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Experts: Farmers need to be practical, flexible with pasture management plan

By Doug Schmitz
Iowa Correspondent

AMES, Iowa – While grazing fields may differ among livestock, pasture management plans remain the same for all forage areas, according to Iowa State University beef cattle experts.

“Farmers should first of all set out goals and objectives for the operation,” said Dan Loy, ISU professor of animal science, and director of the Iowa Beef Center. “This might be meeting the animals’ requirements year round,

Below: Dan Loy, Iowa State University professor of animal science and director of the Iowa Beef Center, said stockpiling forage, grazing of crop residues and cover crops, are the most common ways to extend the grazing season (photo courtesy of the Iowa Beef Center).

improving forage productivity and soil health, or improving wildlife habitat.”

Erika Lundy-Woolfolk, ISU beef field specialist in southwest Iowa, said the key to implementing a pasture management plan – especially for cattle operations – is to be practical.

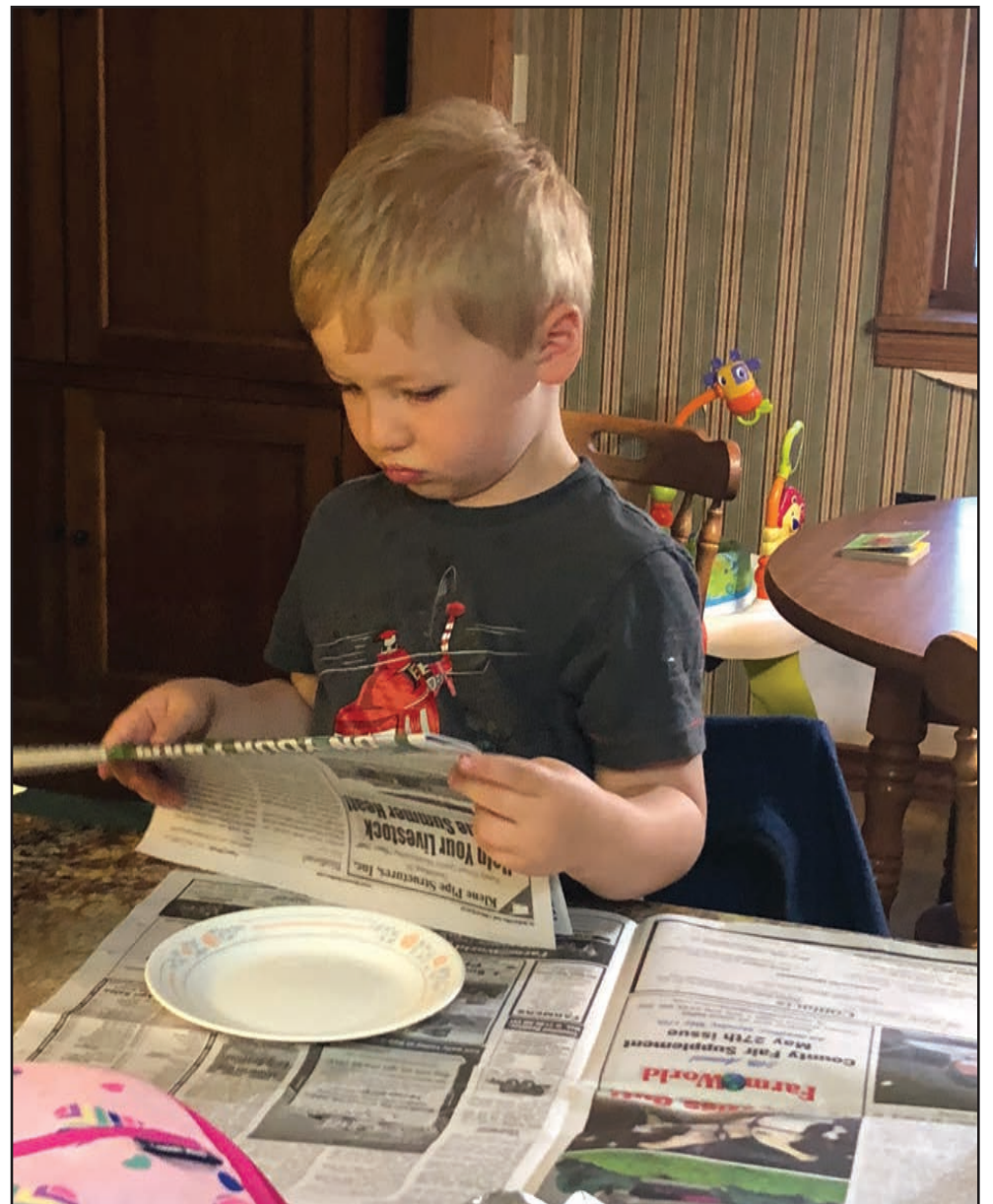
“Many cattlemen have too many cows for the forage acres they have,” she said. “In some scenarios, the best grazing plan might be to sell cows to get to a realistic stocking rate to maintain and enhance forage sustainably.

“Stocking rate is the number of acres required per animal unit for the grazing season, which can be sustained on a long-term basis without resource degradation,” she added, referencing ISU’s 2019 Beef Quality Assurance guidelines.

Regarding labor and availability,
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Below: Erika Lundy-Woolfolk, Iowa State University beef field specialist in southwest Iowa, said because cattle are ruminants, they are natural recyclers, and have the ability to ingest a variety of forages, such as weeds, grasses and legumes (photo courtesy of the Iowa Cattlemen’s Association).



Above: Farm World readers start young. Three-year-old Jack Meer of Batesville, Ind., likes to start breakfast at his grandmother’s home by looking at the photos in Farm World. (Photo courtesy of Carolyn Rennekamp)

Past pesticide use can haunt organic farms for decades

By Doug Graves
Ohio Correspondent

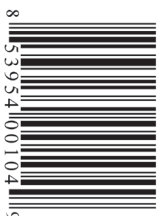
COLUMBUS, Ohio – The USDA defines organic agriculture as “a production system that is managed to respond to site-specific conditions by integrating cultural, biological and mechanical practices that foster cycling of resources, promote ecological balance and conserve biodiversity.”

In layman’s terms, it’s farming without the use of pesticides and fertilizers.

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Above: By taking soil samples on a regular basis researchers can find what herbicides, fungicides and insecticides might linger long after a farm has switched from conventional farming to organic. (photo submitted)



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Pesticide

FROM PAGE 1

Organic farming is on the rise in the United States. According to 2017 numbers from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), there are more than 14,000 certified organic farms in the country. This represents a 56 percent increase from 2011, the earliest comparable year. And with good reason. Farmers have discovered there money to be made with organic products.

Farmers wanting jump on this "band wagon" and transition from traditional farming to organic are having to wait at least three years, making sure their land is free of pesticides such as herbicides, fungicides and insecticides. Wait a bit longer, some experts say.

"Pesticides such as herbicides, fungicides and insecticides vary in the amount of time they break down in the environment by specific pesticide, the rate applied, and environmental conditions," said Wayne Parrott, professor of crop breeding and genetics at the University of Georgia. "The use of pesticides in agriculture is increasing. We measure how long pesticides persist in the environment by a measure called half-life or how long it takes the original material to be reduced by 50 percent. Under most situations we would encounter in an agricultural setting, a pesticide half-life can range from a few hours to four to five years."

According to Parrott, most pesticides are broken down by microbes in the soil, so environmental conditions that reduce microbial activity (cold, dry conditions) will extend pesticide remaining in the soil.

"In general, the trend is for the newer pesticides to last far less than those used decades ago," he said. "In some parts of the world, copper-based fungicides are still used, and these will last forever in the soil, for all practical intents and purposes."

In the past it's been uncertain whether chemicals applied to land decades ago can continue to influence the soil's health after switching to organic management. But a study was conducted on 100 Swiss farms by researchers who then reported in American Chemical Society's Environmental Science & Technology that pesticide residues were identified at all 100 farms (including organic field studies) with beneficial soil microbes' abundance negatively impacted by their occurrence.

"Fungicides, herbicides and insecticides protect crops by repelling or destroying organisms that harm the plants," Parrott said. "In contrast, organic agriculture management strategies avoid adding synthetic substances, instead relying on a presumably healthy existing soil ecosystem. However, some organic farms are oper-

ating on land treated with pesticides in the past. It was unclear whether pesticides had that long-lasting presence in organically managed fields and what the reverberations were to soil life."

According to Parrott, a group of Swill soil scientists (Judith Riedo, Thomas Bucheli, Florian Walder and Marcel van der Heijden) examined pesticide levels and their impact on soil health on farms managed with conventional versus organic practices, as well as on farms converted to organic methods.

The researchers measured surface soil characteristic and the concentrations of 46 regularly used pesticides and their breakdown products in samples from the 100 fields that were managed with either conventional or organic practices. Surprisingly, researchers found pesticide residues in all of the sites, including organic farms converted more than 20 years prior.

"Multiple herbicides and one fungicide remained in the surface soil after the conversion to organic practices," Parrott said, "though the total number of synthetic chemicals and their concentrations decreased significantly the longer the fields were in organic management."

According to researchers, some of the pesticides alternatively could have contaminated the organic fields by traveling through the air, water or soil from nearby conventional fields. In addition, the team observed lower microbial abundance and decreased levels of a beneficial microbe when fields had higher numbers of pesticides, suggesting that the presence of these substances can decrease soil health. The researchers said future work should examine the synergistic effects of pesticide residues and other environmental stressors on soil health.

NASS statistics show that California had by far the most certified organic farms in 2016, with 2,713. This represents 21 percent of all U.S. certified organic land. Wisconsin was second with 1,276 organic farms and New York was third with 1,059 organic farms.

Six other states had more than 500 organic farms. Among them was Iowa with 732 and Ohio with 575.



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Monumental Marketplace is back and showcasing Indiana grown

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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. - Vendors offering everything from locally grown fresh produce to homemade soaps made from goat's milk will gather in downtown Indianapolis for the fourth annual Monumental Marketplace. The event was canceled last year due to COVID-19. Organizers are excited to see it back on the calendar this year for June 18.

The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is sponsored by the Indiana State Department of Agriculture. Indiana Grown, under the umbrella of the ISDA, along with Downtown Indy, Inc., are hosting the event, which drew more than 5,000 people the first two-years.

"It's hard to know how many people to expect but our partnership with Downtown Indy, Inc. has been transformative in our preparations for this event. We are confident we will see a

steady flow of attendees this year," said Heather Tallman, Program Director for Indiana Grown.

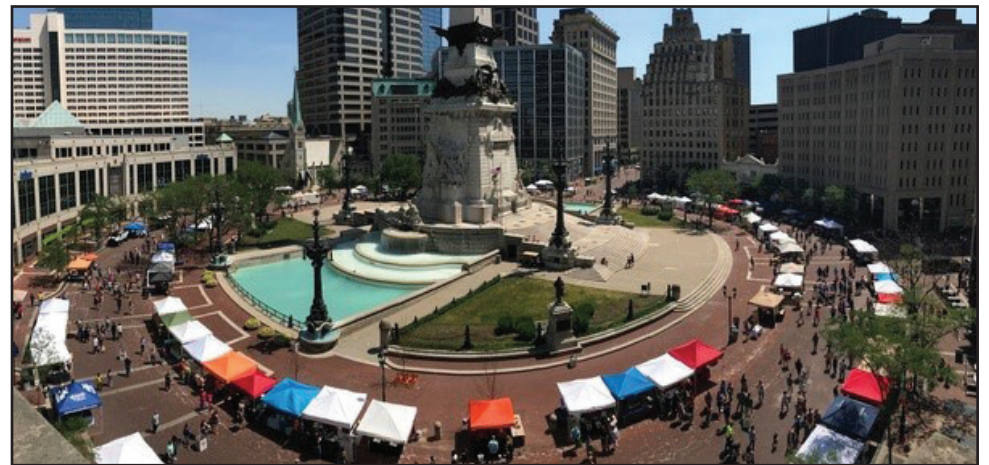
More than 75 farmers, artisans, agricultural partners, and Indiana-based businesses will be stationed at Monument Circle, a popular gathering place featuring shops and businesses around the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument. This year the Monumental Marketplace will be held on the south side of Monument Circle where it was stationed the first year.

In 2019, vendors surrounded the entire circle but there were gaps between vendors and Tallman felt going back to a more condensed version looked more appealing. "It's going to be a much better look. When people see it, it's going to make more sense," she said.

"Sometimes, you have to scale back to get better and that's the way we felt about this," she said.

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Below: The Monumental Marketplace shown here 2018 is back after cancelled last year by COVID-19. It will be held this year on June 18.



