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Michigan, Ohio latest states to find HPAI in dairy herds

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LANSING, Mich. – Dairy herds are now being affected by highly-pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). While the first detections of the disease in cattle happened in Texas, it has now been detected in Michigan and Ohio according to the USDA. Both the FDA and USDA say there are no concerns with the safety of the commercial milk supply because products are pasteurized before entering the market. Dairies are required to send only milk from healthy animals into processing for human consumption; milk from impacted animals is being diverted or destroyed so that it does not enter the human food supply.

As of press time HPAI has been confirmed in seven dairy herds in Texas, two in Kansas, one in Idaho, one in Michigan, and one in New Mexico, and one in Ohio.

On April 3, the Ohio Department of Agriculture received confirmation of HPAI in a Wood County, Ohio, dairy cattle herd. Tim Boring, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development director, announced March 29 the detection of the virus in a dairy herd from Montcalm County, Mich.

Both herds had received cattle from Texas dairy herds prior to their outbreaks.

The USDA's National Veterinary Services Laboratories said it confirmed the strain of the virus found in Michigan is very similar to the strain confirmed in Texas and Kansas that appears to have been introduced by wild birds.

"Our highest priorities at the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development remain protecting our food supply and ensuring animal health," Boring said.

On April 2, Tennessee's State Veterinarian Samantha Beaty ordered a movement restriction on dairy cattle coming to the state from the affected premises. The order will expire May 3 unless it's extended or rescinded.

According to the USDA, HPAI is a highly contagious virus that can be spread directly by infected wild birds/animals or indirectly through any item that has been exposed to the virus, such as equipment, feed, or the clothing and shoes of caretakers.

Jennifer Holton, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development communications director, told

Farm World, "The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development continues to urge farmers and producers to implement, follow and heighten biosecurity measures to protect the health of their animals. Reducing the potential risk for introducing HPAI is paramount."

In dairy cows, the illness causes decreased milk production, low appetite, changes in manure consistency, thickened milk, and low-grade fever.

On April 1, the CDC confirmed a person in Texas tested positive for HPAI following exposure to affected cattle; the individual's illness is mild, and they are recovering. This is only the second case of H5N1 bird flu in the United States; the first was in a poultry worker in Colorado in 2022.

The CDC added the person in Texas worked with dairy cows and stated this would be the first instance of cow-to-human spread of bird flu. The USDA, however, said initial testing has not found changes to the virus that would make it more transmissible to humans.

Denise Derrer Spears, Indiana State Board of Animal Health public information director, told Farm World, "Currently, Indiana has no known cases of HPAI in cattle. The Indiana State Board of Animal Health has been communicating with producers and veterinarians about biosecurity and prevention steps.

"The board has advised producers to be vigilant in watching for the main clinical signs and, if recognized, contact the herd veterinarian for testing," she added. "The board has not made any changes to import or movement requirements for cattle."

Matt Ernst, state veterinarian at the Illinois Department of Agriculture, told Farm World, "The detection of highly-pathogenic avian influenza in dairy cattle is a rapidly evolving event.

"The Illinois Department of Agriculture has not received any reports of suspected cases in dairy herds in the state," he said. "We continue to encourage dairy producers to closely monitor their herds for signs of disease in individual animals and the herd as a whole."

He said good biosecurity practices are an important component of livestock management: "We continually stress the need for on-the-farm biosecurity plans for each operation. When new stock is obtained, the animals

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Above: 18-month-old Daisie Livers was enthralled when her he dad recently moved some cattle. Photo by Kelsey Livers. Have a great photo of life on your farm? You can share it with readers by emailing the photo to connie@farmworldonline.com

The USDA's Farmers.gov local dashboard available nationwide

By **Michele F. Mihaljevich**
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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Farmers nationwide now have access to the USDA's Farmers.gov local dashboard, which includes information such as commodity prices and weather forecasts at the state and county level.

Ten states – including Indiana and Ohio – were added in a local dashboard expansion on April 1. Iowa, which served as a pilot for the program in January 2023, was also added. The other 40 states were added in October 2023.

The local dashboard program allows producers to access farming data and USDA resources, according to the agency.

Farmers do not need to register to access the site, said Kris Vance, state public affairs specialist for the Indiana office of the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service. Producers may find the dashboard for their state and county at www.farmers.gov/dashboard.

"(USDA) created the Farmers.gov local dashboard to provide farm-

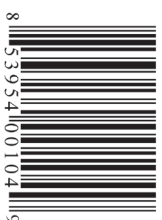
er-focused data sets and resources from USDA and other government agencies in a single place so farmers can easily access materials that they may need as they run their farm operation," Vance told Farm World. "They also transformed some of the complex data sets into easy-to-read charts and graphs to help farmers quickly find and analyze information that matters."

The other states added April 1 were Alaska, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Jersey and South Dakota.

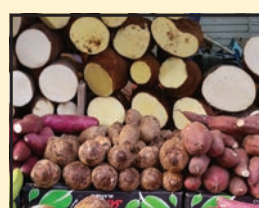
Daily and weekly prices for select commodities are available on the dashboard. For example, corn and soybean data is available for some states, including Indiana and Ohio. Pricing for whole chicken and chicken parts is available for Alaska, Massachusetts and New Jersey. Corn and wheat pricing is available for Kansas.

At first, the goal of the dashboard was to provide at least one commodity price per state, so USDA focused on the top commodity in each state,

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need to be strictly isolated away from resident animals and monitored for signs of disease. A 30-day isolation period is a good rule of thumb.”

Steve Velasco, state veterinarian at the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, told Farm World, “At the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, we are monitoring the situation of HPAI detected in dairy cattle very closely. We are recommending heightened biosecurity measures at all dairies in Kentucky.

“Dairy cattle originating from states with affected herds as described on our website shall require a Kentucky Department of Agriculture Office of State Veterinarian-issued permit prior to movement into the Commonwealth of Kentucky until further notice,” he added. “Our goal is to protect our livestock and our agriculture industry will remain a top priority.”

The FDA said pasteurization has continually proven to inactivate bacteria and viruses, like influenza, in milk. The FDA’s longstanding position is that unpasteurized, raw milk can har-

bor dangerous microorganisms that can pose serious health risks to consumers.

The FDA is reminding consumers of the risks associated with raw milk consumption in light of the HPAI detections. Pasteurization is required for any milk entering interstate commerce for human consumption.

The USDA’s Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service said anyone working directly with cattle that have tested positive or fit the case profile and experience flu-like symptoms, should consult their physician. Human cases of influenza must be confirmed with testing; they cannot be diagnosed based on symptoms alone.

At this time, impacted herds do not appear to be experiencing mortalities associated with this disease syndrome, the USDA said. In impacted herds, approximately 10 percent of cattle are affected, with most cases being mid- to late-lactation mature cows.

The USDA added that impacted herds are experiencing an approximately 10 to 20 percent reduction in milk production for a 14- to 21-day period. Currently, dry cows, fresh cows, heifers and calves do not appear to be affected.



Above: As of press time, seven states have confirmed cases of HPAI in older dairy cattle. (photo courtesy of the American Veterinary Medical Association).

Dashboard

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according to an agency spokesperson. “Now that we have met our initial goal and have dashboards for all 50 states, we can do more research to look into adding additional commodities for states,” the spokesperson said.

Dashboards for Washington, D.C., and territories will be added in the next few months, according to the spokesperson.

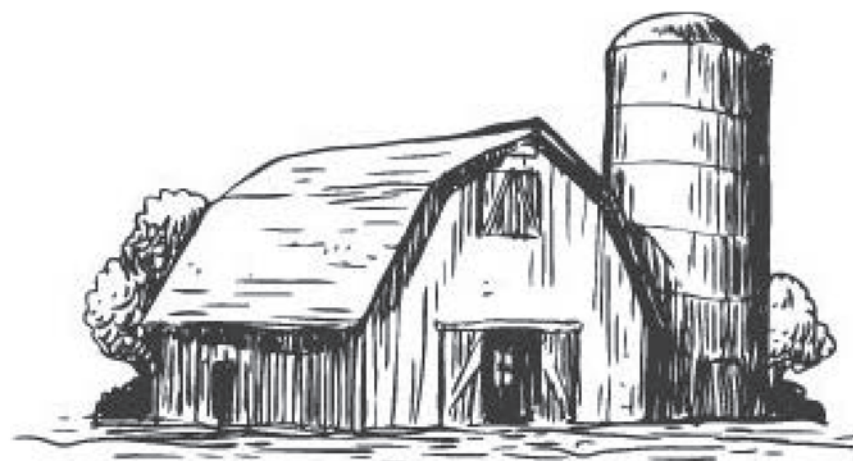
Also available on the dashboard is historical climate data, and information on droughts and past storm events. USDA service center contact information and additional state resources may be found there.

The spokesperson said initial-

ly, decisions on what to include on the dashboard were made based on Farmers.gov search data and discussions with leadership – the Farmers.gov product owner and business owner. Service center staff were also interviewed. The spokesperson said USDA can use the data from its analytics and feedback from user surveys that it has been gathering since the Iowa pilot was launched.

Vance said, “Over the past year, (USDA) received and reviewed all of the feedback on how to expand and improve the dashboard. Based on the responses, they are planning new features and updates to the dashboard to better meet farmers’ needs. They’ve also made a number of fixes and adjustments to the existing features as a result of farmer feedback.”

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Featured Farmers named for 2024 Indiana State Fair

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana State Fair and Corteva Agriscience have named the 2024 Featured Farmers that will be honored at this year's Indiana State Fair. In its ninth year,

this popular program celebrates and helps put a face on Hoosier agriculture by connecting consumers with fellow Hoosiers who grow the food they eat. These 15 farm operations repre-

sent a variety of regions through the state, showcasing different agricultural products and stories throughout the 15-day fair, Aug. 2-18 (closed Mondays).

"Our mission at the Indiana State Fair is rooted in agriculture and connecting our fairgoers to the farmers feeding the world. We are proud of our Featured Farmer program and excited to unveil our 2024 honorees," said Cindy Hoye, executive director of the Indiana State Fair Commission. "These farmers have incredible stories to tell, and we are grateful to celebrate them with our partners at Corteva Agriscience."

Fair visitors can attend a live chat at 2:30 p.m. in the Glass Barn with a Featured Farmer every day of the fair, in addition to many other opportunities to talk with that day's Featured Farm family and learn about their family operation. To learn more about the farmers, visit IndianaStateFair.com.

"The Indiana State Fair is the perfect place for fairgoers who are also consumers to meet Indiana farmers from across the state who dedicate their lives to feeding all of us. We are pleased to once again make this connection happen through the Featured Farmers program which is in its ninth year. At Corteva Agriscience, we are committed to enriching lives and helping farmers succeed," said Heidi Spahn, corporate and community investment leader for Corteva Agriscience.

Here is the complete list of featured

farmers, farm products and their home counties:

- Aug. 2 – Scarborough Farms (Soybeans), Laporte County
- Aug. 3 – Paschen Farms Inc. (Pork), Cass County
- Aug. 4 – Howe Farms (Beef, Pork, Hops), Lake County
- Aug. 6 – Lueken Dairy Farm (Dairy), Dubois County
- Aug. 7 – Celtic Glen Heritage Livestock (Beef Cattle, Goats, Sheep, Rabbits), Owen County
- Aug. 8 – Union Go Dairy (Dairy), Randolph County
- Aug. 9 – Blue Yonder Organic Farm (Organic Certified Farm Fresh Products), Hendricks County
- Aug. 10 – Kirk Hoffman & Family Farms (Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, Forage Production, Maple Syrup), Whitley County
- Aug. 11 – Fair Farms and Produce (Farm Fresh Produce), Hancock County
- Aug. 13 – Advanced Resources Inc. (Seed Corn, Seed Beans), Wabash County
- Aug. 14 – DDH Farms (Corn, Soybeans), Randolph County
- Aug. 15 – Winzerwald Winery (grapes, wine), Perry County
- Aug. 16 – Tree City Bee Company (Honey Drink, Honey, Bees), Decatur County
- Aug. 17 – Everett Farms and Seed (Corn), Boone County
- Aug. 18 – 550 Wagyu (Beef), Tippecanoe County

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Study looks at different ways agriculture accidents are collected

By **TIM ALEXANDER**
Illinois Correspondent

URBANA, Ill.— The lack of a central source of reliable data regarding the reporting of on-farm accidents and fatalities has always been a source of frustration for those who work to reduce agricultural injuries. Though larger farms with more than 10 employees are required to report workplace injuries to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), mishaps on smaller farms often go largely unreported.

A pair of new reports issued by the University of Illinois provide a systematic overview of grassroots sources for agricultural injury reports and identify alternate sources of reporting outside of mandatory OSHA notifications. The sources included newspaper clippings, surveys, death certificates, hospital records, emergency medical service data and other reports.

The first study, which involved a review of 48 academic reports published in the United States and Canada between 1985 and 2022, found that vehicles (including tractors and ATVs) were the most common source of injury, with over 55,000 reported cases, as well as farm-related fatalities.

"We will be publishing our full 2023 study results probably sometime in May," said Salah Issa, Illinois Extension specialist and assistant professor in the U of I Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE). Issa came to Urbana after earning his Ph.D at Purdue University under Dr. William Fields, who leads Purdue's independent surveillance of annual farm accident reports in Indiana.

"The question I was trying to answer with lead author Sihan Li was how to differentiate this Illinois study from previous studies in order to get a total picture. Depending on the surveillance system overall, you do have a very different distribution of injuries, to say the least. For example, with death certificates around one-third of our cases come from vehicles, and another third from farm related machinery. If you look at surveys the two areas with the most cases reported involved structures and surfaces, and incidents involving animals," Issa said.

In addition, newspaper clippings are around 70 percent devoted to reporting farm injuries and deaths involving confined spaces, such as grain bins, and other structures and surfaces, according to Li and Issa's research. "When we did our own survey of Illinois, we noticed that you can see where each surveillance system seems to have a different focus area and they produce data depending on where their focus is. To develop a comprehensive solution, we cannot depend on just one source," Issa said.

The study also found that ages of farm accident victims varied by surveillance method, with newspaper clippings skewed to younger victims (22 percent of incidents) and death certificates leaning towards older victims (30 percent over 65).

For the second study, researchers including doctoral student and lead author Mian Muhammad Sajid Raza reviewed 69 articles from 17 countries in North America, Europe, and Asia, including the U.S., Canada, Turkey, India, Pakistan, Austria, Italy and others. The main data sources identified in these studies were hospital records, followed by surveys, government records (including death certificates), insurance claims and multiple other sources.

"We took a slightly different approach with our global report. Since the vast majority of reports involved farm machinery, including tractors, we looked for trends and divergences. Not surprisingly, tractors were the number one cause of injury regardless of region," said Issa.

"However, the numbers two and three

Right: University of Illinois researchers recently reviewed U.S. and global literature on agricultural injuries. (University of Illinois College of ABE photo)

were divergent. In America, ATVs are number three but are rarely mentioned in Asia. Also in Asia there were a significant number of injuries involving harvest machinery, like threshers and forage cutters. Each region has a different way to collect data, and newspaper clippings seem to be an American news phenomenon. You see more insurance data reported and published in both Asia and Europe."

In conclusion, Issa said taken collectively the reports illustrate that farm injuries are a global concern that occur far too frequently. "By industry, the highest rate of injury still occurs in agriculture according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Farm machinery and vehicles are overall one of the largest sources of injuries, and we're really interested to see if that trend holds globally. Cases are being missed because different regions use different (tracking) methods," Issa said, adding that understanding the nature and source of injuries is important for developing educational programs and interventions.

Both papers, "Agricultural Injury Surveillance in the United States and Canada: A Systematic Literature Review" and "Global Patterns of Agricultural Machine and Equipment Injuries- A Systematic Literature Review" are published in the Journal of Agromedicine.






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March planting report verifies less corn will be planted

The March planting intentions report verified corn plantings will fall in the United States this year at a greater volume than trade was expecting. U.S. farmers are now forecast to seed 90 million acres of corn this year, well below last year's 94.6 million. Trade was expecting to see a number closer to 91.8 million acres, and in the Ag Outlook Forum, acres were projected at 91 million. Soybean acres came in nearly equal to trade guesses at 86.5 million, up from last year's 83.6 million. Total wheat acres at projected at 47.5 million, just above the average trade guess, but down from last year's 49.58 million acres.

The quarterly stocks data was mostly as expected. On March 1, the United States had 8.35 billion bu of corn in storage, just under the average trade estimate, but 13 percent above last year's 7.4 bbu. Soybean stocks on March 1 totaled 1.85 bbu, up 9 percent from last year's 1.69 bbu. Wheat stocks were just above trade guesses at 1.09 bbu, an increase of 16 percent from last year's 941 million bu. On farm bushels are up 24 percent from last year on corn and soybeans and 20 percent higher on wheat.

Prior to these USDA reports, Stats Canada released its 2024 acreage estimates. Total wheat acreage in Canada

for 2024 is projected at 27.04 million, nearly unchanged from last year when a slight reduction had been forecast. Canola plantings are forecast at 21.39 million, a 3.1 percent decline from 2023. Soybean plantings are forecast to decrease 1 percent to 5.58 million. Corn for grain acreage is expected to increase 1.6 percent from 2023 to 3.89 million.

One of the most watched domestic numbers going into the April supply and demand report is wheat balance sheets. For several months we have seen U.S. wheat carryout estimates shrink due to production issues, mainly excessive moisture in the North-

ern Plains and drought in the Southern Plains. These conditions have remedied themselves and production outlooks are starting to increase.

At the same time, the United States has seen demand for its wheat fade. This is mainly from much cheaper wheat coming out of the Black Sea, primarily from Russia. Ukraine is also offering wheat at a discount to the U.S. This has taken importer interest away from the United States and led to China canceling several of its previous purchases. In March, the USDA predicted U.S. wheat exports of 710 million bu and ending stocks of 673 mbu. To see these numbers reverse in April would not come as a surprise.

We are seeing more interest in U.S. red meat exports. Our year-to-date beef exports currently total 484 million pounds, a 4.5 percent decline from last year's 497 million pounds of sales. Cumulative pork exports total 530.3 million pounds, down from last year's 551 million pounds. Overall red meat exports are down 1.8 percent on the year.

In the March balance sheets, the USDA projected 2024 beef exports of 2.785 billion pounds and pork exports of 7.13 billion pounds. This is a decline of 253 million pounds of beef from 2023, but an increase on pork exports of 312 million pounds. One reason for the decline to beef exports is the smaller U.S. cattle herd, but also from a 42 percent increase in Brazilian beef exports as importers lift restrictions following the suppliers last mad cow disease outbreak. One of these is China who has been a major U.S. beef buyer.

