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Beck's expands into Nebraska

By Michele F. Mihaljevich
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ATLANTA, Ind. – Beck's is expanding into Nebraska, a move CEO Sonny Beck said allows the seed company to bring its goal of "Helping Farmers Succeed" to more corn and soybean producers.

The expansion, announced last month, adds more than 15 million acres to the company's marketing area. It puts Indiana-based Beck's in 75 percent of acres within the Corn Belt, Beck said.

"Because of our culture of wanting farmers to succeed, we want to spread our Practical Farm Research (PFR) to farmers there," he explained. "(Years ago), we started at a 30-mile circle, which was basically our home county. Then two-three years later, we spread to 60 miles, then three-four years later, to 90 miles, then 120. At 180 miles, that was the Illinois River. About four-five years later, we crossed the river. That was in 2014."

Beck said the company wanted to add the number three state in corn production and number five in soybeans to its marketing area. Beck's is to the point it can give the same quality of service to new areas that it gives to its current marketing area, he added.

Beck's has facilities in Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio and Minnesota. A recently purchased facility in Coon Rapids, Iowa, will provide some of the seed and service for Nebraska customers, Beck noted.

The company will open Practical Farm Research and Genetic Choice Trial sites in Nebraska, as well as provide distribution. PFR sites show farmers which products and equipment might work best for their operations. With the genetic trials, producers can look at current and future hybrids and see how they might respond locally, he said.

"We want to help farmers succeed and make more money farming," Beck stated. "We don't sell any of these products (studied at the PFR sites), but we may say our recommendation is you might want to look

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Above: Caffee Farms, Willshire, Ohio, is one of many turkey producers for Cooper Farms. Cooper Farms is a family-owned farm and food company based in Northwest Ohio for over 80 years. Chances are your holiday bird will be a hen. The toms will weigh in around 48-50 pounds upon leaving the grow-out barns at 19 1/2 - 21 weeks old. Caffee Farms has been supplying turkeys since 2014. One barn alone will house 6,000 turkey. For a look at the turkey forecast for Thanksgiving see our story on page 1B. Photo by Leondia Walchle.

Senators reach compromise on cattle market transparency bill

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Four U.S. senators reached a compromise on what they said are improvements to the cattle market that combined components of previous bills into the new Cattle Price Discovery and Transparency Act.

Debra Fischer, R-Neb., a member of the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee, who led the measure, joined Sens. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, Jon Tester, D-Mont., and Ron Wyden, D-Ore., in announcing the new cattle market proposal.

The measure comes three weeks ahead of the Dec. 3 expiration of livestock mandatory price reporting, which was developed to facilitate open, transparent price discovery, and provide comparable levels of market information.

"Robust price discovery ensures that all members of the beef supply chain – cow-calf producers, feeders, packers, and consumers – can be successful," Fischer said. "The foundation of price discovery in the cattle market is negotiated cash sales. One or two regions of the country should not have to shoulder the burden of price discovery, and that's exactly what has been

happening."

Under the Cattle Price Discovery and Transparency Act, negotiated cash trade for cattle would be expanded, and a library would be provided to producers for details of marketing contract premiums and discounts being set by meatpackers.

The senators plan to introduce the Cattle Price Discovery and Transparency Act in the coming days.

"Furthermore, even regions that primarily use alternative marketing arrangements such as formula contracts predominantly rely on negotiated cash sales to set their base prices," Fischer said. "Our compromise proposal takes regional differences into account and ensures fairness for every segment of the supply chain."

The senators said the legislation will:

- Establish regional mandatory minimum thresholds of negotiated cash and negotiated grid trades based on each region's 18-month average trade to enable price discovery in cattle marketing regions. In order to establish regionally sufficient levels of negotiated cash and negotiated grid trade, the USDA Secretary, in consultation with the USDA chief economist, would seek public comment on those levels, set the minimums, and then

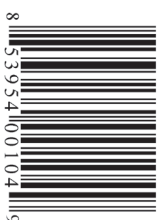


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implement them.

- Require the USDA to create

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and maintain a publicly available library of marketing contracts between meatpackers and producers in a manner that ensures confidentiality.

- Prohibit the USDA from using confidentiality as a justification for not reporting and make clear that the USDA must report all livestock mandatory reporting information, and they also must do so in a manner that ensures confidentiality.

- Require more timely reporting of cattle carcass weights, as well as requiring a meatpacker to report the number of cattle scheduled to be delivered for slaughter each day for the next 14 days.

The following groups have endorsed the bill: The American Farm Bureau, the U.S. Cattlemen's Assoc., and the National Farmers Union.

Grassley, a member of the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee and ranking member of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, said, "I frequently hear from Iowa's independent cattle producers about their struggle to get a fair price for their cattle, while the nation's four largest packers operate in the shadows.

"I pushed for hearings in the Senate's Agriculture and Judiciary committees to shine a light on the market unfairness and now have partnered with a bipartisan group of senators to develop a solution," added Grassley, who still farms 750 acres of corn and soybeans with his son and grandson on his Butler County, Iowa, farm. "This bill takes several steps to improve cattle price transparency, and will improve market conditions for

independent producers across the country."

Lee Reichmuth, U.S. Cattlemen's Assoc. region director, and a Lindsay, Neb., farmer, said, "The Cattle Price Discovery and Transparency Act will deliver on its promise to restore "robust price discovery and provide market participants with the information they need to make savvy marketing decisions."

"It also mandates that every packer required to report to the USDA is also required to participate in the cash market each week," he said. "We commend Sens. Fischer, Grassley, Tester, and Wyden for coming together on a bipartisan solution that has broad support from both lawmakers and producer groups.

"Reforming the cattle marketplace to drive transparency and true price discovery is a core tenet of how we can strengthen the U.S. cattle producer's bottom line, and we look forward to working with members of the Senate and House Agriculture Committees to quickly advance this bill," he added.

Ethan Lane, National Cattle Beef Assoc. vice president of government affairs, said, "While we are still reviewing the new language and comparing it against our producer-passed policy on this issue, it would appear that - as in previous versions - we can support much of this bill.

"That being said, that same policy book directs us to oppose government mandates on cattle marketing methods," he added. "We take the discussions and deliberations that go into our grassroots policy process seriously, and we will hold this bill - as we would any other - up against the policy of this association."

Georgia peanut processing company expands

DONALSONVILLE, Ga. (AP) - A southwest Georgia peanut processing company will start making peanut butter and other products, investing \$85 million and hiring 90 people.

American Peanut Growers Group, a farmer-owned processor, currently only shells peanuts. The company said it would build a 135,000-square-foot factory to make peanut paste, granules, peanut butter and roasted peanuts.

American Peanut Processors said it would also expand peanut-shelling operations. It said it would begin hiring in June.

Sarah Avery, director of the Seminole County and Donalsonville Economic Development Authority, said the company currently employs about 143 people, who make at least \$16 an hour.

Georgia produces more than half the nation's peanuts, with last year's crop totaling 1.66 million tons. Of those, American Peanut Growers processes about 200,000 tons a year, exporting

some peanuts overseas from Savannah. The company said customers include candy companies, peanut butter makers and snack-nut roasters.

"Per capita, peanut consumption has risen to an all-time high for the second year in a row, which presents an ideal situation allowing us to further drive value through the industry's supply chain," Jeremy Mayes, general manager for American Peanut Growers Ingredients, said in a statement.

American Peanut Growers buys peanuts from 13 southwest Georgia counties as well as Jackson County, Fla.

The company could claim various state tax breaks, including an income tax credit allowing it to annually deduct \$3,000 per job from state income taxes, up to \$1.35 million over five years, as long as workers make at least \$28,000 a year.

Avery said the county intends to offer property tax breaks to American Peanut Growers, but did not give a projected value.

Beck's

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at it for your farm."

For example, Beck's has done research on the best type of closing wheel for use on a planter. In the company's studies, it found that a spiked wheel is better than the typical rubber wheel that comes with a planter. "We experimented with 23," he said. "Every one we tested was better than the rubber tire. Rubber tires tend to compress root growth. It's one example, and it's so doggone simple. We want to help them farm better and make money from it."

Another area of research is on no-till, Beck said. The study, designed to learn how successful the practice might be longer term, was

started in 1990.

Nebraska is hotter and more prone to drought than some other states serviced by Beck's, and farmers there tend to use irrigation more, he said. "Over the last several years, we've been learning what products will work and what ones won't work. We have to have all those things in line before we go. What makes us really jump into a new area, is we want to take our way of doing business, we want to take our culture of wanting to help farmers succeed, to that area. If we expand too fast, we can't give the same service (in the new area) that we give to our current customers."

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Rethinking the farm show will help bring in-person events back to life

In 2020 and the first half of 2021, almost every farm show went dark. A few tried to go virtual but met with limited success. Industry figures show that only about 20 percent of farmers visited these online shows. This prompted many to ask are farm shows dead? My answer was no, because I have seen how important these shows are to exhibitors and attendees. Yet, I do think the farm show industry needs to change. Show managers need to take a hard look at what exhibitors and farmers want from a farm show experience.



HOOSIER AG TODAY
By Gary Truitt

as a sports complex with indoor and outdoor facilities. Youth and professional sports teams use this facility all year long. The managers of the complex were a bit skeptical when we approached them about bringing a farm equipment show to their facility. They eventually warmed to the concept and even made a major investment so we could bring the show to them. You see, there was not a door big enough in the building to get today's big machines inside. They put in a big door and soon the big iron will be rolling inside.

It takes a lot of time, money, and manpower for exhibitors to bring big equipment to a show which is something I am not sure those who attend the show really appreciate. This year there are some new obstacles that exhibitors are facing. The shortage of parts and computer chips has limited the inventory for many dealers and manufacturers. In addition, a shortage of manpower has forced some long-time exhibitors to not be able to attend because they literally do not have people to man their booths.

Yet, despite these challenges, the Expo is almost sold out. At this writing, there are only a few small spaces left. This shows that agribusinesses are eager to get out there to show off their products and to connect face to face with customers. The expectations of those customers, however, have changed.

Customers today want more than just a walk by and a full color brochure. They want time to interact with the exhibitors to dig into the increasingly complex nature of today's ag technology. In redesigning the show, we took this into account and set up our show floor to promote conversation and a slower pace. Unlike some big shows where you get pushed along by the crowd in narrow aisles, we have set aside seating areas with free coffee to foster interaction. Our seminar area is right on the show floor — not off in a separate room or building.

Seminars have always been a big part of this show. These deal with timely topics and are not just sales pitches. Issues and outlooks are the focus, with practical application being stressed by all presenters. New this year are smaller, specialized meetings that feature free food. A complete list of exhibitors

and seminars can be found at indianafarmexpo.com.

If farm shows are going to survive, they need to evolve into more than just window-shopping events. Exhibits need to be more interactive and engaging. Farmers must make the effort to attend these shows and to interact with exhibitors and other farmers at the show. These shows and field days need to become more like ag community events. I personally invite you to attend our show at Grand Park in Westfield. See and experience what we have put together and then give us feedback on how we can make this event more useful and meaningful for you.

Machinery Pete among speakers at Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo

WESTFIELD, Ind. — The Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo is moving to a new location this year. The Dec. 14-16 event will be held at the Grand Park Complex in Westfield.

This year the show will have a fantastic lineup of speakers and seminars as it returns to an in-person event after being canceled in 2020.

The seminars will present what technology will most impact farming operations in the next few years. The focus on climate change and the revolution in plant genetics and artificial intelligence will change how farmers grow crops. The seminars will showcase the latest developments in these areas during the three day show as well as teaching practical marketing and financial management skills.

The line-up will be headlined by Machinery Pete, recognized as the nation's leading expert on farm equipment. From new to used to antique equipment, Pete has the scoop on prices, features, reviews, and the best place to get the best deal. He will lead two seminars on Tuesday December 14, sponsored by Bane Welker Equipment and Farm Credit Mid-America.

Chad Colby, a nationally televised ag tech journalist, will present two programs showcasing the latest ag technology for the farm. His program on Tuesday, December 14, will cover the top 10 technologies you will need to farm in 2022. On Wednesday, December 15, Colby will moderate a seminar on drones. This program will feature the latest drone research being conducted by Purdue as well as several drone companies demonstrating their units specially designed for on farm use. There will also be the chance for all show attendees to win a drone package valued at over \$900.

Financial management and outlook programs will also be a part of the seminar series. The Purdue Center for Commercial Agriculture will present a program by Dr. Jim Mintert, Michael Langemeier, and Nathan Thompson on farm management and the financial outlook for farmers in 2022. Wednesday will also feature a commodity market outlook panel discussion with John Zanker of Risk Management Commodities and Mike Silver of Kokomo Grain. Hoosier Ag Today meteorologist Ryan Martin will forecast the weather for 2022.

Jason K. Powers, Wealth Strategist

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Tips for keeping worms warm during winter months

URBANA, Ill. - Vermicomposting or vermiculture, also known as worm farming, is the practice of keeping worms to produce worm castings or vermicompost. Vermicomposting is a natural process where worms digest organic matter and produce a waste product that is high in plant-available nutrients, beneficial microbes, and organic matter.

"Gardeners have been using vermicompost to improve soil and plant health for decades which is why it's known as black gold," said Austin Little, University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator.

Worm farmers often prefer to keep their worm bins outdoors or in an out-building. This is fine during the warm season as long as they are kept out of direct sunlight.

"However, in the months of winter, extra measures are needed to ensure the current worm population's survival," Little said.