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Pasture Management

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Lundy-Woolfolk said, "Producers often hear 'rotational grazing,' and automatically think that means moving pairs into a new paddock (a portion of the pasture) every couple of days - and that can be intimidating. But that's not the case. Many rotational grazing systems can be set up to move weekly, or even less frequently than that.

"The greatest return on investment in a rotational grazing system is simply splitting your pastures into half," she added. "Going from a continuous grazing scenario to a two-paddock (two portions of the pasture) rotation can improve forage productivity and beef cow utilization by 40 percent."

Loy said farmers can also employ what is known as intentional rotational grazing, which incorporates the animal requirements with the resources available.

"Including the amount of rest appropriate for the forage species improves forage diversity and productivity, and enables conservation of soil water," he said. "Because forage growth is dependent on climate, rainfall and other factors, this includes flexibility and judgment."

Lundy-Woolfolk said, "Often, when we talk about rotational grazing, we tend to make comments like 'moving pairs every week,' or something that implies that we are on a regular, time schedule.

"However, that's not always - and shouldn't necessarily - be the case," she said. "Paddocks (a portion of a pasture) may vary in size, forage productivity within paddocks can vary, and of course, seasonality and weather conditions all impact the grass growth, and therefore when cattle should be moved to a new paddock. Therefore, producers need to be intentional about managing the forage to optimize both forage and livestock productivity."

Loy said forages with high yields but low quality work best for livestock with lower requirements relative to their stage of production such as gestating beef cows. "Lactating cows, grass-finished beef or faster-growing stockers need higher quality forages or supplementation," he said.

Lundy-Woolfolk said because cattle are ruminants, they are natural recyclers and have the ability to ingest a variety of forages, such as weeds, grasses and legumes.

"Generally, grasses and legumes are the best and (preferred) options for cattle," she said. "Legumes tend to be higher in nutritional value (protein and energy) than grasses. Some weeds can also provide some feed value to cattle diets, but there are a few that can come with some toxicity concerns."

When extending the grazing system, while at the same time, controlling costs, she said every day a beef cow can graze means a cheaper feed bill.

"By the time labor, machinery upkeep and fuel get factored in, stored feed is typically more expensive than allowing a cow to harvest forages herself," she said. "Extending the grazing season even a couple weeks can have a big impact on a producer's bottom line."

That's why rotational grazing can boost forage productivity - and is one way to graze more days throughout the year, she said.

"Use of annual forages, both cool-season cover crops to allow for grazing in the early spring months or fall months, as well as warm seasons to help fill in the summer slump when cool-season pastures go dormant (July-August timeframe), are also opportunities to reduced days feeding

stored feed. Utilizing corn residue is also an effective cost-saving tip for beef cows," she said.

Loy said, "One of our beef specialists likes to say a day grazed is a dollar saved. Stockpiling forage, grazing of crop residues, and cover crops, are the most common ways to extend the grazing season. Some farmers are adding summer annuals to their crop rotations to supplement the 'summer slump' in forage growth."

Lundy-Woolfolk said a lot of the same grazing management principles apply to both beef and dairy cattle to optimize forage production, improve water quality and minimize weed pressure.

"However, dairy cattle have a much higher milk output, and therefore, higher nutritional requirements to support lactation, compared to beef cows," she said, "so those extra nutrients have to come from somewhere.

"That might be more legume/alfalfa in the pasture (i.e., higher in protein and energy than grasses), or maybe even additional supplementation. In general, dairy pastures may contain a higher proportion of legumes, and may be rotated through paddocks more frequently to allow for a higher forage consumption," she added.

When managing manure in pastures, she said utilizing rotational grazing can also help producers manage manure distribution throughout a pasture.

"Cattlemen can also be strategic in placement of the mineral feeder or supplemental feed to avoid large areas of congregation, and therefore manure buildup," she said. "Moving feeders frequently can avoid this buildup, but it also can be used to boost natural fertilization in areas of the pasture that are lower producing.

"A good example of this is often noticed during the fall or winter months, when a producer might roll out a bale of hay on a side hill to, of course, provide feed for the cows, but also build the organic matter in that particular area, and boost forage productivity," she added.

Loy said, "Harrowing (using a dragging tool on the tractor to break up manure) may help spread out manure pats (cow pies). Rotational grazing, periodically moving mineral sites, and

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CBOT	Soybeans	1537.00 (Jul 21) 1487.25 (Aug 21) 1411.50 (Sep 21) 1378.25 (Nov 21) 1378.25 (Jan 22) 1354.25 (Mar 22) 1349.00 (May 22)				
CBOT	Wheat	676.25 (Jul 21) 679.50 (Sep 21) 686.25 (Dec 21) 693.00 (Mar 22) 692.50 (May 22) 671.25 (Jul 22) 672.00 (Sep 22)				
CBOT	White Oats	372.75 (Jul 21) 373.00 (Sep 21) 372.25 (Dec 21) 377.25 (Mar 22) 377.50 (May 22) 381.25 (Jul 22) 384.00 (Sep 22)				
KCBT	Wheat	626.25 (Jul 21) 633.75 (Sep 21) 645.25 (Dec 21) 655.25 (Mar 22) 662.50 (May 22) 658.00 (Jul 22) 662.75 (Sep 22)				
MGE	Wheat	717.25 (Jul 21) 723.75 (Sep 21) 728.50 (Dec 21) 733.00 (Mar 22) 736.00 (May 22) 734.50 (Jul 22) 692.25 (Sep 22)				

US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)

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Ohio River - Lower KY	35.00N	UNCH	6.9950	UP 0.4000	6.9950
Ohio River - Lower KY	25.00Z	UNCH	5.8000	UP 0.3425	5.8000
Purchase	37.00N	UNCH	7.0150	UP 0.4000	7.0150
Purchase	5.00Z to 25.00Z	UNCH	5.6000-5.8000	UP 0.3425	5.7000

US #2 YELLOW CORN (BULK)

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Purchase	25.00N to 30.00N	UNCH	6.8950-6.9450	UP 0.4000	6.9200
Purchase	-10.00Z to 10.00Z	UNCH	5.4500-5.6500	UP 0.3425	5.5500
Green River	45.00N	UNCH	7.0950	UP 0.4000	7.0950
Green River	10.00Z	UNCH	5.6500	UP 0.3425	5.6500
Pennyrile	40.00N to 50.00N	UNCH	7.0450-7.1450	UP 0.4000	7.0950
Pennyrile	-5.00Z to 0.00Z	UNCH	5.5000-5.5500	UP 0.3425	5.5250
Louisville	40.00N	UNCH	7.0450	UP 0.4000	7.0450
Louisville	-7.00Z	UNCH	5.4800	UP 0.3425	5.4800
Bluegrass	125.00Z	UNCH	6.8000	UP 0.4550	6.8000
Bluegrass	-25.00Z	UNCH	5.3000	UP 0.3425	5.3000

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	45.00N	DN 3.00	7.0950	UP 0.3700	7.0950
Ohio River - Upper KY	-3.00Z	UNCH	5.5200	UP 0.3425	5.5200
Ohio River - Lower KY	44.00N to 50.00N	DN 1.00-UNCH	7.0850-7.1450	UP 0.3900-UP 0.4000	7.1175
Ohio River - Lower KY	3.00Z to 7.00Z	UNCH	5.5800-5.6200	UP 0.3425	5.6050
Purchase	45.00N to 50.00N	DN 2.00-UNCH	7.0950-7.1450	UP 0.3800-UP 0.4000	7.1200
Purchase	-8.00Z to 21.00Z	UNCH	5.4700-5.9550	UP 0.3425-UP 0.3825	5.6938

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Ohio River - Lower KY	50.00Z	UNCH	6.0500	UP 0.3425	6.0500
Purchase	94.00Z	UNCH	6.4900	UP 0.3425	6.4900

US #1 SOYBEANS (BULK)

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	15.00N to 31.00N	UNCH-DN 1.00	15.5200-15.6800	UP 0.3350-UP 0.3250	15.6067
Purchase	0.00X to 5.00X	UNCH	13.7825-13.8325	UP 0.3125	13.8075
Green River	180.00X	UNCH	15.5825	UP 0.3125	15.5825
Green River	-20.00X	UNCH	13.5825	UP 0.3125	13.5825
Pennyrile	-10.00N to 5.00N	UNCH	15.2700-15.4200	UP 0.3350	15.3450
Pennyrile	-40.00X to -10.00X	DN 15.00-UNCH	13.3825-13.6825	UP 0.1625-UP 0.3125	13.5325
Louisville	-37.00N	UNCH	15.0000	UP 0.3350	15.0000
Louisville	-62.00X	UNCH	13.1625	UP 0.3125	13.1625
Bluegrass	160.00X	UNCH	15.3825	UP 0.3475	15.3825
Bluegrass	-45.00X	UNCH	13.3325	UP 0.3125	13.3325

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	10.00N	UNCH	6.8625	UP 0.2775	6.8625
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Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	-5.00N to 10.00N	UNCH	6.7125-6.8625	UP 0.2775	6.7875
Green River	-15.00N	UNCH	6.6125	UP 0.2775	6.6125
Pennyrile	0.00N	UNCH	6.7625	UP 0.2775	6.7625
Pennyrile	-35.00N to -15.00N	UNCH	6.4125-6.6125	UP 0.2775	6.5125
Louisville	-37.00N	UNCH	6.3925	UP 0.2775	6.3925
Bluegrass	-25.00N	UNCH	6.5125	UP 0.2775	6.5125

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	12.00N	UNCH	6.8825	UP 0.2775	6.8825
Ohio River - Lower KY	15.00N to 16.00N	UNCH	6.9125-6.9225	UP 0.2775	6.9150
Purchase	10.00N to 20.00N	UNCH	6.8625-6.9625	UP 0.2775	6.9125

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Weekly National Sheep Summary For the Week Ending Friday, May 21, 2021

Weekly Trends: Compared to last week slaughter lambs mostly sharply lower with most decline on light lambs under 70 lbs; slaughter ewes very uneven, mostly steady; no comparison on feeder lambs. At San Angelo, TX 12,177 head sold in a two day sale. No sales in Equity Cooperative Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 3,479 lamb carcasses traded with no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless specified.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3:
 San Angelo: woolled and shorn 110-150 lbs 150.00-168.00.
 New Holland, PA: woolled and shorn 100-125 lbs 270.00-315.00.
 Ft. Collins, CO: woolled and shorn 100-145 lbs 210.00-235.00.
 South Dakota: woolled and shorn 100-150 lbs 221.00-245.00.
 Kalona, IA: woolled and shorn 100-130 lbs 215.00-257.50.
 Billings, MT: woolled and shorn 100-115 lbs 229.00-239.00.
 Missouri: woolled and shorn 100-150 lbs no test.
 Equity Coop: no sales.
 Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2:
 San Angelo: hair 40-60 lbs 230.00-262.00; 60-70 lbs 224.00-250.00, few 258.00; 70-80 lbs 219.00-238.00, few 250.00; 80-90 lbs 212.00-232.00, few 240.00-244.00; 90-105 lbs 210.00-226.00, few 232.00-244.00. woolled and shorn 50-60 lbs 242.00-246.00; 60-70 lbs 226.00-250.00; 74 lbs 238.00; 80-90 lbs 214.00-234.00; 90-100 lbs 210.00-226.00.
 New Holland: woolled and shorn 40-50 lbs 285.00-305.00; 50-60 lbs 280.00-315.00; 60-70 lbs 270.00-295.00; 70-90 lbs 270.00-300.00; 90-100 lbs 285.00-305.00. hair 40-50 lbs 305.00-310.00; 50-60 lbs 280.00-295.00; 60-70 lbs 260.00-290.00; 70-80 lbs 250.00-290.00; 80-90 lbs 260.00-290.00; 90-100 lbs 275.00-295.00.
 Ft. Collins: woolled and shorn 49 lbs 225.00; 70-80 lbs 250.00; 80-90 lbs 260.00-270.00; 90-100 lbs 245.00-265.00. hair 60 lbs 265.00; 70-80 lbs 210.00-235.00; 80-90 lbs 200.00-255.00; 95 lbs 200.00.
 Kalona: woolled and shorn 50-60 lbs 230.00-255.00; 60-70 lbs 222.00-252.50; 70-80 lbs 221.00-236.00; 80-90 lbs 225.50-249.00; 90-100 lbs 231.00-257.50. hair 76 lbs 231.00; 89 lbs 235.00; 105 lbs 230.00.
 South Dakota: woolled and shorn 70-80 lbs 225.00-258.00; 80-90 lbs 230.00-252.50; 90-100 lbs 225.00-242.50.
 Billings: 50-60 lbs 287.50-295.00; 60-70 lbs 285.00-297.50; 70-80 lbs 275.00-291.00; 80-90 lbs 260.00-280.00; 90-100 lbs 245.00-247.00. no test.
 Missouri: Slaughter Ewes:
 San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 93.00-124.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 112.00-136.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 102.00-112.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 90.00-100.00; Cull 1 80.00.
 New Holland: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 100.00-165.00; Utility

