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A year later, Kentucky Farmland Transition Initiative making strides

By **DOUG GRAVES**
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LEXINGTON, Ky. — One year ago, the Kentucky Farmland Transition Initiative (KFTI) was launched by the Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB) to address the loss of the state's farmland.

Specifically, KFTI is helping farm families access resources related to farmland transition and learn their options, connecting providers of services to transitioning farmers from one another and to people who need their services. KFTI is helping determine how existing state and federal policy is working and figuring out what policy changes may be necessary to increase the amount of farmland going to active farmers.

Throughout the last year, the initiative has gained momentum and support from other ag organizations, commodity groups and lawmakers.

For starters, the KFTI received a major boost with passage of state legislation and the introduction of a federal act. In the Kentucky General Assembly, HB 703 was introduced to make changes to the Kentucky Selling Farm Tax Credit, making the credit work for more farmers and provide greater certainty for sellers. Provisions of this bill were included in HB 775, which received final passage and became law.

On a national level, Kentucky U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell introduced the Protecting American Farmlands Act, which intends to take farmland transition to a new level.

"The Protecting American Farmlands Act not only helps ensure that our nation's farmland remains in the hands of active farmers, but it also provides retiring farmers with a viable pathway to transition their operations

to the next generation," KFB President Eddie Melton said. "The farms we know and love as Kentuckians are at risk. At the current rate of farmland loss, the number of Kentucky farmers will be cut in half over the next 60 years. We have a great opportunity to make real progress in preserving our farmland, and the passage of the Protecting American Farmlands Act is an essential step in this effort."

The Act would allow landowners who sell to active farmers to defer taxes on their proceeds of the sale if they sell their land to those who will keep it in agricultural production for a minimum of 10 years. The profit from the sale is invested in a retirement savings account. As a result, landholders can sell to other farmers, while also investing in their future with more liquid assets in retirement.

Renee Carrico, Commodity Division Director at Kentucky Farm Bureau, said that the KFTI has reached more than 4,400 individuals through the website (kyfarmlandtransition.com) for more than 9,900 page views and presented to large gatherings through extension workshops, Kentucky Farm Bureau events, and other meetings.

"At our first gathering in April of last year, we attracted more than 1,900 landowners," Carrico said. "Then, at our next meeting last December we noticed a lot of repeat attendees in the audience, so that's good. That's telling us that those people are bringing a spouse, partner or friend so we think that's huge. It all tells us that the interest and need is there. Above all, we've built a network of 27 organizations united in promoting farmland retention."

Carrico said some of the hot topics the audiences wanted to hear about were easements, revoked trusts and capital gains breaks. She noted that the loss of farmland was front and center as the gatherings.

"We'd love to see the trend of lost farmland turn around, even slow down," Carrico said. "We'd like to see more people involved in production agriculture. That would be great, but the problem is once it gets into development it's hard to turn things around. We won't be able to halt development, but it would be nice to get it to stall out or even slow down. There's a reason and a need for economical development. We just have to be farming on the right ground and put economical development in the right areas."

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Above: Daisy Kohne is definitely a future farmer. She is the daughter of Robb and Erin Kohne of Decatur, Ind. She enjoys practicing her farming skills in the family's corn field. Photo by Leondia Walchle

Unseasonably cool temperatures, dry soil linger ahead of harvest

By **DOUG SCHMITZ**
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DES MOINES, Iowa – A less-active storm track produced an unseasonably dry pattern across much of the Corn Belt to the Appalachians through the end of August, with cooler temperatures also forecast for much of the region through the first part of September, according to an agricultural meteorologist.

State Climatologist of Iowa Justin Glisan told Farm World, "Locations in the eastern Corn Belt are experiencing dry soil moisture profiles, and the potential for increased abnormal dryness and drought on the U.S. Drought Monitor. Growing conditions have been variable across the region, but the corn and soybean crop appears to be one of the largest we have seen."

According to the USDA, as of Sept. 3, crop conditions for U.S. corn and soybeans saw a decline in early September. As of early September, 69 percent of the U.S. corn crop was rated in good to excellent condition, with concerns emerging over disease pressure and dry conditions, which may reduce yields.

The agency said U.S. soybean conditions declined more than expected in early September, with 65 percent of the crop rated good to excellent. The agency added that analysts are watching for potential yield reductions due to drier weather and disease. The USDA added harvest for spring wheat is 72 percent complete, ahead of the five-year average.

Moreover, a strong cold front brought significantly cooler temperatures and showers to the Midwest and Plains in the first week of September, and some areas in Minneso-

ta and Wisconsin could see an early frost, the USDA said, with temperatures expected to moderate around the middle of the month before another cold front moves through around Sept. 15.

In addition, the Climate Prediction Center forecasts a lean toward below-normal precipitation in the mid-Mississippi Valley and High Plains for the month: "For maturing crops, any rain would be unfavorable, while late-planted crops could still benefit," the USDA said.


In Illinois, as of Aug. 31, corn condition is 8 percent very poor to 43 percent good and 12 percent excellent, with 96 percent in the dough stage, 72 percent dented, and 15 percent matured, the USDA said. Soybeans were 53 percent in good condition, with 95 percent setting pods, and 16 percent dropping leaves.

In Indiana, corn condition is 3 percent very poor to 50 percent good and 11 percent excellent, with 90 percent of corn in the dough stage, 47 percent dented, and 5 percent matured. Soybeans were 51 percent in good condition, with 94 percent setting pods, and 12 percent dropping leaves.

In Kentucky, corn condition is 4 percent very poor to 44 percent good and 6 percent excellent, with 86 percent in the dough stage, 73 percent dented, and 41 percent matured. Soybean condition is 4 percent very poor to 30 percent good and 4 percent excellent, with 87 percent setting pods, and 15 percent dropping leaves.


In Michigan, corn condition is 2 percent very poor to 46 percent good and 10 percent excellent, with 86 percent in the dough stage, 42 percent dented, and 2 percent matured.

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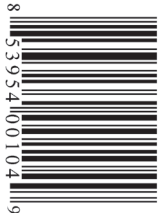


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Above: In Iowa 95 percent of soybean plants were setting pods.

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Soybean condition is 1 percent very poor to 40 percent good and 12 percent excellent, with 97 percent setting pods, and 8 percent dropping leaves.

In Ohio, corn condition is 3 percent very poor to 46 percent good and 10 percent excellent, with 92 percent in the dough stage, 51 percent dented, and 7 percent matured. Soybean condition is 3 percent very poor to 45 percent good and 9 percent excellent, with 96 percent setting pods, and 11 percent dropping leaves.

In Iowa, corn condition is 1 percent

very poor to 58 percent good and 26 percent excellent, with 92 percent in the dough stage, 63 percent dented, and 9 percent matured. Soybean condition is 1 percent very poor, to 58 percent good and 19 percent excellent, with 95 percent setting pods, and 3 percent dropping leaves.

In his three-week forecast, Glisan said, “Climatological outlooks through most of September show elevated chances of warmer temperatures across the western Corn Belt, with no clear signal from Iowa to the Appalachians. In terms of precipitation potential, the outlooks are also showing equal chances of above-, below-, and near-average rainfall.”



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Since its inception, Aleta Botts has served as the project coordinator for the KFTI program. She said the Initiative puts Kentucky farmers at the center of the discussion for how best to keep farmland in the hands of active producers.

“The best outcomes of the past year have been hearing from farm families who have ideas for keeping land in production and who have also been prompted by the Initiative to reach out to determine the best

path forward to keep their land going as a farm long into the future,” Botts said.

While the program is marking its year anniversary, Botts noted that there is still a lot of work to do.

“This year, in addition to building support for the federal legislation, we will be developing more resources in response to the needs we have heard about and continuing to spread the word to ensure that farm families know what tools they have available to them to make the transition of their own farmland successful,” she said.

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Farmer sentiment falls in August for third straight month

Farmer sentiment dipped for the third straight month in August, with the Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer Index falling 10 points to 125. Producers expressed markedly less optimism about the future, as reflected in the Index of Future Expectations, which fell 16 points to 123. This marks the lowest reading for the future index since last September.

Producers' perspective on current conditions changed little this month, as the Current Conditions Index rose 2 points from July to 129. Sentiment differed widely among producers according to whether their operations focused mainly on crops or livestock. Crop producers responded with much less optimism than their livestock counterparts, reflecting the profitability disparity between the two enterprises. Beef cattle operations are experiencing record profitability as the smallest cattle inventory since 1951 has pushed cattle prices to record levels. This stands in sharp contrast to returns for crop production, which have weakened in 2025. The August barometer survey took place from Aug. 11-15, 2025.

Farmers again reported weak financial expectations for their farms in the coming year. As in July, the Farm Financial Performance Index remained below 100. The reading of 91 barely changed from July's index value. Crop prices that stand below the cost of production for many farms help explain why more farmers expect weaker incomes for the coming year. The USDA released its August Crop Production and World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates reports during the week the August survey was conducted. The USDA forecasted a 2025-26 season average corn price of \$3.90 per bushel and a soybean price of \$10.10 per bushel. Both estimates fall well below estimated break-even levels for U.S. farmers. Despite the weak income outlook, the Farm Capital Investment Index improved 8 points from July to 61. Livestock producers had a notably more optimistic outlook in August than crop producers, which helped push the index higher.

The Short-Term Farmland Value Expectations Index reading of 112 dropped 3 points from July, continuing a three-month trend. Even so, the index remains above 100. This indicates that more farmers still expect rising values in the coming year than those who consider declining values as more likely. This perspective is similarly held by three-fourths of crop producers, who said in the August survey that they expect farmland cash rental rates in 2026 to remain unchanged from 2025. Only 12 percent of respondents said they expect lower rates next year.

Every January, the Ag Economy Barometer survey includes two questions about farmers' expectations about the size of their farm's operating loan for the coming year and the reasons for a change in operating loan size. Given the concerns about weak farm income in 2025, the two questions about operating loans were added to the August barometer survey. Twenty-two percent of August's respondents said they expect their 2026 operating loan to be larger than in 2025. This was up from January, when 18 percent of respondents said they expected their 2025 loan size to increase compared to 2024.

A follow-up question to farmers who said they expected their operating loan size to increase asked for the reason behind the larger loan. Twenty-three percent of those farmers in the August survey said it was because they expected to carry over the unpaid operating debt from 2025 to 2026. The responses to these questions suggest that farmers' financial stress increased from January to August. Financial stress appears to be noticeably higher than it was in January 2023, when only 5 percent of farmers with larger operating loans attributed that to the need to carry over unpaid operating debt. That number rose to 17 percent in January 2024 – still lower than this year.

In sum, the August Ag Economy Barometer survey results show that U.S. farmers generally expect their financial performance for the coming year to drop from the previous year. Despite a weakening Short-Term Farmland Value Expectations Index in August, more farmers still expect farmland values to rise rather than to weaken. Lastly, the percentage of farmers citing expectations for rising operating debt because of unpaid operating debt carrying over from the previous year could signal increasing farm financial stress in production agriculture.



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Economist: EPA 45Z guidance could trigger ‘explosive’ ethanol price action in 2026

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

DECATUR, Ill. – New guidance regarding IRS Section 45Z clean fuel production tax credits (PTCs) could trigger “explosive price action” for ethanol in 2026, according to a veteran University of Illinois farm economist and ethanol expert.

“There is a revised tax credit for biofuels from the 2022 45Z PTC,” announced Scott Irwin, the Laurence J. Norton chair of agricultural marketing for the U of I, during a live taping of WILL-FM Public Radio’s “farmdoc LIVE” program at the 2025 Farm Progress Show. “The second Trump administration has successfully and dramatically changed the rules for the 45Z tax credit. Now, probably almost every corn ethanol plant in the U.S. is going to be eligible for a 10 to 15 cent tax credit, at least, after not really getting anything since about 2011.”

Created under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA), the 45Z PTC was intended to incentivize the production of low-carbon transportation fuels. With the July 4 passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA), the program’s framework has shifted to align with the Trump administration’s priorities and, according to another biofuels expert, begun to show signs of stabilization.

“It now offers a longer timeline, more favorable parameters for crop-based fuels and greater clarity,” said McCord Pankonen, managing director, North America Biofuels, EcoEngineers, in a recent article he published in Biodiesel Magazine. Pankonen explained that the tax credit, originally set to expire in 2027, was extended through 2029. The new guidance, announced in late August, eliminates indirect land-use change (ILUC) penalties from carbon scoring. This is a big win for biofuels, according to Irwin.

“This puts plant-based vegetable oils in the biofuels tax credit on even footing with things like used cooking oil, tallow and animal-based oils,” he said. “There is also now a way small refineries can petition for exemptions from RVOs (recommended volume obligations). There was this incredible backlog of RVO exemption applications dating back to 2016 affecting millions of gallons of bio-

fuels. There is now only one more domino to fall before we are set up for what I think will be an explosive price situation in 2026, and that is reallocation of the lost gallons from small to large refiners.”