Larger compost bins will maintain more of their internal heat and will give a deeper space for worms to migrate into if it gets a little too cold; smaller bins will need more protection. If you plan on keeping your bins outside, they can be insulated with blankets, burlap, straw, insulation foam or other material as long as some gaps are left for air. If worms are kept outside and insulated, they will need less food over the winter months. The typical rate of feeding is one pound of scraps per one pound of worms a day, but in colder temperatures, this will be significantly reduced.

Another good option is to bring the bin indoors, where it will be much easier to maintain a steady temperature above 55°F. If worms will be stored in a garage or cold basement, keep them off cold floors. With proper safety precautions, a seed starter heating pad or space heater can be used to maintain temperatures and avoid freezing.

"Easier yet, keep worm bins inside where they can be kept in a heated basement or closet," Little said.

The most recommended species of worm for vermicomposting, Red Wigglers (*Eisenia foetida*), are most active at temperatures from 55°F-77°F. While worms don't exactly hibernate, they do slow down at cooler temperatures and will die when it gets close to

freezing, which is why it's important to maintain a minimum temperature of around 55°F.

"A great way to keep an eye on the temperature of the bin is to use a compost thermometer, which is great for other compost projects as well," Little said.

Worm bins should not smell bad. If

they do, it usually means they are being overfed or there is too much moisture in the bin.

It's also important to check on them every week or so to ensure they have adequate bedding and moisture. Due to the drier air conditions in winter, the bedding which typically consists of shredded paper or cardboard should

be sprayed with water and moved around a bit to ensure airflow and moisture.

Whether keeping worms outdoors or bringing them in for the winter months, keeping them warm is key to having a happy worm that will produce nutrient-rich vermicompost for your garden.

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The new location offers easy access and free parking. The modern and open exhibit floor will feature over 150 exhibitors showcasing the latest in farm equipment and technology. Many new products just hitting the market will be on display, and a Precision Planting Zone will showcase a state-of-the-art planter and tractor with the latest precision planting technology. There is no admission charge for the event. A complete list of seminars and exhibitors can be found at www.indianafarmexpo.com



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Weekly National Sheep Summary

For the Week Ending Friday, November 12, 2021

Weekly Trends: Compared to last week slaughter lambs sold mostly firm to 15.00 higher, instances 15.00-30.00 higher. The exception was New Holland, PA where slaughter lambs were weak to 15.00 lower. Slaughter ewes were mostly steady to 15.00 higher, except at New Holland 5.00-15.00 lower. Feeder lambs under 70 lbs 25.00-35.00 higher, heavier weights were steady to 25.00 lower. At San Angelo, TX 5,653 head sold. Equity Cooperative Auction sold 310 slaughter lambs in South Dakota, 330 Slaughter lambs in North Dakota and 500 feeder lambs in Wyoming. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 3,826 lamb carcasses traded with no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless specified.

Table with columns: Location, Category, Weight, Price Range. Rows include Slaughter Lambs (San Angelo, New Holland, Ft. Collins, South Dakota, Kalona, Billings, Missouri, Equity Coop), Slaughter Ewes (San Angelo, New Holland, Ft. Collins, South Dakota, Kalona, Billings, Missouri, Equity Coop), Feeder Lambs (San Angelo, Ft. Collins), Replacement Ewes (San Angelo), and various other locations like Kalona, Billings, Missouri, Equity Coop.

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Source: USDA AMS LPG Market News, San Angelo, Texas Rebecca Sauder, 325-450-4265 www.ams.usda.gov/lpgmnn

Missouri Direct Hay Report Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 11/12/2021

Another week of riding the weather roller coaster after the frost late last week temperatures warmed back up to near short sleeve weather before the next front rolled in with highs reaching only the mid to upper 40's for the end of this week. Fall harvest and planting is running pretty much even with the five year average now. Corn left in the field is light to the single digits and a bit more than a quarter of the beans are still left. Many of the remaining beans were likely planted late due to mud in the spring and still standing because of the same wet fields. Several farmers were spotted cutting in anhydrous this week despite setting at a record high national average price of \$1,113 (Missouri's average was \$1088) according to DTN. A little bit of hay moving locally and some window shopping going on but overall hay business in the state is fairly slow which is to be expected as the hay crop was good this year and most farmers are setting on decent supplies currently. The supply of hay is moderate and demand is light to moderate and prices mostly steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay directory visit http://mda.mo.gov/abd/haydirectory/ for listings of hay http://agebb.missouri.edu/haylst/

Table with columns: Category, Price Range. Rows include HAY (Conventional) and STRAW (Conventional) with various sub-categories like Alfalfa - Supreme, Alfalfa - Premium, Mixed Grass, etc.

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News MO Dept of Ag Market News Jefferson City, MO | (573) 751-5618 https://mymarketnews.ams.usda.gov/ www.ams.usda.gov/lpgmnn https://mymarketnews.ams.usda.gov/viewReport/2929

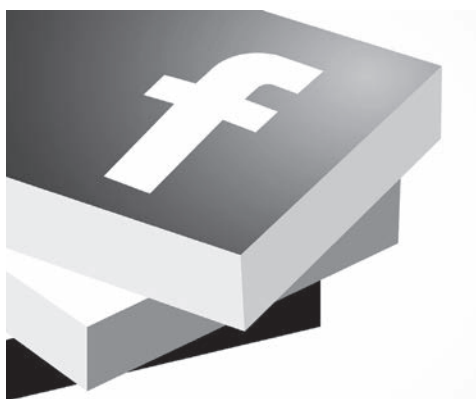
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AG FUTURES November 15, 2021 Table with columns: Commodity, Delivery Month, Last Price, Change. Rows include Corn, Soybeans, Soybean Meal, Soybean Oil, Wheat, Oats, Live Cattle, Lean Hogs.



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Trade caught by surprise as soybean numbers go down

U.S. corn production was little changed in the November supply and demand report from the USDA. The average corn yield increased 1/2 bushel per acre to a 177 bushel-per-acre forecast. Total corn production increased 43 million bu (mbu) to a 15.06 billion bu (bbu) total. Corn use increased 50 mbu from elevated ethanol demand. This was enough to lower ending stocks to 1.49 bbu, 7 mbu less than in October. The cash corn value estimate was unchanged at \$5.45 per bushel.



MARKET ANALYSIS
By Karl Setzer

Trade was caught by surprise on the domestic soybean figures. The average U.S. soybean yield is now estimated at 51.2 bushels per acre, down 3/10ths of a bushel from October, while an increase was expected. This yield put the U.S. soybean crop at 4.43 bbu, down 23 mbu from last month, but still 209 mbu larger than last year's crop. This lower production was offset by a 43 mbu reduction to demand, mostly from poor exports. U.S. ending stocks increased 20 mbu from last month and are now pegged at 340 mbu. The average soybean value was lowered 25 cents per bushel to \$12.10.

For wheat, the USDA lowered imports by 10 mbu, but also reduced exports by 15 mbu. The USDA also increased wheat seed demand by 4 mbu as larger spring acres are forecast. This carried over into a 3 mbu increase to ending stocks on wheat, placing them at 583 mbu. This is a sharp year-to-year reduction of 262 mbu. The average cash wheat value increased 20 cents per bushel to \$6.90.

Global numbers were mixed from October. The world corn carryout estimate is now at 304.4 million metric tons (mmt), up 2.7 mmt from last month. Global soybean ending stocks are now estimated at 103.8 mmt, down 800,000 metric tons from October, but 3.7 mmt more than last year. The world wheat balance sheets

are forecast to tighten 12.1 mmt from last year to a 275.8 mmt total.

Very few changes took place in the U.S. beef and pork production figures. Beef production for 2021 increased a small 50 million pounds to a 27.88 billion pounds total. Beef production for 2022 was left unchanged at 27 billion pounds. Pork production for 2021 was unchanged on the month at 27.68 billion pounds as was the 2022 estimate at 27.59 billion pounds. The average steer price projection for 2022 is now at \$130 per hundredweight, and the hog projection is at \$60.25 per hundredweight.

While the rally in the energy market has impacted shipping rates and limited demand, it has greatly benefited the renewable fuel industry. Typically, when corn values are as high as they currently are, we see a decline in profit margins. The high energy costs are negating this, and many plants are reporting margins of 50 cents per gallon. Ethanol exports have not slowed either, giving the industry additional support.

The global soy complex remains focused on China and their buying habits. China continues to source the majority of their needs from Brazil, which is expected to push their November sales above the level of 2020. Brazil is also selling soybeans for December shipment, greatly reducing the window for U.S. sales. The question now is if we have seen the highest soybean export forecast of the marketing year and future adjustments need to be made.

We are starting to see more interest on global freight rates. As energy values rally, so does the cost of moving commodities from one country to another. This has some buyers opting to secure coverage from sources with lower freight rates rather than just

the lowest priced commodities. This has shifted some buyers away from the United States, especially with a sharply higher U.S. dollar.

One of the greatest hindrances to U.S. exports is logistics. Repairs have been made to Gulf terminals in recent weeks, but we are still not at full

capacity on exports. It is also taking time for empty barges to move north and bring inventory back for loading. The Pacific Northwest is also seeing export issues with port space fully booked into January, further deterring importer interest.

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Pandemic support for certified organic, transitioning operations

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The USDA will provide pandemic assistance to cover certification and education expenses to agricultural producers who are certified organic or transitioning to organic. USDA will make \$20 million available through the new Organic and Transitional Education and Certification Program (OTECP) as part of USDA's broader Pandemic Assistance for Producers initiative, which provides new, broader and more equitable opportunities for farmers, ranchers and producers.

During the pandemic, certified organic and transitional operations faced challenges due to loss of markets, and increased costs and labor shortages, in addition to costs related to obtaining or renewing their organic certification, which producers and handlers of conventionally grown commodities do not

incur. Transitional operations also faced the financial challenge of implementing practices required to obtain organic certification without being able to obtain the premium prices normally received for certified organic commodities.

"Producers and handlers of organic commodities incur significant costs to obtain or renew organic certification each year," said USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack. "The economic challenges that arose due to the pandemic made obtaining and renewing organic certification financially challenging for many operations."

OTECP funding is provided through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). Certified operations and transitional operations may apply for OTECP for eligible expenses paid during the 2020, 2021

and 2022 fiscal years. For each year, OTECP covers 25 percent of a certified operation's eligible certification expenses, up to \$250 per certification category (crop, livestock, wild crop, handling and State Organic Program fee). This includes application fees, inspection fees, USDA organic certification costs, state organic program fees and more.

Crop and livestock operations transitioning to organic production may be eligible for 75 percent of a transitional operation's eligible expenses, up to \$750, for each year. This includes fees charged by a certifying agent or consultant for pre-certification inspections and development of an organic system plan.

For both certified operations and transitional operations, OTECP covers 75 percent of the registration fees, up to \$200, per year, for educational events that include content related to organic production and handling in order to assist operations in increasing their knowledge of production and marketing practices that can improve their operations, increase resilience and expand available marketing opportunities. Additionally, both certified and transitional operations may be eligible for 75 percent of the expense of soil testing required under the National Organic Program (NOP) to document micronutrient deficiency, not to exceed \$100 per year.

Signup for 2020 and 2021 OTECP will be Nov. 8, 2021-Jan. 7, 2022. Producers apply through their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office and can also obtain one-on-one support with applications by calling 877-508-8364. Visit farmers.gov/otecp to learn more.

OTECP builds upon USDA's Organic Certification Cost Share Program (OCCSP) which provides cost share assistance of 50 percent, up to a maximum of \$500 per scope, to producers and han-

dlers of agricultural products who are obtaining or renewing their certification under the NOP. This year's application period for OCCSP ended Nov. 1, 2021.

Additionally, USDA's Risk Management Agency announced improvements to the Whole-Farm Revenue Program, including increasing expansion limits for organic producers to the higher of \$500,000 or 35 percent. Also, producers can now report acreage as certified organic, or as acreage in transition to organic, when the producer has requested an organic certification by the acreage reporting date.

To learn more about USDA's assistance for organic producers, visit usda.gov/organic.

Since USDA rolled out the Pandemic Assistance for Producers initiative in March, the agency has provided support to America's farmers and ranchers including:

- \$18 billion in Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 payments, including a fourfold increase in participation by historically underserved producers since the program reopened in April 2021.

- More than \$35 million in assistance for those who had to depopulate livestock and poultry due to insufficient processing access (Pandemic Livestock Indemnity Program).

- More than \$7 million to date for the logging and log hauling industry (Pandemic Assistance for Timber Harvesters and Haulers). Final payments are being calculated to be disbursed soon.

- \$1 billion to purchase healthy food for food insecure Americans and build food bank capacity.

- \$350 million in additional dairy assistance related to market volatility.

- \$500 million deployed through existing USDA programs.

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Recent rainfall in South America has been welcomed by farmers, but the precipitation has done more than just replenish dry farmland. Water levels have started to rebuild in South American river systems, improving barge movement, and allowing for more exports. Even with improved conditions, barges in most regions of South America can still only operate at 50 percent of capacity. While slow, this is giving buyers more alternatives for coverage.

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Deere named innovation honoree third straight year

MOLINE, Ill. - John Deere has been named a CES® 2022 Innovation Awards Best of Innovation honoree in the robotics category, and an honoree in the vehicle intelligence & transportation category. This is the third consecutive year John Deere has received an Innovation Award from the Consumer Technology Association (CTA), which recognizes outstanding design and engineering in consumer technology products. This announcement was made ahead of CES 2022, the world's most influential technology event, taking place Jan. 5-8 in Las Vegas and digitally.