1-2 (thin) 85.00-90.00; Cull 1 no test. Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 77.50-105; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 67.50-115.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 50.00-70.00; Cull 1 no test.
 South Dakota: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 75.00-85.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 70.00-95.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 80.00-92.50; Cull 1 60.00-81.00.
 Kalona: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 99.00-120.00, hair 114.00-132.50; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) 100.00-115.50.
 Billings: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 68.00-77.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 73.00-82.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 85.00-98.00; Cull 1 82.00-87.00.
 Missouri: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) no test.
 Direct Trading: No sales.
 Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2:
 San Angelo: 39 lbs 230.00; 51 lbs 250.00; 70-80 lbs 232.00-242.00; 89 lbs 230.00; 93 lbs 220.00; 100-110 lbs 218.00-226.00.
 Ft. Collins: 48 lbs 270.00; 50-60 lbs 260.00-280.00; 60-70 lbs 212.00-270.00; 70-80 lbs 225.00-270.00; 80-90 lbs 250.00-270.00; 90-100 lbs 250.00-275.00; 100-120 lbs 260.00-270.00; 124 lbs 260.00.
 South Dakota: 30-40 lbs 250.00-275.00, few 295.00; 40-50 lbs 235.00-245.00, few 270.00-275.00; 50-60 lbs 235.00-268.00; 60-70 lbs 242.50-272.50; 70-80 lbs 242.00-269.00; 94 lbs 240.00; 120 lbs 116.00-134.00.
 Kalona: 25-45 lbs 245.00-260.00; 50-60 lbs 239.00-247.50; 60-70 lbs 225.00-230.00.
 Billings: 59 lbs 292.50; 60-70 lbs 286.00-295.00; 70-80 lbs 282.50-295.00; 80-90 lbs 253.00-272.50; 94 lbs 232.50. no test.
 Missouri: Equity Coop: no sales.

Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2:
 San Angelo: mixed age hair 80-135 lbs 136.00-150.00/cwt, few 88 lbs 186.00/cwt. yearling hair 130.00/head; young hair 90.00-120.00/head.
 South Dakota: bred young 250.00/head, open 175 lbs 86.00/cwt.
 Kalona: no test.
 Billings: young 100.00/head, others 130-170 lbs 83.00-110.00/cwt; middle age 89.00/head, others 165-205 lbs 91.00-94.00/cwt; aged 150 lbs 84.00/cwt; ewes with lambs 270.00/family. no test.
 Missouri: no test.

Sheep and lambs slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 38,000 compared with 38,000 last week and 44,000 last year.
 Source: USDA AMS LPG Market News, San Angelo, Texas
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Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

Thursday, May 27, 2021

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
Thursday 05/27/2021	121,000	1,000	481,000	7,000
Week ago	119,000	1,000	477,000	7,000
Year ago (act)	109,000	1,000	429,000	8,000
Week to date	478,000	5,000	1,931,000	33,000
Same Period Last Week	472,000	5,000	1,898,000	32,000
Same Period Last Year (act)	332,000	5,000	1,273,000	26,000
Previous Day	Steer and Heifer 93,000	Cow and Bull 27,000		

Source: USDA Livestock, Poultry, and Grain Market News Division, St Joseph, MO
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	Delivery Month	Last	Change		Delivery Month	Last	Change
Corn	Jul 21	\$ 648 ⁶	- \$10 ⁶	Wheat	Jul 21	\$ 656 ⁶	- \$17 ⁴
	Sep 21	\$ 558 ²	- \$15 ⁰		Sep 21	\$ 659 ⁴	- \$17 ⁴
	Dec 21	\$ 530 ⁶	- \$15 ⁶		Dec 21	\$ 663 ⁶	- \$17 ²
	Mar 22	\$ 537 ⁰	- \$16 ²		Mar 22	\$ 669 ²	- \$16 ⁴
	May 22	\$ 541 ⁰	- \$14 ⁶		May 22	\$ 699 ⁴	- \$12 ⁰
Soybeans	Jul 21	\$ 1518 ⁰	- \$ 8 ²	Oats	Jul 21	\$ 359 ⁴	+ \$ 3 ⁴
	Aug 21	\$ 1463 ⁴	- \$ 8 ⁶		Sep 21	\$ 360 ⁰	+ \$ 5 ²
	Sep 21	\$ 1385 ²	- \$11 ⁴		Dec 21	\$ 362 ²	+ \$ 7 ⁰
	Nov 21	\$ 1346 ⁰	- \$14 ⁴		Live Cattle	Jun 21	\$117.675s
	Jan 22	\$ 1346 ⁴	- \$13 ⁶	Aug 21		\$120.925s	+ \$ 1.050
Soybean Meal	Jul 21	\$ 396.5	- \$ 2.4	Oct 21		\$125.050s	+ \$ 0.700
	Aug 21	\$ 395.3	- \$ 2.7	Dec 21		\$128.600s	+ \$ 0.600
	Sep 21	\$ 393.1	- \$ 3.0	Feb 22		\$131.400s	+ \$ 0.500
	Oct 21	\$ 389.5	- \$ 3.3	Lean Hogs	Jun 21	\$114.225s	+ \$ 1.975
	Dec 21	\$ 389.4	- \$ 4.2		Jul 21	\$116.550s	+ \$ 3.000
Soybean Oil	Jul 21	\$ 65.06	- \$ 0.43		Aug 21	\$112.025s	+ \$ 2.700
	Aug 21	\$ 60.96	- \$ 0.56		Oct 21	\$ 92.275s	+ \$ 1.400
	Sep 21	\$ 58.81	- \$ 0.71		Dec 21	\$ 83.900s	+ \$ 0.875
	Oct 21	\$ 57.47	- \$ 0.68				
	Dec 21	\$ 56.46	- \$ 0.77				

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Trade showing more interest in corn balance sheets

We are starting to see a shift in market focus from soybeans to corn. While soybean reserves will remain tight this year and next, trade is showing more interest in what may happen with corn balance sheets. This is not just in the United States, but globally. US corn production is expected to increase between 20 and 24 million metric tons (mmt) this year from last. The Ukraine crop is expected to be 4 mmt larger, and China is forecasting a 20 mmt increase in corn output. While these may help offset any loss in South America, it may not prevent world corn stocks from shrinking.

The big question when it comes to world corn balance sheets is how much Brazil might export. The Safrinha crop in Brazil is expected to be down from initial estimates, but still larger than a year ago. This may not increase the country's exports though, as more corn is being consumed domestically in Brazil. This is both for feed and ethanol. Brazil has turned to wheat as a feed grain which is making total usage hard to determine.

Demand for wheat at Chinese auctions has slowed considerably. Last winter 100% of the wheat offered was being sold, but this has dropped to just 8% in the latest auction. The higher floor on wheat being offered is one reason for this, but so is a decline in demand. Wheat supplies have risen in China and within a few weeks new crop harvest will be underway. This generates more questions on Chinese feed grain demand though, and more doubts over the size of the country's hog herd.

Chinese hog feeders are reporting heavy financial losses. The primary reason for this is high feed costs which are an issue around the world. Feeders in China are also suffering from disease losses that have cut the number of hogs they can market. This may take more time to rebuild than initially suspected given reports of smaller hog litters in China in recent months, along with a decline in efficiencies on existing hog herds. The question now is how long it will take China to recover, with some believing it may take years.

Even with the recent price action we have seen in the markets, we are weeks away from what is typically a seasonal high. In most years we do not see our best commodity values until June or early July which is when we are usually in the height of our weather markets. This year is quite different though as markets are taking more direction from minimal carryout estimates, especially on soybeans. This may keep futures rallying well past when we normally see a top in values.

The surge we have seen in commodity values this marketing year is being noted in the entire agricultural industry. For one, higher commodity values have caused land values to rise as well. Not only is this for land sales, but for rent as well. Equipment dealers across the United States are also reporting high sales since commodity values began their rally a year ago. This elevated spending is even being noted by farm retail stores. The question now is how these values and spending will react when markets correct.

Much of the attention on US corn exports has been on old crop, but we are now seeing more interest on new crop bookings. So far, the United



MARKET ANALYSIS
By Karl Setzer

States has only sold 105.6 million bu (mbu) of new crop corn for export. This is a 1% decrease from a year ago. The US has also not seen any demand from China for new crop corn. The United States has seen an increase in new crop wheat sales of 30% though, putting them at 95 mbu. This indicates the global shift to wheat feeding is a trend that is likely to continue.

The monthly cold storage report has been released with lower inventories on beef and pork. The U.S. beef supply at the end of April totaled 453.6 million pounds, 30 million fewer than the end of March and 26 million less than a year ago. Pork in cold storage totaled 455.2 million pounds, 4 million more than March, but 156 million under last year. This was the least amount of pork in cold storage since 2004. Pork belly reserves were a 5 year low at 34 million pounds, 46.5 million less than last year.

Of these numbers the most interest is being placed in the U.S. beef supply. U.S. beef stocks at the end of April were a 6% decrease from the end of March and 5% less than the end of April 2020. April also marked the 4th consecutive month of declining beef inventory. This dwindling supply comes even though U.S. beef production is at record levels and retail beef is holding at record values. The question now is what it will take for the U.S. beef supply to recover.

The United States is starting to see a difference in market opinion. For the past several months we have received data that suggests new crop balance sheets will remain tight in the United States, especially on soybeans. Cash buyers are not showing much urgency over these tight outlooks as basis values have actually softened in recent weeks. The average US new crop soybean basis is now -88 cents. The lack of a desire to push corn bids is also being seen with fall basis weakening to a national average of -37 cents.

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Marketplace

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The number of vendors in the past ranged from 100 to 125. Tallman said the restricted space reduces the number of vendors, but she wanted to make sure all the necessary permits and other approvals needed to hold the event were obtained.

She said the pandemic has eased up, but she didn't want to raise any concerns by decision makers about a spread from an event they felt would be too large. COVID-19 restrictions throughout the state are loosening but whatever recommendations are in place from the Centers for Disease

Control and Marion County Board of Health at the time of the event will be followed.

Tallman said downsizing also doesn't require quite as much planning and time was more of an issue this year given the uncertainties posed by the virus particularly early in the year.

All the vendors are members of Indiana Grown, which helps to promote their businesses and shines the spotlight, in general, on locally grown food and products statewide.

"We have a fair amount of growers who employ growing methods that can extend seasons or start early. I expect a great showing of seasonally available Indiana grown produce," Tallman said.

Pasture management

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adding water sources can improve the natural distribution of manure."

Lundy-Woolfolk said the kinds of tools farmers can implement to gauge the overall health of a pasture to get the optimal nutrient requirements for forage can also make a big difference.

"Apps, calendars, pencil and paper, etc. can all be used to track progress of grazing plans over the years," she said. "There are several score cards that are available that outline certain characteristics of a pasture that can help you gauge pasture health or condition."

She said another good way to assess progress is to simply evaluate pastures after cows have been moved to another paddock (portion of the pasture).

"What plant species did they not graze?" she said. "Are there large patches of bare ground, or erosion?"

Are there areas of the paddock (portion of the pasture) that were grazed heavier than other areas?

"Taking pictures on your cell phone throughout the grazing season, and even at the same place annually, is also another effective way to monitor pasture conditions, and grazing plan progress," she added.

Overall, she advised farmers to be flexible in their individual grazing systems.

"Mother Nature can always mess up plans, so it's important to have a back-up plan if a drought or derecho (the near-hurricane which rolled through Iowa last August) comes along," she said. "Additionally, I always suggest that producers include some information on what they plan to do when cows aren't on pasture."

"(For example), if and when they plan to graze covers crops, or corn stalks; when they plan to provide stored feed; and where they are sourcing that from, etc.," she added. "Having things in writing tends to make it simpler to track and prepare."

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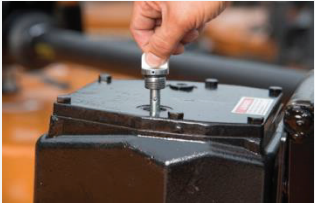
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Century old barn moved, now gives shelter to calves

By Stan Maddux
Indiana correspondent

KNIGHTSTOWN, Ind. - The bones of a century old barn taken apart and trucked to a new location are providing shelter for calves entering the world.

