds, was up from a year ago for the first time since September, topped January 2020 by 3.3 percent.

HGD points out that American-style cheese did the heavy lifting, with both domestic and export demand stronger versus prior year.

Butter disappearance totaled 155.2 million pounds, up 12 percent, and topped the year ago level for the third consecutive month, according to HGD, "an encouraging sign as production and stocks remain burdensome."

Nonfat dry milk disappearance increased for the third consecutive month, hitting 215.6 million pounds, including skim milk powder, strongest January since 2018.

Indiana corn checkoff seeks farmers for its board of directors

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Hoosier farmers interested in directing Indiana's corn checkoff investments may now petition to run for one of the five seats up for election.

Board members direct the promotional, educational and research activities funded by the corn checkoff. Some of the board's priorities include increased ethanol use, improved transportation infrastructure, on-farm research, livestock promotion and expanding international exports.

To run for an ICMC director seat, Indiana corn farmers must be at least 18 years old, a registered Indiana voter and a resident in the appropriate district. All farmers who submit a valid petition by June 1, 2021 will be listed as a candidate on the election ballot. Voting takes place at Purdue Cooperative Extension Service county offices in August or by absentee ballot, which will be made available in July.

Here is the breakdown of each district:

The District 2 seat up for re-election, includes the counties of Carroll, Cass, Elkhart, Fulton, Kosciusko, Marshall, Miami, St. Joseph and Wabash.

The District 5 seat up for re-election includes the counties of Bartholomew, Boone, Clinton, Decatur, Grant, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Howard, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Morgan, Rush, Shelby and Tipton.

The District 8 seat up for re-election includes the counties of Brown, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Jackson, Lawrence, Monroe, Orange, Perry and Washington.

Two statewide At-Large seats up for re-election covers all Indiana Counties.

Farmers can download any necessary forms at www.incorn.org/elections or by calling the ICMC office at 1-800-735-0195. Forms are also available at all Purdue County For more information about Indiana Corn Marketing Council, visit www.incorn.org

Kentucky to help farmers with soil erosion

By Jordan Strickler
Kentucky Correspondent

FRANKFORT, Ky. – Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear has stated that he will be utilizing more than \$5.9 million from tobacco settlement funds to help the state’s farmers protect their water quality and prevent soil erosion.

Beshear, along with Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary Rebecca Goodman, said that the Kentucky Soil and Water Conservation Commission has selected 592 Kentucky farm projects in 86 counties to receive the funds.

Funds for the watering facilities will mostly include pipeline and automatic waterers where the installation will facilitate rotational grazing or remove animals from drinking in surface waters. The water source is often treated

water from the local municipal water treatment plant but may also be fed by a pond or rooftop capture.

The funds not allocated specifically for water facilities will go directly to funding projects on the farms which prevent soil erosion or protect water quality such as fencing, forestry management plans, cover crops and grade control structures.

“We need to be doing all that we can to support our local farmers who have always been there to support us and our economy,” Beshear said. “These projects help their efforts to improve soil and water quality and will help keep farms productive.”

The commission has obligated more than \$170 million in state cost share funding in the past 27 years. Funds are distributed with the assistance of the

121 soil and water conservation districts across the Bluegrass State.

“I have seen many of our farmers make great use of cost share money to improve their farms while conserving soils and improving water quality,” said Danny Shipley, Allen County farmer and chairman of the commission. “Without the help to learn best management practices and a boost to jump-start the implementation of these practices, many would be unable to improve their farm conservation measures.”

Todd Clark, an Agriculture Water Quality Authority member and a Fayette County farmer who has benefited from the program, agreed. “Winter feeding is one of the toughest times of the year to manage on a Kentucky beef cattle farm. State cost share was a huge help both financially and in planning a winter-

feeding area for us.”

A 2019 study by researchers from the European Union Joint Research Centre estimating economic losses from soil erosion, found \$8 billion is lost annually from global GDP. Worldwide, food production is reduced by 33.7 million tons of food.

According to a 2020 study released by the Union of Concerned Scientists, if soil continues to erode at current rates, U.S. farmers could lose a ½-inch of topsoil by 2035 – more than eight times the amount of topsoil lost during the Dust Bowl. They could lose nearly three inches by 2100. Given that it takes a century or more for an inch of soil to form naturally, the nation will lose the equivalent of at least 300 years’ worth of soil by 2100 if today’s trends prevail.