Chinese officials have released data that may have long-lasting implications for the global soybean market. According to Chinese sources, pork is now the main protein in just 39 percent of the country's diet. In 2014, pork was in 58 percent of diets across the country. As this trend continues to shift, China will likely start to consume less soy meal in feed rations. China has also seen its population decline in recent years and is now low enough that India is the world's most populated country. This is further impacting total food demand in China.

The Brazilian analytical firm AgroConsult wrapped up its Brazil soybean crop tour with surprising results. AgroConsult is pegging Brazil's soybean crop at 156.5 million mt, up 4.3 mmt from the group's last estimate. Brazil's soybean yields are going to be down 6.5 percent from last year, according to the firm, but high variability is being noted. Mato Grosso soybean production fell 16.8 percent this year from last, but production in Rio Grande do Sul was up 55 percent. The USDA last estimated the Brazil crop at an even 155 mmt.

The reason for the higher estimate from AgroConsult is acreage, as they claim plantings are 2.5 million acres more than other firms are using in balance sheets.

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John Deere 2440
Dsl., Loader, 3 Pt., PTO, Nice...
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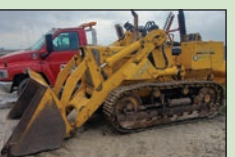
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Glencoe SF4300
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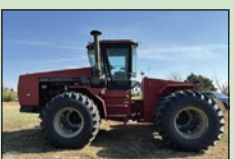
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2009 Hitachi Zaxis
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2008 Caterpillar 246C
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1991 Case IH 9270
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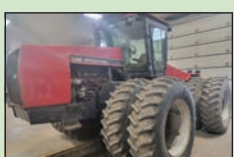
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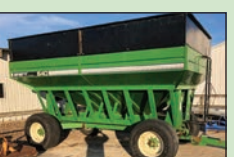
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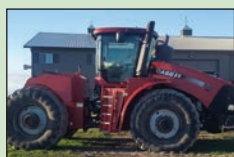
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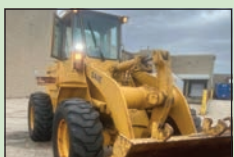
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CAH, PS, 4 Remotes, AG Drawbar...
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Cat 910,
ROPS, Dsl., PS Q-Cplr, Foam Filled Tires...
\$6,450



2013 JD 1770, 24-30,
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Ohio Farm Bureau members talk ag with state legislators

Mike Tanchevski
Ohio Correspondent

Columbus, Ohio — Over five hundred Ohio Farm Bureau members, industry partners, and state legislators gathered at the Capital for the 2024 edition of AG Day. The annual event allowed agriculture stakeholders to meet with state-level policy-makers and discuss issues important to farmers and rural communities.

“Farm Bureau members come to the statehouse in Columbus and talk our legislators through priorities,” Evan Callicoat, Ohio Farm Bureau director of state policy said. “They’re mostly state policy-focused because we keep it general, it applies to federal legislation as well, but we get a little bit more into specifics on state issues.”

Farm Bureau members are briefed on the priority issues before AG Day conversations with legislators. In addition, depending on the budget cycle, members are encouraged to focus on discussing several key issues within the priorities. This year’s points of emphasis were eminent domain, land use, and property taxes.

“There’s a lot of conversation going

on around those three issues at the statehouse. It depends on what’s going on in someone’s area — we want them to talk about the issues that are local to them too,” Callicoat said.

Additional discussion topics included support for value-added products sourced from locally produced agriculture, improved access to healthcare, and grassroots advocacy.

Creating additional value for farmers includes promoting programs that support down-the-supply chain participation by Ohio producers to make the food system more resilient for farmers and consumers.

Additional value-added opportunities exist in using commodities in niche markets, like craft breweries, and distilleries.

According to the Ohio Craft Brewers Association, 44 craft breweries opened in 2023, increasing the total to 434, an all-time high. And the number of craft distilleries varies between 69-82, depending on the source. An industry that relies on grains and fruits produced on Ohio farms provides an added revenue source — one that the Ohio Farm Bureau advocates.

“We’re talking about craft beer, that industry has taken off and we’ve been very supportive of the craft beer and craft distilling industry as value-added products,” Callicoat said.

Continued advocacy for healthy rural communities through expanded telehealth networks, access to behavioral healthcare, and preventative healthcare programs for farmers and families is high on the list of priorities.

“We’re looking at this from a very holistic point of view. It means telehealth, it means mental health, it means just normal health care services,” Callicoat said.

Farmers and rural residents are not exempt from the stress of modern society and mental healthcare is sometimes difficult to access. Ohio Farm Bureau joined the Ohio Agricultural Mental Health Alliance last fall to help farmers manage mental health.

“Mental health is a huge part of building healthy rural communities,” Callicoat said. “Our members want us to get more involved in is kind of the health care space.”

During election years Farm Bureau staff get more involved with their members by sharing The Friend of

Agriculture designation, which recognizes the Ohio General Assembly and U.S. congressional candidates.

“This is a way for us to get ourselves on the ground and educate our grassroots members about certain candidates with open seat screenings,” Callicoat said. “We try to engage with them very, very heavily during the election cycle so they know who they’re voting for — that’s where we’re able to establish on the ground political education.”

Forging relationships with elected officials at all levels of government is an important piece of grassroots lobbying, the payoff follows the election.

“When things come up after elections our members are already interested — they already know what’s going on,” Callicoat said. “You never know when somebody’s going to go from a local office to a state office, or Congress — when we can have those relationships with legislators it helps us get what we need to get done.”



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Farm Foundation names latest Young Agri-Food Leaders cohort

OAK BROOK, Ill. – Farm Foundation, an accelerator of practical solutions for agriculture, is pleased to announce the 2024 Young Agri-Food Leaders cohort.

Farm Foundation Next Generation programs are unique in that they connect promising young leaders to a broad network of professionals, offering them a well-rounded view of every step of the food supply chain.

The Young Agri-Food Leaders program actively engages emerging leaders in food and agribusiness, from ages 25-40 years old, in a yearlong series of interactive learning and

networking experiences, focused on gaining a deeper understanding of the food and agriculture value chain. The program also hopes to help young professionals build a strong, enduring network of peers in business, farming and government.

This is the fourth cohort of Young Agri-Food Leaders since the program began in 2020. Participants are sponsored to attend events, engage in virtual conversations, and participate in exclusive learning and networking opportunities. Each participant is also connected with a senior agri-food mentor to aid in career growth and development. Young Agri-Food Leaders participate in a variety of Farm Foundation programming, including the chance to attend at least one Farm Foundation Round Table meeting.

The 2024 Young Agri-Food Leaders are: Kerri Boling McGee, Kraft Heinz. McGee is lead senior counsel in food law for Kraft Heinz, where she advises the company on a wide range of food and agricultural laws, regulations, and policy matters related to nutrition, food safety, and food labeling.

Crystal Corriolo, Bunge. Corriolo is the North American soybean trading manager for Bunge, a global agribusiness leader in delivering food, feed, and fuel to customers around the world. Her responsibilities include creating and executing risk management strategies for the company's North American soybean value chain.

Robbie Dye, Our Farms. Dye is the co-founder and CEO of Our Farms, an online retail marketplace featuring 20,000-plus American farms. With a mission to build a platform that represents the American farmer, the marketplace enables farmers through digital transformation, logistics services, and marketing support.

Shea Ishee, American Cotton Shippers Association. Ishee joined the American Cotton Shippers Association in June 2020, where she currently serves

as vice president. In the role, she oversees membership engagement, manages ACSA's political action committee activities, and assists in developing and implementing the association's strategic plan.

Evan King, Koch Agronomic Services. King works for Koch Agronomic Services in sales support and technical agronomy for six states. Prior to his current role, he worked for more than seven years in crop protection sales in eastern Kansas.

Michelle Klieger, Stratagem Consulting. Klieger is the president of Stratagem Consulting, a food and agricultural consulting firm. An economist and a business strategist, she works with the global seed industry, ag tech companies, conventional and non-conventional agriculture firms, and philanthropic foundations.

Sarah Klopatek, JBS. Klopatek currently serves as the chief livestock scientist with dual appointments on the North American and global sustainability teams at JBS. Specifically, Sarah works on livestock sustainability research, regenerative agriculture initiatives, life cycle assessment development, net zero initiatives, and animal welfare.

Nihreer Matani, OSI Group. Matani is OSI's supply chain senior manager overseeing and implementing OSI's strategy for raw material procurement. He assists brands in successfully introducing new products to the market.

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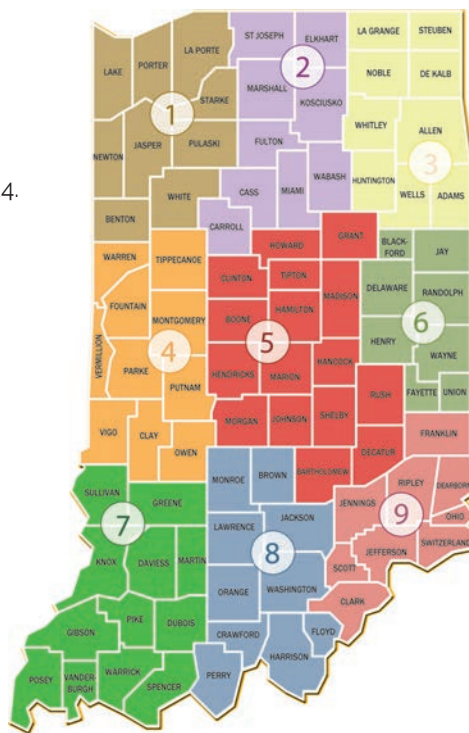
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Biofuels manufacturers can begin claiming carbon credits in 2025

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Iowa — U.S. biofuels manufacturers can begin claiming rebates of up to \$1 per gallon for clean transportation fuels in 2025 under environmental provisions included in the federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). This means that energy crop producers who become certified and register a low soil carbon intensity (CI) score will also be eligible to reap the windfall of the new 45Z Clean Fuel Production tax credits available via the IRA, according to Continuum Ag chief operating officer Brad McDonald, a self-described “opportunistic” crop and pig farmer from eastern Iowa.

“Carbon intensity is really the name of the game right now when it comes to how ethanol plants and the industry overall can lower their carbon intensity scores, and that is where the opportunity lies for us farmers,” McDonald said, during an April 4 Continuum Ag webinar that explored ways farmers can use regenerative agriculture practices to capitalize on lower carbon intensity scores.

For grain, standard CI is 29.1 grams of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions per megajoule (MJ) of energy. A CI rating of zero equates to carbon neutrality. To calculate a farm’s

CI score, the total carbon footprint is divided by the amount of production. This is called the GREET model, which was designed by Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois.

To qualify for premiums through processors under the upcoming 45Z tax credit, a farm’s grain CI must register 29.1 or less.

“Thanks to the Inflation Reduction Act, there is a value placed on a farm’s CI score. It enables fuel companies to earn tax credits, but they must lower their overall CI score below 50. Corn is just one component of what goes into ethanol, and it is known as scope three,” said McDonald. “There are two other scopes that can contribute to that score of 50, and those include (production facility) emissions and their own energy usage to run the plant. The easiest, fastest, most effective way for biofuels manufacturers to lower their score is by relying on farmers to certify their crops that are lower than their standard score, therefore reducing the carbon footprint of that ethanol or biofuel producer.”

Via the new 45Z tax credits, farmers — who often get a “bad rap” when it comes to their contributions to GHG levels — now have an opportunity to be “part of the solution” rather

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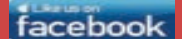
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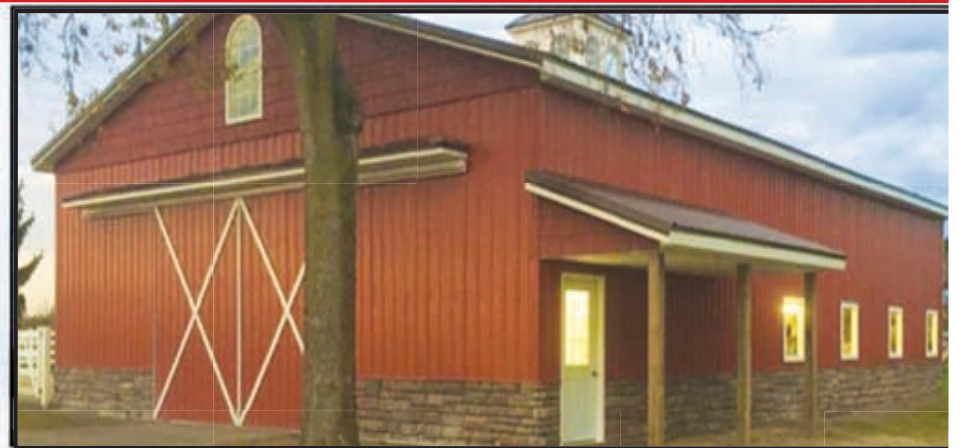
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Feeder Cattle:	708(87.4%)	1,250(87.7%)	1,169(82.4%)
Slaughter Cattle:	102(12.6%)	164(11.5%)	212(15.0%)
Replacement Cattle:	0(0.0%)	11(0.8%)	37(2.6%)

Compared to last Monday feeder steers and heifers sold mostly steady with very good demand for weaned and yearling packages. Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls sold 2.00 to 3.00 higher with very good demand. Supply included: 87% Feeder Cattle (35% Steers, 6% Dairy Steers, 38% Heifers, 21% Bulls); 13% Slaughter Cattle (1% Steers, 2% Heifers, 80% Cows, 17% Bulls). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 49%.

Groups of 20 head or more:

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40 hd 584 lbs 247.00 Thin-Fleshed		
25 hd 832 lbs 243.50 Mostly Blk-Fancy		
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FEEDER CATTLE

STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	265	265	312.50	312.50
1	340	340	299.00	299.00
2	387	387	301.00	301.00
4	375-380	376	342.50-352.00	349.60 Value Added
1	425	425	300.00	300.00
2	420-425	423	331.00-342.50	336.78 Value Added
11	454-478	464	290.00-319.00	314.46 Value Added
18	525-547	537	287.00-312.50	300.48 Value Added
6	555-578	569	282.00-296.00	291.42
17	566-580	575	291.00-304.00	298.31 Value Added
3	615-617	616	262.00-267.00	265.34 Value Added
1	675	675	267.00	267.00 Fancy
3	675-680	677	265.00-266.00	265.67 Value Added
2	700	700	240.00	240.00
47	706-735	707	257.00-268.00	267.76 Value Added
5	777	777	241.00	241.00
3	807-840	818	225.00-236.00	232.23
25	832	832	243.50	243.50 Fancy
9	875	875	230.00	230.00
3	900-920	907	210.00-223.00	218.60
54	907	907	237.60	237.60 Fancy

STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	295	295	265.00	265.00
1	345	345	290.00	290.00
2	470-485	478	276.00-280.00	277.97
3	530	530	250.00-273.00	257.67
2	610-645	628	235.00-248.00	241.68
1	675	675	232.50	232.50
1	815	815	211.00	211.00

STEERS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	555	555	275.00	275.00

STEERS - Small and Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	705	705	217.00	217.00

DAIRY STEERS - Large 3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
40	584	584	247.00	247.00 Thin Fleshed

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	265	265	269.00	269.00
4	317-345	326	278.00-299.00	289.00
11	360-395	374	270.00-294.00	278.49
16	360-386	371	302.00-315.00	307.94 Value Added
6	440-445	442	253.00-273.00	265.17
12	404-447	415	279.00-308.00	297.50 Value Added
7	458-485	467	246.00-260.00	254.38
9	470-490	482	260.00-284.00	267.78 Value Added
15	505-546	534	243.00-253.00	248.76
22	500-535	513	256.00-270.00	263.31 Value Added
10	560-595	572	240.00-248.00	243.39
6	565-570	569	259.00-284.00	263.14 Value Added
8	612-626	618	224.00-238.00	228.23
12	643	643	255.50	255.50 Fancy
3	603	603	240.00	240.00 Value Added
5	662-678	672	210.00-221.00	216.66
54	692	692	248.00	248.00 Fancy
3	670	670	241.00	241.00 Value Added
1	700	700	184.00	184.00
2	700	700	224.00	224.00 Value Added
2	812	812	193.00	193.00 Guaranteed Open
7	862	862	199.50	199.50 Guaranteed Open
2	947	947	170.00	170.00
1	950	950	172.00	172.00
4	1038	1038	161.00	161.00

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	290	290	267.50	267.50
1	320	320	226.00	226.00
3	350-390	372	221.00-257.50	233.98
3	413	413	235.00	235.00
1	460	460	233.00	233.00
1	530	530	220.00	220.00
2	555	555	231.00	231.00

4	615-640	621	209.00-220.00	217.17
1	660	660	209.00	209.00
1	745	745	176.00	176.00
3	788	788	178.00	178.00
1	815	815	160.00	160.00

HEIFERS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	562	562	240.00	240.00
3	600	600	210.00	210.00

BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
7	322-347	333	295.00-327.00	310.68
10	355-385	370	300.00-332.50	308.40
11	410-447	426	290.00-301.00	295.77
7	405-445	419	301.00-320.00	309.88 Value Added
13	455-497	477	281.00-300.00	291.10
4	481	481	315.00	315.00 Thin Fleshed
13	510-545	531	265.00-294.00	278.96
1	550	550	263.00	263.00
12	560-592	573	275.00-285.00	277.72 Value Added
2	642	642	260.00	260.00
2	642	642	250.00	250.00 Value Added
3	683	683	224.00	224.00
5	650	650	250.00-269.00	265.20 Value Added
2	727	727	230.00	230.00
3	713	713	229.00	229.00 Value Added
4	757-760	759	209.00-210.00	209.50
4	760-778	774	223.00-236.50	233.18 Value Added
3	805	805	203.00	203.00
6	825-826	826	209.00-210.00	209.67 Thin Fleshed
1	955	955	183.00	183.00
1	1070	1070	132.00	132.00

BULLS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	265-290	278	280.00-285.00	282.61
1	325	325	285.00	285.00
2	355	355	300.00	300.00
1	475	475	260.00	260.00
3	538	538	263.00	263.00
1	630	630	220.00	220.00
5	655-680	675	227.00-231.00	230.00
1	760	760	215.00	215.00

BULLS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	385	385	270.00	270.00
1	690	690	230.00	230.00
1	735	735	210.00	210.00

BULLS - Small and Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	520	520	227.00	227.00
1	595	595	232.00	232.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1700	1700	164.00	164.00	Average

HEIFERS - Choice 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
2	1160-1430	1295	139.00-153.00	146.73	Average

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
3	1265-1625	1387	115.00-120.00	118.09	Average
25	1200-2095	1516	122.00-147.00	130.85	High
1	1525	1525	99.00	99.00	Low

COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
6	980-1370	1157	108.00-123.00	116.55	Average
21	920-1635	1278	124.00-149.00	135.21	High
2	995-1165	1080	92.00-107.00	100.09	Low

COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
7	795-1055	899	103.00-110.00	105.47	Average
6	860-1150	999	115.00-129.00	122.11	High
2	735-755	745	98.00-99.00	98.51	Low
2	805-825	815	87.00-90.00	88.48	Very Low

BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
7	1040-2005	1662	138.00-149.00	144.11	Average
9	1305-2235	1757	153.00-172.00	159.43	High

Please Note: The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

Explanatory Notes:

Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.