Dean Fout said most of the emerging calves at his 20-acre Indiana farm were



Above: A barn purchased by Dean Fout before it was moved to his property about three hours away near Knightstown.

previously at the mercy of Mother Nature. His cows no longer have to worry about rain or snow while giving birth since the partially recycled barn was just recently pieced back together.

Fout said the 60-by-36 foot barn now just needs a fresh coat of white paint to be finished. "I guess it's a piece of Indiana history," he said.

Fout said he wanted a large barn to replace an outbuilding with room for just two cows to comfortably deliver calves at one time. The rest of the deliveries had to be done in his pasture because he tries to calve out as many as seven cows at a time after they've been artificially inseminated.

"This is going to give me a lot more square footage. Now, they can have a place to house until the next group is ready," he said.

Fout said he began looking for an old barn to have taken apart and put back up on his farm outside Knightstown to

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Above: A walk-in basement for delivering calves was dug for the structure of a century old barn moved and pieced back together over the basement.

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Barn

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save on the cost of a new barn and preserve history. He had an existing barn just a few miles from his farm lined up to purchase but the deal fell through.

However, in August, he found another barn about three hours to the north outside Fort Wayne for sale on Facebook. Fout said the owner wanted the barn constructed by his grandfather moved to sell the ground it was on to pay for medical expenses.

Fate was at work, perhaps, when he contacted an Amish builder from Ohio who happened to be at a job only a few miles from the barn, which was erected around 1920. The man went over and gave an estimate of \$15,000 for taking it apart and putting it back together.

Fout said he later decided not to reuse the wood siding because the planks were rotten from about one-third of the way up from the bottom.

"They were real cracked and brittle. It wasn't my intent originally but then as I got into it I was like, OK, I spent this much money I might as well put new wood on the thing," he said. He also replaced the worn metal roof with new sheets of green colored tin.

On the inside, he used all of the old beams and joists which were in great shape along with most of the wooden pegs used back then as nails to hold

Above: The original structure of a century old barn in Indiana being put back up at a different location.

the structure together. Fout said new wooden pegs were made on site to replace the ones that could be hammered back in.

The barn sits over a walk-in basement created for delivery of the calves. Hay will be kept in the loft of the barn while the main floor is for storing feed and equipment.

Fout said he sold the old boards for \$1,000 to a man who plans to use them in remodeling a feed mill into a house near Richmond, Ind.

He said a new barn would have cost about \$180,000. He wound up spending about \$130,000 – more than he originally expected – mostly from the new materials used in the construction. "I have no buyer's remorse or no regrets. I love it," he said.

Fout grew up milking cows and baling hay at a 10-acre hobby farm owned by his father, a retired factory worker who passed away in December from COVID-19. He's been employed for close to 40 years at Covance, a life sciences research facility in Greenfield.

Fout started raising Angus cattle in 1994 after purchasing land about two miles from where he grew up. He breeds about 25 head to sell as freezer beef and use in show arena competitions.

At one point, he and his brothers worked at the same company and, presently, all three of them have cattle farms practically within a stone's throw away. They also raise livestock together on 90 acres their father purchased later and the feed store he started.

"My whole family lives in this kind of mile square," Fout said.



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Leading soybean-producing states top list of most structurally deficient bridges

By **DOUG SCHMITZ**
Iowa Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The American Road and Transportation Builders Assoc. has released its annual "Bridge Conditions Report," highlighting 45,023 bridges in the United States that are rated as 'structurally deficient' - 7.3 percent of the nation's total bridge inventory.

"While this is an improvement from the 48,559 structurally deficient bridges (7.9 percent) in 2016, the condition of bridges remains a challenge - particularly in rural areas," the report read.

The data gathered for the report was provided by the Federal Highway

Administration.

"The problems are manifest in both urban and rural areas, but a higher number are in rural areas," said Mike Steenhoek, executive director of the Soy Transportation Coalition in Ankeny, Iowa.

He said a structurally deficient bridge does not mean the bridge is unsafe, or in danger of collapse.

"The designation refers to those bridges that have one or more components that require repair," he said. "The Federal Highway Administration bridge ratings are on a scale of 0 to 9, with 9 being 'excellent,' and zero being 'failed.'"

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Above: The American Road and Transportation Builders Assoc. recently released its annual "Bridge Conditions Report," highlighting 45,023 bridges in the United States that are rated as 'structurally deficient.' The report said improvement is being made, but much work remains (photo courtesy of Joseph L. Murphy, the Iowa Soybean Assoc.).



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AFT: Ag policy should encourage tripling of U.S. cover crops

By **Tim Alexander**
Illinois Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Kris Reynolds, midwest regional director for American Farmland Trust (AFT) and certified crop adviser from Nokomis, Ill., believes there exists a diverse range of climate-sensitive strategies that can be implemented on American farms and ranches and also provide economic benefits.

To make his point, Reynolds joined Catherine Macdonald, of The Nature Conservancy, and others for an online discussion of Natural Climate Solutions: A Win-Win Solution For Our

Environment and Our Economy, hosted by the Environmental and Energy Study Institute and U.S. Nature4Climate. The two were joined by forestry and food sourcing representatives to discuss how major U.S. corporations are supporting the adoption of natural climate solutions to help meet their sustainability goals.

"Natural climate solutions are a critical part of our climate mitigation strategy here in the U.S.," said Macdonald, who serves as The Nature Conservancy's North America Natural Climate Solutions director. "We have very little time to make a big difference in how we address this issue."

Farmers and foresters can be part of the solution by quickly making the decision to embrace conservation practices, especially those that help sequester carbon in soils, protect habitat and reduce nutrient losses in fields, Macdonald said. She explained both production and economic benefits associated with natural climate solutions and ecosystem marketing.

"Changing production habits and management practices provides significant benefits to air quality, water quality and biodiversity. In order to achieve this potential, though, we need to dramatically scale adoption on practices that are planet-smart," she said.

"Economic benefits include over 220,000 jobs in the U.S. focused on forest and wetland projects alone. There are significant benefits to local communities where these projects are happening. In addition to the benefits to rural parts of America, there are also significant benefits to our rural areas."

Reynolds, a fifth generation farmer, said that even small improvements to soil organic carbon quality can produce positive results which put money – eventually – into farmers' pockets and enhance the global carbon budget. "Since the advent of modern agriculture we have lost more than half of the organic carbon that was stored in U.S. soils," he said.

"Rebuilding carbon stocks in agricultural soils is not only crucial for the continued productivity of our nation's farmers, but necessary to combat the impacts of climate change. Despite the recent uptake in soil health practice adoption, fewer than a third of 260 million acres of row crops are managed with no till or strip till. And less than 5 percent of those acres are using cover crops, according to the 2017 Census of Agriculture."

Increasing the planting of cover crops by farmers and decreasing the amount of tillage they perform can provide unprecedented opportunities for producers to improve water quality, combat climate change and improve on-farm resilience and profitability, according to Reynolds.

"Some of these co-benefits include soil temperature and moisture regulation, and winter and early-season weed suppression. We can improve our soil structure, we can reduce soil loss from wind and water erosion, while also increasing the diversity of soil biological communities and capturing more nutrients to make available for growing crops," he said.

While cover crops require an additional level of management, their benefits can be measured in dollars and cents. This is according to a recent AFT case study conducted on nine soil health field plots across the nation which quantified the economic benefits of soil health practices such as cover cropping, no till and strip till.

"We used USDA's nutrient tracking tool and COMET farm tool to quantify the water quality and climate benefits of those practices. These case studies show how these soil health practices across the U.S. can have both soil health and economic benefits," Reynolds said.

The CCA further noted that when farmers think about carbon and ecosystem markets, they may envision them as the future chief economic driver for conservation practice adoption. But these markets "really need to be open to all, regardless of farm size and production system," and be fair to farmers, Reynolds said.

"(Carbon markets) need to be real and verifiable, but also transitional for the economy, and designed for permanence with appropriate safeguards in place," he said. "Recognizing that change does not occur overnight, one such goal could be to roughly triple the adoption of cover crops from the current 15 million acres to a total of 44 million acres."

"It's also important to determine whether EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) or CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program) payments for cover crops are high enough to help farmers overcome barriers to adoption as well as income loss. The success of conservation programs like EQIP or CSP in rapidly delivering cover crop adoption is really dependent upon adequate technical support on the land."

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) should look at improving technical assistance in delivering cover crops and other conservation-minded enhancements to their operations, Reynolds suggested. "NRCS should also meet new demand by capitalizing on and expanding its ability to work with third parties in providing essential technical support. We also need regional-specific research on the best cover crop species to use," he said. "Additionally, we should also explore crop insurance's role in conservation practice adoption."

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Bridges

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He said a bridge is rated in good condition if the deck (riding surface), superstructure (supports immediately below the deck), and the substructure (foundation and supporting piling and posts) are rated in a condition of 7 to 9.

"If any of the three main bridge elements are rated 5 or 6, a bridge is rated as fair condition," he said. "A structurally deficient (or poor) designation is assigned to a bridge with a deck, superstructure, or substructure rated in a condition of 4 or less."

Although Steenhoek said he didn't have a figure available for the number of closed bridges, "there are many that have been closed, or imposed with load restrictions."

According to the report, many of the soy-producing states, especially the nation's top soybean producer, Iowa - which topped the list of states with the most structurally deficient bridges, and the highest percentage of structurally deficient bridges - are in the most need of bridge repair.

After Iowa, respectively, Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, Kansas, Nebraska, Michigan, Indiana, South Dakota, Kentucky, Tennessee, Minnesota, and North Dakota, were among the other states having the most structurally deficient bridges.

"It is significant that many areas of the country in which our nation's food is produced happens to be the location with a high percentage of our nation's deficient bridges," Steenhoek said.

"I would not argue that the needs of these rural areas should take priority over others," he added, "but I do suggest that our nation must have a balanced strategy that invests in the needs of both urban and rural America."

In Illinois, for example, approximately 2,374 bridges, or 8.8 percent are identified as structurally deficient, and in urgent need of repair or replacement, according to Todd Main, a transportation and infrastructure professional representing the Illinois Soybean Assoc.

Currently, 1,198 bridges in the state have posted restrictions on size and weight, he said, adding "funding for maintenance and repair has remained flat since 1991."

He said Illinois farmers are concerned about these bridges in two ways.

"First, they have a general concern that we incorporate the idea of resiliency into our infrastructure planning," he said. "Investing today

in resiliency will create jobs, improve communities, strengthen our economy, and minimize costs in the wake of future natural disasters, and prevent these disasters from turning into catastrophes.

"Secondly, state transportation planners should look at implementing a bridge bundling pilot program similar to successful ones in other states that reduce the cost, and accelerate the repair and rehabilitation of rural bridges," he added.

Steenhoek said states and counties continue to make progress on addressing the needs of their rural bridge inventory.

In the effort to promote more cost-effective approaches to replacing and repairing rural bridges without compromising safety, the Soy Transportation Coalition recently released the report, "The Top 20 Innovations for Rural Bridge Replacement and Repair," which features 10 rural bridge replacement innovations, as well as 10 rural bridge repair innovations.

Steenhoek said funding for bridge repair will come from federal, state, and local sources.

"The goal is to see increased volumes of funding, but also promote cost-saving methods of replacing and repairing bridges, which is the focus of our 'Top 20' report," he said.

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Fleet operators encouraged to use plant-based, sustainable solutions

INDIANAPOLIS — Soybean fields could hold the keys to a more sustainable transportation system. By using fuel, motor oils, hydraulic fluid, degreasers – even tires – made from soybean oil, fleets can reduce petroleum use, cut carbon footprints and improve worker safety.

In a recent webinar hosted by Greater Indiana Clean Cities, the American Lung Association, Indiana Soybean Alliance and the B20 Club of Indiana, industry experts discussed the benefits of soy-based products for fleets.

“These products are currently used by large cities and small communities, government agencies and private corporations, national parks and city parks, all to enhance their sustainability programs and raise the level of environmental and employee health and safety,” said Chris Case, biobased products use specialist with the United Soybean Board. “Many communities are removing a wide range of petroleum-based products from their vehicles and substituting them with biobased.”

Here are benefits of using biobased products in fleet operations:

- Fewer harmful engine emissions. Biodiesel fuel made from soybean oil and other renewable fats and oils generates lower emissions of carbon dioxide and particulate matter. “Microscopic airborne particulates can lead to both short- and long-term health problems when inhaled and trapped in lungs,” said Bailey Arnold, senior manager of clean air initiatives at American Lung Association. “Biodiesel is one of the technologies we have available now to reduce pollution and reduce carbon to combat climate change and protect our health,” Arnold said.

- Less employee exposure. Petroleum-based lubricants, degreasers and cleaning supplies may expose fleet maintenance workers to harmful chemicals or fumes that could lead to headaches, skin rashes or other ailments, according to Case. “Biobased products can provide workers with a safer environment without sacrificing performance,” he said.