American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall commented on the EPA announcement regarding small refinery exemptions, urging the administration to take their actions a step further by issuing strong reallocation guidance: “With the proposed RFS rule increasing domestic fuel production and prioritizing home-grown crops, we urge EPA to build on this momentum in its reallocation guidance by ensuring the volume lost to exemptions is replaced,” Duvall said in a prepared statement.

Irwin estimates that there are at least 2 billion gallons of unallocated RINs (renewable identification numbers; the “currency” of renewable fuels) that will be redistributed to larger refiners when, as is expected, the administration takes this next step. “If this reallocation action comes in the next month or two, we are really setting up for the most explosive period for the RIN market and biofuels since 2012. This is a big, big deal for the ethanol industry,” he said.

Some ag groups, such as the Illinois Soybean Association, are backing away from 45Z entirely, instead promoting a return to the previous 40A “\$1” tax credit. According to David Kubik, ISA biofuels and trade policy manager, the 45Z tax credit system is intended to promote waste feedstocks and dismantle the profitability of domestic soybean oil.

“Illinois soybean farmers should be aware of how the playing field tilts away from American growers in a bureaucratic LCFS policy in the rulemaking process,” Kubik warned in an Aug. 1 ISA article. “Carbon intensity-based fuel policy favors fuels using waste feedstocks, and these waste feedstocks are most often imported from other countries. Every gallon of waste, imported or domestic, used for biodiesel under these programs displace a gallon of soybean oil.”

The switch from a 40A PTC to the IRA 45Z PTC represents a 70 percent drop in biodiesel credits and an 85 percent drop in renewable diesel credits for soy, according to the ISA tax policy expert.

Ed Geils, Global and U.S. Tax Knowl-

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1990 Case IH 1660, rock trap, specialty rotor, Cummins, 5,329 hours, with 1020 20' platform & 1044 4 row 36" corn head, from local retirement.....\$15,500



2013 Case IH 3408, 8-30", knife rolls, hyd. deck plates, height sense, stalk stompers, single point..\$20,000(OH)



2011 Case IH 2162 draper, 35', flip reel, single knife drive, single point, hyd. Fore/Aft.....\$45,000(OH)



2004 JD 625F, 25' hydraflex, full finger, single point, sells with HT30 cat.....\$19,000



1998 JD 893, 8-30", pto drive, hyd. deck plates, standard rolls....\$6,000



JD 843, 8-30", pto drive, oil bath, standard rolls.....\$4,500



1980 JD 643, 6-30", sprocket drive, standard rolls.....\$3,000



JD 8300, 23 hole 7" spacing, double disc, rubber press wheels, hyd. lift.....\$3,500



JD 7200, 12 row 30", Max-Emerge 2, no-till, C&B meters, vaccum, 350 monitor.....\$7,500



2009 J&M 1326-22, scales, roll tarp, hyd. spout, hyd. gate, 36" tracks, 1000pto.....\$49,900(KY)



2006 J&M 620-14, roll tarp, hyd. spout, hyd. gate, 1000pto, 24.5-32 Firestones, camera.....\$16,900



1994 Brent 670, hyd. gate, small 1000pto, no tarp.....\$5,900(KY)



E-Z Trail 510, tarp, small 1000pto, good flight, hyd. gate, fenders.....\$7,500



1993 Brent 420, 1000pto, hyd. gate, cameras, lights, 18.4-38's.....\$5,700



2011 KSI 120832 conveyor, 32', elec. start Honda GX270 eng.....\$3,950



2022 Wilson Pacesetter, 41', elec. tarp, ag hoppers, aluminum wheels, air ride.....\$43,900



Killbros 385, 13 ton gear, 24" side ext., rear brakes, 9.00-20 tires.....\$3,950



J&M 250-7, ext. hitch, 11L-15 tires, pulls great.....\$2,000



Gravity wagon on JD 1065 gear, approximately 200bu., 11L-15 tires.....\$1,250



1989 JD 375, twine, bale ramp, gauge wheel, good belts.....\$4,000



IH 1300, 9', good sickle, 540pto, 3pt.....\$1,600



2021 Case IH 875 disk ripper, 9 shank 24" spacing, disc leveler & rolling basket.....\$87,500



2013 Kuhn Krause 8000-30, 30' vert. till, star wheels, rolling basket.....\$42,900



JD 2700 7 shank disk ripper, 30" spacing, disc leveler, 7" points.....\$14,500



DMI Eco-Till 5 shank ripper, 30" spacing, cutters, gauge wheels, 7" points.....\$5,000



MF 82, 4-16" or 3-16", cutters, good iron & paint, 3pt.....\$800



Case IH 6650, 7 shank disc chisel, hyd. adjust disc, 3" twist points, high clearance.....\$6,500



2015 Hagie STS12, 1,200 gal. SS-tank, 120' booms, fenders, rinse & educator tanks, 15" nozzle spacing, 5,421hrs, 1-owner.....\$100,000



1957 JD 720 LP Standard, power steering, 2 hyd. remotes, 540pto.....\$6,500



1955 JD 50, NF, LP, 540pto, like new 38" rubber.....\$4,500



1959 JD 730 diesel, power steering, 3pt, 1 hyd., 540pto, rear weights.....\$7,500



1974 Oliver 1755, diesel, 2 hyd. remote, 3pt, 540pto, 2,780hrs..\$9,000



2025 Bad Boy Maverick HD 4800, 22hp, 48" deck, commercial duty, 8hrs.....\$6,000



Blu-Jet AT5000, 17 knife NH3 applicator, 3 section, sealers, Continental cooler.....\$21,000



Cultipacker 8-1/2', good wheels, rear hitch.....\$800



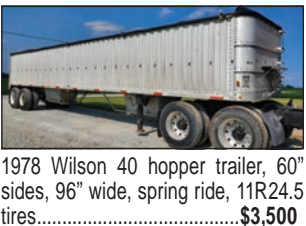
New Idea 203, end gate, 540pto, barn kept.....\$2,750



New Idea 212, end gate, 540pto, single beater.....\$1,900



JD 115, 9', hyd. tilt, manual angle.....\$2,250



1978 Wilson 40 hopper trailer, 60" sides, 96" wide, spring ride, 11R24.5 tires.....\$3,500



New Ideal 110 post driver, ss-mount, 1,150 ft-lb driving force.....\$7,500



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Above: The main use of the 1890 barn is for meetings. Cox Enterprises uses it for training classes for their employees. They also fly in groups of employees for quarterly meetings.

Cox Farm in southwestern Ohio has seen changes over the years

By Celeste Baumgartner
Ohio Correspondent

TRENTON, Ohio – James Cox (1870 - 1957), two-time governor of Ohio and founder of Cox Enterprises, grew up on the Cox Farm. Tim Sheley started working full-time there in 1977 and has been there ever since. There have been changes, but he keeps the estate and the farm in beautiful condition.

“When I started here on the Cox Farm, we had 1,000 head of registered Aberdeen Black Angus cattle. The cattle were donated to four universities in 1992 because they were registered breeder stock. We no longer have animals here, so it is much changed.

“When I was working here as a young boy, there were 792 acres,” he said. “They sold a lot of that to Gary Gerber, a

local farmer. We are down to 108 acres. We take at least two crops of hay off every year to keep it on a farm-tax basis.”

Back when Cox Farm was a working farm, wheat and corn were the primary crops. They would put the corn in the silos; they sold the wheat but kept the straw as they needed it for bedding for the cattle.

“In the early years, they started out with pigs and sheep,” Sheley said. “James’ father, Gilbert, started with the development of the Poland China pigs. He had the champion pigs at the 1899 Ohio State Fair. There is a picture of those pigs in the house.”

James Cox worked on the farm as a boy. He later served as the 46th and 48th governor of Ohio, from 1913-1915 and 1917-1921, and was a two-term

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Above: Tim Sheley, farm manager, stands with the buggy that James Cox would often, in his later years, hitch a horse to and drive around the block surveying his property and the animals on the farm.

Cox Farm

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U.S. Representative from Ohio from 1909 until 1913.

He was the Democratic nominee for president of the United States in the 1920 election. He lost to fellow Ohioan Warren G. Harding. After that, he decided to focus on expanding his business. He founded the chain of newspapers that continues today as Cox Enterprises. The corporate headquarters is in Atlanta, Ga.

Cox eventually moved to Kettering. When he was running the Dayton Daily News, he would still often come back to the farm on weekends, Sheley said. In his later years, he would have his chauffeur drive down, and he would hitch a horse up to a buggy. He would go around the block surveying his property and the animals on the farm.

“My wife’s grampa would be sitting on

the porch and he would wave to him as he went by,” Sheley said.

That buggy sits now in the 1890 barn. Once the cattle were gone, Sheley and his father reconfigured it for meetings. The Butler Soil and Water Conservation District hosted field days there for the past several years.

“The main use for the barn, as time has evolved, is for meeting purposes,” Sheley said. “We use the barn for training classes for Cox Enterprises. We have quarterly meetings here, and they fly in groups of our employees.”

Interestingly, Cox Enterprises now has three grow farms in the United States, Sheley said. They are all under cover and grow vegetables year-round. One of the largest is about 360 acres.

“They are still in the farming business,” Sheley said, adding, “It is a joy to have and be a part of this. I plan on retiring one day, but I don’t know if it will be in the near future.”

Sheley also maintains the 19th-century home and guest houses on the property.



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MARKETS


Daily Livestock and Poultry Slaughter

Report for Thursday, September 4, 2025 - Final

Current Day Slaughter									
Thurs., Sept. 4, 2025	Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	Prev Week WTD	Last Year WTD	2025 YTD	2024 YTD	YTD % Change	
Calves 1,000	1,000	453	3,000	4,000	2,168	87,165	144,011	-39.5%	
Cattle 121,000	118,000	124,876	363,000	462,000	380,307	19,837,987	21,287,742	-6.8%	
Hogs 489,000	487,000	481,898	1,461,000	1,903,000	1,453,804	84,682,951	86,692,295	-2.3%	
Sheep 8,000	7,000	7,893	24,000	32,000	28,156	1,307,783	1,295,692	0.9%	
Chicken (Young) 35,503,000	35,013,000	35,213,000	123,067,000	141,709,000	116,207,000	6,393,224,000	6,439,309,000	-0.7%	

Previous Daily Slaughter									
Wed., Sept. 3, 2025	Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	Prev Week WTD	Last Year WTD	2025 YTD	2024 YTD	YTD % Change	
Calves 1,000	1,000	735	2,000	3,000	1,715	86,165	143,558	-40.0%	
Cattle 120,000	119,000	127,140	242,000	344,000	255,431	19,716,987	21,162,866	-6.8%	
Hogs 489,000	481,000	484,984	972,000	1,416,000	971,906	84,193,951	86,210,397	-2.3%	
Sheep 6,000	7,000	8,297	16,000	25,000	20,263	1,299,783	1,287,799	0.9%	
Chicken (Young) 35,566,000	35,788,000	35,105,000	87,564,000	106,696,000	80,994,000	6,357,721,000	6,404,096,000	-0.7%	

Previous Day Breakdown		
<u>Wed., Sept. 3, 2025</u>		
Cattle	Steers/Heifers ...99,000	Cows/Bulls ...21,000
Explanatory Notes: Livestock Species listed consists of young and mature animals.		
Poultry references young only. Year to Date calculation is based on week 1 of calendar year		
R = Revision	WTD = Week to Date	YTD = Year to Date
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September 3rd 2025 17th Auction

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Feeder Pigs: N/A

Beef V: 13 \$1490 High \$1147.31 Avg.

Dai. V: 36 \$1175 High \$880.83 Avg.

Jersey/Cross: 17 \$725 High \$451.47 Avg.

Beef Feeders: 31 \$3.65 High \$2.09 Avg.

Cull Cows: 13 \$1.47 High \$1.24 Avg.

Bulls: N/A

Fat Cattle: 2 \$1.82 High \$1.78 Avg.

Breeder Springers: 2 \$1950 High \$1500 Avg.

Cow Calf Pairs: N/A

Sheep Ewe: 1 \$.75

Lamb 0-60: 6 \$2.31 High \$2.27 Avg.

Lamb 61-85: 23 \$2.33 High \$2.23 Avg.

Lamb 86-100: 14 \$2.28 High \$3.70 Avg.

Goat Nannies: 5 \$260 High \$169 Avg.

Goat Billys: 3 \$200 High \$163.33 Avg.

Equine: N/A

Total Head Count: 164

Next Horse Sale!!! Friday Oct. 10th

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Bantys: 4 \$7.00 High \$4.50 Avg.

Ducks: 13 \$15.00 \$5.69 Avg.

Rabbits: 43 \$13.00 High 3.76 Avg.

Turkey: 7 \$25.00 High \$21.71 Avg.

Geese: N/A

Guineas: N/A

Quail: N/A

Pigeon: N/A

Peacock: N/A

Total Head Count: 426

Hay:

Large: 54 \$92.50 High \$54.68 Avg.