John Deere is an Innovation Award honoree in two categories for its See & Spray technology. See & Spray is a technologically advanced robot for the agriculture industry that leverages computer vision and machine learning to detect the difference between plants and weeds and target application of herbicide on the weeds. This plant-level management technology gives a machine the gift of vision, benefiting the farmer, the surrounding community, and the environment.

"The opportunity for technology in agriculture continues to inspire us to develop cutting-edge smart machines, systems, and solutions to treat each plant individually and support our customers," said Jahmy Hindman, chief technology officer for John Deere. "John Deere is at the forefront of innovation, and with technology like See & Spray, we're helping our customers maximize

sustainability, profitability, productivity and visibility so they can focus on the important work of feeding a growing world population."

See & Spray uses deep learning, cameras and robotics to distinguish plants from weeds. The future of this technology is key to treating each plant individually, providing only and exactly what every single plant needs at the moment, making chemical usage more efficient, protecting the surrounding soil and plants, and producing healthier, more productive crops.

The robotics category of the Innovation Awards highlights programmable or otherwise intelligent machines capable of performing specific tasks or replicating human movement or interactions. The vehicle intelligence & transportation category highlights automotive and other transportation products and services that integrate technology into the driving or riding experience. Products are reviewed and scored by a panel of judges comprised of designers, engineers and technology media. Products are also evaluated on their engineering and functionality, aesthetics and design; and what makes the product unique and innovative. Those with the highest rating receive the "Best of Innovation" distinction.

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Deer firearms season opens

It's what Indiana's deer hunters have been waiting for as the deer firearms season opened Nov. 13 and runs through Nov. 28. The deer firearms license allows a hunter to take one buck. Hunters may harvest an antlerless deer with a firearm during this season if they possess a deer bundle license, bonus antlerless license, deer reduction zone license (in a deer reduction zone), resident youth consolidated hunting and trapping license or comprehensive lifetime hunting license. Antlerless deer taken with a firearm during firearms season would count toward the bonus antlerless quota, unless you are hunting in a deer reduction zone with the appropriate license and count the deer toward the deer reduction zone bag limit. Bonus antlerless deer may not be taken on all DNR properties; find information about restrictions. Bonus antlerless deer cannot be taken in Benton or Tipton counties until Nov. 25. Firearms regulations differ from public land to private land, so be sure to read through the regulations before venturing out.

Questions about Indiana's deer seasons and regulations can be directed to the Indiana Deer Hotline at INDeerHotline@dnr.IN.gov or 812-334-3795, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.

Free CWD test for deer

Firearms season has begun, and the rut is taking off. Indiana's DNR is interested in obtaining samples from hunter-harvested deer to test for chronic wasting disease (CWD). Hunters may voluntarily submit samples for free testing at select Fish & Wildlife areas (FWAs) and state fish hatcheries (SFHs) throughout the hunting season. Check online for locations. Deer heads may be dropped into designated coolers at select FWAs and SFHs, or hunters may make an appointment to have their harvested deer sampled by a biologist during office hours. Tongue tags will also be available for hunters who wish to have their deer's head mounted and sampled for CWD - just follow the guidance provided at designated coolers or given by DNR staff. Testing results will be available online.

Indiana DNR stocks Coho salmon

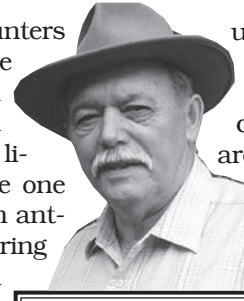
80,896 Coho salmon were recently stocked in northern Indiana's Lake Michigan tributaries.

Bodine State Fish Hatchery released 29,457 Coho salmon fingerlings measuring approximately 7.2 inches into Trail Creek. An additional 51,439 Coho salmon fingerlings measuring approximately 6.6 inches were released into the East Branch of the Little Calumet River by Mixsawbah State Fish Hatchery.

Coho salmon stocked this fall will stay in the streams until next spring, when they will migrate to Lake Michigan. They will spend one to two years there feeding and maturing until they return to the streams where they were stocked for spawning.

Anglers should take care when fishing the areas. The fingerlings are currently

under the legal size limit and are sensitive to being caught. If you are catching undersize Coho, consider moving to a different area of the stream or try switching your method of fishing. The new fish are crucial to the continued existence of the northwest Indiana trout and salmon fishery.



SPAULDING OUTDOORS
By Jack Spaulding

Goose Pond FWA visitor center

Goose Pond Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA) has completed installation of additional displays at its visitor center. They include information about wetland habitats and migratory birds, as well as interactive features highlighting other wildlife found on the property such as furbearing mammals and macroinvertebrates. There's also a display on how managers control water levels in the wetlands.

Development and installation of the displays was made possible through a partnership with the Friends of Goose Pond, who donated mounted birds for the flyway exhibit. The flyway display includes a Sandhill crane, American pelican and snow goose. Additional partners who made the displays possible include Duke Energy and the Indiana Wildlife Federation.

Visitors to Goose Pond FWA's visitor center can see the new displays Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, noon-5 p.m. The center is located at 13540 W 400 S., Linton, Ind.

Online CheckIN Game

The Indiana CheckIN Game system allows hunters and trappers to check in their harvested game from any device connected to the internet. You will receive a confirmation number to write down on a temporary transportation tag for the harvested game species (turkey, deer). Be sure to check your information is accurate before submitting.

Deer and wild turkeys must be checked in within 48 hours of harvest; river otters must be checked in within 24 hours of harvest. Have your Customer ID and harvest information ready. Remember, you don't need to log in to your account to check in game for this fall - you can do so by clicking CheckIN Game and entering your Customer ID number and date of birth.

Hunters still have the option of visiting traditional check stations, where a confirmation number will be provided for you to place on your temporary transportation tag. There is also a phone-in option at 800-419-1326; however, there is a \$3 charge for the service (payable by Visa or MasterCard only).

CheckIN Game data filters into real-time harvest tables available on the DNR website. Check harvest numbers for white-tailed deer, wild turkey, and river otter, updated daily during open seasons.

Readers can contact the author by writing to this publication, or e-mail to jackspaulding@hughes.net.

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Hunting near electrical equipment can be costly and deadly

INDIANAPOLIS - Hunting season brings outdoorsmen of all skill levels and experience into rural Indiana, often to unfamiliar areas. While most hunters follow safe hunting practices, Indiana's electric cooperatives remind all those afield to be mindful of their surroundings and to be aware of electric power lines in the air and electrical equipment on the ground.

"Skilled hunters understand the potential hazards of discharging a firearm and would never shoot blindly toward utility infrastructure," said John Gasstrom, CEO at Indiana Electric Cooperatives. "But there have been instances over the years of accidental damage and intentional vandalism to some power poles and hardware."

Electrical equipment damaged by gunshot is costly to the utility and to customers relying on that power. The damage can even spark a fire.

Indiana's electric cooperatives encourage all hunters and gun owners to be aware of electrical equipment in their surroundings while enjoying the great outdoors. Here are things to keep in mind:

- Never shoot near or toward overhead power lines, power poles or substations. A stray bullet can cause damage to equipment. Sometimes the damage, such as to an insulator, isn't noticed until it rains. Then it can cause an outage or a fire.

- Familiarize yourself with the location of power lines and equipment on land where you are hunting. Landowners are encouraged to remind those hunting on their property to be aware of power lines and other electrical equipment.

- Damage to the conductor can happen, possibly dropping a line from its perch. If it's dry and the electricity goes to ground, there is the possibility of electrocution and fire.

- Be especially careful in wooded areas where power lines may not be as visible.

- Take notice of warning signs and keep clear of electrical equipment.

- Do not use utility poles or towers to support equipment used in your hunting activity or for supporting deer stands. Energized lines and equipment on the poles can conduct electricity to anyone who comes in contact with them, causing shock or electrocution.

"We want everyone to enjoy the great outdoors and all rural Indiana has to offer," Gasstrom noted. "Electrical equipment can be found even in remote areas and is sometimes hard to see. Please just be aware of what's out there."

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Infrastructure bill brings \$100M to expand Illinois broadband

By **TIM ALEXANDER**
Illinois Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Illinois will receive at least \$100 million to expand broadband access across the state through the Infrastructure, Investment and Jobs Act, which was expected to be signed into law by President Joe Biden at press time for this publication. The funding is in addition to Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker's historic \$420 million Connect Illinois broadband infrastructure plan, a part of Rebuild Illinois.

The federal grant money will be targeted toward connecting the estimated 228,000 Illinois residents who remain without access to high

speed broadband. In addition, around 2.9 million low-income Illinois residents will become eligible for the "Affordable Connectivity Benefit," making internet access more affordable.

"Our farmers will be able to get more engaged in precision agriculture and climate smart farming," said Rep. Cheri Bustos, who joined 12 other Illinois House Democrats and Republican Rep. Adam Kinzinger in voting "yes" on the infrastructure bill (Illinois House Republicans Mike Bost, Rodney Davis, Mary Miller and Darin LaHood voted against the bill). "They're going to be able to reduce inputs, mitigate climate outputs, increase yield and grow their bottom lines."

In a news release, Illinois Senate Democrats Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth announced that Illinois would receive some \$17 billion in total from the infrastructure bill. In addition to expanding broadband infrastructure, the bill will cover federal highway projects, public transportation enhancements, drinking and wastewater infrastructure and airport improvements.

"The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal is a once-in-a-generation reinvestment to mend our nation's crumbling roads and bridges, expand public transit and rail, and provide clean drinking water and broadband to our communities in need," said Durbin. "I look forward to seeing the positive impact of this landmark legislation on communities in Illinois."

"This Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal makes transformative investments to enhance our global competitiveness, economic prosperity and public health and create good-paying jobs," added Duckworth.

The funding comes on the heels of Pritzker's announcement in October that a new "Illinois Broadband Lab" had been dedicated to host maps, drive research and evaluation, and promote regional engagement and program integration for broadband expansion. Along with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Pritzker unveiled a new interactive Connect Illinois Broadband Map to provide residents and communities with up-to-date data on broadband connectivity in their area. In addition, an online speed test was established to identify gaps and tailor planning efforts to boost high-speed internet
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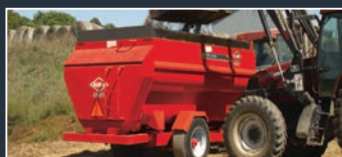
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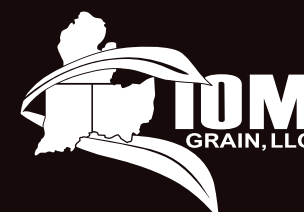
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access in underserved areas.

These resources are available to the public through the Illinois Broadband Lab website at www.ibl.illinois.edu. The website, administered by the University of Illinois' technology services unit in Champaign-Urbana, allows residents to enter their home address to access information about local broadband suppliers, service levels and technology available in their area.

For community planners and other stakeholders, the new mapping and speed test tools will provide service level information as well as socioeconomic data and jurisdictional boundaries. The information will be helpful for submitting grant applications, leveraging new federal funding, and developing local plans to improve broadband access and adoption, according to a news release issued by the governor's office.

Unlike previous broadband mapping efforts, the new tool will provide more "timely, granular, and accurate" data on broadband service, with an ongoing ability for residents to run speed tests that will continue to fuel the accuracy of the maps over time.

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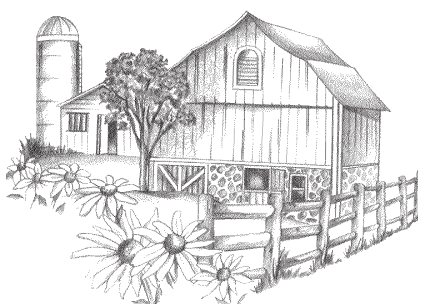
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Indiana Farm Bureau internet speed test yielding results

By Stan Maddux
 Indiana Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS — An ongoing internet speed test offered by Indiana Farm Bureau (INFB) at no cost to the public is beginning to show exactly where the need for faster service lies statewide and the firms capable of filling in the coverage gaps.

Job creation experts like Tony Rodriguez believe the online test places the task of eliminating dead zones in rural areas on a faster, more cost-effective track.

Rodriguez, director of the LaPorte County Office of Economic and Community Development, said the test results should help secure more dollars for extending access to adequate service.

He said time and money will also be saved from not having to blindly search for providers capable of supplying higher speeds. Speed and provider are disclosed at each location where the test is taken. "That's the nut Indiana Farm Bureau cracked," he said.

Close to 20,000 people had taken the test on their computers and other devices from late May to mid-November. The results are recorded on a map of the state available on the INFB website.

Marissa Mikel, an INFB regional manager for six counties in the northern part of the state, said the results are confirming suspicions that need for higher internet speeds is greatest in farm country.

"It definitely proves what we've been hearing. There's a lot of red dots in rural areas," she said.

Mikel said a red dot marks an area with less than 10 megabytes of speed, which isn't enough to run a business and, in some cases, work or learn from home. She said adequate speed is considered 25 megabytes or more.

According to INFB, the speed test was developed by GEO Partners, LLC. The software company out of Burnsville, Minn., is also working on gathering internet speed data in five other states, including Kentucky, INFB said.