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Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

Friday, April 5, 2024

	Fri., Apr. 5, 2024	Week Ago	Year Ago	Prev Week WTD	Last Year WTD	2024 WTD	2023 YTD	YTD	% Change
Calves	1,000	1,000	1,039	5,000	5,305	65,156	85,998	-24.2%	
Cattle	115,000	98,000	101,979	589,000	581,000	8,299,034	8,781,329	-5.5%	
Hogs	485,000	442,000	431,777	2,314,000	2,388,000	34,984,568	34,879,395	0.3%	
Sheep	5,000	4,000	5,656	35,000	32,000	40,711	508,173	502,089	1.2%

	Sat., Apr. 6, 2024	Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	WTD	WTD	YTD	YTD	% Change
Calves	0	0	145	5,000	5,000	5,450	65,156	86,143-24	.4%
Cattle	20,000	5,000	10,921	609,000	586,000	604,551	8,319,034	8,792,250	-5.4%
Hogs	107,000	16,000	8,494	2,421,000	2,404,000	2,369,660	35,091,568	34,887,889	0.6%
Sheep	0	0	226	35,000	32,000	40,937	508,173	502,315	1.2%

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Kentucky Daily Grain Bids

Grain Report for Friday, April 5, 2024 - Final

FUTURE SETTLEMENTS

Exchange	Commodity	Closing Settlement Prices (¢/bu) as of 4/5/2024						
CBOT	Corn	434.25 (May 24)	446.75 (Jul 24)	457.00 (Sep 24)	472.50 (Dec 24)	485.25 (Mar 25)	492.25 (May 25)	495.75 (Jul 25)
CBOT	Soybeans	1185.00 (May 24)	1185.00 (Jul 24)	1194.75 (Sep 24)	1218.00 (Dec 24)	1238.00 (Mar 25)	1255.00 (May 25)	1265.00 (Jul 25)
CBOT	Wheat	567.25 (May 24)	581.75 (Jul 24)	598.50 (Sep 24)	621.75 (Dec 24)	639.00 (Mar 25)	648.75 (May 25)	648.75 (Jul 25)
CBOT	White Oats	331.25 (May 24)	329.00 (Jul 24)	330.75 (Sep 24)	341.00 (Dec 24)	348.50 (Mar 25)	354.50 (May 25)	359.25 (Jul 25)
KCBT	Wheat	582.25 (May 24)	579.50 (Jul 24)	591.00 (Sep 24)	611.00 (Dec 24)	628.50 (Mar 25)	637.50 (May 25)	633.25 (Jul 25)
MGE	Wheat	648.00 (May 24)	656.50 (Jul 24)	666.25 (Sep 24)	684.00 (Dec 24)	699.75 (Mar 25)	708.25 (May 25)	714.00 (Jul 25)

US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Pennyrile	20.00K	UNCH	4.5425	DN 0.0100	4.5425

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Lower KY	100.00K to 110.00K	UNCH	5.3425-5.4425	DN 0.0100	5.3925
Ohio River - Lower KY		UNCH	5.4425	DN 0.0100	5.4425
Ohio River - Lower KY	40.00Z	UNCH	5.1250	DN 0.0075	5.1250
Purchase	90.00K	UNCH	5.2425	DN 0.0100	5.2425
Purchase	40.00Z	UNCH	5.1250	DN 0.0075	5.1250

US #2 YELLOW CORN (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Purchase	5.00K	UNCH	4.2925	DN 0.0100	4.2925
	Purchase	-5.00K	UNCH	4.2925	DN 0.0100	4.2925
	Purchase	-30.00U	UNCH	4.2700	DN 0.0125	4.2700
Green River	5.00K	UNCH	4.3925	DN 0.0100	4.3925	
Green River	10.00K	UNCH	4.4425	DN 0.0100	4.4425	
Green River	-20.00Z	UNCH	4.5250	DN 0.0075	4.5250	
Pennyrile	-15.00K to 0.00K	UNCH	4.1925-4.3425	DN 0.0100	4.2675	
Pennyrile	-20.00K to -10.00K	UNCH	4.1425-4.2425	DN 0.0100	4.1925	
Pennyrile	-40.00Z to -20.00Z	UNCH	4.3250-4.5250	DN 0.0075	4.4250	
Louisville	-13.00K to -1.00K	UNCH	4.2125-4.3325	DN 0.0100	4.2725	
Louisville	3.00K	UNCH	4.3725	DN 0.0100	4.3725	
Louisville	-13.00K to -38.00Z	UNCH	4.2125-4.3450	DN 0.0100-DN 0.0075	4.2788	
Bluegrass	-36.00K	UNCH	3.9825	DN 0.0100	3.9825	
Bluegrass	-30.00K	UNCH	4.0425	DN 0.0100	4.0425	
Bluegrass	-65.00Z	UNCH	4.0750	DN 0.0075	4.0750	

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-6.00K to 0.00K	UNCH	4.2825-4.3425	DN 0.0100	4.3125
Ohio River - Upper KY	1.00K to 4.00K	UNCH-UP 1.00	4.3525-4.3825	DN 0.0100-UNCH	4.3675
Ohio River - Upper KY	-40.00Z	UNCH	4.3250	DN 0.0075	4.3250
Ohio River - Lower KY	3.00K to 6.00K	UP 1.00-UP 3.00	4.3725-4.4025	UNCH-UP 0.0200	4.3900
Ohio River - Lower KY	8.00K to 11.00K	UNCH-UP 1.00	4.4225-4.4525	DN 0.0100-UNCH	4.4400
Ohio River - Lower KY	-40.00Z to -25.00Z	UNCH	4.3250-4.4750	DN 0.0075	4.4017
Purchase	-2.00K to 6.00K	UP 2.00-UNCH	4.3225-4.4025	UP 0.0100-DN 0.0100	4.3658
Purchase	5.00K to 6.00K	DN 1.00-UNCH	4.3925-4.4025	DN 0.0200-DN 0.0100	4.3975
Purchase	-31.00U to -30.00Z	UNCH	4.2600-4.4250	DN 0.0125-DN 0.0075	4.3700

US #2 SORGHUM (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Ohio River - Lower KY	-23.00Z	UP 7.00	4.4950	UP 0.0625	4.4950

US #1 SOYBEANS (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Purchase	0.00K	UNCH	11.8500	UP 0.0500	11.8500
	Purchase	0.00K	UNCH	11.8500	UP 0.0500	11.8500
	Purchase	-30.00X	UNCH	11.5475	UP 0.0100	11.5475
Green River	-25.00K	UNCH 1	1.6000	UP 0.0500	11.6000	
Green River	-25.00K	UNCH	11.6000	UP 0.0500	11.6000	
Green River	-50.00X	UNCH	11.3475	UP 0.0100	11.3475	
Pennyrile	-45.00K to -40.00K	UNCH	11.4000-11.4500	UP 0.0500	11.4250	
Pennyrile	-45.00K to -40.00K	UNCH	11.4000-11.4500	UP 0.0500	11.4250	
Pennyrile	-55.00X to -50.00X	UNCH	11.2975-11.3475	UP 0.0100	11.3225	
Louisville	-58.00K	UNCH	11.2700	UP 0.0500	11.2700	
Louisville	-58.00K	UNCH	11.2700	UP 0.0500	11.2700	
Bluegrass	-65.00K	UNCH	11.2000	UP 0.0500	11.2000	
Bluegrass	-85.00X	UNCH	10.9975	UP 0.0100	10.9975	

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-7.00K to 0.00K	UP 1.00-UP 7.00	11.7800-11.8500	UP 0.0600-UP 0.1200	11.8150
Ohio River - Upper KY	5.00K to 6.00K	UP 1.00	11.9000-11.9100	UP 0.0600	11.9050
Ohio River - Upper KY	-40.00X	UNCH	11.4475	UP 0.0100	11.4475
Ohio River - Lower KY	2.00K to 16.00K	UNCH-UP 3.00	11.8700-12.0100	UP 0.0500-UP 0.0800	11.9250
Ohio River - Lower KY	13.00K to 16.00K	UNCH-DN 2.00	11.9800-12.0100	UP 0.0500-UP 0.0300	11.9900
Ohio River - Lower KY	-31.00X to -18.00X	UNCH	11.5375-11.6675	UP 0.0100	11.5875
Purchase	-3.00K to 3.00K	DN 3.00	11.8200-11.8800	UP 0.0200	11.8500 DLVD-T
Current					
Purchase	0.00K to 9.00K	DN 9.00-UNCH	11.8500-11.9400	DN 0.0400-UP 0.0500	11.8950
Purchase	-35.00X to -20.00X	UNCH	11.4975-11.6475	UP 0.0100	11.5650

US #1 MILLING SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Pennyrile	0.00K	UNCH	5.6725	UP 0.1100	5.6725
	Pennyrile	0.00K	UNCH	5.6725	UP 0.1100	5.6725
	Pennyrile	-5.00N	UNCH	5.7675	UP 0.1025	5.7675

US #2 SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional	Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
	Purchase	-30.00N	UNCH	5.5175	UP 0.1025	5.5175
	Green River	-85.00N	UNCH	4.9675	UP 0.1025	4.9675
	Pennyrile	-65.00K to -30.00K	UNCH	5.0225-5.3725	UP 0.1100	5.1975
	Pennyrile	-60.00N to -30.00N	UNCH	5.2175-5.5175	UP 0.1025	5.3675
	Louisville	-83.00N to -8.00N	UNCH	4.9875-5.7375	UP 0.1025	5.3625
	Bluegrass	-65.00N	UNCH	5.1675	UP 0.1025	5.1675

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-30.00N to -13.00N	UNCH	5.5175-5.6875	UP 0.1025	5.6025
Ohio River - Lower KY	25.00N to -8.00N	UNCH	5.5675-5.7375	UP 0.1025	5.6225
Purchase	-26.00K	UNCH	5.4125	UP 0.1100	5.4125
Purchase	-30.00N to -20.00N	UNCH	5.5175-5.6175	UP 0.1025	5.5742

Explanatory Notes: Price & Basis Values quoted are for Current Delivery, unless otherwise noted.
 CBOT/KCBT/MGEGrade month symbols: F January; G February; H March; J April; K May; M June; N July; Q August; U September; V October; X November; Z December. FOB: Freight On Board. CIF: Cost, Insurance, and Freight. T: Truck, R: Rail, B: Barge, T/R: Truck/Rail, R/B: Rail/Barge, T/R/B: Truck/Rail/Barge, OV: Ocean Vessel
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Weekly National Sheep Summary

For Week Ending Friday, April 5, 2024

Weekly Trends: Compared to last week traditional slaughter lambs steady, others steady to 30.00 higher. Slaughter ewes steady to 15.00 higher. Feeder lambs not well tested. At San Angelo, TX 6,619 head sold in a one day sale. Equity Cooperative Auction sold 540 feeder lambs in Utah. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs not tested. 3,996 lamb carcasses traded with no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless specified.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3
 San Angelo: wooled and shorn 1120-145 lbs 220.00-265.00, few 310.00-317.00; 160-165 lbs 160.00-175.00.
 Ft. Collins, CO: wooled and shorn 147 lbs 235.00.
 South Dakota: wooled and shorn 110-150 lbs 215.00-222.00.
 Kalona, IA: wooled and shorn 110-160 lbs no test.
 Billings, MT: wooled and shorn 120-135 lbs no test.
 Missouri: wooled and shorn 125-160 lbs no test.
 Arkansas: wooled and shorn 135-175 lbs no test.
 Equity Coop: no sales.
 Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2:
 San Angelo: hair 40-60 lbs 280.00-308.00; 60-70 lbs 278.00-302.00; 70-80 lbs 272.00-295.00, few 298.00-302.00; 80-90 lbs 262.00-293.00; 90-100 lbs 250.00-284.00, few 286.00; 100-110 lbs 252.00-272.00. wooled and shorn 50-60 lbs 274.00-300.00; 65 lbs 286.00; 80-90 lbs 260.00-274.00.

New Holland: wooled and shorn 47 lbs 380.00; 59 lbs 325.00; 60-70 lbs 292.00-320.00, few 355.00; 70-80 lbs 290.00-315.00, few 345.00-350.00; 80-90 lbs 282.00-305.00, few 365.00; 90-100 lbs 300.00-335.00, few 350.00-365.00; 100-110 lbs 245.00-275.00, few 300.00-310.00. hair 40-50 lbs 292.00-300.00; 50-60 lbs 285.00-300.00; 60-70 lbs 310.00-335.00; 70-80 lbs 275.00-290.00, few 325.00; 80-90 lbs 315.00-330.00; 100-110 lbs 315.00-330.00.
 Ft. Collins: wooled and shorn 60-70 lbs 280.00-290.00; 70-80 lbs 280.00-297.50; 80-90 lbs 275.00-295.00. hair 59 lbs 285.00; 65 lbs 285.00; 90-100 lbs 275.00-280.00.
 Kalona: no test.
 South Dakota: wooled and shorn 48 lbs 290.00; 50-60 lbs 285.00-295.00; 60-70 lbs 285.00-310.00; 70 lbs 255.00; 80-90 lbs 265.00-280.00; 94 lbs 230.00; 100-110 lbs 255.00-260.00. hair 65 lbs 275.00; 75 lbs 260.00; 98 lbs 245.00.
 Billings: no test.
 Missouri: hair 50-60 lbs 270.00-315.00; 60-70 lbs 265.00-305.00; 70-80 lbs 237.00-282.50; 80-90 lbs 255.00-290.00. wooled and shorn no test.
 Arkansas: hair 40-50 lbs 282.50-290.00; 56 lbs 290.00; 60-70 lbs 290.00-302.50; 83 lbs 265.00; 90 lbs 205.00.

Slaughter Ewes:
 San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) hair 70.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 90.00-112.00, hair 110.00-128.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 120.00-142.00, hair 112.00-132.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 96.00-117.00,

hair 90.00-118.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 84.00; Cull 1 no test.
 New Holland: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 80.00-165.00, hair 85.00-120.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 74.00-85.00, hair 75.00-120.00.
 Ft. Collins: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 125.00-155.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 77.50-110.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Cull 1 no test.
 South Dakota: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 72.00-100.00, hair 90.00-105.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 75.00-105.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 53.00-95.00; Cull 1 60.00-65.00.
 Kalona: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test.
 Billings: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Cull 1 no test.
 Missouri: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 110.00, hair 95.00-112.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 70.00-75.00, hair 80.00-100.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) hair 75.00.
 Arkansas: Good 2-3 (fleshy) hair 100.00-112.50; Utility and Good 1-2 (medium flesh) hair 80.00-92.50.
 Direct Trading: no sales.
 Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2:
 San Angelo: 70 lbs 300.00. hair 36 lbs 309.00; 40-50 lbs 282.00-306.00; 50 lbs 280.00.
 Ft. Collins: 40-50 lbs 287.50-297.50; 50-60 lbs 285.00-295.00.
 South Dakota: 40-50 lbs 310.00-340.00; 65 lbs 245.00; 96 lbs 244.00; 110 lbs 238.00; 123 lbs 234.00.
 Kalona: no test.
 Billings: no test.
 Missouri: hair 20-30 lbs 196.00-224.00, few 250.00; 30-40 lbs 225.00-280.00; 40-50 lbs 247.50-317.50.
 Arkansas: hair 30-45 lbs 245.00-265.00.
 Equity Coop: UT: 540: 85 lbs 251.50.
 Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2:
 San Angelo: yearling hair 90-100 lbs 165.00-167.00/cwt; young hair 105-135 lbs 130.00-141.00/cwt.
 Ft. Collins: no test.
 South Dakota: yearlings 125 lbs 127.50/cwt; young 160.00-167.50/head.
 Billings: no test.
 Kalona: no test.
 Missouri: yearling hair 65-105 lbs 135.00-197.00/cwt; young hair 75-125 lbs 130.00-137.50/cwt; middle age hair 110-135 lbs 112.00-120.00/cwt; aged hair 115-125 lbs 120.00-125.00/cwt; ewes with lambs 165.00/family; hair ewes with lambs 160.00-210.00/family.
 Arkansas: hair lambs 50 lbs 75.00/head; yearling hair 110.00-140.00/head; young hair 115.00/head; hair ewes and lambs 67.50-110.00/head.

Sheep and lambs slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 35,000 compared with 32,000 last week and 41,000 last year.

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Enrich Food's launches climate friendly rice at Wisconsin plant

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

FOUNTAIN CITY, Wis. — U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack traveled with his wife, Christie, to a small Wisconsin community to celebrate the launch of Enrich Foods' climate-friendly rice at Great River Milling. What was special about the product launch? The rice packaged by Enrich Foods, a Columbia Grain company, represents the first consumer product to be funded by the Biden administration's Partnership for Climate Smart Commodities (PCSC), a \$3.1 billion initiative that will fund 141 sustainability projects involving small and underserved producers.

"Today is a really important day for us at USDA. A year or so ago I was here in Wisconsin launching the PCSC initiative and now we have the first product of this effort," Vilsack said during the March 26 press event, which was simulcast via Zoom. "Over 20,000 acres, there were 30 farmers who took the leap and embraced a new irrigation water management system, reduced methane (and used) innovative remote sensors to determine and evaluate the results."

Vilsack was introduced by Jim Whitaker, a fifth-generation farmer from Arkansas who employs sustain-

able practices to produce his rice for Columbia Grain. Whitaker was part of a committee that set carbon protocol for rice for the American Carbon Registry, and was one of three Arkansas families to sell the first-ever agricultural carbon credits to Microsoft.