- Lower clean-up costs. Soy-based products such as hydraulic fluids are biodegradable and easier to mitigate than petroleum in the event of a spill or release. “For water

departments or marine-based operations, this is especially important to protect water resources,” Case said.

Fleet managers can expect performance of biobased alternatives made from soy to be equal to or better than comparable petroleum-based products.

“The biobased industry is doing everything it can to ensure the quality of their products not only meets basic standards but goes beyond them,” said Ronald Flowers, biobased consultant to the United Soybean Board, and president of RK Solutions LLC, a fleet management company. “Biodiesel is a prime example of how the industry meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society of Testing Materials) and other standards without requiring equipment modifications.”

Tim Fitzgerald, director of fleet management at DC Water in Washington, D.C., incorporates multiple soy-based products into its fleet operations. These include biodiesel, as well as two-cycle engine oil, pressure grease, all-purpose degreasers, parts cleaners and high-performance lubricants.

“We’ve always looked for ways to have an environmental advantage and to do things smarter and in a manner that is not cost prohibitive for us as an enterprise,” Fitzgerald said. “We have seen no fall off or degradation in performance with biobased products.”

Scott Piszczor is the Midwest lubricants manager for Al Warren Oil Co. in Hammond, Ind., which markets biodiesel along with other fuels and lubricants. To ensure customers have positive results with biodiesel, Piszczor and his team follow best practices that include keeping fuel tanks clean, stepping up gradually to higher biodiesel blends, and using proper cold-flow additives to ensure efficient operation during winter. Piszczor also highlighted Al Warren Oil and sister company Altom Transport’s use of B20 biodiesel in more than 300 vehicles.

Flowers encouraged fleet managers to test biobased products and establish relationships with suppliers that offer them. Resources are available to help fleets transition to biodiesel and other biobased products, including grants through the Diesel Emission Reduction Act.

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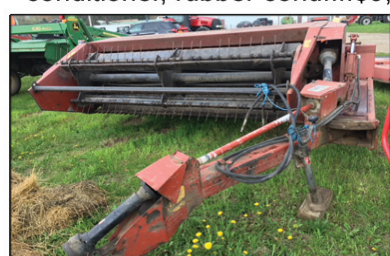
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Michigan veteran receives grant for beekeeping business

By Kevin Walker
Michigan correspondent

DAVISON, Mich. - Like a lot of people, Michael Henson can see the advantages of being his own boss and it's something he aspires to.

A few years ago he started keeping a few beehives after getting the idea from a friend and then posting the honey on his Facebook page. People started asking about it, he said. After this, Henson and his wife Jennifer decided that a business producing and selling honey might be a good cottage business for them. "We ended up selling all of our harvest within the first few weeks," Henson said. "It's exciting, especially when people keep coming back for more. One of my goals is that we can make enough money off this that we can live on it. Working for yourself is so much better than working for someone else sometimes."

Henson is a U.S. Army veteran who served at Ft. Hood, Texas, and, later in Bosnia as part of a peacekeeping force. He left the Army in 2002 to get married and start a family. He is in his 14th year working at General Motors Flint Engine Operations plant on the assembly line. It's a good job, but Henson sees some advantages working for yourself doing something you really love. "I enjoy doing the beekeeping and would love to do it

Below: Michael Henson looks at one of his hives as his children watch.

full time," he added. "I know I have a lot to learn about it."

There are some unique things about Henson's business model. He does something called 'hosting a hive.' Since he doesn't have a lot of his own land, he created an incentive for others to let him place a hive or two on their land. "For every box of honey we pull off a hive, we give them a pound of honey, plus they get the feeling of helping to save the bees," he said. Last season, Henson produced 800 to 1,000 pounds of honey. Other than honey, his business, called Backyard Bees, produces and sells homemade lip balm as well as soap. They hope to be making their own beeswax candles pretty soon.

Henson has also been working on developing a curriculum for teachers to use for local students, as well as a model beehive that teachers can use to show students how a beehive works on the inside. A national group called Farmer Veteran Coalition (FVC) thought enough of Henson's business plan that it awarded him a small grant this year to buy a mini-wax melter. When wax is taken off the top of a beehive frame, there is a lot of honey in it, but it isn't easy to separate the wax from the honey and so a lot of it tends to get wasted. The wax melter, which costs about \$1,300, will help him separate the wax out so he can use more of the honey. Henson estimates this tool could help



him increase his honey production by 10 percent and also enable him to use more of the wax his hives produce.

Henson said he was "so excited" about the grant, which he only heard about a few weeks ago. He said his FVC involvement will also enable him to use the group's Homegrown By Heroes label, which he can put on his products so people will know they

Above: Backyard Bees often has a stall at the local farmers market in Davison, Mich.

are buying something produced by a veteran. To learn more about Backyard Bees, visit Henson's website at <https://backyardbeesllc.org>. To learn more about the Farmer Veteran Coalition, visit its website at <https://farmvetco.org>.



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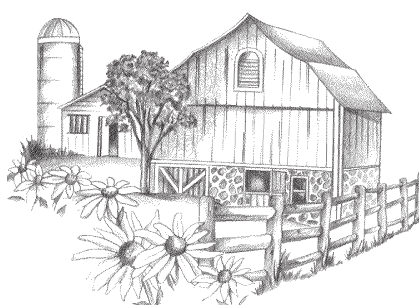
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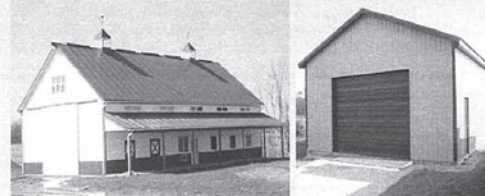
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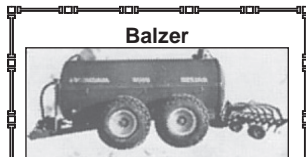
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Ohio Farm Bureau concerned about proposals

By Celeste Baumgartner
Ohio Correspondent

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Farmers tend to be asset rich and cash poor. That's why some proposals legislators in Washington, D.C., are considering are bad news for farmers. These proposals would eliminate stepped-up basis and charge a new capital gains tax at death on the appreciation of assets like farmland even if it's not being sold.

Ohio Farm Bureau has put out an Action Alert asking farmers to write to their Congressional representatives, urging support for the continued use of stepped-up basis and nixing the capital gains tax at death. American Farm Bureau has a campaign against these and other related proposals.

Ben Klick, who farms in Stark County, hopes that those proposals go down.

Of the two proposals being considered in Washington right now that Ohio Farm Bureau is most concerned with, one deals with applying a new capital gains tax on the appreciation of assets at inheritance, said Brandon Kern, senior director, state and national policy, Ohio Farm Bureau.

From one generation to the next, farmland prices per acre have dramatically increased, Kern said. That holds true across the country. From 1997 to 2020, farmland in Ohio appreciated 225 percent. The government is considering applying a new tax on the appreciation of those assets without having to have a sale of the asset.

"Inheritance is the trigger for the tax," Kern said. "That is particularly dangerous for farmers."

The concept would be, if you were inheriting farmland, you'd be levied a tax on what the amount of appreciation had been from when the previous owner purchased the land to the time when it is transferred to you, Kern said. That is dangerous for agriculture.

Typically, capital gains taxes are not assessed until the owner sells the asset and generates capital income from the sale. This proposal would not require a sale. It is saying because you are inheriting a valuable asset and the capital gains tax hasn't been paid on that from the time someone made that purchase up to the time they are transferring it to you, you need to pay taxes on how much that asset appreciated over the original owner's lifetime.

"That is a concerning provision for agriculture because the assets that are being transferred are production assets, they're part of the farm's operations," Kern said. "I think sometimes members of Congress and other policymakers, have in mind that there are wealthy people who are passing on stock portfolios and things like that. They forget that there are assets that are tied to small businesses that are production assets for businesses like farms."

The other provision refers to what is known as stepped-up basis and is related to capital gains tax,

Kern said. Stepped-up basis is a provision that says at the time of transfer or inheritance of an asset, the basis of the capital gains you could be assessed is "stepped-up" to the current market value at the time of inheritance rather than that historical market value.

"If your dad purchased farmland for \$2,000 an acre and market value now is \$10,000 an acre you'd be paying a lot more capital gains tax should you decide to sell it without stepped-up basis," Kern said. "If you're basing your gain on what you gained over \$2,000 an acre as the original value versus now the current value of \$10,000."

If you inherit farmland and in a couple of years you decide to sell a portion of the farm to generate some income, maybe to upgrade some equipment on the farm, if you sold it for \$11,000 an acre at that point your capital gains tax would be based on the gain from \$2,000 up to \$11,000 per acre. With a stepped up-basis in place, your capital gains tax is only based on the gain that you achieve from \$10,000 to \$11,000 on that sale.

Klick farms with his dad, Jim, near Massillon. They have a grain and bean farm. Ben is marrying Kourtney Moll in September.

"Where we're located our property values have increased exponentially in the past 10 to 15 years," Ben Klick said. "We own about 500 acres of land out of our operation and it is set up to where whenever my mom and dad pass away my sister, Camille Klick, and I will inherit the land."

Based on this new proposal to charge a capital gains tax at death on the appreciation of farmland, Ben and his sister would have to sell off part of that land just to be able to pay the taxes due on that inheritance.

"My grandfather bought this land around here for probably \$1,000 or \$2,000 an acre years ago," Klick said. "That same land today would appraise for \$20,000 an acre. If you go on that the price and what this land is worth now, you are talking several million dollars you're going to have to pay tax on just for inheritance."

Klick hopes his parents have a lot of years left, but if he inherits when he is in his 50s or 60s, he doesn't think he'll be able to go to a bank and ask for a million-dollar loan to pay the tax on this inheritance.

"The majority of farmers are asset rich and cash poor so it's not like I have a million dollars sitting in my bank and I can just go and pay my tax," Klick said. "That just doesn't happen."

Added Kern: "That is the reason for our continued Action Alert. We need to make sure that legislators across the country and particularly in the Ohio delegation understand how critical these issues are and how significant of a negative impact they could have on agriculture."

For more information visit offb.org and click on Action Alert.

Carter Ward joins American Angus Hall of Fame

Carter Ward, a third generation Angus breeder from Plattsburg, Mo., has joined

the American Angus Hall of Fame at Smithville, Mo. Carter's parents, Jack


and Maryann Ward, managed two successful Angus operations in Indiana while Carter was growing up, namely Three Rivers Angus and Maple Lane Angus. The Ward family now resides in Missouri where their own operation, Ward Brothers Livestock, is a nationally recognized Angus herd.

Carter was active in the American Angus Association's junior program, has a degree from Black Hawk College East Campus in Kewanee, Ill., and attended Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. He was on the livestock judging teams at

both schools. Since, he has served as official judge at numerous shows including the North American International Livestock Exposition. Carter has raised and exhibited Angus cattle at every level and is now very much involved in his new role at the American Angus Hall of Fame.

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Zajkowski elected Ohio FFA Association president

By Doug Graves
Ohio Correspondent

WHITEHOUSE, Ohio – Anthony Wayne High School senior Jake Zajkowski is living proof that you don't have to be from a farming family to have success in FFA. No, he wasn't raised on a farm. And no, he didn't grow up raising livestock or showing animals at the local fair.

Zajkowski is the newly elected 2021-2022 Ohio FFA Association president, just proof that growing up on a farm is not a prerequisite for lofty goals in the FFA.

"I come from a nontraditional ag background," said Jake, who grew up in a subdivision far from the nearest farm. "There's a place for everyone in FFA, whether it's STEM- and research-based or vegetable and tomato production. Agriculture is diverse, and it's important that all citizens know where their food comes from."

Instead of focusing on dairy cattle or swine, Jake's interest has been more in research and agriculture science. After graduating this spring, Jake plans on attending Cornell University, where he will study plant science this fall. And his path to the top had a few winding turns.

When he was in the eighth grade, Jake was introduced to an ag science class. His ambition at the time was political science, not agriculture. Then he met Wade Smith, an FFA alumnus and owner of White-

house Specialty Crops. There Smith grows tomatoes year-round in a 9,000-square-foot greenhouse.

"Meeting up with Wade changed my career path," Jake said. "He's a great mentor. He offered me a job at the time and today I'm manager of that greenhouse."

During his freshman year he started a landscaping business that provides planting, weeding and relocating shrubs for residents in Waterside and nearby subdivisions. He also has his own photography business.

"My parents told me that if you will never work a single day in your life if you love what you do," Jake said.