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Tractor stops, shuts off, reset, drive on) • 2004 CAT Challenger MT 465B MFWD tractor, 16.9x34 tires & duals, 13.6R28 fronts, quick hitch, pto, 2 remotes, 1445 hrs • 1999 Agco Allis 9765 MFWD tractor, 18.4R46 tires & hub duals, 380/85R34 fronts, 3pt, pto, 4 remotes, 4812 hrs (overhauled 400 hrs ago) • 1976 JD 8630 tractor, 4x4, 18.4R38 tires & hub duals, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, overhaul at 6000 hrs, 9160 hrs • 1981 JD 8440 tractor, 4x4, 18.4R38 tires & duals, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, 7447 hrs, overhaul at 4450 hrs • 1980 JD 4840 tractor, 20.8x38 tires & hub duals, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, front weights, 8025 hrs, 200 hrs on clutch, overhaul at 6750 hrs • 1987 JD 4450 MFWD tractor, PS, New 480/80R38 tires & duals, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, front & rear weights, LED lights, 6625 hrs • 1984 JD 4450 MFWD tractor, PS, 18.4R38 tires & hub duals, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, front & rear weights, LED lights, 10,570 hrs • 1977 JD 4630 PFWD tractor, 18.4x38 tires & hub duals, 14.9x24 fronts, quick hitch, pto, 3 remotes, front & rear weights, 9677 hrs overhaul at 4000 hrs • 1981 JD 4440 tractor, PS, 20.8x38 tires & hub duals, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, front & rear weights, (hyd issue) • 1984 JD 4250 tractor, 18.4x38 tires, quick hitch, pto, 2 remotes, rear weights, Koyker 500 loader, material bucket, joy stick, 5420 hrs • JD 4440 tractor, 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, 6287 hrs • 1988 JD 2755 tractor, shuttle shift, 18.4x34 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, JD 146 loader, material bucket, 3143 hrs • 1983 JD 2950 tractor, 18.4x34 tires, 3pt, 2 remotes, w/ JD 260 loader, material bucket, 5803 hrs • 1977 JD 4630 tractor, 20.8x38 tires & hub duals, quick hitch, pto, 2 remotes, front weights, 7196 hrs • 1978 JD 4440 tractor, 18.4x42 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, 8328 hrs • 1990 C-IH 5130 tractor, shuttle shift, 18.4x34 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, 6973 hrs • 1976 AC 7060 tractor, 18.4x38 tires & duals, quick hitch, pto, 2 remotes, front weights, NO AC, shows 1480 hrs (tach changed at 2500 hrs) • 1976 AC 7060 tractor, PS, 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, pto, unknown hrs **ROTARY MOWERS & MISC. FARM EQUIPMENT:** • 7' Bush Hog rotary mower, 3pt, chains • 7' JD 307 rotary mower, 3pt • 8' Blizzard snowblower, dual hyd, 3pt, (like new) • JD AC3500GHH pressure washer, 3500 psi, 3.3 GPM, gas motor, hose reel • 9' JD sickle bar mower, 3pt • JD 709 rotary mower, 3pt • 6' Woods G5572P grader box, 3pt • Stihl blower • 28' Donahue planter trailer, tandem, good wood • 1000 gal LP tank w/gear • (2) pallets of (16) JD 7200 gauce wheels • (16) JD 7200 no-till coulters • (16) JD 7200 single disc fert • Trimble EZ Guide 500 w/receiver • Mini GAC moisture tester • 7.5' NI snow blower, 3pt, hyd spout • JD 709 rotary mower, 3pt • NI sickle bar mower, pull type • 500 gal fuel tank w/pump • 8' Worksaver grader blade, 3pt • Misc guard rail • Engine hoist • 15' Rhino batwing mower, hyd fold, stump jumpers (1 owner) • (15) NH3 disc sealers • Gormann Rupp large water pump • John Blue 28% pump & drive • JD Pallet forks for 260 loader • 6' Woods HS 106-3 ditch bank mower, 3pt, counter weight, hyd drive • (2) bin spreaders, etc • Misc field cultivator sweeps • NH Model 58 bale thrower • Kinze air bag brackets • Kinze seed disc • John Blue fert pump • Kinze single disc HD fert coulters • Clipper seed cleaner w/screen • Buzz saw • Thermo King Tri-Packer APU unit • Reese hitch for Dodge 1 ton truck • Elec fuel pump • Full fenders for semi • Misc NH3 knives • Rotary hoe row crop pendlers • JD rolling shields • White 5100 seed firmers • Ford 903 post hole auger, 3pt, 18" • JET power band saw • Misc elec panel boxes • Misc Kinze planter parts • Post hole auger, 3pt • 5"x12" auger • Front tire roto-tiller • Platform scales • (2) 12"x16" barn doors • (2) 30"x14" barn door frames • Side drive kit for Mayrath auger • (2) 100 gal alum fuel truck tanks • Horse hay feeder • NAPA roll around tool chest • (24) JD no-till coulters, fit 1770 • (4) JD suitcase weights • Poly supplement bin, 2 ton • (2) Lincoln 1200 power grease guns, 12v, extra batteries & charger • 48" skidsteer pallet forks • Truck hoist • IH loader w/trip bucket (off of M) • 300 gal fuel tank w/pump • 14' Brady flat mower (w/cover) • Williams 125 stalk chopper • (5) hog panels • (2) sets of JD wheel weights • 455/55R22.5 tire & alum rim • (2) alum rims • (8) Lithonia lights • Cooling AC unit • Gas water heater • (2) Luverd fans • Carrier 8000 gas heater • Misc black wall piping • Various bin spreaders, elec motors • Raven light bar