Whitaker became associated with carbon marketer AgriCapture, of Nashville, Tenn., a few years ago. With the recommendation of a seed dealer friend, he enrolled some of his acreage with AgriCapture and almost immediately received an upfront payment for his carbon sequestration efforts. He also received an offer to market his rice to Columbia Grain. That led the Arkansas producer to the PCSC.

"What (PCSC) is doing is delivering money back into small communities like mine that keeps us economically viable. Mr. Secretary, I believe the PCSC is going to move agriculture faster than anything we've ever seen. I think we are going to move into another era of U.S. ag," said Whitaker.

On September 14, 2022, Vilsack announced USDA would be investing up to \$2.8 billion in 70 selected projects under the first pool of PCSC funding opportunity. On December 12, 2022, he announced \$325 million would be invested in an additional 71 projects under the second funding pool.

The funding provides technical and financial assistance to producers to implement climate-smart production practices on a voluntary basis on working lands, pilot innovative and cost-effective methods for quantification, monitoring, reporting and verification of greenhouse gas benefits, and develop markets and promote the resulting climate-smart commodities.

"The gist of this program is partnership in collaboration. It's farmers working with farm groups, with agribusiness, universities, environmental and conservation groups and the major commodity groups, and in concert and partnership to create more products and opportunities," Vilsack told the crowd gathered in Fountain City, which borders the Mississippi River in western Wisconsin's Buffalo County.

"It's an opportunity for us to create a different narrative about American agriculture. You get a benefit environmentally, a benefit economically and you also get to help create an image of American agriculture that is innovative and committed to sustainability," he added.

As the program unfolds and more projects are approved for funding, USDA anticipates PCSC activities will result in:

- Hundreds of expanded markets and revenue streams for farm-

ers, ranchers and commodities across agriculture and forestry ranging from traditional corn to specialty crops.

- More than 60,000 farms reached, encompassing more than 25 million acres of working land engaged in climate-smart production practices such as cover crops, no-till and nutrient management, along with pasture and forestry management.

- More than 60 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent sequestered over the lives of the projects. (Equivalent to removing more than 12 million gasoline-powered passenger vehicles from the road for one year.)

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Biofuels

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than the problem, according to McDonald.

"These tax credits are available to producers beginning this January 1, 2025, meaning that the crops we are putting into the ground this spring are what is going to feed the first year of these tax credits," he said. "The opportunity is pretty significant for farmers to have a big impact, and more importantly an immediate impact."

For every CI point under 29.1, fuel manufacturers can earn 2 cents per gallon on biofuels or ethanol produced. According to Continuum Ag, grain producers could reap a value of 5.4 cents per bushel, per CI point for CI-certified corn.

"If you are a farmer that is able to produce a crop with a Ci score of zero, that's worth \$1.57 per bushel to the ethanol plant in terms of tax credits. The amount of money that could flow through this (tax credit) is massive, and it represents a brand new revenue avenue for farmers," said McDonald.

Under this scenario, a CI-certified corn field of 1,500 acres with a yield of 200 bushels per acre and a CI score of 16.6 could generate a premium of

around 34 cents per acre, assuming a ratio of fifty percent revenue to the farmer. This could add over \$100,000 in farm income per year, though McDonald was quick to stress that "no one knows for sure" what ratio of the 45Z tax credits fuel manufacturers plan to share with crop producers in the form of cash payouts.

The Iowa producer, who joined forces with Continuum Ag in 2022, told farmers on the webinar that it will be critically important to begin regular monitoring of their soil CI levels to take advantage of the upcoming opportunity for the additional revenue stream.

"In 2019 I was as full-conventional as a farmer could possibly be — black dirt, full-till, no cover crops, no regen practices whatsoever. But even then my CI score was 25; I was still below the standard score even with fully conventional practices. That is why I believe that no matter what your practices, it is crucially important to know what your CI score is and whether you are creating value," said McDonald, before offering examples of ways farmers can relatively quickly improve their soil CI scores.

"At Continuum Ag we help farmers implement these practices and certify their crops," he said. "The number one way to improve their CI score is through cover crops. If you plant a cover crop you are going to substantially lower your score. No till or even reduced till helps, even a shallow vertical till will help. Reducing fertilizer and chemicals by applying manure is going to lower your synthetic fertilizer rate plus improve your soil organic matter, which helps your CI score."

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Central State to supervise growing African heritage crops on farms in Ohio

By Doug Graves
Ohio Correspondent

WILBERFORCE, Ohio - Pigeon peas, tamarind, akee apple, kola nuts - not the types of foods you'd find at your local retailers. These are just a few of many crops that are native to Africa.

Two women at Central State University (CSU) in Wilberforce aim to supervise the growing of American heritage crops on farms across Ohio. Clare Thorn, extension associate of agriculture and natural resources at CSU, and Nellie Rowland, the agricultural natural resource educator for the southern region of CSU Extension, worked together to get seeds from African plants in Ohio and made plans to cultivate those native African seeds in the state.

One evening, Thorn was watching a PBS documentary on Percy Lavon Julian, an African American chemist who was able to synthesize medicinal drugs from plants. The documentary inspired Thorn to research other African Americans who have influenced modern agriculture.

"Watching that documentary inspired me to dig deeper into a lot of other inventors, scientists and botanists who have been pushed under the rug or their information wasn't well known, at least in my case," Thorn said.

Thorn felt compelled to use what she had learned to try to boost her students' interest in the Seed to Bloom Botanical Garden on CSU's campus, so they plan to create a

designated Black heritage area filled solely with African crops.

Shortly after conducting research on which African crops might grow best, Thorn heard about the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Partnership Grant.

The SARE program was created in 1988 to implement sustainable agriculture practices across the U.S. through grants and education opportunities. Its mission is "to advance - to the whole of American agriculture - innovations that improve profitability, stewardship and quality of life by investing in groundbreaking research and education."

SARE awards partnership grants to programs that build strong relationships between agriculture professionals and small-time farmers that advance on-farm research and education activities. CSU is an 1890 land-grant institution. This means the university primarily works to strengthen food and agricultural sciences among urban areas, minorities and underserved populations.

Thorn elicited the help of Rowland to write the grant. The two were able to obtain \$49,999 in SARE grant money to test the viability of African crops at farms in Columbus and Cincinnati. The two-year program began April 1 and will continue through March 2026. The program is being conducted by four African American urban farmers. Each farm site will grow between two and 10 crops to see how compatible the crops are with

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Above: African produce - Kola nuts, tamarind, Dahomey sweet potatoes, African rice - these African foods and others are being studied and planted to see if they can adapt to Ohio's climate. (photo courtesy Central State University)

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Northeast Indiana land reached \$19,375 per acre

Illinois

Illioopolis - On March 25, Cory Craig auctioned a home and multiple residential lots as two tracts.

Tract 1 held a 1,700-square-foot Four Seasons manufactured home. The 2-bedroom/2-bath dwelling was built in 1999 and installed on the property in 2000. It was modified with in-law quarters containing an extra kitchen and living area that could be converted to two additional bedrooms. It featured gas forced-air heat, central A/C, and a Generac 18KW whole house generator. The building sat on two residential lots alongside a 24-foot-by-30-foot attached garage, 14-foot-by-25-foot permanent shed, and a 20-foot-by-32-foot barn with a 9-foot-by-20-foot enclosed lean-to. Tract 2 contained two adjacent residential corner lots. Tract 1 sold for \$100,300; Tract 2 went for \$3,100.

Greenup - Schmid Auction held a zero buyer's premium online auction of 40 +/- acres on March 26. The prime farmland consisted mainly of Racoon and Newberry silt loam soils, with a Soil Productivity Index of 120.2. Mineral rights conveyed with the sale. The final price was \$430,000 or \$10,750/acre.

Indiana

Newville Township - Schrader Real Estate and Auction Company offered 80 +/- acres with tillable acreage, potential building sites, and recreational land in four tracts on March 25. Tract 1 consisted of 8.5 +/- acres, featuring a grassed opening within a wooded border. Sloping terrain made for a potential walkout building site. To the south and east was a drain, drawing deer traffic. Tract 2 held 44.5 +/- acres, with a 7+/- acre raised opening behind the trees, good for a building site. Beyond it, the tract opened to tillable acreage which had, until last year, been for decades in CRP. It could be re-enrolled into the CRP or put back into use. Tract 3 was a 10+/- "swing tract" laying between the woods of Tract 4 to the south and adjoining woods to the north. It could be used as a family food plot or combined with Tract 2 for additional tillable land. That tract was only available in combination with Tracts 2 or 4 or to an adjacent landowner. Tract 4 consisted of 17+/- acres, with 3+/- acres tillable and 7+/- acres of Classified Forest. A 100-foot owned road access created potential as a building site or as hunting/recreation property. Some remaining mature timber offered potential income. The parcels sold combined for \$1,550,000, computing to \$19,375/acre.

Vincennes - On March 14, SellaFarm offered in 2 tracts 56.65+/- acres, good for farming or development. Tract 1 consisted of 42+/- acres. The nearly 100 percent tillable land was mainly Alford silt loam, all NHEL, and had a WAPI of 135.6. The property had access to SR 61 and was close to grain terminals and major highways. Tract 2 held 14.65+/- acres with potential building sites. The property featured a 4.6+/- acre pond, mature trees, 2 water wells, and a traditional barn. It also had access to SR 61. Farming and mineral rights conveyed in 2024. Tract 1 sold for \$609,000, equating to \$14,500/acre. Tract 2 sold for \$216,087 or 14,750/acre.

Kentucky

Murray - Harris Real Estate and Auction offered 5 acres as a single tract on March 12. The property, within the city limits, was canopied in mature timber. It carried residential (R-4) zoning, and had access to local Chris Drive, providing good development potential. Adja-

cent apartments reflected a variety of development possibilities. The property sold for \$85,000, equating to \$16,719/acre.

Owensboro - On March 28, Kurtz Auction and Realty presented 124.853 acres in 3 tracts. Tract 1 consisted of 34.750 mostly wooded acres, with approximately 5 acres of open ground. It had 1,632' of local road frontage. Tract 2 was 64.892 acres, with 28 tillable acres (Alford and Belknap silt loams), a 3/4 acre lake, and the balance in woods. It provided 77 feet of road frontage. Tract 3 held 25.211 acres, with 22 acres tillable (Hosmer and Belknap silt loams), and the balance in woods, and carried 76 feet of road frontage. The parcels sold combined for \$749,118 computing to \$6,000/acre.

Michigan

Kinde - Albrecht Auction offered two parcels as a single 76+/- tract on March 26. The tiled farmland in PA 116 was enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CREP) through Sept. 30, 2027, and the Hunting Access

Program (HAP) through Sept. 30, 2025. The CREP annual payment was \$16,312. The HAP annual payment was \$1,187. The property was believed to be tiled at 50 feet with plastic tile. Two mains on the west side of the creek had been cut due to the CREP program. Both parcels had frontage on West Kinde Road. The property sold for \$617,000 or \$8,118/acre.

Manton - On March 26, Miedema's LastBid Real Estate auctioned a 3,864-square-foot commercial building, formerly known as the Merry Inn Restaurant. The property contained three parcels sold together, totaling .71 acres. The building needed work but could be used for many business types. It featured natural gas heat, central air, municipal water/sewer, and was located close to the freeway. A 3-bedroom apartment upstairs stripped to the studs offered additional income potential. No kitchen equipment or furnishings were included in the sale. The final price was \$75,000.

Ohio

Kilbuck - Kaufman Realty & Auc-

tions presented 13.662 acres as one parcel on March 21. The mostly wooded property had recently undergone a selective timber cut. It featured a 3 1/2-acre open field at the front, good for a building site. It sold for \$134,750 or \$9,863/acre.

New Carlisle - On March 28, Sheridan & Associates auctioned as three tracts, 183 acres with above-average soils and over 84% tillable. Tract 1 had 86.6 acres on both sides of Addison-New Carlisle Road. 76.6 acres were tillable with the balance in woods. It held a 1-story, 1,260 square-foot brick home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, and a 1-car attached garage. The parcel also had a 72-foot-by-44-foot bank barn, a block 2+ car detached garage, and 3,600 of frontage on two roads. Tract 2, good for farming or recreational use, was 51.4 acres, with 39.0 tillable, 12+ acres in woods, and 1,940 feet of road frontage. Tract 3 contained 44.8 total acres in Clark (25.4) & Miami (19.4) counties. 38.3 acres were tillable and 6+ acres were woods and a pond. It had over 660 feet of road frontage and presented a good mini-farm opportunity. The parcels sold combined for \$1,800,000, calculating to \$9,847/acre.

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Ohio's climate and soil.

Farmers will send in monthly reports to test if the crops can properly grow in Ohio. The data will focus on germination, viability and the yield of crops produced.

Some of these crops flourish well in Africa and the hope is they perform well in Ohio. Such heritage greens to be tested are okra, southern peas, waterleaf, eggplant, basil, peppers and others.

Should the crops perform well, other African crops in the future could include balsam apple, millets, tamarind, oil palm, akee apple, bottle gourd, African sesame, Kola, jelly melon and Guinea squash. Thorn hopes to see future opportunities to expand the cultivation of African heritage crops across the nation.

"The environment is going to be the key factor," Thorn said. "Some of these crops may be getting grown more in the southern regions, for sure, but this could be a more northern climate thing if we can be successful with it."

Rowland echoed Thorn's assessment.

"The environment in Africa is totally different than the state of Ohio," Rowland said. "We're going to look at viability of the plant and see if they germinate. Once they germinate, we'll see how well they grow. And after that, if they yield, we'll see how much (the farms) are producing in the vegetables that they are growing."

According to Rowland, the program is especially meaningful to African American communities in Ohio because it connects them to their heritage.

"They became excited about the possibility of easy access to the foods they grew up eating," Rowland said. "We all have this type of memory of the food we loved when we grew up, and so it's having the accessibility to fresh produce, not shipped over, I think is what really kind of sparked a lot of interest."

Thorn said they hope to make enough not just to study the plants but to get them into farmers markets.

"There are so many cultures and particularly immigrants and refugees, who don't have their home foods," Thorn said. "They can't locate the grains that they're accustomed to eating. So, the goal, too, is to have our farmers able to take those crops to market so that it could be available to anyone."



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With organic fields next door, conventional farms dial up pesticide use

(AP) — With organic fields next door, conventional farms dial up the pesticide use, study finds. Champions of organic farming have long portrayed it as friendlier to humans and the earth. But a new study in a California county found a surprising effect as their acreage grew: Nearby conventional farms applied more pesticides, likely to stay on top of an increased insect threat to their crops, the researchers said.

Ashley Larsen, lead author of the study in the journal *Science*, said understanding what's happening could be important to keeping organic and conventional farmers from hurting each other's operations.

"We expect an increase in organic in the future. How do we make sure this is not causing unintended harm?" asked Larsen, an associate professor at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

By contrast, the researchers found that when organic farms were surrounded by other organic fields, their pesticide use dropped, which the team thinks may be due to their shared reliance on bugs that are natural enemies of agricultural pests. Organic farms are allowed to use certain approved pesticides, but often turn first to "good bugs" that prey on the pests. "It seems that spatially clustering or concentrating organic fields could provide that benefit or that solution," Larsen said.

The researchers analyzed 14,000 fields in California's Kern County over a seven-year period.

Organic farm acreage has been trending upward since 2000, though it still accounts for less than 1 percent of all farmland, according to the USDA. As that change occurs, Larsen and her team say keeping organic and conventional farms sufficiently separate could benefit both.

But many farmers, both conventional and organic, balk at the idea of policies that might restrict where different methods can be used. And some outside researchers said more study was needed before contemplating policy recommendations. They noted that the study didn't measure the kind or number of insects on the different farms, meaning the increased pesticide use may have been just a precaution.

Still, the "impressive data set" makes the study useful in generating worthwhile questions about farming practices and pesticides, said Christian Krupke, who studies insects as a professor of entomology at Purdue University and was not involved in the study. The overall number of insects is going down, a phenomenon some scientists have called the "insect apocalypse," but pesticide use is not decreasing, he said.

Krupke said the research shows how conventional farmers treat nearby organic operations "as this focal point of potential outbreaks."

David Haviland, an entomologist with the University of California also not involved with the study, agreed. He described the fight in Kern County to control the glassy-winged sharpshooter, which infests citrus orchards and can introduce devastating plant diseases into grapes, almonds and some other crops. Haviland said that regional maps clearly showcase organic farms as "these big, incredible hot spots where there's massive numbers of this pest." Conventional growers next door have to increase their pesticide use as a result, he said.

Yichao Rui, an agroecologist at Purdue, said that kind of response by farmers isn't always due to an actual increase in pests; sometimes, it's just for

"peace of mind." And, Katy Rogers, who manages an organic farm outside Indianapolis, said that in many cases it's a misconception that organic farmers are harboring massive pest infestations.

"We're not fostering populations of detrimental insects on most organic farms, on a well-managed farm," she said. "We are simply battling them with other tools first. Because the bad bugs would still destroy my crop."

Rui said investigating the environmental consequences of organic farming is a worthy goal, and both organic and conventional farms have room for improvement. But he thinks looking only at pesticide use doesn't account for factors like human health, air and water quality and ecosystem diversity that can be affected by different farming methods.

"We need to have a holistic ... assessment of the benefits and tradeoffs of all of these agricultural practices," he said.

Brad Wetli, an Indiana farmer who farms grain conventionally, said that he hasn't noticed any changes in his pest control situation since his neighbor switched to organic four years ago. He thinks that farmers may be quicker to apply more pesticides to high-value crops like the fruits, vegetables and nuts in California, whereas the row crops he grows like corn and beans aren't worth as much per acre, so it would take a bigger change in the number of insects he saw on his farm before reaching for more spray.

Wetli was more concerned with soil management. He's careful to plant cover crops and has worked to reduce tilling, which can cause soil erosion and contaminate waterways, and said organic farming sometimes still involves tilling.

Meanwhile, organic farmers expressed concern that the study addresses the effects of organic farms on conventional ones but not the other way around. For example, they can lose their certification for up to three years if a prohibited material is applied on their fields, even if by accident, according to the USDA.

Walter Goldstein, a corn breeder in Wisconsin who produces both organic and non-organic seed, grew up working on an organic farm amid conventional ones and still remembers pesticide drift.

"There's just these really weird smells," he said. "Chemical smells. They smell like factory stuff."

Jay Shipman, who owns an organic farm in Kern County near another large organic farm, said that he likes farming next to someone with similar practices "not just because it's economics," he said, but because "this is how I eat. This is how I want my family eating." He added, however, that he grew up in conventional agriculture and understands that trying to convince farmers they should do something differently can be "tough to change, tough to swallow."