Jake was not involved with 4-H. Rather, it was Boy Scouts that led him to a passion in agriculture. "Through Boy Scouts I was involved in camping, natural resources and working outside and saw a direct parallel to animals and natural resources...and that led me to the agriculture industry," Jake said.

And, as one might guess, Jake earned his Eagle Scout award. He earned 31 merit badges in the process, 10 above the required 21.

In 2019, Jake competed in and won the National Agriculture Science Fair with a project on hydroponics. His love for greenhouse production, hydroponics and plants in general has led him to Cornell. There he will study greenhouse management and field production. "I like to get my hands dirty," he said.



Above: Anthony Wayne High School senior Jake Zajkowski was named Ohio FFA president last month. He has served as a state officer this past year. (photo submitted)

While Ohio FFA can now boast that 50 percent of members are female, inclusivity and diversity will be a major focus of Jake's. Jake hopes to continue to bring women and people of color into membership as well as those with nontraditional agriculture backgrounds.

"We still need to continue that growth," he said. "My job right now is to listen to students and members and bridge the gap between the people and the many opportunities that FFA has to offer for every individual, whether Black, white, urban or rural."

"We still need to continue that (FFA Assoc. continued on page 3B)

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Michigan teachers selected for Nourish the Future program

Two teachers from Michigan have been selected as part of the Nourish the Future Teacher Leader Community, a national teacher leadership group, sponsored by the National Corn Growers Association and made possible with funding from state corn checkoffs like the Corn Marketing Program of Michigan.

Nourish the Future is a national education initiative developed by science teachers for science teachers made possible by corn growers and their state checkoff investment. The goal is to inspire a network of educators to foster critical thinking, connect students to modern agriculture, and provide science-based resources that meet teachers' and students' needs in the classroom. This program does the critical job of helping science teachers teach students how to solve pressing issues like sustainability,

climate change, and feeding a growing global population through agriculture. Teachers are also armed with information about careers in these areas to share with their students.

• The two Michigan teachers participating in the program are: Evelyn Gray, DeWitt Middle School: "The content in this program is very relevant," said Gray, a 7th grade science teacher. "There is no better way to engage students in science than to use real-world problems and scenarios. Few issues are more important than making sure everyone has food to eat and that we are caring for our planet in the process."

• Rebecca Brewer, Troy High School: "The inquiry-based NGSS curriculum of Nourish the Future aligns with my instructional practices and I would love to learn new ways to incorporate agricultural-based

lessons into my courses," Brewer, a biology and AP biology instructor, said. "I welcome creative approaches to get my suburban, land-locked students thinking about the roles of plants in their lives and in sustainable systems."

These instructors will participate in a series of regional and national training events including webinars and workshops. They will also collaborate to create new curriculum for classroom use. These materials will be available on the Nourish the Future website for teachers across

the country to access.

Agriculture is a vital partner in engaging students with STEM concepts in ways that directly and indirectly impact their lives. Not only does teaching ag-based curriculum in the science classroom inspire students to solve real-world science issues, reaching students is critical to address the job gap in agriculture-related careers, many of which are going unfilled.

Visit nourishthefuture.org to learn more about the program and how you can get involved.

Fishing with kids is good for perspective about a lot of things

"I got one," my 7-year-old granddaughter announced a couple Sundays ago while fishing with her dad, her two first-cousins, and me.

My granddaughter's stubby fishing rod bent double, but the line held as she slowly maneuvered a catfish almost as long as her rod toward the dock. Her 9-year-old cousin carefully swept the fish into her outstretched net and lifted it onto the dock.

My son Jon and I took three of my four grandchildren on a fishing excursion to a farm pond with abundant bluegills, bass, and catfish. The owners carefully manage their pond and any upstream runoff with filter strips. We flushed pheasants, quail, and butterflies, which the kids pointed out as we drove through a field to the pond.

Let's I violate a fisherman's pledge, I won't tell where this well-kept farm pond exists. Jon's oldest daughter caught the biggest catfish, a 14-inch bass, and a huge bluegill. Her rod broke while reeling in an even bigger bass. My 7-year-old grandson caught his first fish ever, a hefty bluegill that matched his cousin's bluegill.

The well-acquainted cousins bantered excitedly, "Good cast. I got the biggest fish. Quit bragging." Hmm, were they already into telling fish stories?

I baited hooks with worms and untangled fishing lines, while Jon coached the youngsters how to cast with their rods. Jon also took the official photographs.

As we departed the pond in Jon's truck, he asked the kids if they wanted to fish again. A chorus of "Next weekend, next weekend" erupted.

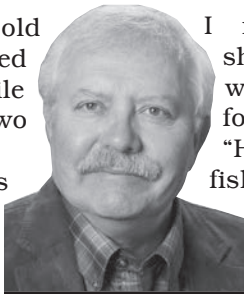
Visiting a DQ for treats further cemented our plans for fishing again soon. The kids were discovering how enjoyable everything about fishing is, even if you don't catch fish.

Jon asked them, "Do you know what you get when a big fish breaks your rod?"

Silence! He explained, "You get a new and better fishing rod, like I did when a monster bass broke my first rod."

"Oh," the three youngsters responded, while contemplating the promise of better things to come.

Our conversation continued when we resumed traveling homeward.



FARM & RANCH LIFE
By Dr. Rosmann

I mentioned that the kids should thank the landowners who created superb habitat for fish and wild animals. "How did they get their good fishing pond?" my oldest granddaughter asked.

I explained how the pond was constructed and how beneficial farmland management with grass and prairie flower strips keeps pollutants out of the pond.

I knew the kids listened intently, for they launched into a game of who could be the first to spot a blooming wildflower along the highway.

The grandkids requested holding a fish fry featuring their trophies. Jon and I assented. I cleaned their fish after they left for their homes. Becoming a fishing mentor to my grandchildren is no longer on my "bucket list." It's already becoming accomplished. It started with my children.

Jon was only three when he and I went fishing together for the first

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JUN 12 JEFFERSONVILLE, KENTUCKY: Martin — Lisa Rogers Realty. Real estate and farm equipment.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

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JUN 12 POSEN, MICHIGAN: Goll Estate — Sykora Auction Service. IHC collection.. 10 am

JUN 12 SCHOOLCRAFT, MICHIGAN: Mankis — Miedema Auctioneering. Farm & woodworking equipment.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

JUN 12 WEST ALEXANDRIA, OHIO: Kerschner Estate — Walnut Harvest Auctions. Commercial real estate and personal property.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 11B

JUN 14 WOLCOTT, INDIANA: Swygman — Ted Everett Auctions. Large farm retirement auction.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

JUN 15 CHATSWORTH, ILLINOIS: Dehm F.E. 182 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm equipment.. 9 am CST SEE AD ON PAGE 9B

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JUN 16 NEW RICHMOND, INDIANA: Laffoon — Jay Allen Auction Service. Retirement auction, farm equipment and machinery.. 10 am

JUN 22 BLUFFTON, INDIANA: Butler Trust — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 8B

JUN 4 MONROVIA, INDIANA: Large Public Auction — Ted Everett Auctions. Farm equipment, construction, mowers, vehicles, other.. 9 am

JUN 4 LEBANON, OHIO: Contractor Closeout — Ben Higgins Realty & Auction. Tractor, implements, trucks, trailers, other.. 1 pm

JUN 5 TEUTOPOLIS, ILLINOIS: Consignment — Schmid Auction. Tractors, combines equipment, other.. 9 am

JUN 5 CLAYTON, INDIANA: Consignment — Freije Auctioneers. Tractors, equipment, vehicles, mowers household.. 1 pm

JUN 5 KOKOMO, INDIANA: Annual Bethany School Auction — Otto's Auction Service. Tractors, equipment, trailers, other.. 9:30 am

JUN 5 JONESVILLE, MICHIGAN: Demkowski — Michael Auction & Realty. Farm machinery, dump truck, other.. 11 am

JUN 5 HICKSVILLE, OHIO: Yoder — United Edge Real Estate and Auction. Farm equipment, tools, personal property.. 10 am

JUN 8 MARION, INDIANA: Colley Estate — Price-Leffler Auctioneers. Personal property.. 5:30 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 6B

JUN 9 ELKHART, INDIANA: Myers Implement, Inc. — Polk Auction Co.. 10 acres of machinery.. 9 am EST

JUN 10 ELKHART, INDIANA: Myers Implement, Inc. — Polk Auction Co.. 10 acres of machinery.. 9 am EST

JUN 10 LONDON, OHIO: Ella's Farm, LLC — Wilson National LLC. Real estate.. 6 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 6B

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FFA Assoc.

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During his one-year term, he will lead a team of 10 FFA officers and meet with local FFA chapters. Based out of Columbus, Jake will not only represent FFA at the state and national level, but also visit Ohio's 26,000 members.

"Every journey in FFA is unique," Jake said. "And there's a stigma that agriculture is a predominantly white male industry."

Jake encourages teens to work past the fear of failure that can be paralyzing. He also recommends placing more emphasis on launching a business and getting work experience over stressing about GPA or ACT scores.

"Those real-life skills provide valuable lessons that will last a lifetime," he said. "It was the impact this organization is having on students like me. Agriculture has a spot in everyone's brain and everyone's life. Agriculture is headed in such an amazing direction. We're not just farmers."

Anthony Wayne High agriculture teacher Whitney Short is proud of Jake's drive, energy and passion, adding that being a nontraditional FFA student will be a benefit to the organization because he'll be able to connect with other students who also don't have a traditional agricultural background. "He's an outstanding student," she said. "You see student like Jake only a couple of times in your career."

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First cicadas of Brood X land on writer's screen door

May 22, I had my first bug-eyed invader perched on my screen door. The emergence of the 17 year cyclic cicada hatch had begun.

Here in Southern Rush County, you can detect a distant "buzz" in the wooded areas, but not near like the crescendo of the last major emergence at Brown County State Park.

Years ago, our daughter Kristi had taken our grandchildren to the park for a leisurely weekend of camping and exploring, but their park experience could best be described as poorly timed. Our daughter related the story, "The cicadas were in hoards, and in clouds so thick they closed the outside flea market area. The sound was almost deafening and they were everywhere!"

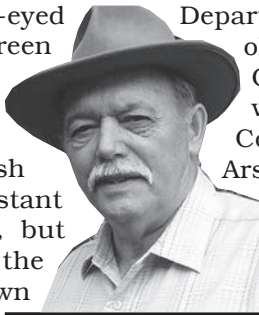
It is estimated the cicada emergence in the National Forest and Brown County State Park area amounted to millions upon millions of insects.

Suspect Charged In George Rogers Clark Home Site Arson

An arrest has been made and charges filed in the investigation of several fires, which included the destruction of the cabin at the George Rogers Clark Home Site in the late afternoon of May 20.

After an extensive coordinated investigation by Indiana Conservation Officers and other state and local agencies, Indiana Conservation Officer's obtained arrest and search warrants for the suspect and his residence.

At 4:24pm on May 21, detectives and officers with Clarksville Police



SPAULDING OUTDOORS
By Jack Spaulding

Department arrested 36 year old Jason D. Fosse of Clarksville, Ind. Fosse was booked into the Clark County jail on a charge of Arson, a Level 4 Felony.

Agencies assisting in the investigation included the Clarksville Police Department, the Clarksville Fire Department, Fire Marshall's Office, the Indiana State Fire Marshall's Office, and the Indiana State Police.

The investigation is ongoing. Gathering more information in the case is critical. Indiana Conservation Officers ask anyone with video or witness information relating to the fires contact Indiana Conservation Officer's Central Dispatch at (812) 837-9536.

New Nature Preserve
On May 19, the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) approved the designation of Ginn Woods Nature Preserve in Delaware County during its regularly scheduled meeting at Fort Harrison State Park. The action increases to 292 the number of state-designated sites protected by the Nature Preserves Act.

Ginn Woods Nature Preserve is an exceptional area of 161.31 acres that comprises the second-largest tract of protected old-growth forest in Indiana. The site supports a diversity of plants and animals uncommon in the fragmented landscape of east-central Indiana and dominated by beech and maple trees. The site supports rich flora, including spring ephemerals and a variety of fern communities. The property is owned

by Ball State University.

Patoka Lake Kayak Trip

Patoka Lake is hosting a kayak tour with the interpretive naturalist on Saturday, June 12 at 9 am at the Little Patoka Boat Ramp. A caravan will leave from the Patoka Lake office at 7:45am to the ramp.

The 5-mile tour will feature a rock quarry and waterfall. Paddlers will have a chance to see wildlife such as beavers and bald eagles. Participants should bring life jackets, preferred snacks, refreshments, and sunscreen. The tour is not suitable for beginner kayakers or children under 12.