for sprayer • 12' rotary mower, pull type, (center gear box issue) • 300 gal skid fuel tank, pump • 7' Blizzard snow blower, 3pt • 72" Woods RM 372 finish mower • Torch set w/tanks • Hand pallet jack • Lincoln 225 welder • 2 wheel small trailer • ATV sprayer, 100 gal, Honda motor • (2) JD suitcase weights • Pto shaft • JD 20,30,40 Series rear weights • Set of JD 400 lb weights • C-IH wheel spacers • JD salamander heater • (24) Finger pick up meters for Great Plains • Rock picker, hyd, pull type • 7' Blizzard snow blower, 3pt • 10' Alum elevator, elec motor • 5' grader box w/scarifier teeth, 3pt • (12) JD single disc no-till fert openers, 7200/1770 • 5' Woods rotary mower, 3pt • (6) Yetter single row fert coulters • (11) DMI double disc hyd closing wheels • Pair of spray boom extensions, for Rogator • 10' hyd platform w/transport • 4" pump w/Honda motor (non-running) • LB10 laser & rod eye • Complete New Unverferth talc applicator • Bridge/gooseneck trailer • Pair of stalk stompers for combine • (2) ATV sprayers • (7) White dry fert boxes • (32) Kinze Edge Vac meters w/32 bead & 16 cm plates • (16) Tru count air clutches • (16) Lift air bags for 8000 6000 White planters • (2) 20' Fert augers • (16) JD translucent seed tubes • Assorted press wheels • JD quick hitch • 7' Bush Hog rotary mower, 3pt • Stihl Ms 880 chain saw w/36" bar • Timber Wolf conveyor SKID LOADER • FORKLIFTS • UTILITY TRACTORS: • 2016 NH L 220 skid loader, cab, heat, air, 2sp, hyd quick attach, 2290 hrs • JD 320 skid loader, 3450 hrs (bad wheel motor) • Gehl 4500 skid loader w/material bucket, 6744 hrs • Ford 1910 utility tractor w/loader, diesel, 3pt, pto, turf tires, 1927 hrs **COMBINES • HEADS • HEAD CARTS: • 1999 JD 9510 Maximizer Combine, 30.5Lx32 tires, 14.9x24 rears, chopper, chaff spreader, 3195 eng, 2159 sep • 1996 C-IH 2188 combine, RWD, 900/60-32 fronts, 18.4-26 rears, Lowen AFH rotor, rock trap, Field Tracker, chaff spreader, chopper, hyd reverser, Mauver ext, bubble auger, LED Tiger light kit, Precision yield monitor equipped, 2 yrs on \$30,000 rebuild • 1990 JD 9600 combine, 30.5Lx32 tires, 18.4x26 rears, Mauver ext, long unload, chopper, chaff spreader, Ag Leader PF3000 yield monitor, 5669 eng, 4169 sep • 1998 NH TR98 combine, 30.5x32 tires, 20.8x38 duals • 1987 JD 7720 Titan II combine, 30.5LR32 tires, 16.9x34 rears, Mauver ext, chopper, chaff spreader, 4449 hrs • 1983 JD 7720 combine, 30.5Lx32 tires, 14.9x24 rears, chopper, chaff spreader, 2808 hrs • 2011 35' Mac Don draper head, flip over reel, extra knife, JD hook up • 2008 36' NH 88C draper flex head, SCH dual knife sickle, adj gauge wheels, hyd tilt fore & aft, U2 flip over reel, in cab switch box, 1 owner, low acres • 2011 JD 630F flex head, fore & aft, stubble lights, low acres • 1979 IH 1440 combine, 2954 hrs • JD 920 flex head, fore & aft • JD 843 corn head, poly conversion, hyd deck plates • 6x30 JD 693 corn head, Calmer conversion w/down corn reel • JD 925 flex head, fore & aft • 1998 NH 30' flex head, fore & aft, SCI double cut roller knife • 1998 NH 8x30 poly corn head, hyd deck plates • NH 98c corn head, poly, 8x30 • JD 643 corn head, low tin, stalk stompers • JD 443 corn head, low tin • 35' J&M head cart • 30' J&M head cart w/lights • 20' C-IH 1020 flex head fore & aft, oil bath gear box • 6x30 JD 643 corn head, high tin • 6x30 JD 693 corn head • 20' Gleaner 320 grain head w/head cart • 30' head cart • Knowles wagon head cart • Unverferth HT 25 head cart • Unverferth 20' head cart • 4x38 IH 944 corn head • 15' IH 1020 grain platform • 35' Smyth head cart • 25' C-IH 1020 flex head • Unverferth HT 30 head cart • 6x30 JD 643 corn head, low tin, hyd deck plates • 15' JD 215 flex head • 2003 30' C-IH 1020 flex head, fore & aft, Field Tracker, 900 acres on complete new knife & guards • 25' wagon type head cart • 4x38 JD 444 corn head • Wagon type head cart • Snowmobile trailer for head cart • Wagon type head cart • Wagon type head cart **MANURE • LIVESTOCK • HAY EQUIPMENT:** • 2013 Case IH LB 334P square baler, tandem, auto grease & oiler, 110 gal applicator, large 1000 pto, roller chute, elec adj bale length, Approx 23,000 bales, 1 owner • 2007 Taarup 6570 big square baler, tandem axle, auto luber, last bale eject, 64,000 bales, (baler needs work, call for info) • 2012 Penta 6020 TMR feed mixer, super single tires, dual conveyor, rear door, SVC pto, scales, (1 owner) • NH 358 grinder mixer, scales, self contained hyd, long unload auger • NH 355 grinder mixer, long auger, hyd drive • IH 435 baler, twine tie • Arts Way 500 grinder mixer, hyd lift & swing, scales • Miller Pro 7914 Hay Buddy merger • JD 752 4 basket hay tedder, pull type • Houle 5350 manure tanker, 5350 gal, 28Lx26R3 tires, top fill • Balzer 1500 Magnum liquid manure spreader, 16.5L-16.1 SL tires, (nice) • NH 353 grinder mixer, scales, ext auger, extra screens • 6' JD hay crimper, pto • 2017 Sioux cattle working chute, palpation chute (like new) • Pearson cattle squeeze chute • Behlen cattle head gate w/ neck extender (never used) • Houle 5 shank tool bar • (2) small feed carts w/augers • NI 19 manure spreader, pto, (nice) • Badger 230 tandem, liquid spreader, 3300 gal, pto • Calumet 6' Lagoon pump, pto • AGCO 4217 4 basket hay tedder, pull type • JD 327 baler, twine tie • Du-Mar Welding 2250 gal tandem manure spreader, Vacuum pump • Gehl Scavenger tandem, side slinger manure spreader • Grain-O-Vator Model 20 tandem feed cart, roll tarp • Calumet 2250 Vac spreader, Vacuum & Pressure, 19Lx16.1 tires, 2 Knife **HARVEST EQUIPMENT • GRAIN CARTS • WAGONS:** • (2) J&M 540 wagons, cement tires, brakes, lights, roll tarps (nice) • (2) 200 bu gravity wagons w/brakes • J&M 250 gravity wagon, EZ Trail gear • Brent Grain Train 1000**