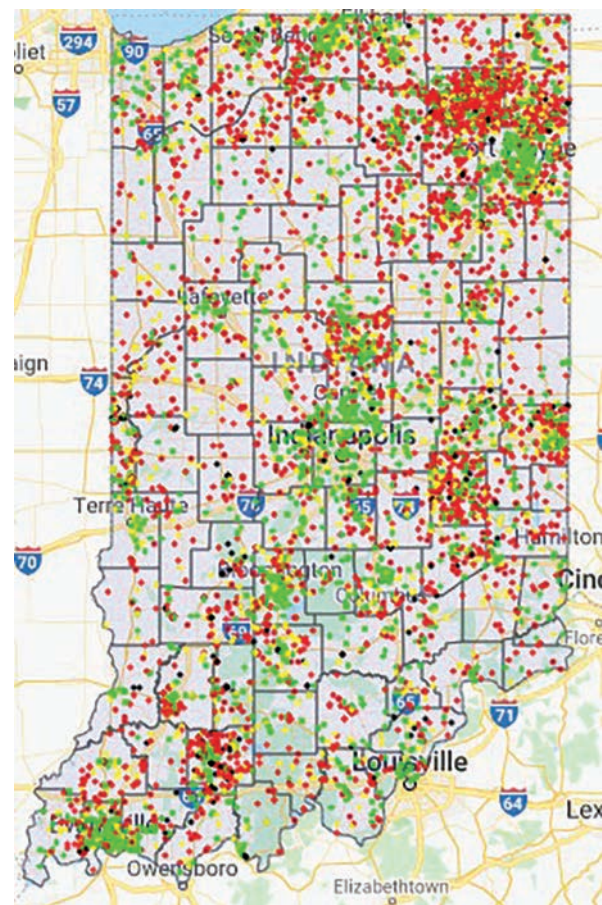
INFB President Randy Kron said the data will help the state invest where adequate service is actually needed and develop infrastructure that doesn't overlap.

The speed map also allows people to see the test results in each county. In LaPorte County, for example, the map revealed tests were conducted at 291 locations and slow speeds were a lot more common in areas with lower populations.

The highest speeds in LaPorte County were provided by Automated Data Systems and DataCamp at six locations. According to the map, adequate speeds at most locations in LaPorte County were provided by Comcast Cable Communications, Frontier Communications and Surf Air Wireless. Eight spots on the map in LaPorte County reported no service.

The map also revealed 772 tests had been taken in Rush County. The fastest speeds there were at 300 locations served by Hancock Rural Telephone Co. and Comcast. The remainder of the tests in Rush County registered much slower speeds, according to the map.

Mikel said testing will continue to be available to the public for an indefinite period, but communities



Above: The results of an ongoing internet speed test by Indiana Farm Bureau are kept on a map showing where need is greatest.

can start using the results now to seek federal and state grants to help offset a provider's cost of extending adequate service.

She said the data should help secure funding by confirming not just a broad area of need but exactly where it exists, she said.

The data will also be presented by INFB to the state legislature to try to leverage more broadband extension funding when the governing body meets in January for its 2022 session.

Mikel said she's pleased with the response, so far, but hopes more people take the test to further narrow down precisely where adequate service is lacking.

She said another benefit of the testing is keeping providers honest about the speeds they can provide so money goes only to companies that can deliver adequate service. The test is available at www.infb.org/speedtest.

The Indiana Broadband Strategic Partnership, which includes Cook Medical Group, Duke Energy and the Indiana Association of Realtors, was also formed to help bring sufficient internet speeds to most unserved and underserved parts of the state.

"Since access to reliable broadband is one of the most important challenges facing rural communities today, Indiana Farm Bureau sought organizations that advocate on behalf of rural Indiana to begin finding and developing solutions," Kron said.

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The line-up will be headlined by **Machinery Pete**, recognized as the nation's leading expert on farm equipment. From new to used to antique equipment, Pete has the scoop on prices, features, reviews, and the best place to get the best deal. He will lead two seminars on Tuesday December 14, sponsored by Bane Welker Equipment and Farm Credit Mid-America.



Chad Colby, a nationally televised ag tech journalist, will present two programs showcasing the latest ag technology for the farm. His program on Tuesday, December 14, will cover the top 10 technologies you will need to farm in 2022. On

Wednesday, December 15, Colby will moderate a seminar on drones. This program will feature the latest drone research being conducted by Purdue as well as several drone companies demonstrating their units specially designed for on farm use. There will also be the chance for all show attendees to win a drone package valued at over \$900.

Financial management and outlook programs will also be a part of the seminar series. The Purdue Center for Commercial Agriculture will present a program by **Dr. Jim Mintert**, **Michael Langemeier**, and **Nathan Thompson** on farm management and the financial outlook for farmers in 2022. Wednesday will also feature a commodity market outlook panel discussion with **John Zanker** of Risk Management Commodities and **Mike Silver** of Kokomo Grain. Hoosier Ag Today meteorologist **Ryan Martin** will forecast the weather for 2022.

Jason K. Powers, Wealth Strategist with Unbridled Wealth, will present a program all three days of the show on a unique approach to financing your farming operation. This program will show farmers how to take control of their finances, increase cash flow and minimize risk. **Your Money, Your Farm** will have farmers looking at credit in a whole new way.

Thursday will feature the taping of two popular podcasts. Purdue Crop Chat with Purdue Extension Corn Specialist **Dan Quinn** and Extension Soybean Specialist **Shaun Casteel** and The Soil Health podcast will both be recorded before a live audience on the seminar stage.

The Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo will be held at the Grand Park complex in Westfield, IN. This new location offers easy access and free parking. The modern and open exhibit floor will feature over 150 exhibitors showcasing the latest in farm equipment and technology. Many new products just hitting the market will be on display, and a Precision Planting Zone will showcase a state-of-the-art planter and tractor with the latest precision planting technology. There is no admission charge for the event. A complete list of seminars and exhibitors can be found at www.indianafarmexpo.com

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Idaho farmers can now grow and transport hemp

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — U.S. officials have approved Idaho's plan for growing and transporting hemp with up to 0.3% THC, the cannabis compound that gives marijuana its high.

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture announced receiving the approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture following a new Idaho law approved earlier this year. The agency said it will open online license applications to grow hemp this month.

"I'm confident we'll have applications soon," said Idaho State Department of Agriculture spokeswoman Chanel Tewalt. "We've had interest throughout the year with many people following the agency's progress."

The new law covers growing and transporting the crops but doesn't allow selling to Idaho consumers hemp products containing any amount of THC.

The law was a compromise effort after Idaho legislators failed for several years to approve a hemp measure. Some lawmakers feared legalizing the sale of hemp products containing THC could make it more difficult to enforce the state's marijuana laws.

Backers of the new law said the state's climate is ideal for growing hemp, and farmers could sell hemp seeds and a hemp-derived extract called cannabidiol, or CBD, which many see as a health aid.

Idaho was the last state to make growing and transporting hemp legal following the 2018 farm bill that legalized hemp production at the federal level.

"I'm very proud of the entire ISDA team for working so quickly to implement the new law, and I know we could not

have gotten here alone," Celia Gould, director of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, said in a statement. "We extend our thanks to the Governor's office, industry stakeholders, Idaho State Police, USDA and the Idaho law enforcement community for excellent collaboration and assistance."

Mississippi in 2020 legalized growing hemp, but lawmakers there never appropriated money to fund the program, meaning growers must seek approval through federal authorities.

The Idaho plan has some restrictions on who can grow hemp. For example, anyone convicted of a felony drug violation in any state or federal court in the last 10 years is excluded.

Growers who are approved must pay a \$100 annual application fee and \$500 annual licensing fee. Processors must pay a \$100 annual application fee and \$1,000 for an annual license.

The Idaho State Hemp Plan also has a protocol for destroying hemp that tests above 0.3% THC, making it illegal in Idaho. In some cases, entire crops would have to be destroyed, with methods ranging from plowing a crop under to burning it.

State officials say they have the resources to enforce those provisions in the plan.

Tewalt said it's difficult to gauge how much interest there will be in Idaho to grow hemp. Surrounding states have allowed the growing of hemp for at least several years, as well as allowing adult and medical use of marijuana.

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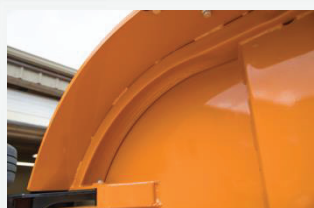
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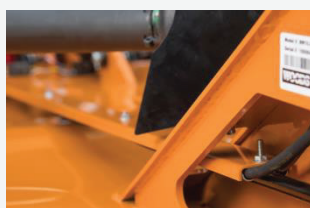
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Don't wait for the last minute to find that Thanksgiving turkey

By **DOUG GRAVES**
Kentucky Correspondent

ERLANGER, Ky. — Depending on where you live, it may be more difficult to find a fresh turkey for Thanksgiving and frozen turkey inventories are down 24 percent according to government analysts.

"My turkey stock is down this year, mainly due to the price of feed...not just for my birds but for all my farm animals," said Josh Warren, who raises and sell turkeys on his farm in Blaine, Ohio, just west of Wheeling. I have to watch my bottom line this year. I just won't carry as many turkeys this time around."

Folks in these parts rely on Warren for their Thanksgiving bird, but his stock is limited. He says his inventory is down 25 percent this year.

Farm manager Dan Tewes of Tewes Farm in Erlanger, Ky., said his 'turkey season' is running about normal. Tewes said his family came to northern Kentucky in 1944. He and his wife have run the farm since 1988 with the help from his brother.

"Folks come to this farm and enjoy selecting a turkey from three or four that are dressed out in the size range they want," Tewes said. "People enjoy doing it this way, and this year it might be a necessity. Who knows?"

The reason why it could be a necessity: kinks in the supply chain might mean people will have a harder

time finding a turkey at the store if they wait too long this year. And while there's no turkey shortage at Tewes Farm, he's expecting his supply to go quickly.

"I can't feed everybody, so if there is a shortage, I am not going have enough turkeys for everybody," he said.

At about \$3.50 a pound, Tewes said his turkeys are on the expensive side, but he added he put close to \$100,000 into them.

Jason Bindel, owner of Bindel Farms in Medina County in Ohio, bought his crop of turkeys last December and they've been feasting on grain and grass at his farm since they were babies this past summer.

"It's been going pretty good," Bindel said.

Bindel sold out of the 80 turkeys he raised by Halloween this year. He said that's much sooner than he did two years ago and the years prior. He was able to avoid stock shortages because he buys his turkeys locally and early. He also runs a community-supported agriculture (CSA) program with up to 40 members in it who purchase turkeys every year. He also tends to the turkeys and processes them himself, so he doesn't have to worry about a labor shortage affecting his production.

"In particular, grain prices, you know, the commodity market, grain's 30 percent higher now than it was a year ago," Bindel said. "This year I'm



Above: Dan Tewes, farm manager at Tewes Farm in Erlanger, Kentucky, sees the turkey season as running normal, but on the average statistics say the turkey shortage is very real in other parts of the Midwest. (photo submitted)

not increasing prices. I'm still selling them for \$3.75 a pound. Next year, I will increase the price."

According to Jayson Lusk, head of Purdue University's Agriculture Economics Department, prices for turkeys are looking to be about 12 percent higher this year than they were last year. Lusk cites rising feed prices, labor shortages and increased wages affecting turkey and other meat products.

"There's several factors going on," Lusk said. "There's just lots of extra costs in the system that have to go

somewhere, and that somewhere is the prices we pay as consumers."

Indiana is the fourth largest turkey-producing state in the country, producing about 20 million turkeys a year, according to Lusk. Despite the increase in meat prices, there isn't any expectation of a turkey shortage, and the prices are likely to settle out.

But other states will feel the shortage pinch. Michael Goldberg, the executive director of the Veale Institute of Entrepreneurship at Case

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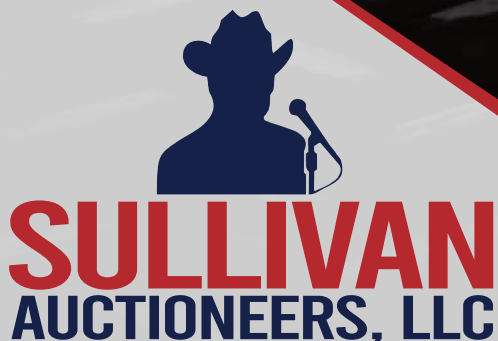
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Michigan officials delighted with specialty crop block grant awards

By Kevin Walker
Michigan Correspondent

LANSING, Mich. - State officials in Michigan have just announced a number of specialty crop block grant awards, which are federal funds that support the specialty crop industry.

"I appreciate USDA's commitment to investing in Michigan's robust food and agriculture sector," said Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer in an announcement. "These grants are a win-win for our farmers, producers, distributors and consumers as we look to increase access to Pure Michigan

food and agriculture. I appreciate the USDA and Sen. Stabenow's leadership to secure this critical funding in support of Michigan's vibrant specialty crop industry."

Michigan Sen. Debbie Stabenow made her own statement, noting that Michigan leads the way in

the production of many fruits and vegetables and that Michigan is second only to California in the diversity of its crops. Stabenow has helped raise the profile of specialty crops over the past number of years and was instrumental in getting a separate title to the U.S. farm bill for specialty crops. About this latest round of grants, Stabenow said "this new support is a big win for Michigan agriculture. It will help our farmers keep their competitive edge and continue to provide healthy fruits and vegetables to American families."

Eighteen grants were announced altogether. The Michigan Tree Fruit Commission got one award in the amount of \$99,984. Tree Fruit Commission Chairman of the Board Jim Nugent praised the specialty crop block grants as a great help to the fruit and vegetable industry in Michigan," Nugent said. Nugent is a cherry grower in Suttons Bay, north of Traverse City. "A previous grant really helped in controlling Spotted wing drosophila, which attacks raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries and cherries. The grant has been really valuable to us. These grants have also been a great help in upgrading the Enviroweather service at Michigan State University. Crop block grants have really been used wisely in Michigan, in my opinion."