Non-motorized boat launch permits are required and will be sold at the event for \$5 or may be purchased at the Patoka Lake office between 8 am and 4 pm daily.

For more information regarding the program, kayak rentals, or other interpretive events, please call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447. Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.

Surplus Trout Stocked In Northern Indiana

Indiana's DNR recently stocked additional rainbow trout in northern Indiana streams. Curtis Creek Trout Rearing Station had a surplus of rainbow trout allowing for the additional stockings. Some sites not normally stocked in early May received trout including:

- Nasby Dam and Ontario Dam, Pigeon River in LaGrange County
- Fawn River behind Fawn River State Fish Hatchery in Steuben County

- R. 16 at Riverbend Park in Middlebury, Little Elkhart River in Elkhart County
- Lakeside Park, Mill Creek in Fulton County
- Franke Park, Spy Run Creek in Allen County
- Potato Creek State Park and North Liberty Town Park, Potato Creek in St. Joseph County
- Hunt Park, Slocum Ditch in LaPorte County

Other sites received surplus trout in addition to their regular stocking numbers, including:

- R. 175 N. and C.R. 1100 W., Pigeon River in Steuben County
- R. 150 N., Turkey Creek in LaGrange County
- Bonneyville Mill, Little Elkhart River in Elkhart County

The bag limit for trout in inland waters, other than Lake Michigan and its tributaries, is five fish per day with a minimum size of 7 inches. Review trout regulations at bit.ly/31WEvXb. Anglers 18 years and older need an Indiana fishing license and a trout/salmon stamp to fish for trout.

Rainbow trout stocked earlier in April at other locations may still be present. Find locations and stocking numbers at wildlife.IN.gov/files/fw-trout_stocking_plan.pdf.

'till next time,
Jack

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Farm and Ranch

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time. A popular family story is that Jon was born with a fishing pole in his hands.

When he was five, he demonstrated his fishing prowess to a twenty-something apprentice farmer from Europe who lived with us. He and Jon cast worms into a seldom-fished farm pond that was loaded with bluegills and bass, while I cast my hand-tied flies with a fly rod when I wasn't needed to assist anyone.

Jon and I soon caught a couple dozen "keeper" fish, but the apprentice caught only two "keepers." Standing next to Jon on the pond's edge he repeatedly cast similar earthworms and grasshoppers.

I teased our European friend if he knew the definition of fishing. He didn't laugh when I explained: "It's a jerk at one end of a fishing line waiting for a jerk at the other end."

He exchanged fishing equipment with Jon. Jon continued to catch fish, even on a bare hook, but not our apprentice. Over the next year our much-loved apprentice became proficient at fishing and farming.

Fishing is so much more than landing "big ones." While fishing together Jon and I developed a deep bond that has grown into a highly satisfying and honest friendship. We can share our most important observations and worries confidentially. Jon never brags nor does he complain when he must help me, as I become clumsier with age.

Jon's other daughter, almost six, has a promising future as a fisher too. She is in good teaching hands with her father, and her mother, who likes fishing from a boat and regularly catches the most fish.

My daughter prefers camping, biking, and hiking over fishing, as does her husband, but he likes hunting pheasants with Jon and me as his favorite recreation.

It isn't all about whether everyone enjoys fishing or eating fish; what does matter is that we pass along life-long bonding experiences with the next generation and engender respect for maintaining a healthy environment.

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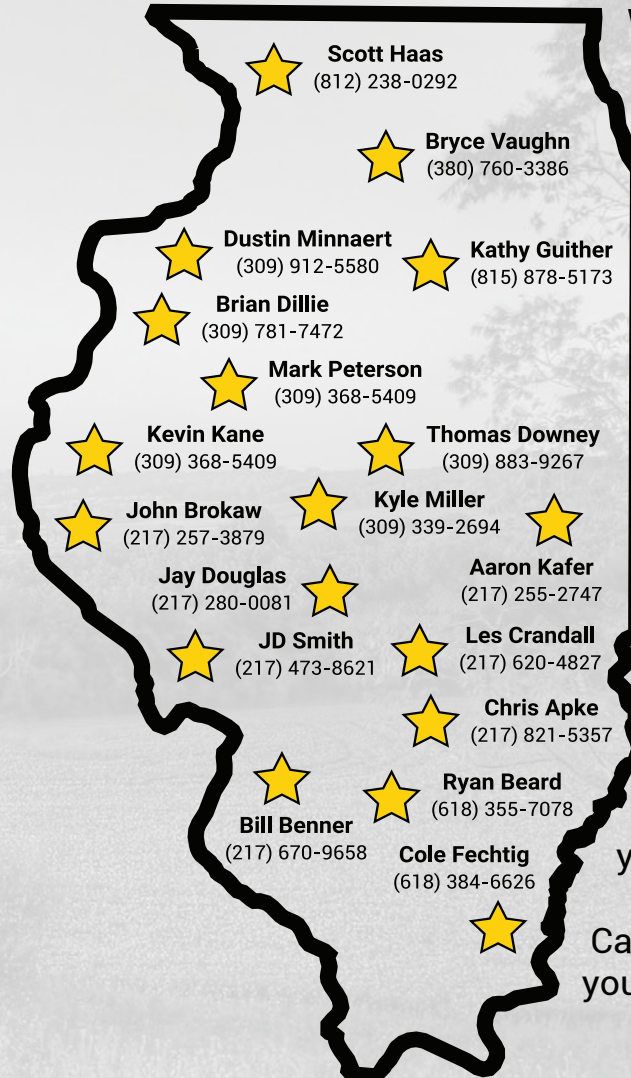
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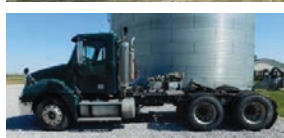
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Feral hog populations in Midwest under control, but still pose threat

By Doug Schmitz
Iowa Correspondent

DES MOINES, Iowa - While feral hogs are a continuing issue according to the USDA, Midwestern states are starting to get feral populations under control.

Feral hogs can damage crops and livestock as well as disrupt native species and spread diseases to both livestock and people the USDA reports.

"The feral hog issue has been minimized in Iowa due to the quick response of wildlife and law enforcement staff," said Alex Murphy, Iowa Department of Natural Resources communication, outreach & marketing bureau chief, and communications director.

"While hogs have been observed in numerous counties since 2003, the aggressive effort has resulted in no established populations in the state," he said. "The department has a strong partnership with the USDA Wildlife Services Program in Iowa."

While feral swine are at low densities in Iowa, he said attempts at intentional releases have occurred in the past.

"Wildlife Services-Iowa serves on a task force that responds to all feral swine reports, conducts disease surveillance, and provides outreach events to raise feral swine awareness," he said.

The USDA said a group of feral swine can overturn acres of land in a single

(Feral Hog continued on page 8B)



Above: Feral hogs in the Midwest and across America continue to cause major damage to property, crops and livestock, native species, and cultural and historic resources, as well as spread infectious diseases to livestock and humans, according to the USDA (photo courtesy of Kegan Crouch, National Resources Conservation Service).

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Federal investigation into crash that killed workers

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A federal investigation into a van crash that killed three migrant farm workers in Salem found that the Oregon labor contractor who did the hiring violated federal laws by failing to ensure the workers had safe transportation to and from work.

The U.S. Department of Labor announced that Salem-based JMG Labor Contractor, run by Jose Mota Gonzales, allowed the transportation of workers without required authorization, failed to provide safe transportation and failed to ensure the vehicle's driver had a valid driver's license, among other violations.

JMG Labor Contractor has paid \$32,500 in penalties through a settlement.

The crash happened in November 2019 when over a dozen Guatemalan Christmas tree workers packed into a van after loading Christmas trees into delivery trucks at Holiday Tree Farms in

Corvallis.

The Department of Labor reported 16 people were in the van when it crashed. Police at the time said 13 people were inside.

During a phone call with The Oregonian/OregonLive Monday, Mota said he doesn't believe the federal government should be faulting him for the crash because he didn't arrange transportation for the workers and it didn't occur during work hours.

"I had nothing to do with it," Mota said. "All I did was give the people a job. I didn't do anything wrong."

The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act says any "non-exempt person who uses or causes to be used a vehicle to transport any migrant or seasonal agricultural worker" is required to ensure that the driver of the vehicle has a license and maintains proper insurance, among other requirements.

Feral Hog

FROM PAGE 7B

night, rooting with their snouts and tusks, scavenging anything they can find, including salamanders, insects, frogs, and the eggs of ground nesting birds, reptiles, and amphibians.

According to the National Institutes of Health, feral hogs can also act as reservoirs for many infectious diseases in domestic animals, such as African swine fever, brucellosis and trichinellosis, and in humans, diseases such as hepatitis E, tuberculosis, leptospirosis, and trichinellosis.

"Feral swine threaten the natural resources of Iowa, but more importantly pose a significant risk of spreading disease to Iowa's multi-billion-dollar swine market," Murphy said. "Therefore, Wildlife Services-Iowa responds quickly with a multi-agency approach to address all feral swine issues."

In 2017, as a new tool to help stop the spread of feral pigs, the USDA's National Feral Swine Damage Management Program started unleashing detector dogs in specific fields to track the presence of the invasive and destructive, wild hogs.

"It's hard to prove that an animal isn't in an area," said Dale Nolte, head of the National Feral Swine Damage Management Team, an arm of the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's Wildlife Services program.

"The detector dogs give us that confidence so we can say they are gone and focus on other areas that are still experiencing damage," he added.

Mary Kelpinski, Michigan Pork Producers Assoc. CEO, said feral swine have posed a big threat to the commercial pork industry in Michigan, but with currently few sightings in the state.

"We have been actively working with both state and federal agencies for a number of years to decrease the number of wild hogs in the state," she said. "We have had reported sightings in Michigan since 2001, and we have been battling them since 2004."

In 2010, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources declared wild hogs an invasive, exotic and prohibited species, making it illegal to own wild hogs in the state for any purpose, she said.

"We have been working with both state and federal agencies to eliminate feral swine ever since," she said. "We feel they are as under control as possible, but still encourage work to identify them in the state and eliminate any that are found."

Cheryl Day, Ohio Pork Council executive vice president, said, "While the feral pig population is not currently widespread in Ohio, we know that it's

pertinent to stay ahead, and protect Ohio's pig herds from any possible animal disease that these pigs may carry.

"Feral pigs are still a threat in Ohio," she said. "The potential risk of animal disease, coupled with the damage they can cause to agricultural crops and property, is a concern for pig farmers."

Andrew Montoney, Ohio state director, and Olivia Bennett, USDA Wildlife Services technician, in a joint statement to Farm World, said, "Due to the fragmented landscape of Southeast Ohio - primarily where the state's population resides - accurate population estimates are difficult to track."

"Southeast Ohio has the largest population," they said. "Thanks to the work of the USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, each year, the population of feral swine in Ohio decreases."

Jenny Ring, Illinois Pork Producers Assoc. director of communications, said, "Honestly, feral pigs are not an issue in Illinois. We have only had one instance in the past few years, and it was said to be domesticated pigs that were just released."

Jim Coffey, Iowa Department of Natural Resources wild hog coordinator, and a forest wildlife biologist told the Mason City Globe-Gazette, farmers and hunters need to report all wild hog activity to help prevent the spread of diseases and parasites that could be transmitted to domestic animals, and to humans.

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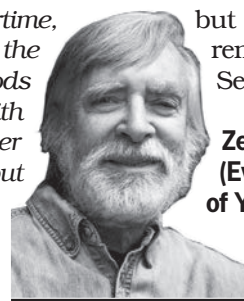
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POOR WILL'S ALMANACK
By Bill Felker

but morning temperatures should remain above 40 until at least Sept. 6.

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

The earliest fireflies come out this week along the Ohio River. Hatching of ducklings and goslings is virtually complete throughout the nation. Canadian geese are molting.

Mulberry season has begun for both the red and white varieties, and it typically lasts through the end of the month.

Fawn births peak as the wild roses fade and panicked dogwoods reach full bloom. Bottle grass is sweet for chewing.

Pollen from grasses reaches its peak in the central portions of the United States as bluegrass, orchard grass, timothy, red top and Bermuda grass all continue to flower. In northern forests, pines, spruce, hemlock, arbor vitae, alders and birch reach the height of their blossoming. Sweet rockets go to seed.

Young grackles, robins and blue jays leave the nest as peonies fade. Timothy is ripe for chewing. Pokeweed is budding. Cobwebs sometimes block your spring paths.

Monarch butterflies reach the northern limit of their migration, and sightings are not uncommon through the lower tier of Canadian provinces. Most eastern tent caterpillars have left their tents by today, tempting treats for birds feeding their fledglings.