bu gravity wagon, airplane tires, 4 dumps • J&M 525-40 gravity wagon, cement tires, center dump, brakes • (2) Unverferth Brent 440 gravity wagons, 425/65R22.5 tires, roll tarps • 53"x8" Hutchinson, auger, pto, hyd winch • 32"x6" Hutchinson, auger, no motor, hopper • 60"x10" Brandt swing away auger, pto (nice) • 35"x12" Mayrath load out auger, hopper, 15hp 1ph motor, (like new) • 35' Batco belt conveyor, transport, 13" belt, hyd raise • J&M 750 bu gravity wagon, cement tires, brakes • Killbros 175 gravity wagon • J&M 250 gravity wagon • Killbros 125 gravity wagon • 30' J&M elevator, gas engine • Killbros 350 gravity wagon, gear • J&M 350-20 gravity wagon, gear, 10.00x20 tires • McCurdy gravity wagon, gear, 10.00x20 tires • J&M 525bu gravity wagon, center dump, 13 ton gear, brakes • J&M gravity wagon, Kewanee gear • J&M 450bu gravity wagon, gear, center dump • J&M gravity wagon, J&M gear • Gravity wagon, truck gear, center dump • 8'x20' HD flat rack wagon, HD gear • 7'x16' HD flat rack wagon, HD gear • 8'x14' HD flat rack wagon, HD gear • 92"x16' flat rack wagon, gear • 7'x16' flat rack wagon, gear • 8'x20' HD flat rack wagon, HD gear • 7'x16' flat rack wagon, JD gear • 8'x20' HD flat rack wagon, HD gear • 8'x16' flat rack wagon, JD gear • 60"x8" Westfield swing away auger • 62"x10" Hutchinson swing away auger, hyd raise • Byron Sweet Corn harvester, 1 row, 3pt • (2) Killbros 350 gravity wagons, light kits • 61"x10" Hutchinson swing away auger, hyd raise • Killbros gravity wagon, Killbros gear • Parker 165 gravity wagon, gear • 14' flat rack wagon • (2) J&M 680/760 gravity wagons, cement tires, brakes, lights, (like new) • 16' flat rack wagon w/sides, JD gear • (2) J&M gravity wagon beds • 35"x6" Mooring auger w/gas motor, elec start • J&M 150 bu gravity wagon, J&M gear • Parker 150bu gravity wagon • 8' Hutchinson under bin unloading auger, 10hp, 1ph motor • 36"x6" Kewanee auger, gas motor • 15' flat rack wagon w/grain sides • Killbros 125bu gravity wagon, gear • 10' Sudenga dump auger, 3pt, (like new) • J&M 385 SD gravity wagon, cement tires, brakes, roll tarp • (2) J&M 350-20 gravity wagons, cement tires, brakes, roll tarp • J&M 250 gravity wagon, J&M gear • J&M 385 gravity wagon, exts, gear, 11-22.5 tires, roll tarp, split box • J&M 350 gravity wagon, gear, 10.00-20 tires • 17' flat rack wagon, gear • 17.5' flat rack wagon, gear • Kory 225bu gravity wagon, 10T gear • Killbros 500 gravity wagon, cement tires, roll tarp, lights • 21' tandem axle bale wagon • 16' flat rack wagon, NI gear, 9.5L tires • JD running gear • Flat rack wagon on truck gear • 20' elevator, elec motor • New Products 3000 bu grain bin, 15' diameter, 8 ring, ladder, full floor, 8" unload w/1hp motor, spreader (to be removed, sell off site, call for details) • 43' Cardinal conveyor (like new) • J&M 250 gravity wagon, ext, 10.00x20 tires • 18"x10" Cardinal U trough w/3hp 1ph motor, gear box • Killbros 475 grain cart, 1000 pto, 23.1x26 tires • Killbros 1072 running gear • 450bu grain cart • Farm Fans 350 grain dryer, natural gas (transport not included) • 2004 Brent 880 grain cart, corner auger, roll tarp **TILLAGE: • 15' Yetter 3415 rotary hoe • 18' IH 496 disc, hyd fold, 1 bar harrow • 20' Harrogator, man fold • 22' J&M TF 212 rolling harrow, hyd fold, (like new) • 9 shank Bush Hog 1560 disc chisel, ridge leveler • 18' McKee danish field cultivator, hyd fold, 1 bar harrow • 4x14 MF 74 plow, 3pt • 4 shank Wilrich disc V-ripper • 6 btm MF 880 plow, on land hitch • 42' J&M TF 215 rolling harrow, hyd fold, gauge wheels, double twin reels, (updated bearings) • 4 shank Blue Jet inline ripper, 3pt • 15' JD 400 rotary hoe • 16' IH 475 disc, hyd fold • 14' Brillion cultimulcher, crowfoot front • 4 btm MF plow, semi-mtd • 7 shank AC V-ripper, 3pt, gauge wheels • 15' Kewanee 1010 FF disc • 18' Unverferth rolling harrow, hyd fold • 18' Hiniker 1224 field cultivator, FF, 1 bar harrow • 11 shank Krause disc chisel, hyd disc, hyd level bar • 5 shank DMI 527 disc ripper, hyd front & rear disc • 18' White 253 disc, 7.5" spacing, fold wings, tandem • 15' JD 400 rotary hoe • 6x30 JD RM cultivator • 30' Brillion field cultivator, danish tire, rolling basket, hyd fold • 7 shank M&W Earthmaster disc chisel • 24' IH field cultivator, hyd fold, 3 bar harrow, rear hitch • 32' C-IH 496 disc, hyd fold, rock flex, 20' front blades, 21" rear blades • 5 shank IH V-ripper, 3pt, gauge wheels • 12' Hutchmaster off set disc, 24" like new blades • 30' JD 400 FF rotary hoe • 7 shank Brillion V-ripper, gauge wheels • 30' JD 400 FF rotary hoe • 26' rolling basket for field cultivator • 34' JD time harrow w/brackets for JD 2210 cultivator • 7 shank JD 910 V-ripper, RR iron drag • 20' coil tine drag for Great Plains drill • 8x30 JD RM cultivator, danish tire, fenders, end tow • 30' Krause 1969 disc, vertical tillage blades, rock flex, hyd fold, 3 bar, time harrow w/rear hitch • 6x30 KMC rolling cultivator, 3pt • 6x30 Kelly row crop cultivator, fenders • 6x30 JD cultivators, danish tire • 24' JD 726 mulch finisher, hyd fold, walking tandems, 5 bar time harrow, rear hitch • 25' Unverferth rolling Harrow II, hyd fold • 43' JD 980 field cultivator, hyd double fold, S-tine, rear hitch • 33' Sunflower 6432-33 soil finisher, hyd fold, walking tandem, 5 bar harrow, rear hitch • 4x38 Lilliston cultivator • 5 shank Case/IH 10 sub soiler, 3pt • 4 btm IH 7000 plow • 1995 30' JD 726 mulch finisher, 5 bar spike harrow • 33' Krause Landsman mulch finisher, 5 bar spike harrow • 18' IH 45 field cultivator, man fold, rear hitch • 9 shank IH 6000 disc chisel • 25' Wilrich field cultivator, hyd fold • 9 shank Unverferth Penetrator disc chisel • 24' IH 490 disc, hyd fold •**