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Kentucky Daily Grain Bids

Grain Report for Thursday, September 4, 2025 - Final

FUTURE SETTLEMENTS											
Exchange	Commodity	Closing Settlement Prices (¢/bu) as of 9/4/2025									
CBOT	Corn	399.75 (Sep 25)	419.75 (Dec 25)	437.50 (Mar 26)	447.50 (May 26)	454.00 (Jul 26)	450.00 (Sep 26)	458.75 (Dec 26)			
CBOT	Soybeans	1012.00 (Sep 25)	1033.00 (Nov 25)	1051.50 (Jan 26)	1067.00 (Mar 26)	1080.25 (May 26)	1090.25 (Jul 26)	1087.25 (Aug 26)			
CBOT	Wheat	502.25 (Sep 25)	519.50 (Dec 25)	536.00 (Mar 26)	546.75 (May 26)	555.75 (Jul 26)	569.25 (Sep 26)	587.25 (Dec 26)			
CBOT	White Oats	297.25 (Sep 25)	323.75 (Dec 25)	336.50 (Mar 26)	344.00 (May 26)	334.75 (Jul 26)	350.50 (Sep 26)	351.00 (Dec 26)			
KCBT	Wheat	479.75 (Sep 25)	506.25 (Dec 25)	527.00 (Mar 26)	541.00 (May 26)	553.25 (Jul 26)	568.00 (Sep 26)	586.75 (Dec 26)			
MGE	Wheat	549.50 (Sep 25)	570.25 (Dec 25)	591.00 (Mar 26)	604.75 (May 26)	616.75 (Jul 26)	628.75 (Sep 26)	646.00 (Dec 26)			

US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)					
Country Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	50.00Z to 90.00Z	UNCH	4.6975-5.0975	UP 0.0175	4.8975
Pennyrile	50.00Z to 90.00Z	UNCH	4.6975-5.0975	UP 0.0175	4.8975

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Lower KY	90.00Z	UNCH	5.0975	UP 0.0175	5.0975
Ohio River - Lower KY	90.00Z	UNCH	5.0975	UP 0.0175	5.0975
Purchase	90.00Z	DN 10.00	5.0975	DN 0.0825	5.0975
Purchase	90.00Z	DN 10.00	5.0975	DN 0.0825	5.0975

US #2 YELLOW CORN (BULK)					
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Country Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	-25.00Z	UNCH	3.9475	UP 0.0175	3.9475
Purchase	-20.00Z	UNCH	3.9975	UP 0.0175	3.9975
Green River	0.00Z	UNCH	4.1975	UP 0.0175	4.1975
Green River	-10.00Z	UNCH	4.0975	UP 0.0175	4.0975
Pennyrile	-22.00Z to -5.00Z	UP 3.00-UNCH	3.9775-4.1475	UP 0.0475-UP 0.0175	4.0442
Pennyrile	-45.00Z to -19.00Z	UNCH-DN 4.00	3.7475-4.0075	UP 0.0175-DN 0.0225	3.8575
Louisville	-45.00Z to -4.00U	UNCH	3.7475-3.9575	UP 0.0175-UP 0.0200	3.8525
Louisville	-33.00Z	UNCH	3.8675	UP 0.0175	3.8675
Bluegrass	-15.00Z	UNCH	4.0475	UP 0.0175	4.0475
Bluegrass	-40.00Z	UNCH	3.7975	UP 0.0175	3.7975

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-37.00Z to -22.00Z	DN 3.00-DN 2.00	3.8275-3.9775	DN 0.0125-DN 0.0025	3.9025
Ohio River - Upper KY	-37.00Z to -32.00Z	DN 3.00-DN 2.00	3.8275-3.8775	DN 0.0125-DN 0.0025	3.8525
Ohio River - Lower KY	-35.00Z to -10.00Z	UNCH	3.8475-4.0975	UP 0.0175	3.9942
Ohio River - Lower KY	-35.00Z to -16.00Z	UNCH-UP 1.00	3.8475-4.0375	UP 0.0175-UP 0.0275	3.9775
Purchase	-26.00Z to -13.00Z	3.9375-4.0675	UP 0.1600-UP 0.0075	3.9925	
Purchase	-25.00Z to -17.00Z	DN 2.00	3.9475-4.0275	DN 0.0025	4.0075

US #1 SOYBEANS (BULK)					
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Country Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	-40.00X	UNCH	9.9300	UP 0.0150	9.9300
Purchase	-30.00X	UNCH	10.0300	UP 0.0150	10.0300
Green River	-55.00X	UNCH	9.7800	UP 0.0150	9.7800
Green River	-55.00X	UNCH	9.7800	UP 0.0150	9.7800
Pennyrile	-70.00X to -50.00X	UNCH-DN 3.00	9.6300-9.8300	UP 0.0150-DN 0.0150	9.7086
Pennyrile	-75.00X to -50.00X	UNCH-DN 3.00	9.5800-9.8300	UP 0.0150-DN 0.0150	9.6729
Louisville	-123.00X	UNCH	9.1000	UP 0.0150	9.1000
Bluegrass	-95.00X	UNCH	9.3800	UP 0.0150	9.3800
Bluegrass	-95.00X	UNCH	9.3800	UP 0.0150	9.3800

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-40.00X	UNCH-DN 2.00	9.9300	UP 0.0150-DN 0.0050	9.9300
Ohio River - Upper KY	-62.00X to -40.00X	DN 2.00-UNCH	9.7100-9.9300	DN 0.0050-UP 0.0150	9.8200
Ohio River - Lower KY	-53.00X to -20.00X	DN 7.00-DN 4.00	9.8000-10.1300	DN 0.0550-DN 0.0250	9.9467
Ohio River - Lower KY	-53.00X to 0.00X	DN 3.00-UNCH	9.8000-10.3300	DN 0.0150-UP 0.0150	9.9467
Purchase	-49.00X to -35.00X	DN 2.00-UNCH	9.8400-9.9800	DN 0.0050-UP 0.0150	9.9200
Purchase	-51.00X to -40.00X	DN 3.00-DN 5.00	9.8200-9.9300	DN 0.0150-DN 0.0350	9.8775

US #1 MILLING SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)					
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Country Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	-25.00Z	UNCH	4.9450	DN 0.0250	4.9450
Pennyrile	10.00N	UNCH	5.6575	DN 0.0150	5.6575


US #2 SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)					
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Country Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Green River	-75.00N	UNCH	4.8075	DN 0.0150	4.8075
Pennyrile	-55.00Z	UNCH	4.6450	DN 0.0250	4.6450
Pennyrile	-60.00N to -55.00N	UNCH	4.9575-5.0075	DN 0.0150	4.9950
Louisville	-103.00U	UNCH	3.9925	DN 0.0175	3.9925

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Lower KY	-35.00N to -15.00N	UNCH	5.2075-5.4075	DN 0.0150	5.3408

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Illinois House ag committee member urges bipartisan farm bill talks

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — The Illinois State Fair is known for its giant Abe Lincoln statue, hand-sculpted Butter Cow, crispy corn dogs, tractor pulls, livestock contests — and politics. The latter was on display during Agriculture Day, Aug. 8, when U.S. Reps. Nikki Budzinski (D-13th district) held an impromptu press gaggle at the state fair's Commodities Pavilion.

Among the topics Budzinski, a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, discussed were the fledgling farm bill, the "Big, Beautiful" budget package, changes to the USDA's (USDA) footprint and programs, and the ever-changing tariff landscape.

"Republicans broke apart the farm bill coalition with the Big, Beautiful Bill," said Budzinski, whose 13th Illinois congressional district encompasses Macoupin County and parts of St. Clair, Madison, Sangamon, Piatt, Macon and Champaign counties. "There were (disagreeable) reference price adjustments, there were some key components obviously when it comes to nutrition with almost \$300 billion in cuts. So, how do we after

that come back to the table and sit down to bring the rest of it across the finish line? We should all be talking to each other to figure out a path forward to rebuilding the trust."

For her part, Budzinski wants to see the farm bill's safety net strengthened, along with a bipartisan agreement to fund agricultural research and support young and beginning farmers through farm bill programs, among other priorities.

"There's a lot of work we have to do to support our farmers right now. We have a lot of challenges, and should be at the table working to get a final agreement done," she said. "But certainly, if there were any further cuts to the nutrition program that would end the conversation. (Also) with the conservation title, while we were hoping to see a \$14 billion investment in climate-smart agriculture added to the baseline of the farm bill last congress, they pulled those conservation dollars away with the Big, Beautiful Bill to pay for tax cuts."

Budzinski sees biofuels as an area where House Republicans and Democrats can meet on common ground. Together, year-round E-15 and a

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Above: U.S. Rep. Nikki Budzinski (D-13th district) takes questions from media on Agriculture Day at the 2025 Illinois State Fair. The Illinois lawmaker expressed concern about passing a farm bill, the clawing back of USDA grant funds meant for farmers, tariffs and more. (T. Alexander photo)

Illinois House

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stronger Renewable Fuels Standard could be achieved through bipartisan farm bill action, she said.

Budzinski expressed deep concern about the administration's clawing

back of funding earmarked for Illinois producers and food banks through USDA-led grant programs that pay for local food production. "We have a lot of great local food purchasing partnerships in central and southern Illinois between our growers and food banks, and we've got a lot of hungry people out there. The USDA terminated all of those grants, and that has left a lot of our growers and some of those food banks in a tough spot. I'm continuing to advocate to see if some of those programs can be restarted with the USDA," said Budzinski, who also objects to the uprooting of the USDA from Washington, D.C., and the consolidation of USDA facilities around the nation.

"This specifically hurts our farmers' ability to get access to technical assistance," she said. "Cutting more staff will only erode support, and cutting more grant programs our farmers rely on is deeply concerning to me. I think that as a committee we should continue to follow this very closely."

Budzinski said she raised some of these concerns with USDA Secretary Brooke Rollins when Rollins spoke to the House Ag Committee, along with her disdain for recent export tariffs leveled by President Donald Trump on some of the U.S.' key agricultural trading partners.

"I heard from our growers and to be fair, they had a wait and see approach. But what I'm hearing at Ag Day at the state fair is that there is growing concern for what these tariffs are going to mean for growers in particular. Brazil is our number-one competitor, and they will grow more and take more of the market share because they know that with these tariffs and retaliatory tariffs on our soybeans, they are going to be able to sell to some of the markets we sell to today," Budzinski said.

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12 pm Rides Open
12 pm Heavy/Lightweight Pony Pulls
12:30 pm. Horseshoe-Open Singles/ Veterans
1-4 pm Pedal Pull (Youth & Adult) @ Bandshell
1:30 pm. Woman's Congress Program
5:30 pm. Horseshoe Pitching-Open Singles
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1:30 pm. Woman's Congress Program
3 pm Rides Open
5-6:30 pm Pure Energy Cloggers @ Bandshell
5:30 pm. Horseshoe Pitching-Open Singles
7 pm Back Porch @ Bandshell

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12 pm . . . National Lightweight Horse Pulls
1:30 pm. Woman's Congress Program
3 pm Rides Open
4-5:30 pm Common Bond @ Bandshell
5:30 pm. Horseshoe Pitching-Open Singles
6-9 pm . My Redneck Brother @ Bandshell

7:30 pm @ Grandstand

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Show @ 7:30 pm, Doors @ 6 pm

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1:30 pm. Woman's Congress Program
3 pm Rides Open
4-5:30 pm Bob Pogue @ Bandshell
5:30 pm. Horseshoe Pitching-Open Singles
6 pm . . SMALL ANIMAL SALE @ EXPO BUILDING
6:30-8:30 pm. Kay Harper & Company @ Bandshell

7 pm @ Grandstand

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10 am . Horseshoe Pitching-Open Doubles
12-2 pm DeWayne Spaw @ Bandshell
1 pm Rides Open
3-5 pm . Kailey Rodriguez Dance Program @ Bandshell
6:30-9 pm Revlimit @ Bandshell

6:30 pm @ Grandstand

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Above: The inaugural Great American Farmers Market was held in August in Washington, D.C.

USDA kicks off inaugural Great American Farmers Market in D.C.

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. – USDA Secretary Brooke Rollins kicked off the inaugural Great American Farmers Market on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., Aug. 3-8, with an evening of festivities she said honored America's farmers, freedom and 250 years of agricultural heritage.

"We launched the inaugural Great American Farmers Market to honor our agricultural heritage, and stand shoulder to shoulder with today's producers who continue in that tradition to feed and fuel our nation," Rollins said.

The event was themed "America Grows: 250 Years of Liberty and Agriculture," starting with the Ag Fest Concert: "Sunday was an incredible celebration of freedom, faith and the families that built this country," Rollins said.

"Thank you to my friend and SBA (Small Business Administration) Administrator Kelly Loeffler for joining us for the kickoff celebration, as well as the talented musical artists Mary Millben, the U.S. Navy Band, Boiled Jam, and headliners Big & Rich," she added.

Madison Pergrem, director of communications with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, which was at the event, told Farm World, "The


Great American Farmers Market was an incredible opportunity for Kentucky agriculture to be showcased on a national stage.

"For the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, it means bringing our Kentucky Proud program and the hardworking farm families behind it to Washington, D.C., where their products and stories can be shared with people from across the country," she said.