Rogers, the Indianapolis organic farm manager, spent much of her life in conventional agriculture and said she was taught that organic farmers were "enemies." She's now deeply committed to a small church-run organic and regenerative farm with vegetables, beehives and hay.

Rogers said she can see benefits from clustering organic farms together, but thinks dividing organic and conventional farmers as the researchers suggested could be "even more polarizing. At the deepest level, we're all stewarding land and we all actually want to contribute," she said.

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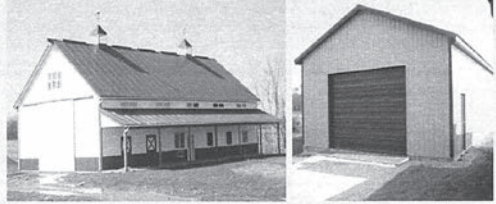


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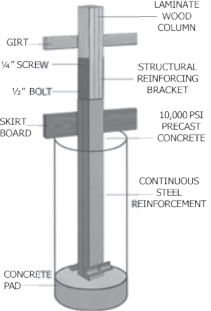
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UK fencing schools set for April 23, 25

LEXINGTON, Ky. — The University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, in conjunction with the Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council, Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund, Kentucky State University and Kentucky Beef Network, will offer the 2024 Spring Fencing School.

Agriculturalists, producers, homeowners and interested community members can attend on April 23 at the Morehead State University Derrickson Agricultural Complex, and on April 25 at the Graves County Cooperative Extension office in Mayfield, Ky.

"Fencing is vitally important on the farm," said Chris Teutsch, associate professor for the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences, stationed in the UK Research and Education Center at Princeton. "Good fences keep our livestock safe and animals from getting out. Understanding the ins and outs of proper fencing is important for anyone installing fencing on their property, including residential homeowners."

The schools will begin at 7:30 a.m. local time. The morning session addresses fencing types and costs, construction basics, electric fencing, innovations in technologies and an overview of Kentucky fence laws.

The afternoon session is a hands-on fence-building session where participants put their knowledge and skills to work. The demonstration includes:

- Safety, layout and a post-driving demonstration
- H-brace construction
- Knot tying, splices and insulator installation
- Installing Stay-Tuff fixed-knot fencing
- Installing high-electrified tensile fencing

Events at both locations conclude with questions and a survey at 4:30 p.m. Participants should register at least one week prior to the event. Advance registration is \$35 per person and includes a notebook, refreshments and a catered lunch. Participants are encouraged to bring safety glasses and hearing protection.

Use the following to register:
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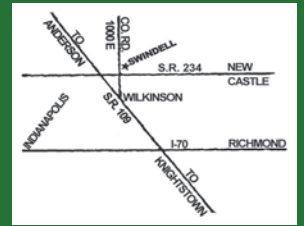
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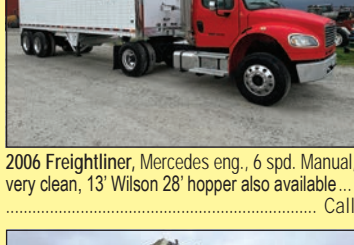
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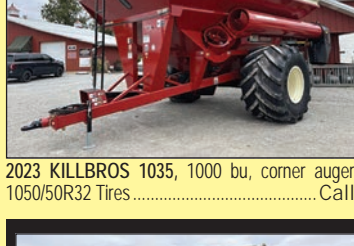
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Celebration of Modern Ag planned for the National Mall

By Michele F. Mihaljevich
Indiana Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM) will host its second Celebration of Modern Ag on the National Mall next month.

The three-day event, May 6-8, will feature farm equipment and hands-on exhibits, and is open to the public. This year's theme is The Future of Food and Farming, which showcases modern agricultural equipment essential for a sustainable future of safe and abundant food, fiber and fuel for the nation and the world, according to AEM.

The organization's primary target audiences are lawmakers and regulators, Nick Tindall, AEM senior director of regulatory affairs, told Farm World. Included in those audiences are staffers, elected officials, political appointees and career staff at the agencies, he said.

"The vision for doing it is just to try to bridge that knowledge gap between lawmakers and regulators that are increasingly far removed from the farm but in charge of writing policies that directly impact farming," Tindall noted. "The goal is to give them a better understanding of how all the technology that goes into modern agriculture is allowing us to grow more food with fewer resources."

Given that the event is on the National Mall, it's also a great opportunity

to engage with everyday Americans, he said.

"What we want people to take away from it is how much effort equipment manufacturers, farmers, ranchers, and agri-business companies put in to increasing the efficiency of modern agriculture," Tindall explained. "This means fewer inputs, less pesticides, less water, less fuel, all while producing more food."

The first agriculture celebration was in 2022. In 2023, AEM hosted a celebration of construction. Tindall said 24 equipment manufacturers and 30 nonprofit groups will participate in this year's celebration. In 2022, there were 15 equipment companies and 21 nonprofit groups, he added.

The American Soybean Association (ASA) and United Soybean Board/Our Soy Checkoff will participate in the event. The organizations believe there is no better representation of this year's theme than U.S. soy. Blair Shipp, ASA state policy communications coordinator, told Farm World. The celebration allows them to showcase the remarkable innovations stemming from U.S. soy, inventive products spanning food, feed, fuel and beyond, she said.

"During the event, we will demonstrate the versatility of soybeans and highlight how U.S. soybean farmers are working to meet consumer demand while also providing sustainable solutions for everyday items," Shipp said.

The organizations relish the opportunity to engage with tourists on the mall who may have an awareness only



Above: Farm equipment will be featured during the upcoming Celebration of Modern Ag, hosted by the Association of Equipment Manufacturers. (courtesy of AEM)

of tofu, edamame, soy sauce and soy milk, she said.

"And those are all important products, but it is exciting to chat with attendees about our no. 1 customer – animal agriculture – and then the literally thousand-plus products on the market containing soy that range from sustainable soy fuels to the soles of our shoes, tires, yoga mats, road repair products, adhesives, synthetic lawn and playground materials, paint

and more," Shipp said.

Tindall said visitors will learn about modern spray drift control technologies, modern cutting-edge genetics and seeds, the latest in chemistries and the latest in conservation practices farmers are using in their fields. They will also learn about autonomous equipment and how it improves effi-

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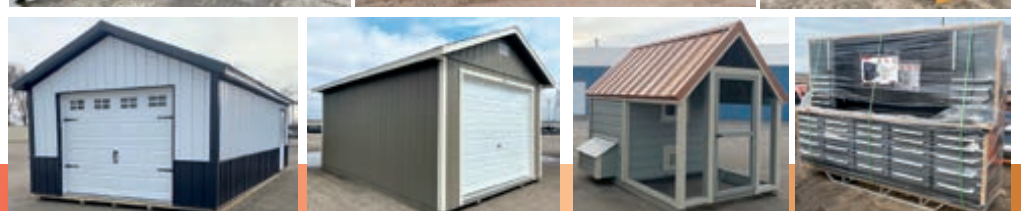
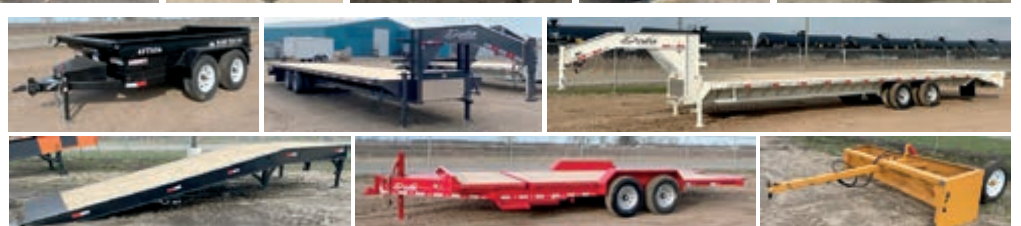
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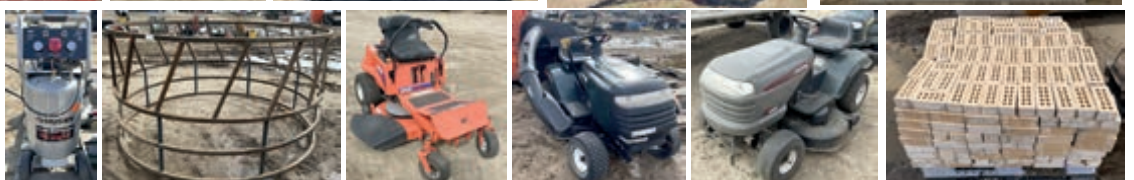


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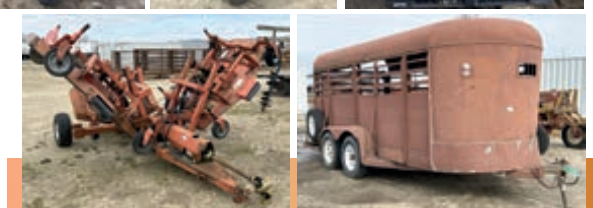
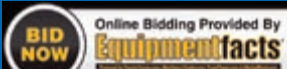
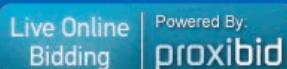


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University of Illinois students attend MANRRS conference in Chicago

URBANA, Ill. - Hundreds of high school and university students from around the country recently convened in Chicago for the 38th annual Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences (MANRRS) Training Conference and Career Expo. Among them were 22 students representing MANRRS-Illinois, a registered student organization within the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

"We were excited to bring the most MANRRS-Illinois students ever to a national conference this year," said Diana Rodríguez, adviser and coordinator of diversity programs for ACES.

Of the MANRRS-Illinois students, five took top honors as first-, second-, and third-prize contest winners among conference attendees. MANRRS members, including collegiate and Junior MANRRS students in high school, compete at the national conference in categories such as public speaking and oral research presentations.

Karime Beltrán Gutiérrez, a freshman in the Department of Animal Sciences, had never competed in a national contest at the collegiate level, but her public speaking prowess launched her to the top spot in her category.

"This year's theme, 'Aspire to Inspire,' was incredibly broad, presenting a challenge. I initially struggled and even delayed working on my speech for a couple of weeks because I couldn't quite find the right flow," Beltrán Gutiérrez said. "One day, I decided to sit down at the library and pour out whatever came to mind. Once I had a clear theme for my speech, the words flowed effortlessly, and I could feel the passion resonating in every sentence."

Beltrán Gutiérrez was one of only a few Latinas in the finals and the first Illinois student in years to win the Public Speaking Competition.

"It felt like all the stress, hard work, and late nights rehearsing my speech paid off," she said. "I understand that it's not just about the recognition, but it was a fantastic opportunity to establish my presence in the professional sphere. Given my interest in the veterinary field, which can be highly competitive, having my name associated with MANRRS through the conference speech could be beneficial for networking with companies familiar with the organization."

Fellow animal sciences student Esmerelda López, a senior, took second place in the Oral Research Division I,

for biological sciences. She presented her work with animal sciences assistant professor Isabella Condotta to create artificial intelligence models promoting animal welfare.

It's López's second time placing in the top five in a research-related contest at a national MANRRS conference, reinforcing her interest and confidence in pursuing a research career. Her goal is to earn both a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and a Doctor of Philosophy degree.

"Seeing that I'm doing a good job is a positive sign that I should keep doing what I'm doing," she said.

Nguyen Ha and Elaine Guel, both seniors in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, came in third in their contests: the National Written Essay Contest and the National Photo Contest, respectively.

Finally, nutrition and health junior Ashley Equihua won the contest to name the theme for the 2025 national MANRRS conference: "I Am, Because You Are." The theme will inform programming for the entire 2025 conference in Memphis, Tenn., including its contests.

Equihua said the theme came to her when thinking back to her study abroad experience in Cape Town, South Africa. During her travels, she learned about the African concept of "ubuntu," which translates to "I am because you are."

"Ubuntu acknowledges the togetherness of individuals through shared humanity. It recognizes our interconnectedness and oneness as human beings," she said. "I was able to tie this back to MANRRS and how the organization emphasizes togetherness through developing skills, providing professional development, and acting as a guide."

She described winning as an incredible honor, especially because her theme will be showcased to all chapters, nationally and internationally. "I am glad my experience allowed them to spread ubuntu into the organization."

Rodríguez said, "Our winners are extremely happy and we are very proud of them. They all did a fantastic job. Winning nationally with over 500 competition submissions is a great accomplishment."

The conference isn't just about winning awards, of course. All the MANRRS-Illinois attendees experienced professional development opportunities, networking, and a career fair that often lands seniors their first jobs or graduate school placements after graduation. The experience was a bright spot for Bel-

trán Gutiérrez.

"The conference was very rewarding overall, but the career fair was a highlight. It offers great networking opportunities and community engagement, allowing students and professionals to explore various companies in the agricultural field," she said. "Even if your major doesn't directly match a company's focus, they often find ways to make connections and offer internships for students interested in getting involved over the summer."

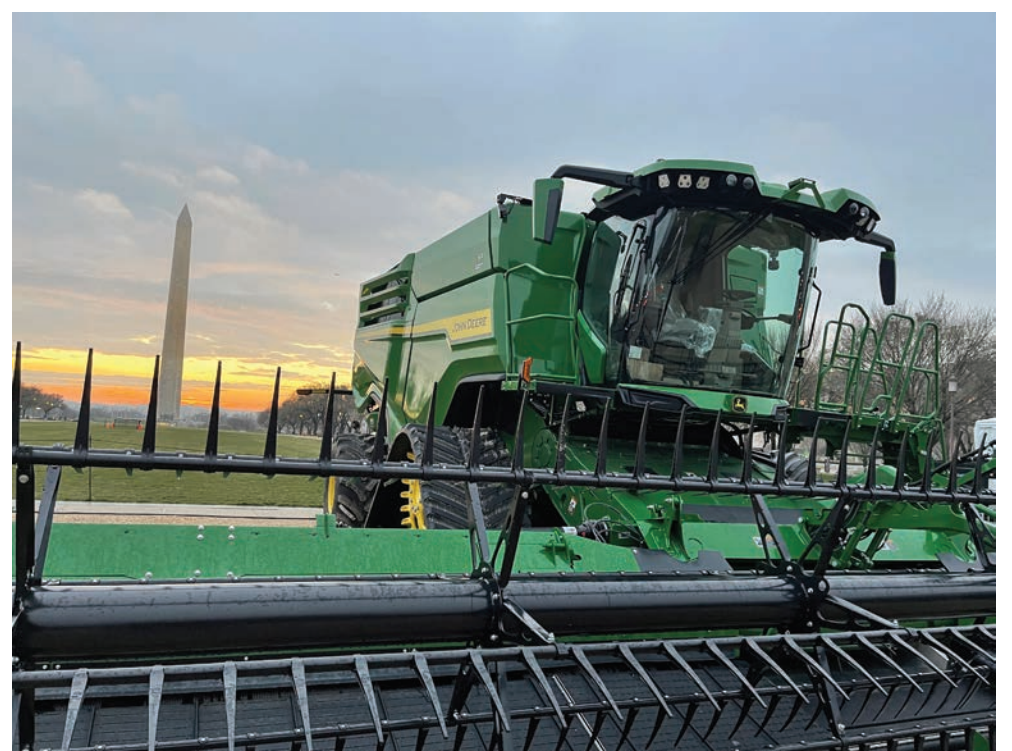
Spending five days at a conference can be both exhilarating and exhausting. For MANRRS-Illinois students, coming back to the ACES campus means returning with a deep sense of belonging.

"MANRRS-Illinois is all about creating a supportive community for those of us still exploring our paths and encouraging young minds to dive into agriculture," Beltrán Gutiérrez said. "Being part of MANRRS

has connected me with like-minded individuals, leading to lifelong friendships. Here, I feel valued and empowered, knowing that my voice matters and that I have what it takes to thrive in my chosen field down the road."

López added, "MANRRS has literally been my ray of sunlight when I thought there were only clouds and rain. Without MANRRS, I wouldn't have the support systems I have today. It also helped me find my voice, my confidence, and my leadership skills. Through MANRRS, I've learned there are many people like me fighting the good fight, trying to solve big issues, even if it means speaking up when your voice is shaking."

To learn more and get involved in future regional and national conferences, visit the MANRRS-Illinois website or contact Diana Rodríguez at drodrz1@illinois.edu or Roxanne Patiño at rpatino2@illinois.edu.



Above: The first Celebration of Modern Ag, hosted by the Association of Equipment Manufacturers, was on the National Mall in 2022. (courtesy of AEM)

Ag celebration

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ciency and farm safety. They will hear about off-farm career opportunities in the agricultural field.

During the first agriculture celebration, visitors asked many questions, such as if the equipment on display was what a family farm used, Tindall said. The staff explained that was the type of equipment available to farmers of all sizes.

"They are certainly most interested in the equipment, it's great eye candy," he said. "The amount of technology in today's farm equipment really does blow most people away. There are questions about factory farms and industrial agriculture. We educate them that family farms have gotten really big, but at the end of the day they're still family farms. The vast majority of farming in the United States is done by family businesses."

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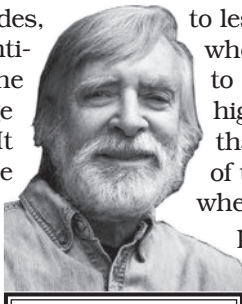
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POOR WILL'S ALMANACK
By Bill Felker

to less than 10 percent on the 11th, where they remain until they drop to 5 percent on April 22. Milder highs above the 60s occur better than half the time on all the days of this quarter except on the 10th, when cooler conditions typically prevail. Frost strikes an average of 30 percent of the nights.

The Natural Calendar

In the woodlands and parks, toad trillium, trout lilies and Jacob's ladder are ready to bloom. Hepaticas are blossoming, as are spring beauties, but twinleaf and bloodroot will fade quickly. Violets bloom in lawns throughout the area.

Mounds begin to show on your lawn as moles wake up and hunt grubs and worms. Carpenter bees appear around the house and barn, looking for nesting sites.

From now on, the chance of snow below the 40th Parallel rapidly decreases until it becomes only one in 100 by April 20.

Mosquitoes bite you in the garden. Tent caterpillars begin to hatch on wild cherry trees. Pheasants and woodcocks are nesting in the woods and along the fencerows.

Mulberry, locust, tree of heaven, viburnum, and ginkgo send out their first leaves. The white blossoms of decorative pear trees open throughout the Lower Midwest.

This week of the year, the handle of the Big Dipper comes far into the southern sky, and the pointers (the two stars of the Dipper's cup farthest from the handle) are positioned almost exactly north-south after dark.