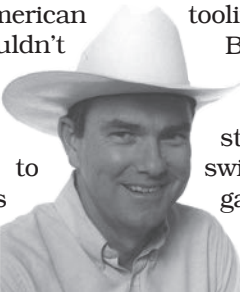
24' Brent HCV2000 field cultivator, walking tandems, rear hitch & hyd, knock on sweeps, tine harrow • 12' IH wheel disc • 6' JD Killefer offset disc w/24" blades • 5x16 White 549 plow, 1 owner • 13 shank DMI Ecolo Champ disc chisel, rear leveler • 8x30 Lilliston rolling cultivator, 3pt • 8x30 JD 85 row crop cultivator • 20' JD 400 rotary hoe, FF • 24' C-IH 330 True Tandem vertical till tool, hyd fold w/basket • Tye Para plow 4 leg, 3pt • Tye Para plow 6 leg, 3pt w/Phoenix harrow attach • Glencoe disc chisel, 11 shank **FERTILIZER EQUIPMENT: • 1998 Walker 44 sprayer, Cummins, SS 1000 gal tank, 80' boom, hyd tread adj, Jet 3 nozzle heads, Auto Pilot, Ag Leader Insight monitor, auto swath, 520/85R38 & 380/90R46 tires (sells w/both sets) 6835 hrs • FAST 9612 sprayer, 1350 gal, 380/90R46 tires, 90' hyd fold boom, hyd pump, foamer, Raven 460 controller, 6 boom section control • 1996 Melroe 3630 spra-coupe, 4 wheel, Cummins repower, Ssp, 300 gal tank, 60' booms, foamer, tow bar, Raven 440 controller, 3040 hrs • Willmar 745 field sprayer, JD 175hp, 4cyl, air ride, 60' booms, JD Starfire 300 GPS & Auto steer, 3200 hrs • 2013 Hardi Navigator 3500 sprayer, 1000 gal tank, 90' booms, 320/90R46 tires, 2yrs on rebuilt high flow pto pump, inductor, rinse tank, triple nozzles, fence row nozzle, Hardi 2500 rate controller (1 owner) • Demco Conquest sprayer, 1000 gal, 90' boom, narrow & wide tires, controller • Blumhardt 500 gal pickup sprayer, 50' boom, Honda motor & pump • Terra Gator liquid unit, 1800 gal SS, 80' boom, complete • 13 Knife DMI NH3 bar, no-till, pull type, (no controller) • 11 Knife Blue Jet NH3 bar, no-till, 3pt, (no meter) • 1600 gal nurse trailer, tandem, 275 gal tote, motor & pump • Demco skid mount sprayer, 20' boom, Honda gas • 6 ton tandem axle fertilizer spreader, ground drive • Demco 500 gal sprayer, adj axle, 45' boom, foam markers, Ace pto pump, T-jet controller • Century 750 gal sprayer, 40' boom, pto pump, controller • 500 gal sprayer, tandem axle, 60' boom, ACE pump • 16' flat rack wagon, HD gear, 1350 gal poly tank • Snyder 550 gal poly tank • 125 gal JD 25A sprayer, 3pt, 25' boom w/pump • 1000 gal SS tank • 1000 gal cone bottom poly tank • 3100 gal poly tank w/frame • 1000 gal NH3 wagon w/gear • Chem Farm SS saddle tanks w/pump • 110 gal 3pt sprayer, 27' boom, new hose, nozzle, & pump • 1000 gal Clark row crop nurse tank, gear **PLANTERS • DRILLS • SEED TENDERS:** • 12x30 JD 7000 planter, FF, Yetter no-till coulters, liquid Yetter no-till coulters, Martin row cleaners, monitor • 4x38 JD 7200 Conservation no-till planter, single disc no-till dry fert, (used for Test Plot) • 30' JD 750 no-till drill, tandem hitch, dolly wheels, JD drill fill, cover, New blades & boots less than 800 acres, Van Guard monitor • 12x23 JD 1780 Conservation planter, FF, no-till, liquid fert 2x2, Brown box monitor • 15' JD 1560 no-till drill, Unverferth Till & Drill caddy, dolly wheel, scales, Unverferth drill fill, Yetter markers, SI meters • 16x30 JD 7200 Conservation planter, Max II, vacuum Precision meters, dry fert, fert fill auger, row cleaners, Keaton firmers, insect, monitor • 12x30 JD 7200 planter, FF, no-till, liquid single disc fert, Precision units, Keaton firmers, monitor • 15' JD 750 no-till drill, 2pt, 7.5" spacing, grass seeder, monitors, field ready • 24x30 JD 1770 planter, FF, no-till, monitor • 15' JD 750 no-till drill w/Yetter markers • 6 row JD 7000 no-till planter seed boxes, herbicide boxes, no monitor • 15' Great Plains no-till drill • 4x38 White 6100 planter, dry fert, insect, MS 1000 population monitor • 20' JD 750 no-till drill, 2pt, Yetter markers, SI belt meters • 6x30 JD 7000 Conservation no-till planter, liquid fert, Yetter single disc, finger pickup • 6x30 JD 7000 no-till planter, liquid fert, Yetter single disc, very nice • 15' JD 750 no-till drill, dolly wheel, Unverferth ext & drill fill, Yetter markers • M&W seed wagon, roll tarp, Seed Vac system, gas motor, fenders • DMI 300bu seed wagon, DMI gear, 16' poly auger, 1 season on poly auger • Planter VAC Systems Model 30AA w/trailer • 6x30 White 5100 dry planter, no-till • 4 row JD 1240 planter, dry fert • 6x30 White 5100 dry planter, Yetter no-till, insect, monitor • 6x30 White 5100 dry planter, insect, monitor • 8' JD Van Brunt grain drill, mech lift, grass seed, very nice • JD no-till drill hitch **CONSTRUCTION & TILE EQUIPMENT:** • NHL 435A Telehandler, powershift 110 diesel, 4x4 w/material bucket, forks, quick tach, 6235 hrs • 1983 JD 3108 backhoe, shuttle shift, 13.9x24 tires, 4 in 1 bucket, 24" bucket, 3291 hrs (nice) • JD 510 backhoe, shuttle shift, 18.4x28 tires, material bucket, 3' rear bucket, 18" bucket, 4025 hrs • Gallion S03 Motorgrader, gas, cab, hyd 10' blade, scarifier, 900x20 tires • 1977 JD 755 track loader, rear weight package, shows 432 hrs • New Tile cart w/aux pump, wireless control, 11L-15 tires • New Tile cart, hyd control, 11L-15 tires • Glencoe PD-10 3pt ditcher • 6' backhoe forks • 36", 30", 12" Case 580 buckets **TRUCK & TRAILERS:** • 2012 Volvo semi, day cab, Volvo D13 435hp, automatic, air ride, air slide 5th wheel, super singles, 300,000 miles • 2007 Freightliner Columbia semi, day cab, Mercedes 450hp, 13sp, air ride, heavy axles, 645,907 miles • 2006 Freightliner Columbia semi, day cab, 14L 515hp, 10sp, air ride, alum rims, 749,875 miles • 2005 Freightliner Columbia semi, day cab, 14L 515hp, 10sp, air ride, alum rims, 773,875 miles • 2001 Mack CK613 semi, Mack E-7 355 hp, 10sp, 355 gears, 215" wheel base, headcack rack, 720,714 miles • 2003 Freightliner Columbia semi, day cab, Mercedes 450hp, 10sp, new clutch & turbo, 900,000 miles • 2005 Volvo semi, day cab, Cummins ISX450, 10sp, air ride, air slide 5th wheel, 749,000 miles • 2000 Volvo semi, day cab, Cummins N14, 10sp, air ride, air slide 5th wheel, wet kit, 512,000 miles • 1991 IH 4900 grain truck, live**