She added, "This event was more than just a market. It's a chance to highlight the strength, diversity, and resilience of Kentucky agriculture, and to remind others why our producers are second to none.

"Farmers markets create a win-win relationship between producers and consumers," she said. "For families, they provide access to fresh, local and nutritious food, while also allowing people to connect directly with those who grew or raised it.

"For Kentucky farmers," she added, "farmers markets offer a vital place to sell their products, earn a better return, and strengthen relationships with their communities. Events like the Great American Farmers Market take that impact even further by putting Kentucky agriculture on display nationally, opening doors for our producers, and showing the country the value of buying Kentucky Proud."



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Above: Scott Irwin, the Laurence J. Norton chair of agricultural marketing for the U of I, is pictured during a discussion about new 45Z ethanol tax credit guidance with Todd Gleason, WILL-AG FM farm broadcaster, during a taping of farmdoc LIVE at the Farm Progress Show on Aug. 27, 2025. (T. Alexander photo)

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edge Management Leader, PwC US, explained in a recent article that a 45Z qualifying biofuels production facility is one used to produce transportation fuel for which no credit has been allowed under Section 45Q, 45V, or 48. This includes sustainable aviation fuel (SAV), the portion of a liquid fuel that is not kerosene, is sold for use in an aircraft, meets certain standards, and is not derived from palm fatty acid distillates or petroleum.

“Fuel qualifying for the credit must have a lifecycle greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions rate not greater than 50 kilograms of CO₂e per mmbtu...Treasury is required to annually publish a table providing emissions rates for similar types and categories of transportation fuels. Emissions rates for nonaviation fuels must be determined based on the most recent Greenhouse gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy use in Transportation (GREET) model developed by

Argonne National Laboratory, or a successor model,” Geils stated.

For sustainable aviation fuel, emissions rates must be determined in accordance with the most recent Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) that has been adopted by the International Civil Aviation Organization with United States agreement, or through a similar methodology that satisfies the criteria of the Clean Air Act.

“The credit amount is an applicable amount per gallon or gallon equivalent multiplied by an emissions factor. The applicable amounts are 20 cents per gallon for transportation fuel that is not sustainable aviation fuel (nonaviation fuel) and 35 cents per gallon for sustainable aviation fuel, multiplied by five if the taxpayer meets prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements or exceptions,” Geils noted.

Irwin speculated that the recent actions to adjust 45Z guidance and potentially reallocate lost RINs could eventually add 4 to 5 cents to the value of a bushel of corn.

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Firefighting foam made of soybeans is gaining ground

**By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent**

ST. JOHNS, Michigan – A budding new market for U.S.-grown soybeans has been created with a cancer-free foam proving to be effective in fighting fires.

Soyfoam contains none of the chemicals in traditional firefighting foams that come with health risks like cancer from exposure.

The product, made with soybean flour, has no special handling requirements and can be applied with traditional firefighting foam dispensing equipment.

During the summer, the Michigan Soybean Committee and PK Foam Solutions, a distributor of the product in Michigan, hosted a Soyfoam demonstration in Stanton where firefighters in the area, for the first time, observed it being used and asked questions about the product.

Stanton Township Fire Chief Brian Brasington said he was impressed with the ability to apply Soyfoam and how effective it is in putting out fires.

"The non-carcinogen is really the huge bonus, though, that makes me really want to utilize this foam at our department," he said.

Until now, there's been no alternative to traditional firefighting foams that contain Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) known as "forever chemicals" because they don't break down in the environment.

Used since the 1950s, PFAS are found in products that repel water, grease and heat but use of the chemicals is also linked to health issues like increased cholesterol, thyroid disease and some cancers.

Currently, nearly 100 bodies of water in Michigan have a "Do Not Eat" advisory for at least one species of fish because of PFAS contamination. One of the main sources of contamination is from traditional foams used to fight fires.

Soyfoam is a certified USDA BioPreferred product made with more than 70 percent biobased materials, meaning it is completely biodegradable. It's made by Cross Plain Solutions based in Dalton, Ga.

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Above: A new firefighting foam made with soybeans is being demonstrated as a safe and effective alternative to traditional foams that pose a health risk.

Soy foam

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PK Foam Solutions is a licensed distributor of the product throughout Michigan, northern Indiana, north-west Ohio and northern Illinois.

The company is owned by Patrick Butler, a former 35-year firefighter and cancer survivor.

“After battling bladder cancer for three years and being declared cancer free just last week, I can say with confidence that this product is needed in the firefighting industry,” he said.

There are 2.5 bushels of soybeans in every 55-gallon drum of Soyfoam, which leaves only nitrogen on the grass or soil once it’s used and totally breaks down.

“It’s good for the environment. It’s good for firefighters. Plus, it’s good for our soybean growers,” he said.

The 76-year-old Butler, who became a distributor in April, said he provides the product to two fire departments in Michigan, so far, and the Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy, which uses Soyfoam during controlled outdoor burns.

The foam is used to form a perimeter around a controlled burn to keep

the flames from spreading outside the designated area.

Butler is optimistic additional fire departments will begin ordering Soyfoam once more decision makers learn about the product.

To increase awareness, he’s been demonstrating the product to other firefighters across the state.

He also hopes the product will start being used by the U.S. Department of Defense and other places like airports since it meets all federal testing requirements.

“I think it’s going to be the next best thing coming once we get it up and running. It’s just going to be a matter of time,” he said.

Butler said the product is just as effective as traditional foams except the blanket it forms over fires to starve them of oxygen seems to not hold up for quite as long in alcohol fires because there are no chemicals in the ingredients.

The cost of Soyfoam at \$189 for every five-gallon container is about equal to the price of traditional foams.

But cost wise, Butler said the use of Soyfoam doesn’t pose a risk for a high taxpayer funded environmental clean-up that comes with the use of traditional foams.

Hoosier Sheep Symposium coming to Purdue Sept. 20

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. – Purdue Agriculture’s Sheep and Wool Market Development Program (IN S&W) and the Indiana Sheep Association (ISA) are sponsoring the annual Hoosier Sheep Symposium Sept. 20 at Purdue University in the Creighton Hall of Animal Sciences. 720 Clinic Drive, West Lafayette. Integrated crop and sheep systems research, wool processing in the United States, an introduction to the new Sheep Extension Specialist and sheep pelt production will be among the topics explored by expert speakers at the event.

Symposium session titles and speakers:

* Integrated Crop Livestock Systems: The Peanut Butter and Jelly of Agriculture by Moriah Bilenky, Purdue assistant professor.

* Purdue’s new small ruminant specialist by ANSC Department Head Paul Ebner and new small ruminant specialist and Extension educator Cora Reinbolt.

* The American Wool Council’s Wool Action Plan and Wool Processing in the United States by Heather Pearce, wool production program manager for the American Sheep Industry Association.

* Trash or Treasure: Natural Tanning of Sheepskins and Leather by Javan Miner, owner of Steward’s Provisions Tannery.

Morning sessions, including a light breakfast, will be in the Creighton Hall of Animal Sciences. Registration begins at 9 a.m. EST and a welcome message from ISA President Ricky Burns will be at 9:30 a.m.

“The sheep industry is changing and adapting to new trends, and it’s exciting; The innovative discussions for the symposium are awesome,” Burns said.

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dog is almost human? In the
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For sure, the Mansfield sisters
are a bit creepy. The rumors in
Little Nettlebed say, in fact, that
the girls can transform into dogs at
will; the proof is in the mysterious
barking and the ravens that gather
on the roofs of the doomed. Silliness.
Patriarchy, even. Of course, the
sisters are really not witches. Are
they?

If you love dogs and a haunting-good novel, you'll wolf down this book quickly.
Admit it: random videos online are hard to resist, and in the new novel, "A Dog in Georgia" by Lauren Grodstein (Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill, \$29), one dog in one video changes the course of a life.
Chef, stepmother, wife. Those used to be words that Amy Webb used to describe herself but these days, she's not sure what she is. Except now she's a dog hunter, after seeing a video of a missing dog and she gets caught up in catching the pup. Volunteering to find "Angel" is the next natural step because Amy's generous like that. But is anything ever that simple? This novel's perfect for anyone who needs to re-discover themselves, in a dog or otherwise.

The sad fact of life is that most of us will outlive our dogs. So how do you make Poochie's last years the best? And how do you open your heart anew? "Old Dog, New Dog: Supporting Your Aging Best Friend and Welcoming a New One" by Kathy Callahan & Helen St. Pierre (New World Library, \$16.95) may have some ideas for you.

This book takes a look at two sides of a dog's life and melds them together. Learn how to best support your elder dog, how to work hand-in-paw with your veterinarian, and a few tips to keep Fido safe and happy for the rest of his life. If you think having an energetic youngster around might benefit, this book offers ideas to make it work seamlessly and easier. It's a book you'll want around, one that offers comfort and solid help.

And finally, speaking of veterinarians, "Heal the Beasts: A Jaunt Through the Curious History of the Veterinary Arts" by Philipp Schott, DVM (ECW Press, \$19.95) is a unique book that takes animal lovers through the centuries. Filled with imagination and fact, it is part novel, part nonfiction, and a lot of fun to read.

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• Warren County, Indiana
• Five (5) Tracts available

Owner: Dysert Legacy Trust, et al.

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80+/- ACRES • 1 TRACT

SEPT 10, 2025 • 10 AM - 3 PM EST
• Benton County, Indiana
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220+/- ACRES • 5 TRACTS

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OCTOBER 15, 2025 3 PM EST
• White County, Indiana
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436+/- ACRES - 6 TRACTS

OCTOBER 28, 2025 - 10 AM EST
• Montgomery County, Indiana
• Six (6) Tracts

Owner: Dorothy Grimes Estate, et al.

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OPENS: September 9th– CLOSES: September 23 @7PM

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INSPECTION: September 19, 22 & 23 10:00-2PM

Equipment will be located 1 mile north of Prairie Saloon, (Downtown Alicia) after labor day, housed until then.

Proprietors: Kevin & Larry Brabant - Rivercrest Farms

Tractors:

Case IH 9370 Qaudtrac, 3pt w/QH, 36" belts, N14 Cummins, auto steer, 4 remotes, 2nd owner since 2001, recent repairs completed at Weiss Equipment, 6885 hours, SN:JFF0072486
Case IH 245 Magnum MFWD, 19 speed powershift, auto steer ready, 380/80/R50 rear tires w/duals, QH, 4 remotes, (3) pto 7226 HOURS, SN: Z7RZ02068

Harvest Equipment:

Case IH 2388 Axial Flow Combine, PRWD, bin extension, 30.5X32 drive tires, Ag leader yield monitor, auto steer ready, Cummins Engine, chopper, rock trap, 2nd owner since 2003, 3676E / 2660 S. HOURS . SN: JJC0267191
CIH 2208 28"- 8 row poly corn head, light kit.
CIH 1020 30' Platform head w/ cart.

Excavation Equipment:

John Deere 750-C Bulldozer, 9' 6-way blade, 22" tracks rear weight package, new batteries @7113 hours
Kobelco 9248 Hydraulic excavator, manual AIM thumb, 28" triple grouser tracks, 3' & 5' buckets, @3575 hours
Caterpillar D4 Crawler/Dozer, ROPS.

Beet Equipment:

Amity 2500 6 row 28" Beet harvester, cushion lifter wheels, housed, SN:701304
Art's Way #630 6 row -28" beet topper, rear steer

Trucks:

2007 IH Prostar Premium 6x4 Semi Tractor, ISX 450 Cummins, 10 speed, wet kit, aluminum wheels @600K miles
1998 Freightliner FLD 120 6x4 semi tractor, double frame, Detroit power, 13 speed, 30" sleeper, 2 line wet kit, aluminum wheels 2nd owner since 2005, new batteries @ 594K miles
1987 Freightliner 6x4 Semi tractor, wet kit, 250 Cummins, 9 speed
1998 Dodge Ram 2500 Ext. cab, 8' box, 4x4, Cummins engine, 1 owner, 218K miles, Weather Guard boxes & 100 gal. fuel tank w/GPI pump, new batteries.

Trailers:

East 32' 4-Axle aluminum dump trailer, 76" sides, Sioux Electric tarp, grain gate, air gate, good rubber
1998 Alfab 35' 6-axle aluminum dump trailer, 80" sides, 2-2-2 lift axles, grain gate, air gate, tarp, good rubber
Aztec 35 ton lowboy, 25' deck, + 5' beaver tail, ramps.
5000 gal. 2 tanks T/A stainless steel tender trailer w/ pumps.

Tillage Equipment:

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Alloway 18-28" S tine Custom built row cultivator, gauge wheels

Around the farm:

2019 Loftness 20' stalk shredder, steel flails, light kit, drawbar.
Woods 10' Offset batwing mower
JD 8-ton running gear * Pincor PTO trailer type generator *
JD 345 lawn & garden tractor, engine issues * Trimble FM-1000 display * R&R 18' T/A aluminum trailer *shop equipment
* Farm support items * **See website for full listing & pictures!**

Consigned by Neighbor:

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8	23±	21.8±	0
9	16±	0	16±
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Tracts 1-3:

From Oaktown at the intersection of Oaktown/Freelandville Rd, take Hwy 41 south 2.8 mi. s to N Ross Rd, turn left 250' to N Meeks Rd, turn right & proceed .75 mi. s to Tracts 1,2 & 3.