Magnolias, redbuds, lilacs, dogwoods, cherries, peaches, apples, quinces, maples, and pears are almost always flowering near this date. Frogs and toads are

mating; listen for their calls on warm evenings.

Countdown to Summer

- One week until tadpoles swim in the sloughs
- Two weeks to morel season
- Three weeks until clover blooms
- Four weeks to the great warbler migration through the Lower Midwest
- Five weeks to the first strawberry pie
- Six weeks until the first orange day-lilies blossom
- Seven weeks until roses flower
- Eight weeks until the first mulberries are sweet for picking and cottonwood cotton drifts in the wind.
- Nine weeks until wild black raspberries ripen
- 10 weeks until fledgling robins peep in the bushes

In the Field and Garden

The first field corn is usually sown by the end of the week, and asparagus is up in the garden. First strawberries flower. Just six more weeks remain before frost-sensitive plants can be put outside without danger of being damaged by the cold.

Grape vines begin to leaf, a sign that commercial cabbage planting is underway.

Pasture plants often have an unusually high-water content in April, and your animals may not get enough nutrition from this forage. Silage and hay supplements can take up the feeding slack.

Wood mint is at least eight inches tall, and sweet for tea. Chives are ready for salads. Pastures are filling with golden winter cress and purple henbit.

New Year's Day for immigrants from Cambodia, Thailand and Laos takes place April 14 -17. The Asian market often favors animals in the 60- to 80-pound live-weight range.

Solar Eclipse on High Street

By Bill Felker

Aug. 21, 2017

As above, so below.

The Emerald Tablet of Hermes Trismegistus

Early in the afternoon of the solar eclipse, I was cutting zinnias, removing the older blossoms to encourage the plants to produce new flowers.

Sparrows chirped off and on and cicadas buzzed and cardinals and crows called once in a while. High clouds sometimes filtered the sunlight, but the day was bright and mild.

Henry Myers had called the day before. He said he had heard that birds stopped singing in the middle of a solar eclipse as though they thought night had arrived, and that when the sun came through the moon again, the birds resumed their calls.

As the eclipse progressed, the dense honeysuckles and the high locusts and hackberries and Osage that surrounded the yard took on an amber glow. It was not a vision of September so much as a transfiguration of summer to a new sepia season, a thin burnished time far from the decay of autumn.

Then I noticed the cicadas were quiet, and I heard no birds. While I stood surrounded by zinnias, bright red became deep blood-red, yellow became gold, orange became sienna, pink became violet, violet turned purple, bright white was soft and creamy.

And toward the end of it all, as the filter of the eclipse was weakening, two monarch butterflies (which had been so rare this August) suddenly appeared from over the trees, soared majestically into the yard and floated beside me among the zinnias.

Then one of the monarchs rose high, then swooped toward the other

(Poor Will continued on page 12B)

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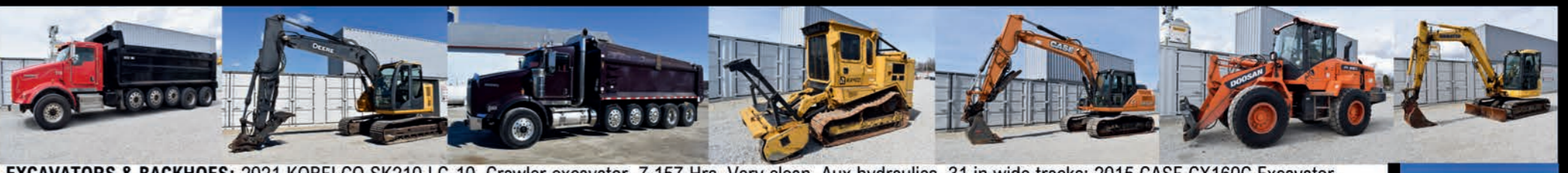


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Quick attach, 2 speed, Articulating, EROPS, Heat, air, Lights, Hydro trans, w/ bucket, AUX. Hydraulics; 2007 JCB 436HT Wheel loader, Joystick controls, Gear selector; 2003 CASE 521D Wheel loader, EROPS, Heat, A/C, Joystick controls, 8 FT bucket, bucket; Doosan DL220, 10,782Hrs, Front end wheel loader, Articulating, Aux hydraulics, Joystick controls, Heat, Air, Radio; SKIDSTEERS: 2023 KUBOTA SVL75-2 Compact Track Loader, 74.3 HP turbo diesel engine, deluxe enclosed cab to include heat, air, suspension seat. Quick attach bucket, backup camera, stereo, 2 speed transmission, LED work lights, only 146 one owner hours, remainder of Kubota factory warranty; 2021 DEERE 320G, 312 Hrs, Quick attach, Tight, clean machine, Pilot controls, EROPS, Heat, Air, Radio, AUX- Hydraulics, 2 speed; 2016 BOBCAT T650, 4,683hrs Enclosed ROPS, heat/ ac radio, vinyl seat, hand and foot control, aux hydraulics, high flow, upgraded display with keypad; 2014 CAT 289D Track, aux hydraulics, Tracks replaced at 4100 hrs. Reman Motor installed at 3880hrs. enclosed cab; TELEHANDLERS: GRADALL 534D-9, rear steer, OROPS, Forks, Runs great; 2013 CAT TH255 Telehandler, Diesel engine, Comes with forks, Heat & a/c, AUX. Hydraulics

TRACTION: 2021 Western Star 4900, 665,871 Mi, Wet kit, New Long block Engine-ISX 15 put in 1.5 yrs ago, Has paperwork, Sleeper cab 2016 INTERNATIONAL TRANSTAR 8600, 159,266 miles, daycab, 10 speed trans power windows, am/fm radio, air ride seat; 2012 KENWORTH T800, Day cab truck, 600,375 mi Paccar Engine, 10spd. dual fuel tanks, aluminum wheels, led headlights, am/fm/cd power windows; 2009 International LF657 Prostar, Day cab semi, 540,414 Mi, Eaton-fuller 10 spd transmission, Cummins ISM engine, 6x4, Dual fuel tanks, Air ride, Air brakes; 1986 INTERNATIONAL S1652 Feed truck, 70,253 mi, 12 ton 3 section Boss Hog Kraus Feed body; 2011 International 4300 SBA 4x2, International DT466/Maxxforce DT engine, Low side dump truck, 221,089Mi, Auto transmission, PTO, Heat-Air, Radio, Air brakes, Storage boxes, Side fold down on bed, VIN: 1HTMMAAL9CH456401; 2006 Kenworth T800, Approx. 488,000 Mi, Engine rebuilt less than 20,000Mi ago, Quint axle, 3 Cheater axles, 66,000GVWR, Eaton-fuller 8 Spd trans, PTO, Cat C13 Engine, 20FT Steel rock bed, Tarp, VIN: 1NKDLU0X76J123003; 2003 Chevy Kodiak 4500, 106,061 Mi, Crew cab, V8 Gas engine, Tow mirrors, Steel flatbed, Wood deck, Headache rack, Mounted crane, Pipe racks VEHICLES: 2019 Ford F550 SD Lariat, 54,725 Mi, 6.7L, 4x4, CM truck bed, Multiple storage boxes on bed, Aluminum fuel tank, LED Lights, Headache rack, Aluminum rims, Leather interior, Fully loaded; 2019 Ford F-350, 6.2 gas engine, 177,442Mi, 383HP, 4x4 Super crew cab, Knapheide Service bed, Leather, Headache rack, Bumper mounted Vise, Heat, Air, Radio, Great truck, Runs and drives, VIN: 1FD8W3H67KEE93379; 2013 GMC Terrain, 2.4L, FWD, 184,578 Mi, Cloth interior, 4 door, Heat, Air, Radio, Runs and drives; 2001 Ford Excursion 176,037 Miles, Triton V10 Gas Engine, Cloth interior, premium touch screen radion, cruise, control, power windows, power locks, rear climate control, rear radio contols, Aluminum rims; 2006 Chevy Express 3500, Van with Reading enclosed truck body, 236,798 Mi, 2WD, Backup camera, Cab entrance into rear, Storage shelving inside bed, Outside box storage, Heat, Air, Radio; 1995 Ford F350 XLT, 7.3L deisel engine, 203,332Mi, Extended cab, Aluminum flat bed with side storage boxes, 2WD; WHEEL LOADERS: 2022 CAT 906M, Rubber Tired Loader, quick attach bucket, full cab, heat, 2 speed, Cat diesel engine, suspension seat, only 308 hrs; 2015 KUBOTA R630, 2,342 hrs. Quick attach, 2 speed, Articulating, EROPS, Heat, air, Lights, Hydro trans, w/ bucket, AUX. Hydraulics; 2007 JCB 436HT Wheel loader, Joystick controls, Gear selector; 2003 CASE 521D Wheel loader, EROPS, Heat, A/C, Joystick controls, 8 FT bucket, bucket; Doosan DL220, 10,782Hrs, Front end wheel loader, Articulating, Aux hydraulics, Joystick controls, Heat, Air, Radio; SKIDSTEERS: 2023 KUBOTA SVL75-2 Compact Track Loader, 74.3 HP turbo diesel engine, deluxe enclosed cab to include heat, air, suspension seat. Quick attach bucket, backup camera, stereo, 2 speed transmission, LED work lights, only 146 one owner hours, remainder of Kubota factory warranty; 2021 DEERE 320G, 312 Hrs, Quick attach, Tight, clean machine, Pilot controls, EROPS, Heat, Air, Radio, AUX- Hydraulics, 2 speed; 2016 BOBCAT T650, 4,683hrs Enclosed ROPS, heat/ ac radio, vinyl seat, hand and foot control, aux hydraulics, high flow, upgraded display with keypad; 2014 CAT 289D Track, aux hydraulics, Tracks replaced at 4100 hrs. Reman Motor installed at 3880hrs. enclosed cab; TELEHANDLERS: GRADALL 534D-9, rear steer, OROPS, Forks, Runs great; 2013 CAT TH255 Telehandler, Diesel engine, Comes with forks, Heat & a/c, AUX. Hydraulics



EXCAVATORS & BACKHOES: 2021 KOBELCO SK210 LC-10, Crawler excavator, 7,157 Hrs, Very clean, Aux hydraulics, 31 in wide tracks; 2015 CASE CX160C Excavator, 7,672Hrs, Aux. Hydraulics, Hyd. thumb, EROPS, Clean Excavator; 2015 GEHL Z55 Mini excavator, 4,548 hrs, EROPS, Power-A-Tach Quick coupler, 2 Way blade, Heat & A/C, Side swivel boom, Hydraulic Thumb; 2012 DEERE 210 G LC, 10,007 HRS, Great, tight, Clean running machine, EROPS, 48 IN tooth bucket, 31.5 IN tracks, Ready to work, Undercarriage is in good shape; Komatsu PC88MR-10, Crawler excavator, 7094 Hrs, 17in rubber/steel tracks, 92in 2 way blade, Side swing boom, AUX hydraulics, WB coupler and 24in bucket, Backup cam, Loaded cab, PIN: KMTPC249C01007178; 2010 CAT 321 DL Crawler excavator, 10,612 HRS, Mostly idle hours, Very tight machine, Quick coupler, Heat- A/C, Enclosed cab, Radio; Komatsu PC138USLC-8, 6839Hrs, 24in Steel tracks, Quick attach, Backup camera, AUX hydraulics, 102in 2 way blade, 4 ft bucket, PIN: KMTPC189C01025273; 2011 CAT 420E, backhoe, 7667 hrs., Diesel, Enclosed cab, Backhoe/excavator controls, Extendable boom, 4x4, rear manual attach bucket, Rear stabilizers; LIFTS & FORKLIFTS: 2014 JLG 4069LE Scissor lift, Non marking tires, Rough terrain, Only 505Hrs, Electric, 40Ft max platform height, 800Lbs Work load, 10,545 GW, Extendable deck, Removable safety cage; 2014 JLG 4069LE Scissor lift, Non marking tires, Rough terrain, Only 437Hrs, Electric, 40Ft max platform height, 800Lbs Work load, 10,545 GW, Extendable deck, Removable safety cage; 2015 JLG 2632ES Scissor Lift, slab runner, 25.5 ft max platform height, 24V system, 309Hrs. 2016 JLG 2032ES, 20ft max height; Crown Towlift 4500 series, Electric, 3635Hrs, Non marking tires, Duel stage mast, Side shift; 2000 Mec 1932ES 24V Electric scissor lift, slab runner, 19ft max platform high 510 hours; Genie GS 1930 Scissor lift, slab runner, sliding platform, battery power; Yale ERC065RF Forklift battery power with charger included, 3 stage mast, lights sideshift; 2016 Linde Ht 35 forklift unit has 4,640 hours, 2 stage mast, propane power, led lights, fan, strobe light, finger tip controls; Linde H35T 7000lb forklift Lp power lights strobe light, 11,056 hours, finger tip controls CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT: JD 670B Motor grader, Multi-directional 12ft Blade, Front mounted scarifier, Unknown hours; 1999 Cat CB-224C Roller, 4225 HRS, Duel Vibratory drum, Fwd/Rvrs, Diesel; 2018 Wacker Neuson RTSC-3, Walk behind dual drum vibratory roller, Has remote, Docking station for charging/storing remote, Wire hook up for remote, Diesel; 2022 Generac Lift tower, Only 186 Hrs, City silent Kubota Z482 diesel engine, Auto tower raise/lower, 4x Multi-directional LED lights, 184,000 Lumens, Provides 360 degree lighting, 4x stabilization jacks, Digital controller; 2000 Ingersoll-Rand P160WJD, Portable air compressor, Single axle, Comes with hose, Front hose reel, 200PSI; Grimmer Schmidt 185D, Towable air compressor, Diesel powered engine, 1,999Hrs, Single axle, Duel air hookup, Rear storage box, Pintle hitch; Multi Quip Wispervatt 70 Towable Generator, tandem axle, 18,089, John Deere Diesel engine, pintle hitch; 2015 Tri State Industries towable Miller Big Blue 400 Pro generator welder with leads FORESTRY: 2016 Rayco C200 forestry mower, 9981Hrs, Isuzu diesel engine with 200hp, Motor runs great, New final drives, Predator mulcher head with dual drive motors and 6ft cutting width Ran when was taken off the job with no issues; 2012 Vermeer BC1000XL, Wood chipper, 85HP Cummins diesel engine, 4643 Hrs; Vermeer BC625A, Wood chipper, Rear feed, Adj. discharge chute TRAILERS: 24 FT flat deck trailer, 18ft deck with 6ft dove tail, Wood decking, tandem axle, 20,000 GVWR, Lights, Pintle hitch; 2022 PJ 40Ft Gooseneck, tandem axle, dual wheels, hydraulic 10ft tail, hydraulic jacks, spare tire, 96in wide, with rub rails and stake pockets, underside tool box, 235/80R16 tires; 2008 RJ COX 16ft. trailer, tandem axle, rear ramps, 2ft. sloped dove; 2001 TRAILER, Enclosed Box Trailer, Aluminum sides, wood floor, No Wheels/Axles; 1993 PINES TRAILER, 28 FT Pines Trailer, Bi-foldrear doors, Wood floors, Air brakes, Lights, Single axle; 2024 CROSS COUNTRY MFG, Utility Trailer, single axle, 14ft long, 6.5 ft wide wood deck, full ramp; 1998 Fontaine 48 FT drop deck Semi trailer, 80,000 Gvwr, Tandem axle, Wood deck, Air brakes, lights; 1998 Nu Van flatbed trailer 45ft deck, tandem axle tool box, bulkhead, 66,000 GVWR; 22ft long tandem axle with double fold down ramps, storage bin on front, short sides, ball hitch, 7 flat electrical plug MOWERS: John Deere X724 Lawn & Garden Tractor, 993Hrs, All wheel steer, Hydrostatic drive, 25 HP fuel injected gas engine, Power steering, 62 In hydraulic lift mower deck, Aux Hydraulics, Cruise control, Deluxe seat with arm rest; (2) Cub cadet ZT52 Zero turn mowers; Cub cadet ZTX4 Zero turn mower; 2014 Toro Z Master Professional 5000 Series Zero turn mower, OROPS, Turbo Force 72In deck; Exmark Laser Z Ultracut 60 In Zero turn mower, 1257 Hrs, Kohler gas engine, Runs and drives UTILITY VEHICLES, BOATS & CAMPERS: 2023 Red Polaris RZR 1000, 4x4, 59mi, 5hrs; 2020 Black Polaris RZR 1000, 2 seater, 1390 mi, 148 hrs; Club Car Carryall 1700, 4 Seater golf cart/ utility vehicle, Brand new tires, Diesel powered kubota engine, OROPS, 1821 Hrs, FWD/RVRS, Lights; 2021 Lance 1985 camper, 23Ft long, 8Ft wide, 6,200 GVWR, Aluminum body W/ Fiberglass sidewalls, 1 Slide-out, 16Ft retractable awning, Kitchen with stove, oven, refrigerator, U-shaped Kitchen table, 1 Sofa, Bathroom with toilet and shower, Sleeps 4, Smart electric jack, 3x Propane tanks, Multiple outside storage places, Backup camera, Heat- A/C, Duel axle, 45Gal Holding tanks; 2019 Palomino Puma 32 FT Camper, Bumper pull, 2 Slide outs, Sleeps 6, Tandem axle; Polar Craft, V-bottom boat, Yamaha 9.9 high thrust 4 stroke outboard motor, Side console steering wheel and throttle, VIN: PLB62749E121, Sits on single axle trailer, Spare tire, Lights, Brand new; 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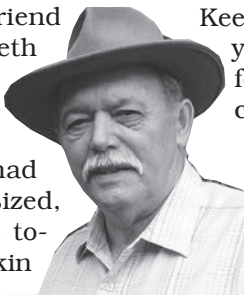
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Smallmouth bass caught in Big Flatrock River had Melanosis

Last week, my good friend and neighbor Lindsey Fonseth stopped by to see me. He had several interesting pictures on his flip phone of a smallmouth bass he had caught. The fish was nicely sized, about 16 inches and looked totally healthy, except the skin was marked with dark black blotchy spots on the tail, sides, around the gills and even in the mouth. Lindsey said he had never seen anything like it and asked if I had encountered it in all my years fishing Big Flatrock River.



SPAULDING OUTDOORS
By Jack Spaulding

I said I have not, but I would check with someone I thought might know. I sent a text to my good friend and retired conservation officer Dean Shadley, who regularly fishes Big Flatrock for smallmouth.

Sure enough, Dean had encountered Melanosis and had asked an Indiana fishery biologist about it.