tandem, DT 466, 6+1 trans, 20' Omaha Standard bed & hoist, cargo doors, roll tarp, rear hitch, shows 233,620, odometer not working • 1976 Chevy C65 tandem grain truck, live tandem, 427 gas, 10 speed, 20' bed & hoist, 50,018 miles • 1997 Chevy 2500 4x4 spray truck, auto, 500 gal Blumhardt tank, 60' boom, gas eng, man fold, 137,527 miles • 1990 Heil 9000 gal alum tanker, 11R22.5 tires, 6 compartment • 1976 Chevy grain truck, live tandem w/cheater axle, V8, 5+2 sp, 18' bed & hoist, roll tarp, cargo doors • 2008 Ford F350 XLT crew cab pickup, 6.4L diesel, power seat & locks, 8' bed, B&W gooseneck hitch, Western 8' snow plow, uni-mount system, hand held controls, excellent condition, private use only, 146,164 miles, New Ford installed motor @ 99,000 miles • 1997 Timpte 40' Super Hopper alum grain trailer, roll tarp • Chevy truck sprayer, 4x4, 383 stroker motor, 400 gal tank, 60' boom, pto pump, rate controller (NO TITLE) • 14'x8' tandem axle trailer (NO TITLE) • Homemade 62"x96" steel tilt bed utility trailer (NO TITLE) • 8' New flat bed, for single wheel pickup, adj frame rails • 16'x82" landscape trailer, tandem • 1994 White GMC semi, N14 Cummins, 10sp, air ride, alum wheels, 700,000+ miles • 1992 IH 4700 feed truck, DT 466, 6sp, 9 ton feed bed, hyd auger, 333,980 miles • 18' tandem axle trailer (NO TITLE) • Raven 40' alum flat deck semi trailer, air ride, 11R24.5 tires • 1999 Ford 350 Super Duty, 7.3 Power stroke diesel, 4 door, auto, 9' service work box, ladder racks, 12,500 GVW, 341,188 miles • 2014 Fabrique Par 7'x14' dump trailer, scissor hoist, 14,000 GVW, 7000 lb axles, ST235/80R16 tires, roll tarp, swing gate doors, pintle hitch • 2011 Fabrique Par 7'x14' dump trailer, dual ram hoist, 14,000 GVW, 7000 lb axles, ST235/80R16 tires, roll tarp, swing gate doors, pintle hitch, loading ramps • 1982 Wilson 48' cattle pot trailer, double deck • 2001 Chevy HD 2500 pickup, 4x4, V8, auto, AC, toolbox, fuel tank, rear hitch, 105,350 miles • 14'x6.5' bumper pull tri-axle trailer, 2' beaver tail • 1998 GMC 2500 SL pickup, V8, 4x4, auto, toolbox, Western snow plow & control, 129,136 miles • 20'x18' tandem bumper trailer w/ramps • 24'x6' homemade tandem trailer (NO TITLE) • 17'x7' tandem axle trailer w/ livestock panels • 7.5'x11' tandem trailer (NO TITLE) **TIRES • DUALS • WEIGHTS: • Set of 38" T-rail dual rims • (4) 480/80R50 tires w/JD main rims & duals • (8) 480/80R50 IF tires w/JD rims complete set off of 9R tractor, 80% tread • Set of 14L-16.1 front tires & rims • Set of 18.4x38 hub duals • Set of 18.4x38 T-rail duals • Set of 18.4x16.1 IH rear tires • Misc 11L-15 tires • (4) 11R24.5 tires & rims • Set of 480/80R46 over duals, inner tires w/rims • Set of 320/90R50 tires, Unverferth rims • Set of 18.4x38 T-rail duals • Set of 13x24 duals • 15.5x38 tire • Set of 16.9x38 duals, bolt on, spacers • Set of 30.5x32 tires & rims, off J&M grain cart • Set of 18.4x38 clamp on duals & hardware • (4) New Titan Contractor 12.5/80-18 tires on 8 bolt rims • (2) New Titan Turf LSW570 6-6 tires on 6 bolt rims • 10.00-50R25 floater tires (tires need boot & tube) • 18.4x38 T-rail duals • (9) 15.1L16.1 high floatation tires, 8 hole rim • (4) 23.00x30 floater tires for Rogator • (2) 23.1Rx30 floater tires, no rims • (4) 800/70-38 tires ATVs & LAWN MOWERS: • JD 825i DOHC tractor, 4x4, IRS canopy, windshield, hyd bed, 132 hrs, 1 owner • JD Gator 4x2, 1698 hrs • JD Gator TX 4x2, 287 hrs • IH Scout side by side, 4x4, dump bed, recent clutch & belts • 2014 Arctic Cat 700 Limited 4 wheeler, 4x4, 50" Warn blade, Warn winch, front & rear bumpers, 116 hrs • 2003 Grasshopper 618 mower, 18hp Kohler, 52" deck, new blades • Grasshopper 718K gas mower, 61" deck • Honda 110 3 wheeler, no title • (3) 60" Swisher mowers, gas motors, pull behind, (need some work) **ANTIQUE TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT:** • 1975 JD 4430 tractor, quad, cab, 3pt, 3pt, front & rear weights, 8500 hrs • 1971 JD 4620 tractor, cab, 18.4x38 tires & T-rail duals, quick hitch, pto, 2 remotes, front & rear weights, 4185 hrs • 1970 JD 4520 tractor, 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, front weights, 7530 hrs • 1974 JD 4430 tractor, 18.4x38 tires & hub duals, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, front weights, 8468 hrs • 1965 JD 4020 diesel tractor, PS, cab, 18.4x34 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, w/AC loader & material bucket, shows 3353 hrs, 7853 total hrs • 1968 IH 1256 Wheatland tractor, cab, New 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, dual pto, 2 remotes, 8386 hrs • JD 2510 tractor, 3pt, pto, 1 remotes, ROPS • JD 4430 tractor, open station, 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, shows 704 hrs • 1964 JD 3020 diesel tractor, PS, 15.5x38 tires, 3pt, pto, 1 remotes, shows 1452 hrs • 1973 IH 1466 tractor, cab, New 18.4x38 tires, 3pt, pto, 2 remotes, 436**