Mind and Body

The S.A.D. Index, which measures seasonal stress on a scale from 1 to 100, remains extremely low throughout this period. In fact, unless the weather is unseasonably hot (or cold), few people suffer from S.A.D. in early June.

In the Field and Garden

Winter wheat is turning a pale gold all along the 40th Parallel. Blueberries are setting fruit in the Northeast. In Southern gardens, squash bugs and Japanese beetles are out in force.

Spring pasture now reaches its brightest green of the year, and haying moves toward the Canadian border at the rate of about one hundred miles a week; the hay harvest will be taking place almost everywhere in the United States by the middle of June.

Rose chafers appear on your rose bushes. Rose slugs begin to attack your ornamentals. Chinch bugs begin to hatch in the lawn. Insects begin to attack the maple trees. Leafminers and whiteflies attack azaleas. Weevils assault the yellow poplars. Lodging becomes a more serious problem in the wheat. Powdery mildew becomes a problem, too.

Strawberry picking is about a fourth complete most years, and almost all of the region's corn has sprouted. Leafminers work the arborvitae, birch, locusts, boxwood, elms, holly and juniper.

The Allergy Index Estimated Pollen Count

On a scale of 0 to 700 grains per cubic meter: Pollen from flowering trees has reached very low levels. Most of the pollen in the air this month comes from grasses.

June 1: 80	June 5: 60
June 10: 40	June 15: 35
June 25: 30	June 30: 25

ALMANACK LITERATURE
Old-Fashioned Outhouse Trauma

(Poor Will on page 11B)

The Moon, the Stars and the Sun

The Cottonwood Cotton Moon entered its final quarter at 2:34 a.m. on June 2.

Rising after midnight and setting in the afternoon, this moon passed overhead in the middle of the morning, encouraging fish and other creatures to be more active at that time, especially as the cool fronts of June 2 and 6 approach.

A partial eclipse of the sun will take place on June 10, visible in northern North America between about 5-6 a.m.

Although summer solstice occurs in the third week of June, the sun has already completed most of its midyear ascension by the end of May. All across the United States, the night is as short as it will ever be - about eight hours along the Canadian border, about nine hours in the central states, a little more than ten hours along the Gulf of Mexico.

The main landmarks of a June night are Regulus in the western portion of the sky, Arcturus and the Corona Borealis overhead, and Vega in the east. The Milky Way lies along the eastern horizon, along with Cygnus the Swan, otherwise known as the Northern Cross. As the Dog Days and July approach, the Milky Way becomes more and more prominent above you before midnight.

Weather Trends

The cool fronts associated with Early Summer typically cross the Mississippi on or about June 2, 6, 10, 15, 23 and 29.

The first days of June bring highs in the 90s 10 percent of the time, 80s 40 percent, 70s 40 percent and 60s 10 percent. A thunderstorm comes 40 percent of the days, and the sun shines eight years in a decade. A very slight chance (one to three percent) of frost remains until the 14th of June.

The 4th and the 6th are usually the driest days of June's first week, and the 4th is also the second-last June day when a 5 percent chance for cold afternoon temperatures in the 50s can be expected (the 12th is the very last day). New moon on June 10 could trigger showers to delay late planting.

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A future conversation about COVID-19

I can just hear this candid conversation occurring someday...

"Grandpa were you ever in a penitentiary like San Quentin or Leavenworth?"

"No, little Billy, but I did do hard time in '20 and '21 in a far worse slammer called COVID-19. It was worse than any gulag, Chinese prison camp or even Alcatraz. Maybe you've heard about the Bird Man of Alcatraz, well I was known as the Bug Man of COVID-19."

"Why were you called the Bug Man of COVID-19 Grandpa?"

"Because I got so lonely and depressed looking through bars rather than going to them that I made a friend out of a Black Widow that visited my cell daily. I even taught it to do some tricks."

"Did you have a cellmate?"

"Yeah, your grandmother."

"So, I guess you could say you were a member of a crime family?"

"I guess you could say that."

"What were you in for? Robbery, rape, murder perhaps?"

"No, none of that but I got a stiffer sentence than if I'd have been an ax murderer. Somehow I got involved in international espionage and a worldwide syndicate that was spreading a Chinese virus that was very deadly. One day a cop saw me walking into the drugstore wearing a mask and figured I was going to rob the place. He tried to shoot me but missed and busted up the Advil display instead. When I went to trial the judge threw the book at me... he too missed and hit my defense attorney. But he deserved it."

"Did you get sent to one of those country club prisons Grandpa where the guards go to lunch with the prisoners at a nice restaurant every day?"

"Nah, all the restaurants were closed. And it wasn't like I had a summer cell in the Hamptons. Keep in mind my cell mate was your grandma who was so upset at being confined with me that I had to sleep with one eye open and had to learn how to fight. She put me in the hospital and it was like solitary confinement cause no one could visit me. The only good thing about being in solitary was I didn't have to worry about



It's THE PITTS By Lee Pitts

bending over to pick up a bar of soap in the shower."

"Didn't they give you an hour or two each day to go out into the yard for some exercise?"

"Yeah they did, but it tuned out that my neighbors were some crazy people. There were undesirable characters like One Thumb Frank, Ice, Humpy and The Seagull. All of them cold blooded thugs. It was the Seagull who stepped

on my pet spider on purpose and killed it. So I made a shiv out of a plastic dinner utensil but when I stabbed The Seagull my shiv broke and he put me back in the infirmary."

"Is it true Gramps that you can get anything in prison; contraband like drugs and booze?"

"Oh sure. Prisoners were distilling the alcohol out of handi-wipes and hand sanitizer but it didn't help me cause I didn't drink. I didn't smoke either so I traded my cigs for extra rations. The only good thing about being imprisoned was the good home-cooked food in COVID-19. That's why they called it COVID-19. That's how many pounds I gained per year while I was in the joint... 19."

"Did anyone ever try to slip you a file in a birthday cake or did you ever try to break out of COVID-19 grandpa?"

"Yeah, I dug a tunnel but somehow got disoriented and when I busted out I came up in the warden's office. For that he cut off my free cable TV and took the government stimulus checks all the prisoners got. The warden was on the take. He was the biggest crook in the place."

"Did you get time off for good behavior Grandpa?"

"No, but when all the prisons got overcrowded and they started releasing mass murderers I slipped through the cracks. But the world had changed completely by the time I got out. I swore upon my release that I was running so far away from COVID-19 that it would take a hundred bucks in stamps just to send me a postcard."

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- 2006 JD 7420 Tractor, 3 Pt., PTO, 2-Remotes, 420-80R46 Rear Duals, Front Weights [15], Power Quad Trans w/Left Hand Reverser, JD Autotrac 2000, 2190 Hours, S/N: RW7420R045554.



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Poor Will

FROM PAGE 9B

By Arlene Sanford, Ontario, Ohio

The outdoor toilet was quickly being replaced by indoor plumbing in 1937 when I was born, but I found out when I was 10 and had just hired on as a sixth grade teacher that they still existed.

My boyfriend invited me to go to Missouri to visit his cousin with him. Since it was an eight-hour trip, his mother warned me to go to the bathroom every time that he got gas; so, of course, I did. Those gas station toilets were never clean and that grossed me out, but I was in for an education once I got there.

We and his cousin spent the early evening hunting for mushrooms to fix for supper. They were good fried in butter; that was all we had. After eating, it was getting dark and I needed to use the bathroom.

I was told it was outside down this path. It, naturally turned out to be an outdoor toilet. I gingerly laid some newspaper around the seat and sat down. I looked for toilet paper and found only newspaper; so, I used it.

What I didn't realize was that in the middle of the night I would have to go again, but this time, I wouldn't have any light following me down the path nor inside the toilet house itself. And I had just purchased new pink slippers which I put on because my shoes weren't with me in the bedroom.

Finding the hole in the middle of dark night with no moon was rather frightening. I shivered. I was afraid since this was out in the country. When I got back, I imagined that I needed to return, but I was so overwhelmed that I couldn't!

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LARGE COUNTRY ESTATE AUCTION!

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 10:00 AM

LOCATION: 6582 PENTECOST HWY.

DIRECTIONS: 0.5 miles north of Shepherd Rd. 3.5 miles south of M50. Bring trucks & trailers. Off road parking available.

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SPECIAL INTEREST: 2018 Kawasaki Mule Pro-FXT, 4 x 4 (9 hours). 2009 Dodge SLT Ram Cummins 6.9, 3500 1 ton dually, 4WD quad cab, diesel truck. Load Trail tandem axle flatbed trailer. **These items sell at one p.m.**

EQUIPMENT/TOOLS: Craftsman garden tractor, 15.5 hp, 42" deck. Craftsman GT 5,000, 48" deck. Field sprayer, Craftsman snow blower, wheel barrows, two lawn trailers, Craftsman Cleaning System, Craftsman lawn sweeper, floor fans, Little Beavers w/augers, Earthquake one man post hole diggers, concrete saw, portable band saw, Honda North Star generator, 8,000 IPG. Duro Max generator, Black Bull 16 spd metal drill, Troy Bilt generator, truck toolbox, Lincoln electric welder, Pro-Lift hydraulic lawn mower lift, Craftsman 10" table saw, Troy Bilt power washer, Craftsman upright 150 PSI air compressor, hedge trimmer, chainsaws, weed whackers, 1 Remington portable forced air heater, leaf blowers ladders, pickup toolbox, ramps, com-a-longs, fence stretchers, power & hand tools, log chains, and more. **40 by 60 barn is full! Enough to open a hardware store!**



MUSICAL: Play Station 2 Guitar Hero, full-size accordion, two Concertinas (squeeze boxes), Violin, Tambourine.

HOUSEHOLD: Two full-size Refrigerators apt. size refrigerator, sm chest freezer Whirlpool washer, Kenmore dryer. Computer desk, computer, Oak dining table w/chairs, Queen size bed, dresser, nightstand, chest of drawers, ladies Secretary desk, two glass front display cabinets, two CD cabinets. Six or more flat-screen TV's, metal patio table & chairs, three BBQ grills, patio swings, concrete garden statues, Health Rider Inversion system, Treadmill, exercise bike, Christmas figures, trees, decorations. Spooky life size animated Halloween people (a lot of Christmas & Halloween), NASCAR & Racing collectibles, Beer & Racing banners. Rug shampooer, NIB Digital Oven, two NIB Instant Pots, NIB Air Fryer, NIB Corn Hole game, stock pots, pressure cookers, Fiesta-Ware, service for 10, Gilbert mantle clock, #1807, wall clock, stained glass lamp, cookbooks, cigarette lighter collection (mostly Zippo), wristwatches, gold jewelry from Kay, tubs of baseball caps (local business & racing related), pottery, pool & patio pillows and décor.



BEST OF THE REST: Plastic field tile, wood & steel fence posts, rolls of fencing, fence supplies, three large plastic water tanks, fire extinguisher cabinets, large bird cages, fish aquarium w/stand, aquarium stones, folding chairs, assorted electronics, trash containers, plastic shelving. **LYN'S NOTE: Be prepared for a two ring, all day auction. Barn, large tent & yard packed! Come see! Off-road parking available. Bring trucks, trailers and a friend. Look for unadvertised items.**



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JOHN & TOM MAHER RETIREMENT

- Case-IH 8950 MFWD tractor, 3,388 hours
- Case-IH MX180 2wd tractor, 4,231 hours
- Case-IH 9350 4WD tractor, 2,661 hours
- John Deere 4955 2wd tractor, 2,418 hours
- Case-IH 2388 4wd combine, 3,172/2,380 hours
- Case-IH 2206 6 row 30" corn head
- Case-IH 1020 25' platform
- Unverferth HT25 25' head cart
- John Deere 1560 15' no-till drill
- John Deere 1760 12 row 30" planter
- Wil-Rich 30' field cultivator
- Unverferth 220 32' rolling harrow
- Meridian 240 seed tender
- Woods BW12 12' batwing mower
- (2) Case 500 plows
- Bush Hog 860H 3-pt. backhoe
- IH 1700 Load-Star grain truck, 41k miles

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- White 6045 2wd tractor, 2,174 hours
- Spra-Coupe 4440 self-propelled sprayer
- 2013 John Deere S660 combine, 2,440/1,424 hours
- John Deere 9550 combine, 3,744/2,547 hours
- John Deere 643 6 row 30" corn head
- John Deere 925 25' grain platform
- Killbros 26' head cart
- John Deere 750 20' no-till drill
- Great Plains Turbo Till 2200 22' vertical tillage tool
- Mayrath 10"x60' swing away auger
- 1994 International 9200 semi, 446,215 miles
- 2001 Jet 30' hopper bottom trailer
- New Holland C185 skidsteer, 2,987 hours



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