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Tract 13:

From Oaktown at the intersection of Hwy 41 & Oaktown/Freelandville Rd, take Hwy 41 south 1 mi. to Co Op Rd, turn right 1 mi. (crossing a railroad track & crossing Old Hwy 41 to the "T" at E Wilson Rd (N Taylor Rd), turn left 1.2 mi. s to Texas Gas Rd, turn right .5 mi. to E Airport Rd, turn left 3 mi. s, E Airport Rd will turn to Blann Rd. Continue on Blann Rd though a 90 degree right turn & continue on Co Rd 325 W approx. to Tract 13 west of the levee.

INSPECTION DATES: Tue, Sep. 23 • 10am-12pm at Tract 4 & Tue, Sep. 23 • 1-3pm at Tract 12
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SPAULDING OUTDOORS

By Jack Spaulding

New Deer Regulations

For questions about equipment, regulations, or which license you need, contact the Deer Information Line at IN-DeerInfo@dnr.IN.gov or 812-334-3795.

Changes to Indiana's hunting deer regulations include:

The statewide bag limit is six antlerless deer and one antlered deer, except for in Deer Reduction Zones and during youth seasons.

There is a newly created County Antlerless Bag Limit instead of season antlerless bag limits and the County Bonus Antlerless Quota.

Hunters cannot harvest an antlerless deer with a firearm during firearms season on Fish & Wildlife-managed properties nor at Salamonie, Mississinewa, and Patoka lakes.

Only one antlered and two antlerless deer may be harvested with the bundle license.

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Spaulding

FROM PAGE 7B

The use of crossbow equipment is now allowed using the archery license. Drones and/or devices with infrared sensors may be used to locate harvested deer (but they still cannot be used to hunt deer). A new change in state law allows hunters to use rifles with a centerfire cartridge with a minimum bullet diameter of .219 inches (5.56 mm) or larger on both public and private lands.

Indianapolis Angler Catches State Record Mooneye

Indianapolis resident Tyler Baumann caught a 9-ounce mooneye on the East Fork of the Whitewater River on June 5 in Dearborn County, beating the previous record of 5.8 ounces set in 2019 on the Ohio River in Clark County. Baumann caught the 12-inch-long state record fish from a kayak using a night crawler under a bobber. State record fish are determined by weight rather than length. Mooneye are found in large rivers throughout Indiana. Mooneye and goldeye look similar and are often mistaken for one or the other. To differentiate between the two, look at where the dorsal fin starts in comparison to the anal fin. For mooneye, the start of the dorsal fin is either before or in line with the start of the anal fin. For goldeye, the start of the dorsal fin is behind the start of the anal fin.

Put-And-Take Pheasant Hunt Reservations

Reservations for put-and-take pheasant hunts opened Wednesday, September 10, at 7 a.m. ET and will continue through the end of the hunt period or until the hunts are sold out. The hunts take place from November 22–30. Hunters can reserve their spot at on.IN.gov/

reservedhunt. Participating Fish & Wildlife areas include Atterbury, Glendale, J.E. Roush Lake, Pigeon River, Tri-County, Willow Slough, and Winamac. Hunters seeking information about a scheduled hunt should contact the respective property. Contact information is available at on.IN.gov/dfwproperties. Reservations are sold for \$30 on a first-come, first-served basis. A \$1 tech fee is charged per reservation. Once the daily hunter quota is reached for each site, the location will be listed as unavailable. Hunters must possess a valid hunting license and gamebird habitat stamp to hunt pheasant. The bag limit is two pheasants per person, per day. Pigeon River, Willow Slough, and Winamac FWAs only permit hunting of male pheasants. Hunters should print their reservation confirmation sheet and bring it with them on the day of their hunts. Hudson Lake Public Access Reopens Public access to Hudson Lake has been restored after completion of the dredging of a navigation channel from the boat ramp to the lake. The ramp had been closed since mid-July. The project, funded by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Lake and River Enhancement (LARE) program and Hudson Lake Conservation Association, hydraulically pumped sediment from the access channel to an upland area on the northwest end of the lake.

‘till next time, Jack Readers can contact the author by writing to this publication or e-mail Jack at jackspaulding1971@outlook.com Spaulding’s books, “The Best Of Spaulding Outdoors” and “The Coon Hunter And The Kid” are available from Amazon.com as a paperback or Kindle download.

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TRACTORS, COMBINES & HEADS: International 1586 Tractor, Duals, 18.4-42 Rubber, Cab, Diesel Engine, 1000 PTO, 3pt Hitch, Serial Number: 2650133U009240; International 1066, 18.4-38 Rubber, Cab, Diesel Engine, Showing 4126 Eng Hrs, Serial Number: 2610175U053666; Allis Chalmers XT190 Series III, Diesel Engine, Cab, Showing 3402 Eng Hrs, Serial Number: 28279X; Ford 8N, Gas Engine, 3pt, 540 PTO; John Deere B, Unstyled, flat spoke rims; Allis Chalmers WD, Narrow Front End, Fenders, Quick Coupler System; John Deere 7720 Combine, Diesel Eng, Hydro, Showing 1716 Eng Hrs, Vittetoe Chaff Spreader, Serial Number: H07720X601293; John Deere 6600 Combine, Diesel Engine, Hydro, John Deere 643 6R30 Corn Head, John Deere 215 Grain Table

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**Nappanee's historic Round Barn complex
sells for \$2.4 million at Kraft auction**

Illinois

Milford - On Aug. 21, Schrader Real Estate & Auction Company presented 74.29 +/- acres in one tract. Located about 4 miles south-east of town with frontage on 800 N Road, the parcel included 73.79 cropland acres per FSA. Soils were mainly Selma loam and Lisbon silt loam. Recent yields: 36.80 acres of corn (173 bushels) and 36.70 acres of soybeans (52 bushels). The property sold for \$825,000 (\$11,105/acre).

Shelby County - Cory Craig conducted the Gudhus Farmland Auction on Aug. 21, offering 156+ surveyed acres in three tracts: Tract 1 - 71.40 acres; Tract 2 - 39.98; Tract 3 - 44.68. Soils included Oconee, Herrick, Virden, Harrison, Fishhook and Douglas, with a Productivity Index of 124.4. There were 73.65 base corn acres (PLC Yield 161) and 73.65 soybean acres (PLC Yield 5,410/year). Tract 1 sold for \$778,260 (\$10,900/acre); Tract 2 for \$463,768 (\$11,600/acre); Tract 3 for \$513,820 (\$11,500/acre).

Indiana

Nappanee - On Aug. 13, Kraft Real Estate Auctions sold The Barns, Round Barn Theater, and 9.58 acres, part of the original Amish Acres, created in 1968 by the Pletcher family. In 2020, it was bought by U.S. Congressman Marlin Stutzman and wife Christy, who auctioned it following his election. Located on historic U.S. 6, the site had 10 buildings totaling over 54,000

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BY WILLIAM FLOOD

square feet. The Round Barn Theater, originally a 1911 round barn, was relocated in 1998. Recently remodeled, it seated nearly

400. It included its fine woodwork and domed ceiling, lobby, ticket office and concession stand. Attached was the Greeting Barn, built from an 1876 Amish barn, with a gift shop, meeting room (sometimes used as a theater), wedding venue, bridal suite and offices. The 20,000-square-foot Restaurant Barn, built from two 1870 bank barns, featured a 400-seat restaurant, commercial kitchen, retail bakery, offices and private venue with a bar. A transferable three-way liquor license was included. Also on-site: a two-story 1860 log house (formerly W.H. Best Meat Market), now an antique store; a second log building from 1853 (formerly Soda Fountain & Fudgery), now a pretzel shop with antique marble soda fountain; a working cider mill (3,000-bushel/day capacity); and a 4-bedroom/3-bath caretaker's home with over 8,000 square feet of outbuildings.

Over \$600,000 in upgrades were completed, including HVAC, theater renovations, and a new LED roadside sign. The turnkey sale included all personal property, kitchen equipment, and furnishings. Opening bid was \$1,399,900 (+5% buyer's premium); final sale price: \$2,426,000.

Kentucky

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Real Estate

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Union Township – Lawson & Company Auctioneers offered 183.13 +/- acres in five parcels on Aug. 21. Total tillable land was 174.85 acres, with average yields of 245 bushels/acre for corn and 78 bushels/acre for soybeans. The farm was well-tiled and limed in 2020. Soils included Treaty silty clay loam and Crosby silt loam. Tract 1 consisted of 54.00+ acres east of CR 50 W with an open Barnett ditch and 2.63 acres in CREP (\$300/acre/year). Tract 2 contained 54.00+ acres east of CR 50 W and north of CR 600 N, with a 40-by-50-foot metal pole barn with 14 feet of clearance. Tract 3 held 29.84+ acres south of CR 675 N. Tract 4 was 40.09+ acres with 50 feet of frontage on the south side of CR 675 N. Tract 5 was 5.20+ acres with a “grandfathered” residential building site. The property sold for \$3,075,000 (\$16,791/acre).

Wingo – Harris Real Estate & Auction held an absolute auction Aug. 7 for 14+ acres with commercial potential, in two tracts. The mostly wooded property, just off Purchase Parkway, offered highway visibility, high traffic, and easy access. Tract 1 contained 10.21 acres; Tract 2 was 4.21 acres. They sold combined for \$67,500 (\$4,681/acre).

Michigan

Eau Claire – On Aug. 26, Miedema’s LastBidReal Estate auctioned two tracts: an 18,000-square-foot packing plant and cold storage building on 2 acres, plus approximately 5.5 acres of apple trees. Located on Highway M-140

and known as Piedt Family Centennial Farm, the site was zoned agricultural-residential (A-R). The plant featured multiple overhead doors, three docks, 3-phase power, three wells, office, restroom, and ample parking. Ceiling heights ranged from 12 to 23.5 feet. An 80-by-94-foot Red Iron addition had a 20-foot ceiling. Connected land totaled nearly 8 acres, with productive apple trees. Both parcels sold combined for \$390,000.

Ohio

Killbuck – On Aug. 25, Kaufman Realty & Auctions sold nearly 32 vacant acres in one tract. The 31.798-acre parcel had over 500 feet of frontage on Township Road 91, 3.5 tillable acres, a cut driveway, a potential building site, and marketable timber nearing maturity. It sold for \$540,000 (\$16,982/acre).

Tippecanoe – Kiko Auctioneers held a live/onsite and online auction on Aug. 19 for a 34.93-acre farm with home and barn, offered in three tracts. Located near Clendening and Tappen Lake and public hunting land, the acreage included both open and wooded areas with scenic views. Tract 1 contained 10.04 acres with 194 feet of Laughlin Road frontage, a restorable 3-bedroom/2-bath cabin-style home with full basement, forced-air gas furnace (free gas from the property), and 100-amp electric. Outside was a 24-by-40-foot pole barn and woven-fenced pasture. Tract 2 was 16.10 acres wooded with a stream and 223 feet of frontage. Tract 3 had 8.79 acres open/wooded, with 253 feet of Ferguson Road frontage and building site potential. The tracts sold combined for \$258,000.



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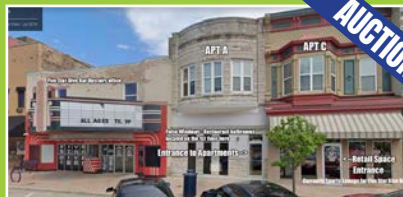
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Does she stay or does she go? Keys to keeping or culling cows

Does she stay or does she go? Keys to keeping or culling cows

I first want to thank the readers who reached out to correct me on my column on the benefits of preconditioning calves last month. I used an \$8/cwt “preconditioning bonus,” and each person who responded said that is NOT what they are seeing at auction markets across the Midwest and Southeast. Every person said it was well ABOVE that level. One producer cited a recent report from the Bluegrass Stockyards in Farm World where a group of 780# valued added calves brought \$36/cwt more than a similar-sized group weighing 762#. I checked the data for the past few weeks, and the PC bonus averaged \$10-20/cwt. A \$15/cwt bonus on 700# calves would add \$105/head to the bottom line. While not as impressive as the \$292/calf for the weight gain, it is what my dad calls “real money.” Thank you to those who took the time to correct me.

With cull cows bringing \$170/cwt., that puts the value of a 1450# cow (about average for the U.S. and too big in my opinion, but that is a discussion for another day) at \$2,465. At that price, please explain to me why you would have a cow on your farm that has a bad udder, attitude or feet? These problem cows need to go to market and should be replaced by a low maintenance, bred female.

Cull cow prices generally hit the low of the year about Nov. 15, so selling them now makes dollars and sense.

Besides the problem cows, open cows also need to go to market. We are at the highest profit/cow in the history of our industry, and having an open cow that wastes your hay, pasture and time needs to be replaced with a pregnant cow that will add to your busi-

ness, not subtract from it. I see bred females selling for \$4,000 and up, and a recent article I read said that bred females are currently undervalued in the current market. The author said that traditionally it takes 4.5 years of production to pay for a bred female, and currently it takes only 2.7 years to pay for the bred female.