How cowboys wear spur leathers has changed over the years

While your average American livesby a rule book that wouldn't fit on 28 supercomputers, the cowboy rule book fits in one back pocket. Ride for the brand. Never draw to an inside straight. Always drink upstream from the herd. Never lick a steak knife. Always get on a horse on soft ground. Never ride a bull drunk. Don't rope something that you don't intend to brand, doctor or eat. And always wear your spurs with the buckle on the inside.

I know some cowboys will take exception to that last rule but I feel qualified to discuss the matter because I've been a bit, spur and spur leather collector since I was a little boy. I have over 250 single spur leathers alone. Now you might ask, "What good is one spur leather?" I could give the old smart-aleck answer and say that if one side of the horse goes the other side will soon follow, but the truth is I collected them so I could copy the styles and



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tooling patterns and replicate them. Basically there are three styles of spurs: the "Texas style" which is very much like Texans: bold, strong, very practical, often with swinging buttons and not much gaudy ornamentation. On the other end of the spectrum is the "Californio vaquero style" that is very flashy with lots of silver and beautiful engraving. Lastly, there's the "Plains style" which is a crossbred of the Texas and vaquero styles.

In both the Californio and Plain's traditions the spur leathers often featured an engraved concho and beautiful tooling. You don't pay for silver conchos and beautiful leathers and then hide them on the inside of your leg so that all you're showing is a \$2 buckle. In every pair of spurs I have that came from as far back as the 1800s, on those that still have their original leathers, the spurs buckle on the inside. IN EVERY CASE! If you need further proof look at old photos of vaqueros and you'll see great big

conchos on the outside of their espuela grandes.