The grant just awarded to the Tree Fruit Commission will help apple growers deal with the potential risk of Listeria contamination in Michigan apples. Another grant, for \$99,979, was just awarded to the Michigan State Horticultural Society. It will help wine grape growers in Michigan combat the grape berry moth, a significant pest for grapes. While many of the grants provide funding to help growers deal with pests unique to their particular crop, others will help finance marketing and advertising efforts. The Michigan Craft Beverage Council has received a grant of \$45,662 to develop a grower directory for the Michigan craft beverage industry; and the Michigan Dept. of Agriculture and Rural Development's (MDARD) International Program has received a grant - the largest of the bunch - of \$168,590. It will aid in the promotion of Michigan specialty crops both domestically and internationally, explained Jamie Zmitko-Somers, division director of MDARD's agriculture development division.

The agriculture development division of MDARD hosts tours with buyers to "show them our products and show how high quality our products are," Zmitko-Somers said. "For example, we do this with potatoes for potato chip makers, as well as companies that can potatoes. The goal is to promote Michigan made products to buyers both domestically and internationally. We also sometimes pay for commodity groups to attend trade shows and promote their products." Zmitko-Somers explained that exhibiting at a trade show can cost \$12,000 to \$15,000. One of the largest food trade shows in the world, the SIAL in Paris, France, will have Michigan commodity groups there to represent specialty crop growers. The specialty crop block grant just awarded to the agriculture development division will help pay for the opportunity. Another prominent trade show, the National Restaurant Association Show in Chicago, is expected to have representatives from Michigan for the state's potato, apple, cherry and dry bean growers next year.

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Local producers vital in combating shortages caused by supply issues

By Doug Graves
Ohio Correspondent

LEXINGTON, Ky. – A project led by researchers at the University of Kentucky has helped local and regional food systems become more connected and resilient. The effort was in response to struggling supply chain issues amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr. Tim Woods, UK agricultural economist and the project's co-lead researcher, joined colleagues from Colorado State and Penn State universities to study the effects of the pandemic on local and regional food systems. The project was funded by the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS).

According to Woods, the group studied pandemic-related impacts to food systems, including changes in consumer behaviors, pandemic responses of different food system sectors, and innovations and agency support.

The study involved 17 national communities working with local food systems to evaluate COVID-19 impacts, best practices and innovations, consumer responses, and broad local food system development strategies.

"The disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic brought local food system sectors together to share ideas, programs, innovations and impacts to keep the system resilient," Woods said. "We now have a network of networks that allow these different sectors and communities of practice to come together on a more regular basis to talk about issues and policies."

Before this study took place, no uniform communications platform existed for members from different sectors of local food systems, their potential marketing outlets, and government agencies that support them. This research did, in fact, determine that some sectors of local and regional food systems struggled while others thrived.

Community-supported agriculture

(CSA) programs and agritourism ventures saw a considerable surge in interest. By contrast, programs that provided farm-fresh food to schools and restaurants suffered as many schools and businesses closed temporarily.

This project assisted food systems by identifying the unique needs of each sector, finding ways to connect producers to consumers, and connecting producers with available assistance.

Lauran Gawthrop is the marketing manager for Good Foods Co-op in Lexington, Kentucky's only locally owned and operated cooperative grocery store. It has more than 8,000 owner-suppliers.

"Continually, we're dealing with supply issues ever since the pandemic started," Gawthrop said. "It's been an ongoing issue, one we've had to deal with daily. Our local producers have been our saving grace. We have a special local connection that helps get us through some of the tighter spots."

"They've been growing their assortments based on feedback from us about what our customers are asking for and what we're having a hard time getting," she said. "A major advantage we have is local farmers' willingness to try new things and fill the needs as they see them arising. We've been fortunate in that way that a lot of them have been able to pivot and come in clutch for us."

Gawthrop said supply chain problems have caused people to search out and shop at farmers markets and use CSAs.

"People are starting to look more local for their needs," she said. "I think they saw all of the big hiccups with the supply chain, especially during the panic-buying, and they are making more relationships with the local people."

The success of the UK-led research project has prompted the AMS to provide a second round of funding to the researchers. This second round effort is to develop strategies for local food system resilience and strengthen systems for gathering data that reflect performance in the market nationwide.

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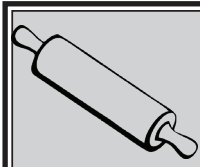


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Turkey recipes to enjoy during and after the holidays

Turkey continues to be a popular choice for the holiday dinner table, but it has become popular year-round for sandwiches and is sometimes



COOK SIMPLY

BY SUSAN MYKRANTZ

people prefer heritage turkeys because they feel the flavor is richer and more intense than conventional turkeys. When turkeys are raised outside, many times they are raised on pasture, and because they have access to grasses, legumes and sunlight, they also have a higher omega-3 content than turkeys raised in other environments.

used as alternatives to other sources of meat protein. The United States is the world's largest producer of turkeys. Indiana ranks fourth for turkey production, with Iowa, Missouri, Ohio, and Michigan all holding a spot in the top ten states for turkey production. According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, about 224,000 turkeys were raised in the United States in 2020.

The dark meat of a turkey tends to contain more vitamins and minerals but also has more fat and calories: 173 calories, 23.55 grams of protein and 5.13 grams of fat for a 3-ounce serving of dark meat versus 135 calories, 3.26 grams of protein and 24.7 grams of protein. Removing the skin can cut the fat content and reduce calories. Turkey is a good source of vitamins B-6, B-12, niacin, choline, and minerals, selenium and zinc. Turkey is also a good source of protein, which can increase the feeling of satisfaction and help people feel full longer. Turkey is also a good source of the amino acid, tryptophan. Contrary to what you read on the internet, turkey doesn't have enough tryptophan to make people sleepy, but it can help improve their mood because it can help support healthy levels of serotonin in the body.

Heritage turkeys are gaining popularity again with many consumers. To be considered truly a heritage breed, the turkeys must be reproduced and genetically maintained through natural mating by both pairs of grandparents and parents, with expected fertility rates of 70-80 percent. Heritage turkeys must have a long productive lifespan. Breeding hens can be productive for 5-7 years and breeding toms for 3-5 years. They must also have the genetic ability to reproduce and survive in outdoor production systems. Heritage turkeys should reach a marketable weight in about 28 weeks, giving the birds time to develop a strong skeletal structure and healthy organs before building muscle mass. Some

So enough about the health benefits of turkeys and on to the important stuff. The best part of turkey is the leftovers. I have to admit, I like turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing and gravy as well as anyone. And yes, I am ready for a nap when I get done with lunch. But on the other hand, I am also ready for leftovers. Yes, it is a pain to pick the meat off the turkey frame, and sometimes if I am in the mood, I will cook the frame for broth and a batch of turkey frame soup. I try to freeze the turkey meat in packages of about 2 cups, because the bags stack pretty well in the freezer and most of the recipes I use call for about two cups of meat. I try to freeze both white and dark meat in the same package to enhance the flavor of the food. I know it is some work but it is worth it in the end. This week Cook Simply features Hearty Turkey Stew, a Waldorf Turkey Salad, both favorites of my mom, and my personal favorites Savory Turkey Salad and Harvest Turkey Rice Pilaf.

(Cook Simply continued on page 13B)

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Cyber attack, port and supply chain issues bring cheese prices down

The Agriculture Department lowered its estimate for 2021 and 2022 milk production in the latest World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report, fifth month in a row, citing lower than expected dairy cow numbers and slower growth in milk per cow.

2021 production and marketings were estimated at 226.4 and 225.3 billion pounds respectively, down 600 million pounds on production from last month's estimates and 700 million lower on marketings. If realized, 2021 production would still be up 3.2 billion pounds or 1.4% from 2020.

2022 production and marketings were estimated at 228.1 and 227 billion pounds respectively, down 1.6 billion pounds on both production and marketings. If realized, 2022 production would be up 1.7 billion pounds or 0.8% from 2021.

Butter, nonfat dry milk (NDM), and whey price forecasts were raised from last month on strength in demand and lower expected production. The cheese price forecast was reduced on current prices and continued large supplies.

The 2021 Class III milk price forecast was reduced as the lower forecast cheese price more than offsets the higher whey price. The 2021 average is now projected at \$16.95, down a dime from last month's estimate, and compares to \$18.16 in 2020 and \$16.96 in 2019. The 2022 average is pegged at \$17.75, up 65 cents from last



MIELKE MARKET WEEKLY
By Lee Mielke

month's estimate. The 2021 Class IV price forecast was raised on higher NDM and butter

prices. It is expected to hit \$16.00, up 30 cents from a month ago, and compares to \$13.49 in 2020 and \$16.30 in 2019. The 2022 average is projected at \$18.70, up \$1.55 from last month's estimate. The 2022 cheese, butter, NDM, and whey price forecasts were raised on strength in demand and lower expected milk supplies.

In the week ending Oct. 30, 59,600 dairy cows were sent to slaughter, down 1,200 from the previous week but 1,800 head or 3.0% above that week a year ago.

Checking the dairy farm bottom line; StoneX's Nate Donnay, Director of Dairy Market Insight, writes in his Nov. 11 "Udder Intelligence" how inflation is affecting U.S. cost of production data and fertilizer impacts globally. "The cost of producing milk globally is shifting higher," he said. "That doesn't guarantee strong/higher dairy prices, but it should limit production growth. I certainly feel a little more bullish about the 2022/2023 outlook after looking at the shift in costs."

"The biggest expense for dairy farmers is feed, and feed prices fluctuate wildly depending on weather and government policies. Feed costs are up sharply this year, and they will likely stay high next year, but eventually crop production will rebound and feed costs will come back down. The same is true for energy costs. However, there are costs that are increasing and will probably not come back down again, like labor. Well, even that might be wrong. Maybe robotic milkers will be perfected and some of the costs will shift from labor to capital."

Donnay believes total costs will increase about 16% or \$3.34 per cwt. this year with only a small increase next year.

Dairy prices were mostly higher the second week of November, though the week was a little thin on fresh data. The Cheddar blocks climbed to \$1.81 per pound Thursday, but dropped 6 cents Friday to \$1.75, still 16.50 cents higher on the week and 16.75 cents below a year ago when prices were plunging. The blocks lost 42.50 cents a year ago. The barrels were down 70.75 cents, second highest single-week loss ever. The record was 71.75 cents, the week of Aug. 3, 2020.

Midwest cheesemakers are busy, reports Dairy Market News. Lighter amounts of spot milk were offered this week but cheesemakers say they are working full schedules if possible. Foodservice and retail buyers are actively searching, says DMN, in fact, some cheesemakers say new customer interest has grown, as needs are not being fulfilled elsewhere. Worker shortages, thinly spread milk supplies, and holiday demand have created a tighter cheese market.

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UTILITY VEHICLES: 2021 JD 835M 175hrs, gator, 4x4, dump bed; JD 825L dump bed, 1447hrs; JD620I 1,300hrs, gator, dump bed; 2015 Polaris Ranger 900XP, 1,255hrs, 4x4 ATV 3 Passenger Has a 5'x4' Dump Bed 2 Cyld Gas Engine; 2020 Polaris Ranger 500, 368hrs, dump bed, gas, 4x4, front & rear windshield.

AG TILLAGE EQUIP: Krause 4138 cultivator, 38ft working width, double folding; Krause 1928 disc, 28ft working width, folding; Great Plains SERIESII 1200 Turbo-Till, 12ft working width; DMI 40ft rolling basket crumbler.

TRUCKS: 2013 Kenworth T270 with 161,900 miles, all-aluminum bed by Alum-line, Palfinger PK9501 Knuckle boom crane mounted to rear of truck, Paccar eng, Allison automatic trans; 2017 Ford F250 Lariat, 4 door, 4x4, long bed, black interior, BAKFlip bedcover, owner is downsizing, truck is in excellent condition; 2004 CHEVY C7500, 156,294miles, diesel dump truck, C7 CAT engine, air brakes; 1997 Freightliner FL112, 76,448 miles, manual transmission, Eaton Fuller 10spd w/Hi-Lo, Cummins M11 engine, Box truck set up as utility service truck; 2006 Chevrolet Kodiak C6500, Mechanics box truck, crew cab 4 door, on board generator & air compressor, runs & drives, CAT engine; 2007 Freightliner Business Class M2 106, 5 passenger, dually, Mercedes Benz engine, mechanics truck; 2008 International WORKSTAR 7400 Vac truck, 72,419 miles, New MAXXIFORCE Engine, Allison Automatic transmission, VACCON Vac system, fully functional; 2011 Dodge 3500 Super Duty, 201,714 miles, 4x4, leather interior, 6.7 liter Cummins engine, Highway Products Custom mechanics bed, dually, new tires, (please check pictures on the bed of truck, it has shelves built in & lots of enclosed storage!!), Runs & drives!!! Very Nice mechanics truck!!; 2008 Chevy Silverado 241,539 miles, gas, 2 wheel drive, ext cab, long bed, toolbox, runs & drives; 2008 Toyota Tundra, 246,018 miles, power windows, pwr locks, 4 door, new radiator, new water pump, runs & drives, truck is in good condition.