According to Major League Fishing... Melanosis (aka Blotchy Bass Syndrome or BBS) is a condition characterized by black, ink-like spots, on the skin, fins and/or mouths of black basses. For many years, fisheries biologists thought the blotches were just a stress response. Turns out, the biologists were only half right. Researchers at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Eastern Ecological Science Center in Leetown, W.V., have recently identified BBS is associated with a novel family of viruses known as Adomavirus (Adomaviridae).

Basses with skin hyperpigmentation were first observed in the 1980s and at the time it was assumed the condition was caused by environmental contaminants or stressors (i.e., temperature, spawning, sun exposure). The potential for virus-caused hyperpigmentation poses a more complicated fish health diagnosis because while an adomavirus has been identified as the culprit, other factors like contaminants or stressors may still play a role in when and where blotchy bass syndrome occurs.

Keep the bird feeders filled

Even with the warming weather, our feathered friends still need our support. Now is the time when birds are building nests and developing eggs and need lots of protein. The insect hatches are still weeks away, and wild bird feed has grown scarce.

Keep your suet cakes filled and your black sunflower seed feeders topped off for the coming weeks!

Participate in research for chronic wasting disease management

Researchers at Purdue University are studying the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in white-tailed deer. CWD is a fatal neurological disease affecting deer and is caused by an infective protein (prion) damaging the animal's nervous system. CWD can spread through deer-to-deer contact or through contaminated environments. To date, CWD has not been detected in Indiana. No cases of CWD have been recorded in humans.

Information collected may help inform Indiana DNR's response to CWD. Participants will answer online survey questions and use a web app which shows how CWD may spread. The activity and survey questions take about 30 minutes to complete. The study is open to everyone 18 years or older. All that's necessary to participate is a computer or tablet and you can participate in the study online.

For questions about the study, please email the research team at cwdwebapp@purdue.edu. Please reference the following in the email: Study title - Web App Use and Intention to Reduce Chronic Wasting Disease Spread; Principal Investigator - Dr. Patrick Zollner; IRB Number - IRB-2023-1039.

Celebrate National Volunteer Week

From April 21-27, DNR will celebrate National Volunteer Week. It's a time to show appreciation to hard-working volunteers around the state who dedicate their energy, skills, and support to enrich the quality of life for present and future generations of Indiana's fish, wildlife, and their habitats.

Whether they're rolling up their sleeves at Fish & Wildlife areas to manage habitat, pulling up waders at state fish hatcheries to improve outdoor recreation opportunities, or sharpening pencils and observation skills to document wildlife populations, DFW volunteers are essential to maintaining healthy ecological communities.

Thank you to our DFW volunteers for the many ways you support and contribute to our team! Interested in joining the ranks of our volunteer all-stars? Please visit our volunteer webpage at: <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife/about-us/volunteer/> to create a volunteer profile and learn more about upcoming opportunities.

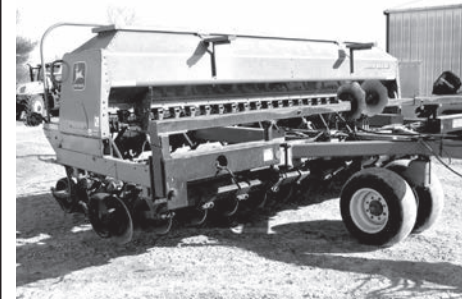
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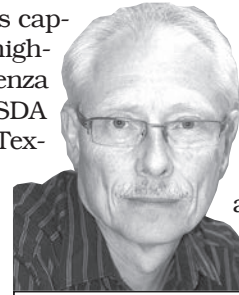
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Bird flu now confirmed on dairy farms in 6 states

The dairy industry remains captivated by the diagnosis of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), now confirmed by USDA on dairy farms in Kansas, Texas, Michigan, New Mexico, Ohio and Idaho. Analysis is underway for additional presumptive positive tests from herds in Kansas, New Mexico, Ohio and Texas.



MIELKE MARKET WEEKLY
 By Lee Mielke

One case has been confirmed in Idaho, three in Kansas, one in Michigan, two in New Mexico, one in Ohio, and seven in Texas. Restrictions on dairy cattle movement are in place in Delaware, Idaho, Nebraska, Tennessee and Utah.

If it spreads, the impact would be more on the supply side, he said, because cows produce less milk as they get sick, some do not bounce back, some even die. The markets may be concerned about it but he doesn't see it as a long term problem.

"Short of putting a giant net over the dairy to keep birds out," Kurzawski said, "There's probably not a lot more that can be done, other than what farmers are already doing, such as washing equipment and trucks more thoroughly."

The National Milk Producers Federation states, "There continues to be no concern about the safety of the milk supply or that this circumstance poses a risk to consumer health because products are pasteurized before entering the market, per the Food and Drug Administration. Only milk from healthy animals is authorized for distribution into interstate commerce for human consumption. Additionally, pasteurization has continually proven to inactivate bacteria and viruses, including influenza, in milk."

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced Monday that a person in Texas tested positive for avian influenza after exposure to dairy cattle presumed to be infected with the H5N1 bird flu. "The patient reported eye redness as their only symptom, and is recovering." The U.S. human risk assessment remains low, however the CDC said, "People with close or prolonged, unprotected exposures to infected birds or other animals (including livestock), or to environments contaminated by infected birds or other animals, are at greater risk of infection."

HighGround Dairy reports that this is actually the second person to have tested positive for influenza A (H5N1) viruses in the U.S. A previous case occurred in 2022 in Colorado. The CDC notes that human infections of avian influenza are uncommon but have occurred sporadically worldwide."

Speaking in the April 8 "Dairy Radio Now" broadcast, StoneX broker Dave Kurzawski said no one knows what impact this outbreak will have on the market but says we have some historical reference. He said Christmas Eve 2003, Mad Cow disease, BSE, was first reported in dairy cows in Washington State and, "The cattle markets broke hard over it and the price of cheese went from \$1.2975 per pound to \$2.20 in April, four months later because other things mattered more."

"When the U.S. consumer hears cattle, they think beef," he reasoned, "They don't necessarily think milk on their cereal or cheese on their pizza but it's early in this ongoing situation." He does not think it will matter much for dairy demand.

The March Federal order Class III milk price was announced at \$16.34 per hundredweight, up 26 cents from February but \$1.76 below March 2023. The three-month average stands at \$15.86, down from \$18.44 at this time a year ago, and \$21.25 in 2022.

Class III futures remain disturbing. The April contract was trading late Friday morning at \$15.55; May, \$16.36; June, \$16.93; July, \$17.42; August, \$17.97; September, \$18.22; October, \$18.30; November, \$18.20; and December \$17.91.

The March Class IV price is \$20.09, up 24 cents from February, \$1.71 above a year ago, and the highest since November 2023. Its three-month average is at \$19.78, up from \$19.08 a year ago, but compares to \$23.97 in 2022.

Dairy margins deteriorated further the last half of March as milk prices continued to move lower while feed costs held steady, according to the latest Margin Watch (MW) from Chicago-based Commodity and Ingredient Hedging LLC.

The MW stated, "While USDA's latest monthly Milk Production report reflected a continued trend of declining output, the Cold Storage report was negative for cheese inventories which has kept pressure on that market and Class 3 milk futures. USDA reported February milk production at 18.1 billion pounds, down 1.3 percent from a year ago after adjusting for this year's leap day. February marked the eighth consecutive monthly decline from year-ago comparisons, and the largest monthly production decline year-over-year since January 2022. January's milk output was also further revised down to reflect a 1.2 percent decline from 2023, with February's dairy cow herd at 9.33 million head, down 89,000 from last year but up 10,000 from January's revised estimate. February's monthly increase in the milking cow herd was the largest in nearly a year and may suggest the economics of cow retention have started to shift for some operations."

The MW also detailed the Avian Influenza outbreak and stated, "Increased biosecurity measures will limit heifer movement and the culling of unproductive animals may further tighten supply."

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"Sleep Well, Take Risks, Squish the Peas: Secrets from the Science of Toddlers for a Happier, More Successful Way of Life" by Hasan Merali, MD, c.2024, HCI Books, \$17.95, 320 pages



THE BOOKWORM SEZ
Terri Schlichenmeyer

You threw a perfect fit. You stomped into your room, kicked a chair, knocked things off a table. You ranted. Screamed. And though you were tempted, you stopped just short of throwing yourself on the floor because your colleagues would talk. Oddly, you felt better once you were done because sometimes, says Hasan Merali, MD, being childish is just what you need. In his new book "Sleep Well, Take Risks, Squish the Peas," doing so could even make you successful. Spend even just a few minutes with little people between the ages of one and five, and you'll notice a few things. Kids that age are generally happier. They laugh more, they have curiosity, unabashedness, and risk-taking abilities. What would your life - at work and at home - be like if you acted more like those kids?

Says Merali, it's not as far-fetched as you think. As our brains mature, we lose our

sense of wonder, our attention to detail and our flexibility in thinking. Logic rules our minds, while creativity waits in the wings. We laugh a lot less. We get stingy with generosity and kindness, and we become self-conscious. Who wants that?

Turn things around, Merali says, by eating only when you're hungry and by getting enough sleep. Make a routine before bedtime. Read yourself a story. Nap, if you can. Stay active, even if it's just for a few minutes. Be kind, learn to share, and don't assume that every stranger is a danger. At least once a day, do something that will make you laugh; better yet, do it with a friend or two. Pick a book if you need to give yourself a reward, and always read a mixture of "make-believe and real stories." Remember that life is not entirely goal-oriented, so take time to play. Use teamwork. Don't get angry at malfunctioning equipment. Learn that it's okay to ask for help, and to give it. Ask questions. Be brave.

Learn that "NO" is a full sentence. Can you fit a teddy bear into a lunch box or briefcase? Can you arrange to have a sandbox in the break room at work? You'll be tempted to try these things, once

you see the possibilities inside "Sleep Well, Take Risks, Squish the Peas."

If this all seems a little silly at first, remember that age regression isn't mandatory but a toddler's outlook is. Author Hasan Merali, MD, doesn't insist that readers act like children but with guidance from this book, a little childishness becomes a good thing. Even the most stoic CEO can benefit from more levity, and Merali's words on maintaining curiosity and openness to learning are priceless for both home and work. Merely reading Merali's imaginary scenarios can add fun to your day.

This is the kind of book you hand to your sales team for a group read, followed by a discussion and bottles of soap bubbles. If you need to lighten up and laugh more, "Sleep Well, Take Risks, Squish the Peas" could be the perfect fit.

Sleep Well, Take Risks, Squish the Peas

Secrets from the Science of Toddlers for a Happier, More Successful Way of Life

Hasan Merali, MD

Poor Will

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as though he could not hold back, and his consort rose steeply to meet him, and they spun in rapturous encounter, swirling up and around and across the flowers in tight randori.

Then they returned to visiting the flowers where I stood until everything became the way it once had been, and then they flew south over the house together. Cicadas buzzed again. Sparrows chirped. A cardinal sang. Toward the west end of town, crows called out.

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Work begins on developing a farm labor pipeline to ease shortages

By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS – Work is underway on trying to create a labor pipeline for pork producers and the agriculture industry in general in Indiana.

Much of the focus is on finding ways to attract middle school and high school students by showing them the benefits of working on a farm and a path they can take to qualify for entry level positions after graduating, said Chad Martin, director of strategic outreach for the Indiana Pork Producers Association.

Indiana Pork is partnering with the Indiana Soybean Alliance on the effort that includes a recently completed study of hundreds of students, ages 13-18, to find out what would get them interested and involved in working on a farm.

Martin said the survey revealed stu-

dents want internships and other opportunities for work-based learning to help better determine if employment on a farm is the career path they want to take.

He said there could be more opportunity to make a noticeable dent in the labor shortage judging from data revealing more students today are leaning toward entering the workforce after high school or pursuing a less costly form of higher education in places like a vocational school.

"This next generation of younger people are not as interested in going and pursuing a college degree and getting into debt. If that's the case, how are we able to attract and make them aware of the opportunities in our industry," Martin said.

Martin said the next steps include sharing the results of the study with pork producers and farm commodity or-

ganizations, and developing programs about working in the industry for use in the schools.

Recently, Martin said a visit was paid to the Indiana Agriculture and Technical School in Carmel to give students an idea of what a typical day is like from working at a hog farm and the training needed to break into the industry.

There were also guest speakers explaining the type of entry level positions they were able to find and how they worked their way up in their careers. "We provided some exposure to the opportunities that are there," he said.

A labor pipeline for agriculture is needed more than ever, perhaps, because farms are competing for quality help against other industries now having difficulties with labor shortages in areas like manufacturing and health care.

Martin said the strategy includes making additional farmers aware they're also competing against other industries in attracting and retaining labor in areas such as pay and benefits.

Another message to be conveyed to students is the sort of family like atmosphere often experienced from working at a farm especially if it's where they grew up.

"There's a lot of fulfillment in that," he said.

Martin said other potential strategies include reaching out more to 13-and-15-year-olds less likely to have already decided their career paths. Explaining

tasks at a farm could range from working in a confinement barn one day to operating a drone or some other form of precision agriculture later in the week.

He expects the effort to be long term to try and better meet the need, but the goal is to have some early successes to create momentum. "Our hope is to start moving the needle as soon as possible," he said.

Martin said another thing discovered from the research is a program called "Earned Indiana," which pays one half of the salary of a high school student working on a farm under an internship. Some of those interns could very well decide to make a career out of working on a farm.

He said Indiana Pork is now spreading word about the Indiana Chamber of Commerce program being taken advantage of already by some producers.

He said another goal is uncovering resources for labor researchers possibly didn't know existed and making farmers aware of what they can tap into for help in filling job openings.

The effort is also aimed at filling the labor gap caused by immigration policies.

"If that is not going to be remedied, we need to find ways where we can attract labor from within local means. That's one of our goals. What are we not doing that we should be doing to help bring in and attract labor that isn't being built by the immigration issues," he said.

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higher as traders try to anticipate the effects of the influenza outbreak. The CME Cheddar blocks closed Friday at \$1.5150 per pound, up 9.75 cents on the week, highest since March 4, but are still 31.50 cents below a year ago, as traders awaited Friday afternoon's February Dairy Products report.

The Cheddar barrels finished at \$1.53, 10.25 cents higher, 19 cents below a year ago, and 1.50 cents above the blocks. There were 42 loads of block traded on the week, highest since the week of June 26, 2023, and 29 of barrel.

Manufacturers report cheese production is strong in the West. Milk volume is plentiful due to the season and spring breaks cycling through the region. Industry participants convey strong to steady cheese demand. Demand from pizza makers has strengthened this year compared to the prior year, says DMN.

Butter closed Friday at \$2.94 per pound, highest CME price since Nov. 6, 2023's \$3.01, up 9.75 cents on the week and 62.25 cents above a year ago on 33 sales.

Butter makers in the Upper Midwest say demand has held somewhat steady with recent weeks. Year-over-year sales, both prior to and just following the holiday, were a bit lower than last year's. Food service demand is following the same pattern. Cream remains widely accessible. That said, some of the sub-1.00 multiples from the previous week were not reported this week. Some Central butter makers have cream deliveries locked in through the rest of April. Butter markets continue to meet or beat expectations, says DMN.

Butter makers convey strong to steady production in the West as they build inventories for fourth quarter ahead of summer churn maintenance. Domestic butter demand is strong to steady following the recent shorter holiday week.

U.S. dairy exports topped those of a year ago for the first time in a year, according to the USDA's latest data. Sailings totaled 483.8 million pounds, adjusted for Leap Year, up 5.5 percent from Feb. 2023, and set a monthly record. HighGround Dairy credited increased sales to Mexico, up 4.5 percent, and up 20 percent to Southeast Asia, though exports to China were down 24 percent.

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Museums help tell story of country's cotton history

CLARKSDALE, Miss. - Cotton history was changed forever at the Hopson Plantation in Clarksdale with the invention of International Harvester's mechanized cotton picker, an invention that had been in the works 40 years prior. It was Oct. 2, 1944, at the Hopson Plantation in front of 300 onlookers that an International Harvester mechanical cotton picker harvested the first cotton crop totally



WRENCHING TALES
By Cindy Ladage

without the use of hand labor. For the first time, cotton planting, cultivating, irrigating, and harvesting was all done by machine. The model H-10-H spindle cotton picker was an invention that allowed the picker to harvest the cotton boll that holds the actual fiber.

Invented during WWII, because of lack of much needed materials for the cotton picker, it was not mass produced commercially until after 1947. Once more materials were available, the pickers were produced at the IH Memphis Works, then were mounted on Farmall H tractors.

Hopson Plantation became a Mecca for agricultural education with many coming to see the invention. This changed not only the way that cotton was harvested but decreased the need for the sharecropper type of farming, this affected the local culture as well. With less workers needed, African Americans and other workers migrated to the cities in the industrial north.

Today, the Shack Up Inn is a lodge and music venue where cotton history lives on through the advent of the blues. Visitors can see a one-row cotton picker sitting out front of the lobby that is the revamped cotton gin. In the past, several famous blues musicians worked on the plantations. One of the tractor drivers at Hopson Plantation was blues pianist Joe Willie "Pinetop" Perkins. Today, you can even stay in Pinetop's cabin.

Muddy Waters was born at the nearby Stovall Plantation, and you can stop and see the former birthplace. His log cabin is no longer onsite though, as it has been

moved for preservation to the Delta Blues Museum where you can wander inside and see other blues history. The story of the blues began in the fields. They originate from the days of sharecroppers. Before that, slaves sang spiritual field hollers while they worked. American Blacks in the early part of the century sang their stories. These stories evolved into what we know today as the blues.

For more information about the Shack Up Inn, visit www.shackupinn.com.

At the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum in Jackson, Miss., visitors can see one of the original one-row cotton pickers used at Hopson Plantation on display. On their website they share, "During the antebellum period, cotton was viewed as the social and economic focus of life."

The museum provides a section, Small Town Mississippi, that investigates cotton production, and the everyday life of Mississippi residents in the 1800s.

Prior to the mechanized cotton picker, and before the Civil War, several acres of cotton were handpicked on the southern plantations. Natchez, Miss., is one place to see this early cotton history. Stanton Hall was built by Irish immigrant and cotton merchant Frederick Stanton. Another stop to see cotton history is at Frogmore Plantation, where they have several buildings preserved, with the heart of the plantation the old-time cotton gin onsite.

For a take on life for the average Louisiana cotton farmer at the turn of the century, check out the LSU Rural Life Museum. Run by Louisiana State University, the museum is filled with the largest collection of Louisiana vernacular architecture.

There are cool rural buildings, along with equipment all local to Louisiana.