I think it was the great cowboy historian, Andy Adams, who said, "Any cowboy riding a stud horse who buckled his spurs on the outside would have been shot at early sunrise."

The only old photos I've seen of buckles being worn on the outside are ones of Buffalo Bill, who wore huge three-inch buckles on the outside of his thigh-high boots, and some old Texas cowboys squatting on spurs around a campfire with their buckles on the outside. But keep in mind that Texas spurs always have been more practical and boots with the buckle on the outside are easier to unfasten. They're also less artistic so the cowboys weren't hiding much.

Lately it seems like the old traditions are being discarded right and left and with the proliferation of three-piece leathers the buckles can be on top or on the outside of the spur leather. I notice a lot of rodeo cowboys wear such leathers but I refuse to make them if asked. A Cub Scout could probably make them.

I'm no halfwit, I realize it would be a big mistake to write off spur leathers that buckle on the outside. Years ago I made some spur leathers and I engraved some nice silver conchos for a friend. Now that friend is at that stage in life where he knocks off work early, eats a dinner of Cheerios and prunes and is in bed by 7:30. Last week I saw him at his branding and I was shocked to see him wearing his leathers with the buckle on the outside and all my beautiful work hidden. I confronted him about it and he said, "Just watch."

He walked over to a tree stump, sat down and snatched up one of those grabbing devices you use when you can't reach something. Then the wise-guy grabbed the loose end of the spur leather on the outside of his boot that he'd hooked on with Velcro®, pulled on the stick and the spur fell off his boot.

I gasped, Velcro® spur leathers with the conchos and tooling on the inside! What is this world coming to? It's just one more sign that our country is going downhill head over heels.

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• DMI 25' crumbler • Brillion 20' end transport packer • IH 710 3x ars plow • Harrowgator • 3 shank, 3 pt v-ripper (unused) • NEW Tarter 6', 3 pt disc.

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Virginia Senate kills measure for farmworker wage requirements

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A Virginia Senate committee killed a measure that would have made Virginia’s minimum wage requirements apply to farmworkers.

The Committee on Commerce and Labor voted against eliminating current exemptions in the law for farmworkers, ending the bill’s chances of passing this year.

The bill previously cleared the House of Delegates on a party line 55-45 vote, but met resistance along the way from agribusiness, with lobbyists arguing the bill was unnecessary because they said farmworkers are already well-compensated.

Others said the current law allows farm workers to be paid for the amount of work they complete, a system they argued was appropriate, given the unique nature of agricultural work and the fact that food is perishable.

The farm worker bill’s chief sponsor, Del. Jeion Ward, urged committee members to vote in favor of the

bill, arguing that the farmworker exemption is rooted in Jim Crow-era racial discrimination laws. She said one out of every five farmworkers in Virginia makes less than minimum wage.

“When we see any remnants of any Jim Crow laws, we must pull them out by the roots, and that’s what this bill does,” she said.

The Democrat-controlled General Assembly passed legislation last year that will gradually increase the minimum wage to \$15 by 2026, contingent upon lawmakers signing off on final increases again. The first increase is to take effect in May.

Several senators said they support eliminating the current exemption for farmworkers, but said leaving the exemption in place was part of a compromise agreement from the earlier legislative session and they did not wish to go back and re-litigate the agreement.

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 - Bestway Field Pro II Sprayer, 60 Ft. X Fold Booms, 1000 Gal. Poly Tank, Hydraulic Pump, Inductor, Rinse Tank, Raven SCS440, Radar
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Organic market impacted by COVID

By Susan Mykrantz
Ohio Correspondent

DAYTON, Ohio – There have been some positives over the past year, according to Kellee James, founder and CEO of Mercaris Corporation, a market data service and trading platform for organic, non-GMO and other identity preserved products.

In the short term, James said with an economy wide shutdown, everything came to a screeching halt, as schools and restaurants were shut down and pantry loading took place as consumers made a run on grocery store inventory. Prior to the shutdown, 51 percent of food was consumed outside of the home, but traditional organic food is typically consumed at home.

“(The) organic market saw sales rise dramatically during this phase,” James said. “But organic prices didn’t react immediately because it takes awhile for the impact to filter through the system. So far the prices for row crops did not have an immediate reaction.”

James said when COVID hit, there was a lot of food waste going on because it is hard to repackage food that is delivered to restaurants and schools and turn it over to the retail market.

“We also saw plants closing as employees got sick and plants were forced to close,” James said. “It definitely showed the vulnerability of the supply chain.”

In the medium term, James said we are seeing two economies and two Americas.

“Food insecurity has almost doubled in the past year,” she said. But at the same time, organic food have gone up in sales because of emphasis on health and wellness, as well

as the desire to know the farmers who produce the food. James said consumer demand for organic food is up 12 percent in all categories, including dairy, eggs, meat, produce and packaged goods.

Looking at the long term, there are a lot of things to watch in the organic market, according to James.

When COVID hit, there was concern as to whether certifiers will be allowed to continue to do on-site inspections, James said.


“But we have figured out how to do these things,” she said. “We also haven’t seen a lot of disruption on the production side; planting continues, inspection continues. We think we have things pretty well solved unless there is some kind of black swan event.”

James said that we need to watch how long unemployment remains elevated. “Right now part of the economy that organic relies on has held up pretty well,” she said. “But that is not a given in the future.”

James said there are some structural employment concerns that will remain in the longterm.

“What type of consumer habits have been created and will they remain in place for the long term,” she said. “Will people continue to work from home and what will that do to certain aspects of the markets, such as casual dining restaurants. Will people continue to cook and eat at home. I think we will see less food consumed away from home than we have in the past.”

James added that producers should look at how they can take advantage of that growth (in the market) by maintaining the integrity of organics and trust with the consumers and take advantage of the growth that has occurred over the past year.



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