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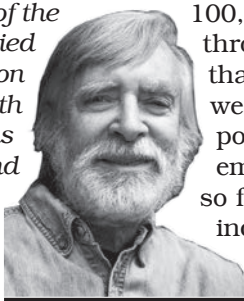
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By Bill Felker

The Moon and Sun and Meteors

The Deer Rutting Moon, is full at 3:57 a.m. on Nov. 19, and passes through a partial eclipse beginning about 2 a.m. and ending around 4 a.m. As it wanes through the remainder of the week, the Moon reaches apogee, its benign position farthest from Earth, on Nov. 20 at 9 p.m. Rising in the evening and setting in the daytime, this Moon passes overhead in the middle of the night. Fish and game activity could be greatest at that time and at the second-best lunar period, the middle of the day. As the barometer falls in advance of the Nov. 20 and 24 cold fronts, activity should increase.

Keep watching for the Leonid meteors until the 21st in the east in Leo after 12 a.m. Leo will be located behind Orion, well up in the eastern sky.

On Nov. 22, the Sun enters its Deep Winter sign of Sagittarius.

Weather Trends

The third week of November is the second week of Late Fall, and the cold typically intensifies. Chances of weather in the 60s are still 50/50, but a high in the 70s only happens once in 20 years this time of year, and days in the 30s and 40s are becoming common. Full Moon on the 19th increases the likelihood of chilly temperatures, especially as it travels through its third quarter (after full Moon).

Zeitgebers

(Events in Nature that Tell the Time of Year)

Climbing bittersweet opens in the woods. Hardy forsythia leaves are giving way to the cold and rain. Craneflies are half grown; they become more obvious as some of the few insects out in the November weather.

The last crickets die in the cold nights. Autumn violets end their season beside the woodland paths. In warm autumns, spring's new henbit can be budding.

Sugar maples, burned by frost, gradually drop their foliage. Almost every junco has arrived for winter. Indoors, your Christmas cactus has started to bud, maybe even flower. Decorative pear leaves fall near this date, creating a major change in the suburban landscapes, which favor these hardy ornamental trees.

Mind and Body

The S.A.D. Index, which measures seasonal stress on a scale from 1 to

100, remains in the 70s and 80s throughout the period, indicating that the length of the day, the weather, cloud cover and the power of the Moon will influence emotions more than any time so far in the autumn. Also expect increased levels of arthritis pain as the cold fronts of Nov. 20 and 24 approach the region. If you keep track of your physical ailments on a graph, comparing them with a graph of barometric highs and lows, you could find that the weather has more to do with your health than you thought.

In the Field and Garden

In the fields, most winter wheat has sprouted. Under the late autumn sky, the sugar beet harvest has ended.

Mulch the wet perennial beds to prevent drying. Around the yard, stake young shrubs and trees. Wrap young transplants to protect them against frost cracking. Clean up the last of the garden weeds.

In southern counties, tobacco stripping is well underway, and traditional tobacco markets open as November's fourth week begins.

Cut wood throughout the rest of the month under the waning Moon. Test and feed your garden soil.

Almanack Classics

The Worst Thing I Ever Did

From the memories of Maurine Lamb Johnson (Born 1904)

I believe the worst thing that I ever did was putting flypaper on my brother Robert's head and mine.

In those days, people used big sheets of flypaper and put them around on tops of tables and furniture. There were no fly sprays then. When the papers were sufficiently full of buzzing flies, people burned them and put out new ones.

The wind had blown some sheets of flypaper full of flies on the kitchen floor. I thought that it would be fun to put them on our heads.

I patted one down on Robert's head, and then put one on mine. But because of my hair ribbon, mine didn't stick too well. When Mother came in and found us, I think she nearly fainted.

Mine came off easily, but Robert's was an awful problem. She first tried pulling a little off at a time. It hurt him

(Poor Will continued on page 14B)

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COMBINE, HEADS, TRACTORS, PRECISION AG: CIH 7230 AFS combine, duals, RWA, chopper, spreader, Field Tracker, extended wear pkg., Pro 700 monitor, 2.4xx eng. hrs., 1.7xx sep. hrs., (Ag Leader or CIH ready); CIH 2162 flex draper head, 35'; CIH 3408 corn head; Maurer 35' header trailer; Unverferth HT 25 header trailer; CIH Steiger 450 HD 4 wheel drive tractor, 480/80R50 duals, 3 pt., 4 Rem., 1000 PTO, Lux interior, Ag Leader Integra w/Paradyme antenna w/Ag Leader hyd. steering valve, 2.8xx hrs.; CIH 280 Magnum tractor, 480/80R50 duals, MFWD, 380/80R38 duals, 540/1000 PTO, 5 Rem., CIH Auto Guidance Nav III w/372 receiver WASS, Pro 7000 monitor, high capacity hyd. pump, suspended front axle and cab 8xx hrs.; CIH 275 Magnum tractor, duals front and rear, 480/80R50, MFWD, 380/80R38, 1000 PTO, 4 Rem., high capacity hyd. pump, (Ag Leader, In Command 1200 ready), 2.9xx hrs.; IH 806 tractor, diesel, M&W turbo, 3 pt., 540/1000 PTO, 18.4x34, 6.8xx hrs., (Jack's dad bought new); Ford 3930 tractor, diesel, 2 post ROPS, 3 pt., 540 PTO, 1.7xx hrs.; Ag Leader in Command 1200 w/Paradyme RTK unlocked antenna, ECU ISO steering control, steering and liquid application unlock; Extra Ag Leader Integra display; ISO steering valve; Misc. Ag Leader cabling. **SPRAYER, BACKHOE, NH3 APPLICATOR, FORKLIFT:** CIH Patriot 4420 self propelled sprayer, 1200 gal. s.s. tank, 60'/90' boom; 20" spacing, Aim Command, 380/90R46 tires, Ag Leader Integra w/Paradyme RTK unlocked antenna, Norac boom control, liquid product module, 2.4xx hrs.; 4-650/65R38 sprayer floater tires; Case 580 Super M backhoe, cab, AC, MFWD, Extend-A-Hoe, 3.1xx hrs.; CIH NPX 5300 NH3 applicator, 14 knife, no-till, DMI sealers, Raven cooler and controller, 3 pt.; Clark CY 40B forklift, 4,000 lb., LP gas, hyd. side shift, 7.00x12 pneumatic tires. **GRAIN CART, TRUCKS, TRAILERS, SIDE BY SIDES:** J&M 875-18 grain cart, 30.5x32R1, Digi Star scales, hyd. adjust downspout; '94 Peterbilt 378 semi-truck, Detroit 60 Series, Super 10 trans, AC, air ride, wet kit, day cab, 1,xxx,xxx miles; '97 International 9100 truck, 3,000 gal. SS hopper bottom tank, Cummins N13, 9 spd. trans., 3" pump, fresh water tank, 527,xxx miles; '92 Freightliner FLD120 truck, Detroit 60 Series, 9 spd. trans., w/Wheeler 18' rock/grain bed, 2-way tailgate, pintle hitch, 937,xxx miles; '97 Ford F350XL truck, 2WD, V8-460, auto. trans., Bradford 10' steel flat bed, gooseneck and receiver hitch, 196,xxx

miles; '94 Trailstar 30' alum. dump trailer, air suspen., alum. wheels, elec. tarp; '88 Ti-Brook 36' alum. dump trailer, spring suspen., elec. tarp, grain chute; '79 Butler 14' t.a. trailer, 10,000 lb. GVWR, tilt, elec. brakes, bumper pull; '16 Honda Pioneer 1000 UTV, 4WD, power steering, front windshield, rear window, soft doors, 7,xxx miles; '04 JD Gator RPX 4x4, 342 hrs. **PLANTING, TILLAGE, COMPRESSOR:** Kinze 3600 Central Fill planter, 16/31, hyd. drive, Precision V set corn meters, vacuum, Keaton seed firmers, Yetter no-till, Copper head closing wheels; J&M 375 ST speed tender, scales, remote, triple axle trailer; Landoll 7431 VT Plus 29' vertical till disk, single rolling basket; CIH Tiger Mate 200 field cult., 39', doublefold, 5 bar spike harrow; McFarlane HDL, 1100 spike harrow, 40'8", 12 bar, hyd. fold; Krause Dominator 4850-18 deep till; Yetter 3541 rotary hoe, 41', min-till; IH 770 offset disk, 12'; 2 bottom plow, 3 pt.; 8' ripper, 3 pt.; Sullair 185 air compressor w/JD diesel engine. **MISC.:** Bush Hog 12720 mower, 8 tires, 1000 PTO; 2 Hutchinson 10"x72' grain augers w/swing hoppers; Hutchinson 10"x61' grain auger w/swing hopper; Ferguson rotary ditcher, 540 PTO, 3 pt.; 20' bin sweep auger; 30"x8' grain bin unloading auger; 10"x61' auger flighting; 18" bottom auger for J&M 875 cart; Bush Hog 176 hyd. blade, 10'; Kinze mechanical drive wheels; 31 row Yetter spike closing wheels; 62 gauge wheel rubber; 2 CIH 1000 lb. wheel weights; 9 IH suitcase weight, 100 lb.; roll of NH3 hose; Banjo quick connect couplers; several used utility poles; 550 gal. fuel tank w/12v. pump; 300 gal. overhead fuel tank; 100 gal. L fuel tank; 1000 gal. water tank on trailer; 500 gal. fence row; sprayer; several used truck tires (some on rims); items used daily on the farm!!! **MOTOROLA FM UHF 2 WAY RADIOS:** 8 Digital mobile radios; 1 digital portable radio; 4 narrow band analog mobile radios.

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- **1993 JD 4960 MFWD tractor**, 18.4R-46 tires & hub duals, 16.9R-30 fronts, 3 remotes, 3pt & coupler, pto, front weights (only 4056 hrs)
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- **1976 JD 4430 tractor**, 18.4R-38 tires, 2 remotes, 3pt & coupler, pto, Easy step, front weights, 7299 hrs
- **1998 JD 9510 combine**, 30.5L-32 tires, 14.9-24 rears, Mauer ext, Green Star ready, chopper, chaff spreader, Hyd unit for JD 600 heads, 2738 eng hrs, est 2200 sep hrs
- **25' 2008 JD 625F Hydra flex head**, fore & aft, light package
- **2008 JD 606C cornhead 6x30**, hyd deck plates, knife rolls, light package
- **25' 2008 J&M head cart**, light package
- **2005 Dodge Ram 2500 pick-up**, Cummins turbo diesel, Quad cab, auto, AC, heat, locks, Reese hitch, Linex bed liner, Truxedo low pro, Tonneau cover, 88,484 miles (1 owner)
- **20' JD 750 no-till drill**, 7.5" spacing, markers, Remlinger hyd poly fill auger, firmers
- **24' 2015 Kuhn Krause 6205 soil finisher**, hyd fold, 9" spacing, 10" sweeps, K-tine, 3 bar harrow w/rolling basket, light package
- **2009 JD 2100 minimum till inline ripper**, 4 shank, spring loaded, 3pt, wear guards, spring loaded firmers
- **15' 2019 Woods BW 15.50 rotary mower**, hyd fold, stump jumpers, chains (like new)
- **(4) 2010 J&M 385 gravity wagons**, cement tires, brakes, Agri cover roll tarps, light package
- **AG systems nurse trailer**, tandem, 1000 gal poly tank & sump, Honda 160 motor & pump
- **20' JD 400 rotary hoe**, end toe, 3pt
- **Woods Du All 50 FL forklift attachment**, 3pt
- **JD AC-1500 EH pressure washer**, hot water, 1500 psi, 2.0 GPM, elec.
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Cook Simply

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Waldorf Turkey Salad

2 cups white and dark turkey meat, cut in chunks
2 large celery ribs, cut in matchstick pieces, ¼ inch by 1 inch
1 large tart apple diced in ¼ inch pieces

1 cup chopped walnuts
½ cup raisins
1 ½ cup nonfat, plain yogurt
1 tablespoon orange zest
2 teaspoons dried tarragon
Salt and pepper to taste

In a large bowl, combine turkey, celery, apple, walnuts and raisins. In a smaller bowl, combine yogurt, orange zest, tarragon and salt and pepper. Mix well and toss over turkey mixture. Adjust seasonings to taste. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour, allowing flavors to blend. Serve with leftover rolls and cranberry sauce.

Savory Turkey Salad

2 cubes cooked, chopped turkey
½ cup sliced celery
½ cup chopped olives
1/3 cup mayonnaise
½ teaspoon poultry seasoning
½ teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon onion salt
Dash of pepper

Mix mayonnaise, salt, poultry seasoning, onion salt and pepper. Toss with turkey and celery. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Serve with rolls.

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Harvest Turkey Rice Pilaf

1 medium onion, chopped
1 stalk celery, chopped
1 cup mushrooms, sliced
1 clove garlic, minced
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 cup long grained white rice
1 ¾ cup broth
½ teaspoon rosemary
½ teaspoon thyme
2 cups cooked, diced turkey

Saute onion, thyme, rosemary, garlic and celery in oil until tender. Add broth, add rice, cook and stir. Bring mixture to the boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for about 12 minutes. Add turkey, cover and simmer 5-10 minutes until rice is tender, turkey is heated throughout and liquid is absorbed.

Hearty Turkey Stew

1 cup sliced celery
1 cup chopped onion or leek
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 32-ounce carton chicken or turkey broth
2 cups peeled and cubed sweet potatoes or Yukon gold potatoes (can use both types)
1 9-ounce frozen green beans
1 14 ½-ounce can diced tomatoes
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon dried oregano
½ teaspoon dried rosemary
½ teaspoon dried sage
1 pound cooked turkey cut in bite-sized chunks

In a large Dutch oven, saute oregano, rosemary, sage, celery and onion or leek until tender. Stir in broth, potatoes and frozen green beans. Bring to a boil, cover, reduce heat and simmer for 20 minutes. Stir in undrained tomatoes and Worcestershire sauce. Stir in the turkey and bring the pan back to boiling. Cover, reduce heat and simmer for 5 more minutes. Salt and pepper to taste.