Call your herd health veterinarian today and schedule a pregnancy check. Finding those open cows now and selling them before the market drops will give you time to find quality replacements so you can be at 100 percent capacity in 2026.

The number one question I have received lately is “How long is this tremendous market going to last?” Of course, if I had that “crystal ball,” I would be a wealthy man.

Here are the facts. Beef cow numbers are the lowest on record since the USDA began collecting that data in 1961, so the lowest number in 64 years. Heifers as a percent of the cattle on feed are currently at 38 percent. The 10-year average is 36.5 percent and the 20-year average is 34.5 percent. Having 1.5 percent more on feed may not sound like a big deal, but it means 255,000 heifers are not going to become cows to calve in 2027 and beyond.

Interestingly, in 2016, heifers as a percentage of cattle on feed was 32 percent. That is the lowest percentage over the past 20 years and was due to the spike in cattle prices in 2014. Everyone kept back a huge number of heifers to “cash in” on the great market. What happened was that the market was then flooded, and the price plummeted. There is zero indication that this is happening now or will happen in the near future. The reasons

are a long-term drought in many cattle-raising areas of the U.S., higher interest rates, significantly higher feeder calf prices, and the aging of the American beef producer has kept heifer retention low.

Like predicting the weather a few months away (or even the next day at times), predicting cattle prices two-five years out makes our crystal ball very fuzzy. That said, USDA predicts that 5-6 weight feeder cattle will remain over \$300/cwt through 2030. That is 5 more years of excellent prices. Please do not purchase futures contracts based on this information. I am simply trying to paint a picture that gives evidence to have pastures at or near capacity with productive females and no freeloaders this fall and beyond.

While your herd health veterinarian is conducting the pregnancy exam, this is a great time to look at feet, udders and Body Condition Score (BCS). When a cow with corkscrew claw (a heritable condition) comes through the chute for a pregnancy check, I ask if there is any reason to pregnancy check her. She is only going to get worse, and foot trims are only temporary fixes.

If the average cow in the herd has a BCS of 5 (good) on a 9-point scale and a cow or two is a score of 3 (very thin), we try to find out why. If she is open, feeding her for 60 days generally pays a nice dividend. If she is pregnant and young, deworming and giving some TLC in the form of a higher energy and protein ration should do the trick. If she has a sore foot, have her examined to find the cause. We don’t want a thin cow going into winter, as that is generally a recipe for failure.

The cattle market is the best we have ever seen and having a herd of very productive cows come spring of 2026 takes planning now. Get your cows pregnancy checked and send the problem and open cows to market. Replace them with productive cows that will add to your beef business.

BEEF HERD HEALTH

BY W. MARK HILTON, DVM

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Illinois farmers hear good news at Farm Progress Show about crops

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

DECATUR, Ill. — Three days of gorgeous, sunny weather and below-average temperatures had farmers attending the 2025 Farm Progress Show itching to get back to their fields to harvest their crops. Inside the University of Illinois College of ACES tent, much of the talk on Wednesday, August 27 was of the expected bumper (and perhaps record bumper) crop some analysts are predicting for the state. During a taping of WILL-FM's Commodity Week radio program inside the bustling tent, John Jones, Assistant Professor of

Agronomy and Soil Fertility Extension Specialist at the U of I, offered his opinion on the 2025 corn and soybean harvest.

"Regionality is coming into play across the state. We saw some pretty big differences in planting dates. I think what we're going to end up seeing this year is how resilient and flexible a lot of our hybrids are, particularly on the corn side. To not only biomass and accumulation of nutrients and carbon and sugars, but also how well we can adapt to different timings and the management that was applied to them," said Jones.

"There were some pretty big planting differences as we went north to south and east to west, but that sort of got mixed in the wash when you look at some of the yield potential that we are seeing in Illinois."

Corn plants that switched to reproductive stage during the July hot spell of prolonged warmer-than-average nighttime temperatures and enjoyed a rapid accumulation of growing degree days may have more of an advantage in yield potential over the plants that didn't, according to Jones. He acknowledged that some farmers are reporting corn ear abnormalities.

"I think it's worth doing some diagnostics on ears; let's say if you have a water heat stressed ear as opposed to a pollination issue, you'll have some different deformities in how that ear developed from the bottom to the tip of the ear in terms of the kernel development. If you're able to identify that it was water stress you will see a more consistent lack of kernels or kernel depth," Jones said.

"If you're dealing with a pollination issue early, you will look at the butts



Above: Pictured (l-r) during the Farm Progress Show on August 27 are Extension ag specialists Steven Brand of McHenry County, Dane Hunter of Marion County and Megan Diss of Warren County. The trio are displaying samples of corn from their regions with various degrees of ear tipping. (T. Alexander photos)

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We’ve all experienced the sting of being made fun of. The shame and embarrassment of being the butt of someone’s joke can wreak havoc on our hearts and minds. Jesus knows that feeling. While He endured unimaginable physical pain for us, He also bore deep emotional pain. As Hebrews 4:15 reminds us, “We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet without sin.”

I have had quite a few moments of humiliation in my life – the kinds of situations that make you want to dig a hole, crawl into it, and die. Sometimes these have occurred because of a mistake I made. Other times they have been because someone chose to make fun of me.

One of the hardest seasons was during my middle school years. At the end of sixth grade, I was diagnosed with scoliosis, which meant wearing a full-body back brace throughout middle school and part of high school. This plastic girdle, held together by metal rods, had to be worn 23 hours a day. It was physically uncomfortable, and it made me stand out in ways I wished I didn’t.

I clearly remember the day that a young high school boy laughed over my strange “shape” caused by the metal bars under my clothing. The shame I



VERSES FROM MAMA
By Sandra Sheridan

felt still burns. Over time, I learned to laugh along with the jokes about my apparatus. But when I was alone, I cried silently from the humiliation of it all.

Looking back, those moments help me understand Jesus’ trials in a deeper way. He didn’t just suffer on the cross, He endured relentless mocking from sinful men. It’s almost unthinkable: the Creator of the universe stripped, ridiculed and jeered at. The One worthy of all honor and praise chose to bear the full weight of our shame.

Why? To restore our relationship with the Father and open heaven’s doors for us. He understands when others mock us. He feels our pain. And because of His sacrifice, we can boldly enter God’s throne room to find mercy and grace in our time of need.

When I reflect on my younger self and the embarrassment I carried, I see how those experiences shaped me. They taught me empathy. They gave me a small glimpse of what Jesus endured for me. And they deepened my gratitude for the privilege of bringing my hurts to the Throne of Grace.

What about you? Have you carried the weight of someone’s cruel words or laughter? Jesus understands. He offers you refuge, healing and wholeness. Come to Him today. Pour out your pain and receive the mercy and grace He so freely gives.

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of those ears and see the kernels a little more deformed. There are differences in the ear development that may allow you to do sort of a post-mortem on what happened with your corn crop. Growing degree days are very important.”

Megan Diss, an Extension commercial agriculture specialist from Monmouth, said farmers in her central Illinois county are expecting an excellent harvest. “We’re seeing pretty good yields, everything looks pret-

sure, but are still seeing yields on par or above par this year. The ear tipping we are seeing is not as bad as in other parts of the state, but we are seeing a little bit of it.”

Salem, Illinois’ Dane Hunter, an Extension commercial ag specialist who covers southern Illinois, said many farmers in his area planted late and then had to deal with dry early-growth conditions. “If we have average yields I think we will be lucky. I think there are a lot of spots where it is not going to happen,” Hunter said, adding that corn farmers in his area are happy to harvest an average of 160 bushels per acre in a normal year.

Southern rust, which was confirmed in eight Illinois counties and several surrounding states in July, hasn’t seemed to be a major factor in Marion and surrounding counties, he added. “I think that down where we are the corn was just so small and so late, and when it got big enough to get infected it got dry. I think that’s part of the reason we haven’t seen a lot of disease in my area,” Hunter said.

According to Steve Brand, Extension agriculture and agribusiness specialist, corn yields are looking “really good” in northern Illinois. “We were dry early on and coming out of a dry winter, so everything was stunted early on,” said Brand, of St. Charles in McHenry County.

“Over a handful of weeks, maybe a month, we got caught up with a lot of rain, with very heavy isolated storms. That’s going to keep producing through ear fill. We had such a drought early in the season that disease really didn’t show up until R1 or R2, and we are seeing some of the southern rust up there, but we are not expecting too much of an economic loss. If you sprayed with fungicides your corn is looking incredible, and if you didn’t it’s looking a little beat up but I don’t think you’ll have much yield loss.

Todd Gleason, WILL-FM agricultural broadcaster and a grower from Elkhart in Logan County, told Farm World that his corn crop is looking to come in around 18 bushels or more above his farm’s actual production history (APH) of 232 bu./acre. “I’m expecting about 250 bushels or more, and the expectation for my area is probably 10 bushels or more above APH.”

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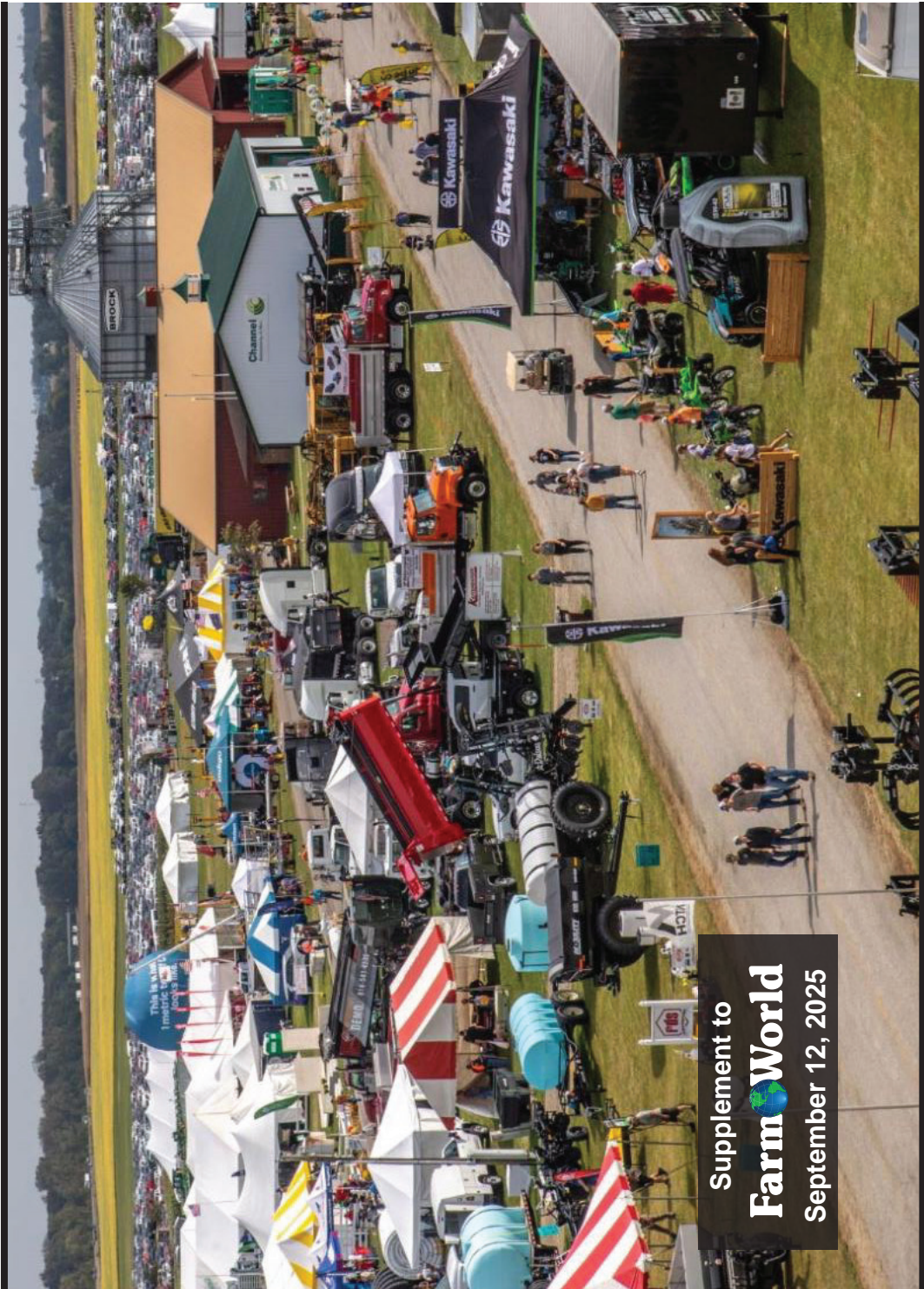
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‘Transforming Tradition’ theme at this year’s Farm Science Review

By DOUG GRAVES
Ohio Correspondent

LONDON, Ohio – Last year, more than 130,000 visitors attended Ohio Farm Science Review (FSR). Organizers are expecting another massive turnout again for 2025. The Molly Caren Agricultural Center, near London, hosts this three-day farm show from Sept. 16-18. Review hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 16-17, and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 18.