While most ag museums are in a somewhat rural area, The Cotton Museum located in downtown Memphis is a historical and cultural museum that opened on the former floor of the Memphis Cotton Exchange.



Above: Stovall Plantation was the birthplace of Muddy Waters, who drove tractors on the plantation.



Above: This is the one-row cotton picker set outside of the Shack Up Inn.



Above: This is one of the sharecropper cottages at the Shack Up Inn.

The land belonged to Conway Scott, who obtained the farm from a land grant issued by James Madison for 150 acres. The main house was about five miles away, and the guide at the museum said, "Steamboats loaded took cotton to New Orleans."

Robert Dortch, a local planter took over the store, and in the 1960s, converted it to a museum. Today the museum belongs to Arkansas, and they interpret the state's legacy of cotton agriculture. The tour includes the 1912 commissary building, Dortch Gin Building, and Seed Warehouse No. 5.

These are a few places to learn about cotton that was once deemed as king of the south.



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Don't get caught up in the little things in life; look at the big picture

Matthew 16:6-7 "Watch out! Jesus warned them. "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." At this they began to argue with each other because they hadn't brought any bread."

Sometimes we humans get caught up in minutiae. Our minds get clouded with details and we struggle to see things of spiritual importance. This could be because we are not tuned in to the things of God or because we enjoy our small comforts. Jesus' disciples missed an important warning because they had mundane things on their mind. It's important for us to learn a lesson from their lack of understanding.

Throughout Jesus' ministry religious leaders sought to discredit Him. These Pharisees and Sadducees, rigorously trained in the Holy Scriptures, chose to ignore the prophetic

signs that proved Jesus was the promised Messiah. Instead they sought to dispose of the Son of God in order to keep their own powerful hold over the people.

After another run-in with these men Jesus and His disciples embarked on a boat to the other side of the lake. Instead of reflecting on the disturbing interaction that had just taken place, the disciples' minds were on ordinary things and they decided to plan their next meal. As they took stock of their provisions they realized they had forgotten to bring any bread.

Jesus, listening to the commotion over the forgotten bread, used the oversight as a teaching moment. "Watch out!" He warned. "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sad-



VERSES FROM MAMA By Sandra Sheridan

ducees." Only half listening, the distracted disciples, thinking He was talking about food, began to argue with each other over the lack of bread.

Jesus, noting their lack of faith, confronted them. Hadn't they just seen Him feed multitudes with only a small amount of provision? Why were they worried about physical food when He could provide everything they needed? Frustrated at their dullness of understanding He then restated the warning. Finally the men got the point! Jesus wasn't talking about bread but about the deceptive teachings of the religious leaders.

This Bible account reminded me of our own foolish distractions. We skip

our morning devotions so we can get our hair just right for our next appointment. We fill our free time with frivolous activities instead of spending more time in prayer. We put more effort into growing our bank account than our heavenly investments. We worry about the everyday necessities of life forgetting that God promises to provide.

Meanwhile our enemy, Satan, chuckles at our foolishness because his desire is that we will turn away from God and find ourselves in bondage and ruin.

So take a lesson from Jesus' disciples who put too much emphasis on the daily minutiae of life and missed His warning. In what ways do we need to think less of our temporal needs in order to hear and respond to the warnings in God's word? It's something to think about!

Indiana businesses create feed with no soy, antibiotics, hormones

By Michele F. Mihaljevich
Indiana Correspondent

CROWN POINT, Ind. - Two northwest Indiana businesses have partnered to create feed that is soy, antibiotic and hormone free.

Heirloom Feeds - for chicks, chickens, pigs and cows - will be available nationwide in April, Steve Howe, owner of Crown Point-based Howe Farms, told Farm World. Belstra Milling Co., headquartered in DeMotte, Ind., helped to create the feed and will distribute it through its network of dealers.

The idea of soy, antibiotic and hormone-free feed goes back to when Howe and his wife, Jenn, started their small farm with homesteading in mind.

"We knew we wanted to avoid antibiotics and raise our animals on pasture for numerous health benefits for us and

our kids, but doctors had told her she was allergic to eggs," Steve explained. "It didn't make sense to me so I started researching and I came across a paper on the internet that theorized that soy concentrated in the yolk of an egg. It was a theory. I don't know if it's true or not, but I had to try. So I started mixing up our own chicken feed without antibiotics and soy, and she could eat our eggs.

"Those results pushed me to begin making our pigs' feed as well. We stayed with the same antibiotic- and soy-free principles, and loved the results. The texture and flavors of both the meat and the fat was unlike anything we had raised. We then adapted the feed for our cows and have been completely in love with the results."

Over the last 10 years, Howe said they tried numerous different ingredients and methods. They tried organic feeds,

grassfed, non-GMO, corn and soy free. They couldn't get the exact results they were looking for nor could they reach the price point they hoped to achieve.

"We knew we needed help," he recalled. "We sometimes had health issues with animals, we sometimes had growth issues, and we sometimes had pricing issues. All things that could be solved by bringing in some feed experts."

Howe said they went to Belstra Milling about five years ago with their base feed. He said Belstra balanced the Howe Farms formula, and they began to see some of their challenges improve.

"We were lucky to find the Belstras," Howe said. "We fell in love with the people there instantly. They manufacture and distribute our feed line for us. When I started developing this idea there was no chance we were partnering with anyone else. When you meet good people

they become good friends, then they become family. There's nothing better than working with family."

The ingredients for all the formulas is fairly similar but balanced and formulated for the needs of the specific species, he said. Locally grown corn is in all the recipes, as is alfalfa as a major soy replacement, Howe added.

The family chose the name Heirloom Feeds as a way to honor an old way of doing things, the way their grandpas did things, he said. "Our 12-year-old son Easton came up with the name. He thought it sounded like something that honored and highlighted the generations that came before us. We agreed. The goal of the brand is to do just that."

For more information, including how to become a dealer, visit www.heirloom-feeds.com.

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2013 JD 5065E w/LDR, POWER REVERSER, MFWD, 540 PTO, 1152 HRS, S/N 1LV5055ECDY145114
2009 C/H FARMALL 90 w/LDR, SYNCRO, MFWD, 540 PTO, 956 HRS, S/N ZBJP53319
2021 JD 1025R w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 111 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RHHM823714
2021 JD 1025R w/DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 178 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RKM-M822473
2020 JD 1025R w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 70 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RALL811192
2019 JD 1025R, HYDRO, MFWD, 50 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RCLK801667
2018 JD 1025R w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 138 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RLJJ158860
2016 JD 1025R w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 671 HRS, S/N 1LV1025RGLG101712
2014 JD 1023E w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 168 HRS, S/N 1LV1023ETEH412585
2014 JD 2032R w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 579 HRS, S/N 1LV2032RPEH112481
2006 JD 2305 w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 542 HRS, S/N LV2305H222937
2007 JD 3720 w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 2004 HRS, S/N LV3520H450204
2005 JD 3520 w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 465 HRS, S/N LV3520H151560
2013 JD 4720 w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 711 HRS, S/N 1LV4720HVDH916194
2003 JD 4410 w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 541 HRS, S/N LV4410H241363
2007 JD 3720 w/LDR & DECK, HYDRO, MFWD, 3015 HRS, S/N LV3720H381124
2015 KUBOTA L3901 w/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 681 HRS, S/N 54208
2009 KUBOTA B3200 w/LDR & DECK, 739 HRS, S/N 50543
2005 C/H DX29, HYDRO, MFWD, 658 HRS, S/N HBA012061

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2021 GEHL VT320 SKID STEER w/CAB & 84" BUCKET, AC, HAND CONTROLS, EH CONTROLS, AIR RIDE SEAT, HI-FLO, 400 HRS, S/N GHLVT320K00040839
2020 JD 333G SKID STEER w/CAB & BUCKET, AC, EH CONTROLS, HI-FLO, JOYSTICK, RIDE CONTROL, 2-SPD, SELF-LEVELING, 1562 HRS, S/N 1T033GMVLF384526
2019 BOBCAT S590 SKID STEER w/CAB & BUCKET, AC, 2-SPD, 768 HRS, S/N AR9R20983
2019 CATERPILLAR 262D3 SKID STEER w/CAB & BUCKET, AC, EH CONTROLS, AIR RIDE SEAT, JOYSTICK, 2-SPD, SELF-LEVELING, AUX HYD, 1112 HRS, S/N CAT0262DCZB202024
2019 JD 330G SKID STEER w/CAB & 84" BUCKET, AC, EH CONTROLS, JOYSTICK, WEIGHTS, 1478 HRS, S/N 1T0330GKCKX366442
2018 BOBCAT S650 SKID STEER w/CAB, NO BUCKET, AC, HAND & FOOT CONTROLS, 2-SPD, 1404 HRS, S/N ALJ821973
2015 BOBCAT S650 w/CAB & BUCKET, AC, FOOT CONTROLS, AIR RIDE SEAT, HI-FLO, 2-SPD, SELF-LEVELING, 1432 HRS, S/N ALJ814100
2011 CASE TV380 w/CAB & BUCKET, AC, HAND CONTROLS, EH CONTROLS, AIR RIDE SEAT, AUX HYD, RIDE CONTROL, 897 HRS, S/N JAF-TV380HBM441036
2018 JD 320D SKID STEER w/CAB, NO BUCKET, HAND CONTROLS, SELF-LEVELING, AUX HYD, 5188 HRS, S/N 1T0320DAVBG213361
2003 NH LS170 SKID STEER w/CAB, 1926 HRS, S/N 174642

HAY EQUIPMENT

2018 JD 338 SQUARE BALER, S/N 1E00338TCEE400383
2004 NH 1432 MOWER CONDITIONER, S/N Y7B669385
2022 ENROSSI BF150G HAY MOWER, S/N 202205453
2022 ENROSSI RP8CG RAKE, S/N 202204047

2021 FRONTIER AB13E BALE SPEAR, S/N 1XFAB13ETL0011089
ROTARY MOWERS
2011 JD CX15, WING FOLD, 15', S/N P0CX15F009082
BUSH HOG 2615 BATWING, PULL TYPE, 15', S/N 12-05151
2013 WOODS BB720X, 6', 3 PT, S/N 1232009
2013 WOODS BB720X, 6', 3 PT, S/N 1232010
WOODS 60-4, 4', 3 PT, S/N 40359
WOODS RM990 GROOMING MOWER, 7', S/N 965718
KING KUTTER RFM72, 6', S/N 1001351252
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WOODS RB84 REAR BLADE, S/N 842558
LAND PRIDE GS1572 GRADER BLADE, S/N STK454781
KING KUTTER RTS-50 ROTARY TILLER, S/N 250499
2022 FRONTIER BB5096 BOX BLADE, S/N 1XFBBS0XPNO11599
2011 JD RC60L SHREDDER, S/N 1T0RC60LJB0000045
2015 BOBCAT 66 SHREDDER, S/N B37K00696
2022 TRI-L MANUFACTURING BRUSHBOSS77 GRAPPLE, S/N 5101230287
JD 14" TRACKS, S/N B0070512

ATVs

2021 POLARIS RANGER XP1000, GAS, 4WD, ALL TERRAIN, PS, 365 HRS, S/N 4XARRU997M8483054
2020 JD TX 42X GATOR, GAS, 2WD, ALL TERRAIN, 689 HRS, S/N 1M04X2DPLM150141
2018 JD XUV 835M GATOR, GAS, 4WD, EXTREME TERRAIN, 2882 HRS, S/N 1M0835MAVJM012854
2018 JD XUV 835M GATOR, GAS, 4WD, PS, 2268 HRS, S/N 1M0835MD-KJM010138
2016 JD XUV 825I GATOR, GAS, 4WD, ALL TERRAIN, 1996 HRS, S/N 1M0825GELGM113597
2008 JD XUV 850D, DSL, 4WD, TURF, 976 HRS, S/N M0XUVDX021659
2008 JD HPX 4X4, GAS, ALL TERRAIN, 2907 HRS, S/N MOHP4GX061154
2014 CAN-AM COMMANDER 800, GAS, 4WD, EXTREME TERRAIN, PS, 270 HRS, S/N 3JBKKN11EJ000491
2014 POLARIS RANGER 900, GAS, 4WD, EXTREME TERRAIN, 1120 HRS, S/N 4XAUH88A3EG289242
2003 POLARIS RANGER 4X4, GAS, MID TERRAIN, 1229 HRS, S/N 4XAR-DS0A74D167320

LAWN MOWERS

2021 JD Z970R, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 352 HRS, S/N 1TC970RC-CMT090168
2021 JD Z930M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, TWEELS, 370 HRS, S/N 1TC-930MCTL091954
2021 JD Z950M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, TWEELS, 624 HRS, S/N 1TC-950MCCMT091664
2020 JD Z915E, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 254 HRS, S/N 1TC915ECALT081953
2020 JD Z970R, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 340 HRS, S/N 1TC970RCH-KT080072
2019 JD Z930R, 60" DECK, GAS, TWEELS, 286 HRS, S/N 1TC930RCT-KT070691
2019 JD Z915E, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 296 HRS, S/N 1TC915EJKT072955
2018 JD Z930M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, TWEELS, 287 HRS, S/N 1TC-930MGCJT060931
2018 JD Z930M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1281 HRS, S/N 1TC930MCE-HT060031
2018 JD Z930M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1388 HRS, S/N 1TC930MCH-HT060030
2016 JD Z540R, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 327 HRS, S/N 1GXZ540X-AGG011967
2016 JD Z930M, 54" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 988 HRS, S/N 1TC930MVK-

GT040805
2016 JD X950M, 72" DECK, GAS, TWEELS, 1534 HRS, S/N 1TC950MD-KGT050039
2016 JD Z997R, 72" DECK, DSL, 2WD, 2098 HRS, S/N 1TCZ997RL-GD020878
2015 JD Z930M, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1340 HRS, S/N 1TC930MC-CFT030526
2015 JD Z997R, 72" DECK, DSL, 2WD, 2470 HRS, S/N 1TCZ997R-JFD010473
2014 JD Z925M, 54" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 802 HRS, S/N 1TC925M-FEEY020296
2014 JD Z920M, 54" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 945 HRS, S/N 1TC920M-VCET020274
2013 JD Z920M, 48" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 718 HRS, S/N 1TC920MEJ-DT010154
2013 JD Z970R, 72" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1075 HRS, S/N 1TC970RDU-DT010057
2012 JD 997, 72" DECK, DSL, 2WD, 677 HRS, S/N 1TC997SCABT070023
2010 JD Z925A, 60" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1745 HRS, S/N TC925AP014045
2009 JD Z810A, 48" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 127 HRS, S/N TC810AF020491
2007 JD 777, 60" DECK, GAS, 1100 HRS, S/N TC0777B050020
2022 DIXIE CHOPPER XCALIBER 3566KW, GAS, 2WD, 45 HRS, S/N 22002952
2019 EXMARK LXZ980K726, 72" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1242 HRS, S/N 312633625
2015 KUBOTA ZD326, 60" DECK, DSL, 570 HRS, S/N 43914
2011 KUBOTA ZD321, 54" DECK, DSL, 2WD, 1876 HRS, S/N 30144
2008 SIMPLICITY CITATION 21, 48" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 913 HRS, S/N 1604768-00439
2021 JD X580, 54" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 151 HRS, S/N 1M0X580AK-LM160062
2020 JD X734, 60" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 479 HRS, S/N 1M0X734AVLM080112
2018 JD X584, 54" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 244 HRS, S/N 1M0X-584AJM131069
2018 JD X584, 48" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 288 HRS, S/N 1M0X-584AJM130357
2017 JD X580, 54" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 430 HRS, S/N 1M0X580AT-GM120065
2016 JD X584, 48" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 352 HRS, S/N 1M0X584AT-GM110565
2015 JD X590, 54" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 454 HRS, S/N 1M0X-590ACFM103429
2014 JD X750, 54" DECK, HYDRO, DSL, 2WD, 171 HRS, S/N 1M0X750A-HEM020131
2009 JD X720, 62" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 441 HRS, S/N M0X720A041679
2008 JD X749, HYDRO, DSL, AWD, 1575 HRS, S/N M0X749A030334
2006 JD X720, 62" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 918 HRS, S/N M0X720A010581
2009 CUB CADET SLTX1050, 50" DECK, HYDRO, GAS, 2WD, 596 HRS, S/N 1E120H30169
2023 JD 652M STAND ON, 52" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 7 HRS, S/N 1TC652M-KTPT110072
2015 JD 652R STAND ON, 52" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 1770 HRS, S/N 1TC652RKT035235
2020 GRASSHOPPER 526V FRONT MT, 52" DECK, GAS, 2WD, 105 HRS, S/N 7015268
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SKID LOADER/ DOZER & ATTACHMENTS: 2012 NEW HOLLAND L225 WHEELED SKID LOADER, 3910 HRS.; JD 450C CRAWLER DOZER, 5800 HRS.; W/3PT BACKHOE ATTACHMENT.
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AGI-C 4106PWE	289.2			263.9						394.7	291.4	264.8	300.4
DIRECT 8108GT		263.7		261.1						296.6			338.0
DIRECT 9107GT				266.5			268.7			346.3			284.0
DIRECT 2107-CONV	254.8									294.0			264.8
DIRECT 0101-D	250.2									288.5			271.2
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AGI-C 4114PWE	311.2	251.4	272.8	308.8	281.8					328.6	253.1		
DIRECT 3111-D	263.5		264.6	266.1			271.0			352.2	258.0	267.6	
DIRECT 4111-CONV	326.3		272.6			262.5	288.9			302.7	251.3		
DIRECT 4109-AA	305.1			288.4			267.9			293.7		252.4	
AGI-C 4106PWE	277.4	256.5	262.8							350.1	261.8		
AGI-C 4111PWE	324.6								251.6	310.4	272.0	254.1	
DIRECT 1111-CONV	257.0			256.1				259.8	275.2				
DIRECT 2111-AA	267.6									295.5	270.6		
DIRECT 2113-3110				312.1			253.8			258.1			
Seed Genetics Direct 2023 Replicated Testing--LATE CORN YIELD TEST--14 LOCATIONS--42 REPLICATIONS													
DIRECT 8116-CONV			265.6	280.8		272.5							
DIRECT 8115-3110			257.7								261.0	255.6	
DIRECT 4114-CONV				250.8				256.5				258.3	
DIRECT 2113-CONV						250.8		254.1	251.9				
AGI-C 4115PWE								258.6	261.6				
AGI-C 3114PWE						253.5					276.3		
DIRECT 1111-TRAITED				270.6		257.4							
AGI-C 3113PWE									252.3		308.3		

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