Fall Farm Consignment Auction

Saturday, November 20, 2021 • 10:00 A.M.

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EQUIPMENT

Hyd. livestock cart; farmhand 8 bale accumulator, 8 bale hyd. grapple; Case IH 5400 no-till drill, 20 ft.; Arts Way 475 feed grinder; White 255 18 ft. disk; IH 10 ft. disk; Bush Hog 90" 3 pt. finish mower, 60" woods 3 pt. finish mower; Melroe 244 grain drill; New Idea 213 double beater manure spreader; IH 530 PTO manure spreader; J&M gravity wagon; double chain elevator w/electric motor, IH 1250 feed grinder, long unload auger; New Holland 268 sm. sq. baler; John Deere 14T sm. sq. baler; JD 110 14 ft. disk; hay elevator; running gear; 10 ft. transfer auger; New Holland 357 feed grinder, hyd. load auger; New Idea ground driven manure spreader;

PEDAL TOY ATTACHMENTS - SIGNS

Ford 4-row planter; Ford disk; Ford 5x plow; IH 4-row planter; IH disk; IH 5x plow; IH grain drill; IH sprayer; Grain auger & bin; John Deere 2-row planter; JD disk; JD 2x plow; handmade JD and Minneapolis Moline signs, golf items;

MISCELLANEOUS

12 ft. corral gates; Jon boat w/trailer-no title-; sears garden tractor; Toro 120 grounds master commercial mower; wagon load of misc. tools; snow plow w/mount and pump; PTO generator; round calf hut; pr. 18.x48 Firestone 23 degrees tires; pr. 380/85/34 tires; (4) 9.00x20 tires on 8 bolt wagon rims; Premier 8 ft. quick-attach snow box; west coast semi mirrors; pr. 7.50x16 3-rib tires; (3) new metal office desk;

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Poor Will

FROM PAGE 12B

so much so she decided one big yank wouldn't hurt worse. But it did.

I probably got a good spanking this time from my dad, as I deserved it. We always said that Mother switched us more often, but Dad did it the hardest.

Journal

The temporal countryside takes on its autumnal contours from the increasingly violent movements of the Earth's atmosphere as it tilts away from the sun.

Graphs of barometric pressure reveal many of the topographical patterns of the season. August's barometric configurations are slow and gentle like low, rolling dunes. Heat waves show up as wide plateaus. Thunderstorms are sharp, shallow troughs in the mellow waves of the atmospheric landscape.

At the close of Late Summer, the year has begun its ascent to the steep cliffs of December. By the end of September, the barometric waves are stronger; the high-pressure peaks become taller; the lows are deeper, with almost every valley bringing rain.

Tapering floral sequences and the gradual surge of leaf turn occur amid the diminishing prairie of Early Fall. From the broad barometric lowland of warmth with its six months of birdsong and its hundred days of insect calls, the Sun pulls the land up into the foothills of the year where asters and goldenrod bloom and where trees are gold and red.

But then Late Fall is the rough piedmont of another country, stripping foliage, putting buds into dormancy, burning away the undergrowth and revealing the dark hillsides. At the start of Early Winter, December's great range of cold and snow fills the horizon. Beyond it lies another immense upland, the frigid, high plateau of Deep Winter in which nothing ever seems to grow or change until the ground crumbles and gives way, shattered by thaws, and time tumbles down into the sudden, stormy gorge of March.

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DUMP TRUCK, SKID STEER, TRACTORS, VEHICLES

2005 I.H.C. 5600 tri-axle dump truck Cummins ISL eng., 8LL trans., 16 ft. bed w/power tarp 520,000 mi.-nice truck!; 2004 Case 70XT skid steer 5 ft. bucket 1700 hrs.-nice; J.D. 750 diesel tractor w.f., 3 pt., 841-one owner hrs.-nice; Ford 600 gas tractor w.f., 3 pt., good tires-nice; 2010 Dodge Charger SXT 3.5 L. H.O. red, rear spoiler, all power, 147,500 mi.-nice; 1999 Ford F-350 7.3 L. diesel, new trans., s.r.w. 4x4, flatbed w/g-neck, work lights, new tires, Curtis snow plow, Meyer salt box-sharp; 2005 Honda Odyssey van, leather, all power runs/looks good 214,000 mi.; Woods Dixie Cutter MD160 5 ft. bushhog; 3 pt. 5 ft. grader blade; **Also Selling:** Tools, Shop Items, Lawn and Garden Items, Video Arcade Machines, Workout Equip., Furniture **Seller:** Bill and Sherry May

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BULLDOZER, SKID STEERS, MINI EXCAVATOR, TELEHANDLER

J.D. 650H bulldozer 6338 hrs. 6 way blade-runs good; 2018 J.D. 333G skid steer 7 ft. bucket, rubber tracks, 700 hrs. c.a.h.-nice; 2015 J.D. 333E skid steer 7 ft. bucket, rubber tracks, 726 hrs., c.a.h.; 2014 J.D. 27D mini excavator rubber tracks 2122 hrs. 1 & 2 ft. buckets, hyd. thumb-runs good; 2007 JCB 506C telehandler diesel, good tires showing 767 hrs.;

TRUCKS, G-NECK TRAILER, CAMPER, UTV

2015 Dodge 4500 Cummins diesel truck 88,000 mi. reg. cab, steel flatbed; 1993 Ford L8000 tandem axle dump truck diesel, 10 spd., good tires, 14 ft. bed; 2014 Big Tex g-neck trailer 35+5, 48 in. spread axle; 1987 Forest River Wildcat 28 ft. pull type camper; Benche UTV-needs work **Seller:** State of Indiana-Van Willis, Receiver for Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita

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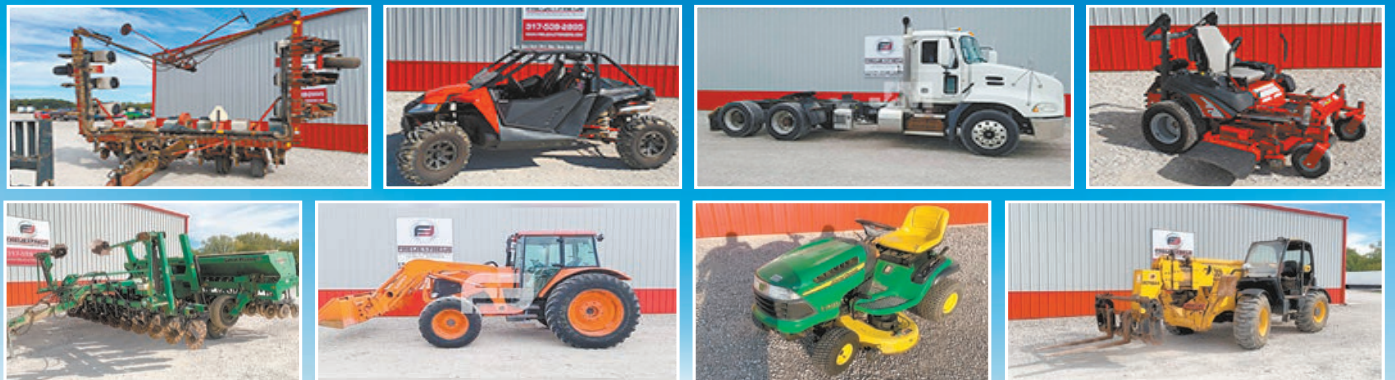
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8 @ 5:30 PM

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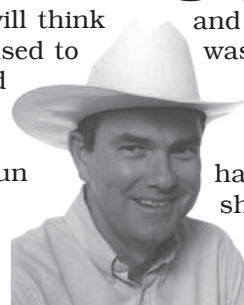
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Cattlemen's confession to a sheep-raising past

I know many cattlemen will think and purebred flocks. One time I less of me but I confess, I used to was called to shear a bunch of raise sheep. Oh sure, I raised hogs." Years ago, the term cattle too but that was for "hog" was used to describe a respectability, the sheep I sheep older than a lamb that raised to make a buck. (Pun had never been shorn. I hated intended.) shearing hogs because the fleece



It's THE PITTS By Lee Pitts


It's hard to exaggerate cattlemen's traditional hatred for the woolly things. They used to say that "everything in front of a sheep is eaten and everything behind is killed." They also said that "there's nothing dumber than sheep except the man that raised them."

I must be pretty stupid because I raised them for a long time and enjoyed it. Ranchers believed that if their cows were exposed to sheep for long periods, they noticed the intellect of their cows and their cowboys would be decreased. Maybe that's why Charles Russell hated them so. When Charlie left St Louis for Montana, he tried to find work on a cattle ranch but finding none he signed on with a sheep outfit and only lasted two weeks. It left such a bad taste that in all of the 3,500 works of art that Charlie produced there's not a sheep in any of them!

Historically, cattlemen believed that sheep had a gland between their hooves that exuded a substance that sterilized the ground. They even thought that cattle would refuse to go on to a pasture previously grazed by sheep. I've found this to be patently false. As long as I didn't let the herd, or the flock, stay in one place too long, I found that my very best grazing was on the land where I'd previously run the two together. I became a believer that "whatever the hoof of sheep touches turns to gold." That's why many old ranchers called their sheep "Mortgage Lifters" and I admit there were many years we wouldn't have shown a profit without the sheep.

We know ranchers hated sheepherders but do cows hate sheep? There was only one time that I saw even the faintest hostility between sheep and cattle. I used to shear a lot of sheep in my younger years, mostly small commercial and I had to suffer some sexist jokes. I also had to import ropers to get my calves worked and even then I had to hide the sheep and any paraphernalia I used to raise them. There was a scare one year when an imported roper thought he saw some sheep manure, but I told him the pellets were from the giant jackrabbits that roamed the area. He fell for it hook, line and sinker. I figured his mental capacity must have been reduced from possibly hanging around sheep in the past.


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CLEVER FARMS EQUIPMENT AUCTION

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD AT 10:30AM

13676 Foundation Road, Croton, Ohio 43013



EQUIPMENT INSPECTION:
Sat., Nov. 27th, 9 AM-12 NOON

AUCTION DIRECTIONS: From Sunbury, OH Take State Route 36 east 4 miles to Meredith State Road. Take a slight right turn on Meredith State Road and travel 1.7 miles to North County Line Road. Turn right onto North County Line Road and travel 1 mile to Foundation Road. Turn left on Foundation Road and travel to the auction site. From Johnstown, OH Take State Route 37 west 3 miles to Clover Valley Road. Turn right (north) on Clover Valley Road and travel 5 miles to Foundation Road. Turn left onto Foundation Road and travel approximately 2 miles to auction site.

TRACTORS
John Deere 8230 tractor, MFWD, 480 / 80 R 50 tires & duals, rear wts, 420 / 85 R 34 front tires & duals, 3 pt, 1000 pto, 4 hyd remotes, front wts, 5104 hrs, SN RW8230P017710
John Deere 7730 tractor, MFWD, 18.4 R 42 tires & duals, 380 / 85 R 34, front tires, 3 pt, 540 pto, 3 hyd remotes, front wts, 2786 hrs, SN RW7730D008062
John Deere 7200 R tractor, MFWD, 380 / 90 R 50 tires & duals, 380 / 85 R 34 front tires, 3 pt, pto, 3 hyd remotes, 3376 hrs, SN L06415D546090
John Deere 6415 tractor, 18.4 / 34 tires, 3pt, 540 pto, 3 hyd remotes, 3,076 hrs, SN L06415D546090
John Deere 6110L tractor, MFWD, 420 / 85 R 30 tires, 320 / 85 R 24 fronts, 3 pt, 540 pto, 2 hyd remotes, sells w/ JD 640 loader w/ 7' bucket, 2120 hrs, SN L06110V236407
John Deere 3020 tractor, diesel, narrow front, 16.9-34 tires, 3 pt, 2 hyd remotes, 540 pto, shows 4768 hrs, SN T113R084943R

PLANTING & TILLAGE
15' John Deere 1590 no-till drill, elec rate controller, 7 ½" spacing, markers, wired for monitor, SN 1N01590XJD775169
Kinze 3600 8 row x 36" planter, single disc, 2x2 fert, in furrow Keeton fert, no-till, ground drive pump, insecticide
21' 9" John Deere 2310 mulch finisher, hyd fold, 5 bar harrow, walking tandems
18' Sunflower 1232 disc, Rock Flex, 9" spacing, rear hitch, hyd fold
Blue Jet 28% applicator, 7-knife x 36", 500 gal tank, ground drive pump
10' John Deere 950 cultimulcher
13-shank International disc chisel
2 row planter, ground drive, 3 pt

HARVEST
Case International 6130 AFS Axial-Flow combine, 900/60 R 32 drive tires, 540/ 65 R 30 rear tires, 4x4, bin ext, specialty rotor, 2246 eng hrs, 1558 rotor hrs, SN YCG009032
Case International 3406 6x36" row corn head, poly, knife rolls, single point hook up, SN Y95019275
26' EZ Trail 680 header cart, 20.5 x 3.0-10 tires
35' Case International 2162 draper head, single point hook up, fore & aft reel, SN YCZ17893
36' J & M header cart, lights, ST 225/75 D 15 tires
Killbros 1160 grain cart, corner auger, 24.5-32 tires, lights, scales, 1000 pto, roll tarp
10" x 62' GSI grain auger, hyd raise, top drive 540 pto
10" x 62' Hutchinson grain auger, hyd raise, top drive, 540 pto
10" x 31' Hutchinson unload auger, manual raise w/ electric single phase motor
8" x 50' grain auger, top drive 540 pto, manual lift
Unverferth 2750 Seed Runner seed cart w/ belt conveyor, tandem axle, double hopper, Digi-Star scale, Honda CX 390 power unit, SN D61920109
Killbros 350 gravity bed wagon
(4) 275 bushel Unverferth gravity bed wagon, 12.5 L 15 tires
Killbros 500 bushel gravity bed wagon, dble door/dble compartment, 10.00-20 tires