Hosted by the Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CFAES), FSR is celebrating its 63rd year of agricultural education and industry innovation.

Even if you’re not a farmer or in a

secondary ag industry, FSR manager Nick Zachrich said there’s a lot to take in, as he expects to fill the commercial exhibit area with more than 700 exhibitors from all over North America.

“Farm Science Review provides opportunities for growers in the livestock industry, row crop farming, specialty crops and even those with small gardens the chance to learn from educators and industry experts about a wide variety of topics,” Zachrich said.

This year’s theme FSR theme is “Transforming Tradition.”

“We’re expecting the most robust Farm Science Review we’ve had in a

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Above: Ohio Farm Science Review offers new technology in action, big and small equipment, handy devices, nature exploration, soil practices and so much more. Field demonstrations are aplenty. (photo submitted)



Above: Farm safety is stressed at each Farm Science Review and this year is no exception. There will be several live demonstrations that put safety in the forefront of any agriculture business. (photo submitted)



Above: At the Utzinger Memorial Garden, visitors can hear presentations regarding fruit diseases, fall-planted cut flowers, low maintenance perennials, growing ethnic specialty crops and much more. (photo submitted)

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very long time with different technologies and also some of the mainstays people come to look for,” Zachrich said. “This show has a long tradition of bringing together educators and industry to showcase the latest in agriculture innovation. This annual

three-day show provides opportunities for growers in the livestock industry, row crop farming, specialty crops, or even an individual with just a few acres and a small garden to come and learn from educators and industry experts about a wide variety of topics.”

The show offers new technology in action, big and small equipment, handy devices, nature exploration, soil practices and much more. The

show highlights a vast array of exhibitors from fertilizer, seed and equipment experts to a wide variety of services.

“During the field demonstrations, once our equipment has run through the field, attendees can walk out, put their eyes on it, put their hands on it and talk to the company representatives who are there to answer any questions they might have about the equipment or the farming practices,” Zachrich said.

“This year’s show really focuses on ag innovations. Autonomy and artificial intelligence are at the center of things these days, and we’ll have additional drone companies this year to demonstrate their new innovations and techniques. Drone sales, but also drone services, are trending to still be very popular, especially in the region with row crop spray drones. Custom applicators are becoming more popular and wanted to be a part of the show.

“John Deere will be here to showcase its autonomous tractors during tillage demonstrations. Deere will also demonstrate its new level of autonomous combines and harvesters as well.”

Left: Drone technology is still vital in the agricultural world and drones will be highlighted once again at this year’s Farm Science Review. (photo submitted)



Above: Nick Zachrich was appointed FSR Farm Manager at the 54th annual show. The show now enters its 63rd year. “This year’s show really focuses on ag innovations, with autonomy and artificial intelligence at the front and center of things. This show, with a theme of ‘Transforming Technology,’ is a must-see,” Zachrich said. (photo submitted)

Five hundred acres are dedicated to harvesting, strip tilling, global positioning, planting, manure spreading and tillage demonstrations, which take place every day. Harvesters will be on hand for field demonstrations for both corn and soybeans, as well as aftermarket header companies for both crops.

Over the three days, there are more than 100 educational sessions, including the always popular “Ask the Experts” 30-minute presentations that run throughout the show and allow visitors to speak one-on-one with those experts.

“Most are business-related and some veterinary medicine-related topics....but there is a vast variety of topics presented,” Zachrich said.

Ask the Expert sessions are held each day of the show across from the Firebaugh Building at 426 Friday Ave.

Shuttle buses will take visitors through the Gwynne Conservation Area, a 67-acre zone dedicated to the latest conservation practices one can implement on their property. The Gwynn Conservation Area is divided into four areas: Forages & Grazing, Wildlife & Aquatics, Woodland and Cabin.

Each day at the Small Farms Center attendees can engage in a “Tent Schedule” that included discussions on such topics as Small Farm Basics, Getting Started, Poultry Production for Small Farms, High Tunnels for Specialty Crops, Sheep and Goat Production, Rabbit Production and Mushroom Production.

Master gardeners will be throughout the Utzinger Memorial Garden, a plot designed for those interested in gardens. Experts will discuss pumpkin production, improving tomato fruit quality, wine grape production, fungicides and disease control of fruits and vegetables, elderberry production in Ohio and the marketing of specialty crops, just to name a few.

The McCormick, Bailey and Firebaugh buildings and the Utzinger Garden are home to OSU Central, an area where displays focus on farm health and safety, cancer prevention, farm management programs, financial and economic information, the environment, and human and community development. Outside in the Utzinger Garden, sessions offer tips about home yards and gardens.

Ohio farm safety expert Dee Jepsen will be on hand again this year with demonstrations on grain bin extraction. And the always anticipated “Talk on Friday Avenue” session will include a panel of faculty members from OSU’s College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences’ (CFAES) Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics with expertise in environmental economics, climate change





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Above: There's plenty to do, see and touch at this year's Farm Science Review. (photo submitted)

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and the impact of new technologies in the agricultural sector.

If you're interested in antique farm equipment, then a stop at the McCormick Building is a must. This building houses more than 1,600 pieces of farm machinery, garden equipment and kitchen utensils from 1800 to 1930. Special attractions include the 1805 wooden moldboard plow, antique garden tractors, an 1860 Milwaukee reaper, a horse-drawn milk wagon and a 1923 Model T milk truck.

"This stop is for anyone wanting to know who things worked in the past," Zachrich said.

Students are a key draw for Farm Science Review, which has had a student program for many years. Roughly 7,000 students visit FSR each year.

Zachrich encourages visitors to come hungry. From a rib-eye steak and Mexican food to milkshakes, juicy hamburgers and bean soup, FSR offers a wide selection of tastes.

"For newcomers, there's something for everyone, and for those returning, there are a lot of new attractions," Zachrich said. "For more than six decades, Farm Science Review has offered a gathering place for agriculture to showcase products, services and education to the public to improve profitability, sustainability and excitement for future possibilities."

The Molly Caren Agricultural Center is at 135 State Route 38 near London, Ohio. The event can be seen off Interstate 70. Advance tickets for FSR are \$10 online and at participating OSU Extension offices and agribusinesses. Tickets are \$15 at the gate. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free. Parking is free.

For more information visit fsr.osu.edu.



Above: The show allows visitors to see how equipment works. (photo submitted)

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Above: The FSR show of 1963 showcased the latest in farm tractors. (photo submitted)



Farm Science Review is chock full of history going back centuries

By DOUG GRAVES
Ohio Correspondent

LONDON, Ohio – Farm Science Review (FSR) is held at The Molly Caren Agricultural Center in London. FSR is also home to the Gwynne Conservation Area, a 67-acre demonstration and education area dedicated to promoting sustainable agriculture and natural resources management practices.

But have you ever wondered who Molly Caren is and how the Gwynne Conservation Area got its name?

It all began more than 200 years ago. The property that hosts FSR was originally a Virginia Military Land Grant of 7,000 acres conveyed by President Thomas Jefferson. The property was purchased by frontier real estate investor Evan Gwynne in 1813. From the beginning, the land was titled Upper Gwynne South farm, and it passed successively from Thomas and David Gwynne to Eli Gwynne, Baldwin Gwynne, Edmund Gwynne, Marie Brown Caren and finally to Molly Caren, the last descendant, who, in 1982, transferred 993 acres to Ohio State University for agricultural education.

Agriculture played an important part in the life of Molly's mother, Marie, who grew up on Brown's Fruit Farm near Worthington. Marie graduated from Ohio State with a major in English in 1935. She married John Caren, a prominent attorney in

Columbus, and they remained on the Worthington farm.

The responsibilities of running the farm maintained and strengthened the ties between Marie and OSU. Her

father (Frame Brown) and the Ohio Cooperative Extension Service at OSU had developed into a mutually beneficial relationship. The proximity of the Worthington farm to the

Columbus campus made it an ideal place for professors in agriculture to take their classes and observe farm-

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Above: Ask the Expert presenters David Marrison (left) and Barry Ward will be on hand again this year (as will 30 other agricultural experts) to cover a variety of thought-provoking topics of concern to today’s farmers. (Doug Graves photo)

Ask the Experts is a great way to gain knowledge at farm show

By DOUG GRAVES
Ohio Correspondent

LONDON, Ohio – Successful farm managers surround themselves with the best people and information. Expertise comes from study and experience. Agriculture is information driven and from year to year the questions and answers change due to production and economic forces.

Who should you go to for trusted answers? Ask the Experts at Farm Science Review (FSR).

Three days of experts have been scheduled to take center stage again this year at the 2025 Farm Science Review. This conversational dive ex-

plores hot and current topics between the moderator, experts and the audience. The 30-minute sessions give 15-20 minutes of information from the experts and five-10 minutes of Q&A with the audience. Under the comfort of a large tent, one will hear ag economists, weather scientists, Women in Ag leaders, veterinarians, ag attorneys, agronomists, animal scientists and farm management specialists.

On the minds of many of Ohio’s aging farmers is that of succession. OSU Farm Management Specialist David Marrison will help tackle this key element in farming during his

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Lots to see and learn at the FSR's Gwynne Conservation Area

By DOUG GRAVES
Ohio Correspondent

LONDON, Ohio – A short wagon ride from Farm Science Review's (FSR) rows of gleaming tractors, its grounds full of hundreds of exhibitors, its streets packed by thousands of visitors, you'll see another side of agriculture – waters, woods and wildlife.

Welcome to FSR's Gwynne Conservation Area, commonly known as simply the Gwynne. It's here where Deer Creek flows in the shade of a forest, bluegill fish dimple the surface of ponds, killdeer birds call from a wetland mudflat and the wind rustles large bluestem prairie grass.

The Gwynne is where many of FSR's expected 100,000-plus visitors will find ideas on caring for their land. Sections of the Gwynne include Cabin, Wildlife and Aquatics, Woodlands, Forages and Grazing/Consumer Habitats.

FSR itself rests on 2,100 acres at the Molly Caren Agricultural Center. The Gwynne Conservation Area covers 67 acres in a modest green corner of that center.

For 362 days a year, the Gwynne is used to demonstrate and teach about farm-related conservation practices – ways to aid soils, streams, ponds, forests, grasslands and the creatures that live there.

Then, during the three days at FSR, it offers a slate of expert-led talks on the topics, more than 50 in all, plus displays, exhibits and demonstrations.

"The talks can help landowners make decisions to better manage the resources on their property, from forests to streams to pastures and more," said Mary Griffith, Conservation Reserve Program manager at USDA's Natural Resources

Conservation Service. "Making decisions that promote the health of these ecosystems can save landowners time and money in the long run."

In the Wildlife and Aquatics section of the Gwynne, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife will be demonstrating electrofishing while Ohio State University Extension Educator Jessica Burns will demonstrate the importance of native plants with her talk "Roots, Shoots and Fruits."

The Central Ohio Fly Fishers will offer a Basic 101 Fly Fishing course for beginners and intermediate fishers, while wildlife professional Abby-Gayle Prieum will discuss how to attract and protect beneficial bugs.

Various field experts will offer topics such as identifying aquatic vegetation, how to identify snakes, how to attract wildlife to your property, helping Ohio's bat populations, songbird identification and management, and opportunities that exist for aquaculture and aquaponics.

"I get a lot of questions about woodlands, wildlife and aquatics," Griffith said. "Visiting the Gwynne during the Farm Science Review is a great chance for landowners to ask questions of specialized experts from all over the state in just one place. The Gwynne has talks that are relevant to almost any landowner."

The Cabin at the Gwynne is used for educational programs all three days. Such topics offered at the Cabin include maple syrup production, pawpaw budgeting and processing, grazing in Ohio, native trees and shrubs of Ohio, poisonous plants of the garden and landscape, soil management strat-

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Above: Conservation experts will lead walks and discussions about proper pond management, what vegetation to grow along the ponds as well as what kind of fish to stock in those ponds. (photo submitted)



Above: The Gwynne has 20 nest boxes for a variety of birds such as tree swallows, chickadees, bluebirds and others. (photo submitted)

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presentation.

“The average age for an Ohio farmer is 56.3 years and it moves up each year,” Marrison said. “They’re getting older, not younger. People think succession is all about the estate planning part of it, but it’s actually much more than that. Estate planning is crucial, but the hardest part is knowing how to transfer the management of the farm, how to prepare the next generation and most importantly, how you, as one who has been in charge of

the farm operation for many years, finally step back from the farm.

“There’s the legal side of things, the nuts and bolts, where you pass along the assets that deal with state and federal taxes and laws. With this there will be agriculture attorneys there to help you. But it’s much more than the legal side of things, it’s preparing farm families emotionally as well. Many farmers have led their farm operations for 50 or more years, built and grew their operation. There’s been a lot of blood, sweat and tears in all those years, and now we’re asking them to step back and let someone else run it? It’s just not that easy.”