(3) 300 bushel gravity bed wagon, 12.5 L 15 tires
 (3) Unverferth GB 325 gravity bed wagon, 16.5 L 16 tires

TRUCKS
1981 International S1700 grain truck w/ 15 ½' bed & hoist, 9.00-20 tires, 5 speed hi-lo, gas engine, 122,397 miles
1994 Ford F700 grain truck w/ 15 ½' bed & hoist, 10 R 22.5 tires, 5 speed hi-lo, gas engine, 100,088 miles
2002 Ford F750 XL Super Duty grain truck w/ 16' bed & hoist, aluminum, 11 R 22.5 tires, 6 speed, roll tarp, CAT diesel engine, 184, 245 miles
2004 Freightliner single axle grain truck, new motor, 252,600 miles, automatic transmission, 16ft. aluminum bed & hoist, roll tarp, VIN 1FVACXDC74HN25142
2012 Ford F350 XLT Super Duty truck, Power Struck, dually, automatic, diesel, 120,388 miles
2017 Mortz 20 + 5 gooseneck trailer, 8' wide, FH series, tandem axle, single wheel, 3 ramps, dble jack, SN 4WXG-F332XH1031025


MISC. SEED EQUIPMENT
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Hagie 472 Tassle puller, 4x4, hyd, Ford engine
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 Pallet scales
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BISEL FARM ESTATE AUCTION

(DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING)

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2021 @ 9:30 AM

LOCATED: 4650 ROME SOUTH RD. (RICHLAND CO.), SHELBY, OH 44875

8mi. E. of Shelby on S.R. 96 to Rome S. Rd., 8mi. S.E. of Shiloh, 12mi. W. of Ashland (Higgins Auction signs off of S.R. 96 and 13.)

Estate of Charles E. Bisel Irrevocable Living Trust. Mr. Bisel was a lifelong farmer passing at 88 years old. He had enjoyed farming with his brothers Richard and Duane. A good old fashion down on the farm live public auction with NO BUYER'S PREMIUM!

AUCTION ORDER: Starting on antiques & shop items for approx. 1 hour. then to equipment. loading available.

TRACTORS- SKID LOADER- ETC.: '71 JD 4520 w/ cab., Turbo, 2 hyds., front wts., 20.8-38 radials, 6343 hrs. showing, less than 1,000 hrs. on rebuilt motor & rear end, SN: 007760.; JD 3020D, N/F, Turbo, 2 hyds., 38" rears, syncro, less than 1,000 hrs. on rebuilt motor, SN: 111945; JD 2020G w/ 48 Q.T. loader 16.9-28 rears, Hi- lo trans., wheels wts., (shows 4,630 hrs) (true hours unknown) JD 60 G row crop, 3pt., 1 hyd., 300hrs. on rebuilt motor; 1950 JD B; 1940 Farmall M; Farmall H, 38" rears, older restoration w/ approx. 200 hrs. on rebuilt motor, SN: 101-202 (note: all tractors running with good rubber) JD 70 skid loader (2 cyc. Onan) 52"

bucket & manure forks (1 owner); (New) JD 3020 button clutch disk; Cat III quick hitch; JD wheel wts. **CRAWLER LOADER:** Cat D-4, 7U series dozer w/ front loader, pony motor (not running). **COMBINE- HEADS-PICKER:** JD 4420 dsl., chopper, cloth seat, 2450 hrs. used this fall; JD 213 grain head; JD 443 (4R-30) high tin cornhead; Oliver No. 5. 1 row pto. corn picker. **GRAVITY WAGONS- TILLAGE- PLANTERS- LIVE-STOCK & FARM EQUIP.- HAY- STRAW-FORAGE- GRAIN BINS- AUGER- FARM ANTIQUES- PRIMITIVES- BLACKSMITH ITEMS- SHOP TOOLS- ETC.- NEIGHBOR CONSIGNMENTS/**



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Mielke

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Market Analyst' cites three factors in the cheese price drop. "First, cheese backed up when the largest processed cheese manufacturer in the country suddenly shut down operations due to a cyberattack. Secondly, West Coast port conditions worsened significantly that week (at least according to our network) and this is likely resulting in cancellations in cheese export shipments. Thirdly, we are hearing about more supply chain shortages that are limiting cut and wrap producers' ability to manufacture."

The good news, according to the Analyst, is that "all three are very short-term. And with USA cheese prices as much as 75 cents cheaper than cheese in Europe and Oceania, probably won't last long."

HighGround Dairy's Lucas Fues stated that cheese has been the most volatile of our four main dairy products and blamed port congestion for all but shutting down exports as end users are hesitant to commit to product, not knowing when they will get it.

Butter sales are very strong, according to Central contacts. Retail and foodservice interest has increased, which was seasonally

expected, says DMN, and bulk butter prices have increased, as supplies tighten. Butter plant managers say employee numbers have begun to improve. Time and training are expected to aid the labor shortage of the past year. Cream is reportedly tight and getting tighter. Market tones are healthy, with more bullish than bearish undertones.

Cream is available throughout the West though shipments continue to face delays due to a shortage of truck drivers. Food service demand for butter is strong and retail demand is strengthening, as customers prepare for the holidays. Exports are increasing. Some butter makers are, reportedly, running below capacity due to delayed deliveries of production supplies and labor shortages. Spot availability of butter is limited, as demand continues to outpace production.

The "Restaurant SmartBrief" reports "Menu prices at U.S. limited-service eateries surged 7.1% last month over October 2020 and full-service eateries saw an increase of 5.9%, both record jumps, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Consumer demand for restaurant meals has remained strong, indicating that people are willing to pay the higher prices." Restaurants are vital customers of dairy products, especially cheese and butter.

BLACK FRIDAY AUCTION

Friday, November 26 • 10am CST
Dixon's Auction House, 8621 Hwy. 37, Tell City, IN



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Single Axle Open Flat Bed Trailer
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This is just a partial list. See More Photos Online!

TERMS: Statements day of sale take precedence over any printed material.

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★ PHILIP AND PAMELA JENNINGS RETIREMENT FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION

SHELburn, INDIANA (18 MI. SOUTH OF TERRE HAUTE)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021 @ 10:00 AM EST

LOCATION: 8046 N Co Rd 75W, Shelburn, IN 47879.

DIRECTIONS: From Shelburn and US 41 take St Rd 48 West 1¼ mile to Co Rd 75 W, turn north and proceed 1 mile to sale.

Phil is proud of his line of low houred machinery as he has kept it serviced, well maintained, and most items shedded.

For complete listing and 100's of photos visit bostoncentury.com

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★ **TRACTORS:** 2010 John Deere 9430, 4x4, bareback, 18/6 "PS", FS 710/70R42, 10-bolt duals, heavily weighted, (4) SCV's, diff. lock, Active Seat, Auto Trac ready incl "Plug-N-Play", CAT 4 draw bar, and more (only 2293 hrs, 425-hp); 2010 John Deere 9430, 4x4, bareback, 18/6 "PS", FS 710/70R42, 10-bolt duals, heavily weighted, (4) SCV's, diff. lock, Active Seat, Auto Trac ready incl "Plug-N-Play", CAT 4 draw bar, and more (only 2626-hrs, 425-hp); 2011 John Deere 9230, 4x4 w/3-pt, lg 1000-PTO, CAT 4/3N fast hitch, CAT 4 draw bar, 18/6 "PS", Michelin 480/80R50, 10-bolt duals, heavily weighted, "Heated Leather Seat", diff. lock, Auto Trac ready incl "Plug-N-Play", and more (only 3593-hrs, 325-hp, NOTE: just pulled planter and grain cart); 1995 John Deere 8100, 2WD w/CAH, 16/4 "PS", 18.4R46, 10-bolt duals, 3-pt, CAT 3/3N fast hitch, 1000-PTO, (3) SCV's, (20) front weights, (1) pr of rear weights, and more (only 3286-hrs, 160-PTO HP); 1980 John Deere 8640, 4x4 w/CAH, "Quad Range", 3-pt, fast hitch, (3) SCV's, 1000-PTO, 20.8x38 duals, and a JD 12' front blade (7249-hrs, 275-hp); **UTILITY TRACTORS / SMALL EQUIP.:** 1976 MF 275 diesel utility w/3-pt, PTO, (2) SCV's, 16.9-28 rubber (4966-hrs, 68-pto hp); 1958 MF 65 gas utility w/3-pt, live PTO, 14.9-28 rubber; 3-pt, 2-bott. and 3-bott. plows; MF 1-sh subsoiler; MF 6', 3-pt blade.

COMBINE and HEADS: 2013 John Deere S680 Corn Combine, 4x4, "Contour Master" w/power bin ext, 7.9M auger, Auto Trac Ready / Harvest monitor, Tristream rotor XTD wear, GS3 touch screen 7" color display, Pro Drive trans w/Harvest Smart, Command Touch multi speed drive, round bar concave, FS 520/85R-42, 10-bolt duals, rear Michelin 750/65R26'S, updated 2-spd chopper, Premium cab (only 1187 / 1629 hrs); 2019 John Deere 735FD, 35' "Hydra Flex" Flex Draper head w/flip over reel (1-owner, has only been over 2000 acs); 2013 John Deere 608C, 8R30 cornhead, single point, hyd deck plates, knife rolls, "Row Sense", (3) sensor header control (1-owner, 6000 acs); Unverferth HT36 head carrier; JD 8R corn head carrier; Meteer 8R down corn reel.

JOHN DEERE TECHNOLOGY (latest software installed): StarFire 3000 receiver (SF II ready); (2) StarFire 3000 receivers (SF I); Green Star 3, 2630 display (SF II Auto Trac, GS 3 "Row Sense"); Green Star 3, 2630 display (SF II Auto Trac); Green Star 2, 1800 display (SF II Auto Trac).

MISC. (partial listing): New Landoll Tillol 86" W wing section beater; cement forms for upto 48' dia grain bin floor; 110-gal p.u. fuel tank w/pump; heavy log chains; ratchet binders; tractor and truck tires; 500-gal poly tank; good 1-ph elec motors upto 2-hp; new Sotera 12-V liquid pump; and much more!

For information regarding the equipment, contact Phil Jennings @ (812) 249-5755 or Jeff Boston @ (812) 382-4440.

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Above: Tractors outside of Beckman High School.

Highlights from the National Farm Toy Show

DYERSVILLE, Iowa - Toy collectors headed to Iowa for the National Farm Toy Show, Nov. 5-7, in Dyersville. The show was again in Beckman High School and the auditorium at the National Farm Toy Museum and Commercial Park.

While gas prices were a bit higher this year, the weather couldn't have been better. Balmy weather made brisk sales for outside vendors who said they had great sales during the event that kicked off before the indoor event opened at 5 p.m. on Friday afternoon.

This was the 44th year for the National Farm Toy Show. This year's National Farm Toy Hall of Farm inductee was Neil Fisher, a collector from Winston-Salem, N.C. The national farm toy for this year's show was the John Deere 3010.



WRENCHING TALES
By Cindy Ladage

Due to supply chain issues, the toy was not available for pick up at the show and will be delivered with a small up charge.

As always, there were new things to see at the show. The 2021 show brought an updated farm toy price guide. Another new item available was vendor Lee Friesen's farm book for kids, *If A Farmer Gets A Pickup*, a story about a farmer who buys a truck and all the purchases it led to from there. Lee said, "It is a circular tale about a farmer that gets a new-to-him pickup up and one piece of equipment leads to another."

Friesen, who lives on a farm outside of Olivet, S.D., raises cattle, sheep and goats and knows firsthand the story he wrote. In fact, he said that adults have enjoyed the tale of how one

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Wrenching

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piece of equipment leads to another almost as much as children. Besides the educational aspect about farming, each page has a rubber chicken that kids enjoy trying to find. This is a great Christmas present to add to the family farm. The artwork is done by Varton Ter-Avanesyan. The book is \$12.99 and may be purchased at www.ifafarmergetsapickup.com. The website also has activities for children.

Each year at the National Farm Toy Show, farm layouts are part of the Saturday morning line up. This year, Marvin Errthum's brought a beautiful John Deere 420 crawler that his children and grandchildren built for him. They created this amazing machine for his 75th birthday before COVID-19. Marvin was proud of the lovely machine and brought it to the show to display. "I went to a toy show and was going to bid on a crawler. It went too high, so

the kids' bells started ringing," he said about the idea they came up with to build the amazing model.

Darryl Cox created an amazing display of cotton and the John Deere machinery that accompanies it. Several other displays were also quite eye catching. Machinery was everywhere at the show, even a few salesman samples were found, such as a grain elevator that had been in personal collection for years, as well as a combine salesman sample.

Dyersville, besides the show itself, also has many draws. Vendors had tents filled with toys, literature and memorabilia. Downtown is the beautiful Basilica and the Dyer Botsford House Doll Museum. One new addition to the Dyersville area is the cool Textile Brewing Company. This former textile factory offers food and locally made beer and hard cider.

The farm toy hobby was going strong at the National Farm Toy Show. This is the kick-off to the farm toy show season that gets rolling as the snow flies.



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