Marrison said at his many work-

shops he often has farmers jot down all they do on their farm in a single year, physical and mechanical things included.

“There’s a tremendous amount that’s on the farmers’ plates,” Marrison said. “That emotional part of it is crucial in dealing with. That farm is a piece of that producer’s identity and when they finally step back they might say, ‘hey, I’m not the farmer, then what am I?’ This is about transfer of management, not just transfer of documents or a single event. We’re talking about a journey. The transfer of management might take seven to 10 years to train the next generation of operator.”

For decades, Marrison has watched as farmers are hit with the harsh reality of finally letting go of what they’ve done all their lives. Marrison said there’s a proper way to step back.

“We’ve seen it done well, we’ve seen it done poorly,” he said. “We advocate for people to do it well. You protect a family’s legacy by thinking, planning, communicating and sharing a vision for the future. It’s all about preparing for the next generation of farmer. And there’s oftentimes surprises along the way that could de-rail this process.”

Marrison is one of 30 panel experts over the three-day show. Robert Moore, an attorney and research specialist with the Agriculture and Resource Law Program at OSU, will be on hand to discuss using incentive trusts in a farm succession.

Barry Ward, director of OSU Extension Income Tax Schools, will discuss crop inputs, farmland values and talk tax issues in 2025 and beyond, while OSU Atmospheric Scientist Aaron Wilson will discuss weather risks and resilience in 2025.

Ohio Ag Law expert Peggy Hall returns, and this time she’ll discuss the keys to farm leases and lessons to be

learned from leasing, while OSU Forest Management expert Jim Downs will guide attendees through the process of harvesting timber from one’s property.

OSU Crop Specialist Logan Minter will tell visitors how to better strengthen one’s bottom line with cover crops. Marlene Eick, director of leadership development at Ohio Farm Bureau, will show attendees to ‘network like a pro.’

OSU Professor Jeff Lewis will address Ohio’s farm labor laws, telling attendees how to stay legal, safe and productive, while Small Ruminant Management expert Brady Campbell will discuss new insights into solar grazing.

Eight other professional presenters will be on hand to discuss such things as women in agriculture, ag economics, solar grazing, grain markets and more.

For the second year, Student Spotlight Hour will take place. Many high school and college students attend FSR and a portion of the Ask the Experts program targets those who have just entered or are contemplating a career in agriculture. Three experts will be on hand to guide them along.

Trevor Corboy, OSU Agriculture and Natural Resources educator from Brown County, will lead a talk about “Getting Started in a Farm Business” while Garth Ruff, OSU Agriculture and Natural Resources educator from Henry County, will lead a discussion in “Beef-o-Nomics: Understanding Cattle Markets.” During the third session of Student Spotlight Hour, Luciana Da Costa, professor in OSU’s Department of Veterinary Preventive Medicine, will answer questions of students who are seeking education requirements and careers as a veterinarian.

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PLATFORMS & HEADS: 2022 John Deere RD35F Draper Head, Fore/Aft Reel, hydraulic adjustable reel, poly finger reel, marker lights, single point hook up, pto, hookup, Head sells separate from cart, Header will be used for 2025 Harvest, SN:1H0RD35FHN0820196; 2022 John Deere C8R corn head, 8 row, 30 IN. rows, single point hook up, Was purchased new and has been meticulously maintained SN#1H00C8RXLM0815279;

AIR SEEDERS: 2013 John Deere 1990CCS 40 FT. air seeder, 15 IN. rows, CCS seed metering, bulk fill, single disc openers, this planter is in excellent condition and has been very well maintained, SN#1A81990SEDM755129;

FERTILIZER APPLICATOR: 2012 Case 2800 fertilize applicator, 15 knife, 30 IN. on center, 1,500 gallon poly tank, Green Star rate controller, Excellent condition SN#YCD064133;

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HEADER CARTS: 2018 J&M 4WS15 All Steer Header Cart, 38ft long lights, adjustable feet and adjustable, rail height, SN# 1803256; J&M header cart, 21 FT. long, was used for 8 row corn head, SN#6486;

GRAIN CART: 2022 J&M X812 grain cart, 850 bushel, PTO driven auger, hydraulic folding auger, tarp, LED lights, auger camera, backup camera, ladder, **They purchased this grain cart new. It is in excellent condition and has been extremely well maintained,*SN#2210709;

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TILLAGE EQUIPMENT: J&M TF212 rolling basket, 32 FT. working width, hydraulic raise and lower, hydraulic fold, Low use on this implement and meticulously maintained, SN#2040006; Landoll 30 foot, folding soil finisher, 3 section, hydraulic raise & lower, 3 bar spike drag, rear hitch;

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Above: Throughout the Gwynne Conservation Area there are many stops where visitors can learn about the various ecosystems within their fingertips. Charts along the many paths help get visitors engaged. (photo submitted)

Gwynne

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egies, and loss of Ohio soil resources from land use.

Denise Ellsworth, program director for pollinator education at OSU, will discuss how to create a thriving habitat for butterflies, birds, bees and other beneficials, while OSU Extension Specialist Rachel Chapman will talk about “Gardening for a Sustainable Planet.”

In the Woodlands portion of the Gwynne, visitors will learn how to grow money from trees and learn the potential of native specialty crops for production. Guests can take an interesting Tree ID hike and observe the Gwynne’s pawpaw patch.

Experts at the Woodlands will discuss how to keep yourself and your animals “tick safe.” The same group will show how to identify invasive plants. Finally, there will be a gathering tell-

ing visitors how to get started growing Christmas trees.

Well attended each year is the Forages and Grazing/Consumer Horticulture section of the Gwynne. Here visitors can learn how to prep and plant a pollinator garden, how to create the perfect balance between farming and wildlife habitat, what kind of native plants are best for your landscape, learn about native warm season grass forages and horse pasture management.

Other topics at the Forages and Grazing/Consumer Horticulture section include how to detect the spotted lanternfly, winter seed sowing, pocket pollinator gardens, use of native flora and how to attract songbirds.

“We offer a broad array of educational talks featuring topics with the goal of appealing to as many people as possible,” said FSR manager Nick Zachrich. “The Gwynn is unique to anything else seen at the Farm Science Review. It’s almost like coming over to a different world.”



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History

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ing practices. In exchange, Frame Brown learned the latest about discoveries and innovations in agriculture, especially pest control and soil improvement. This relationship intensified after 1936 when Marie Caren assumed the management of the farm.

Molly eventually assumed management of the farm and in 1981 was approached by OSU Dean Roy Kottman of the College of Agriculture about selling her share of the Gwynne farm to OSU. Like her mother, Molly had a passion for agriculture and OSU. Molly had no heirs, so in August 1982, Upper Gwynne South Farm was sold to OSU. The land was valued at \$2.2 million but was sold for \$500,000 at Molly's request. It was named the Molly Caren Agricultural Center.

The first FSR took place in September 1963 at OSU's Don Scott Airport just northwest of the university. Separate themes were attached to each annual get-together. The theme for the first show was "Showcase of Agriculture" and more than 18,000 visitors paid 50 cents a ticket to view 116 commercial exhibits and be the first to witness no-till corn demonstrations.

In 1964, FSR was titled "Show Window of Agriculture." Last Year's theme was "Embracing Time and Change." The theme for 2025 is "Transforming Tradition."

Features of the 1965 show were combines with 12-foot heads and seven-bottom plows. And 1966 saw the first field demonstrations, along with the first glimpse of solid-row planting of soybeans.

The 1967 show was considered by many to be the "Mud Bowl" of shows as rainy, muddy conditions that year made things treacherous for exhibitors and visitors.

"Up-to-Date in '68" was the theme for 1968. The main attraction that year was an irrigation system in the crop plots that covered 11.5 acres with each revolution.

By 1969 the cost to enter rose to 75 cents. Attendance rose to 39,000 and there were 192 exhibitors that year. The OSU Department of Animal Science put on a rodeo and fertilizer was spread by airplane. Event organizers put tents side-by-side to create a "mall" concept, but it created a confusing maze and was never at-

tempted again.

In 1970, the beltway surrounding Columbus (Interstate 270) was completed and made access to the FSR much easier. A Corn Blight tent featured seminars in response to an outbreak of blight that year.

Skip-row soybeans and upright hybrid corn plantings were the highlights of 1974. Gravel roads were added to the site in 1975, and an antique farm equipment display made its appearance in 1976. In 1977, more than 65,000 entered the gates to see 420 exhibitors.

Nitrogen stabilizers were the hot item in the FSR field tests in 1978, while no-till planting was the big draw in 1979. In 1980, research on sludge took center stage.

The show was relocated to its present-day location of London, Ohio, in 1983 thanks to Molly Caren. It took officials nine months and \$700,000 to make the move, but it was needed as the show outgrew Don Scott Field.

Highlights at this new location were plentiful, such as the construction of a \$350,000 grain complex, an 80-acre exhibit area and a Home, Yard and Garden program was installed.

In 1986, more than 119,000 visitors and 506 commercial exhibitors were involved with the show. The National Plowing March was held on the grounds that year as well.

In 1988, visitors attended during Ohio's second-worst drought in history. Fast forward to 1995, when global positioning technology, or GPS, made the scene, as did auto-steering tractor technology. That was also the year Chuck Gamble became manager of Farm Science Review.

Five years later the first flush toilets were installed at the show, replacing portable units. And in 2005, 18 Purdue University specialists partnered with the FSR for the first time.

The 2008 show will be remembered as the year Hurricane Ike leveled tents and played havoc with the schedule. And who can forget the theme for the show that following year, "Your 2009 Bale Out."

"While many attending Farm Science Review this year will not remember farming as it was 63 years ago, we hope this is a year to reflect on how much the industry has advanced so that excitement will build for the future knowing how rapid technology is shaping many areas of our industry," FSR manager Nick Zachrich said.



Above: Field demonstrations have always been a hit at FSR, as it was in this field photo taken in 1994. (photo submitted)

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Above: A top draw at a 1960s era show was the Ford tractor displays. (photo submitted)

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Conservation

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front for Jerry McBride, who has been no-tilling for three decades and has embraced numerous other conservation practices to keep his soil and nutrients in place at his farm in north-west Ohio.

McBride, 64, farms 1,500 acres in Hardin County. Fresh out of college in 1982, McBride started farming his grandfather's 130 acres, and three years later purchased another 126 acres. He quickly learned the one of the keys to farming is good water control and drainage. He also rents an additional 1,000 acres.

McBride has added cover crops and has been 100 percent no-till for nearly 30 years. And, he's big into water control. Because of bedrock on his land,

it's prone to washing out. Through the Natural Resources Conservation Service, he put eight acres in the Conservation Reserve Program to keep nutrients on the farm and not down the creek into Lake Erie.

In 2014, he purchased a 40-kilo-watt solar system, which is arranged on the roof of his barn. In the summer, net metering builds a credit, so that when he fires up the grain system in the fall it pulls from the credit with the goal of being net zero at the end of the year.

"After 10 years, my electric bill would have been about \$62,000. Instead, my out-of-pocket was \$1,500," McBride said.

McBride has hosted conservation tours for commissioners, farmers and media to showcase best management practices. He has also been a 4-H adviser for 20 years and a staunch FFA supporter.



Above: New inductees into the Farm Science Review Hall of Fame are (from left) John Sites, Gary Jackson and Doug Jennings. (photo courtesy CFAES)

Three ag leaders named to 2025 Farm Science Review Hall of Fame

By DOUG GRAVES
Ohio Correspondent

LONDON, Ohio – The Farm Science Review (FSR) Hall of Fame recognizes individuals whose long-standing dedication and contributions have helped shape the success of this annual agricultural showcase. Established in 1990, the FSR Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made significant, lasting contributions to the event since its inception in 1963.

This year, Gary Jackson, Doug Jennings and John Sites were inducted June 10 in advance of this year's FSR. This year's honorees represent a combined legacy of more than 120 years of support and service to the annual event.

"These individuals represent decades of dedication, creativity and collaboration with Farm Science Review," said FSR manager Nick Zachrich. "Each inductee has played a unique and vital role in shaping the show into the nationally recognized event it is today. Their passion and innovation have helped us grow, connect with more people, and advance the agricultural industry through education and partnership. We're proud to recognize their meaningful contributions with this honor."

Gary Jackson is a familiar name with agricultural folks in Ohio, known for his work with WRFD radio, WIMA radio and ABN radio, the latter which would become Ohio Ag Net.

Jackson played a critical role in expanding the reach and visibility of FSR throughout Ohio and beyond. Even after his retirement, Jackson continued to champion the show through video work with In Ohio Country Today.

"Jackson's personality and professionalism made him a go-to radio presence for multiple FSR managers across the decades," Zachrich said.

His consistent promotion of the show (before, during and after the event) earned him a respected and enduring place in the FSR community.

Jennings' connection to FSR began in 1979 as a student employee at Ohio

State, earning \$2.15 per hour. A native of Dresden, Ohio, and a former student at OSU's College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Jennings quickly became instrumental in shaping the student experience at FSR. He played a key role in raising funds to host the first student employee recognition banquet, which evolved into the FSR Student Alumni Association.

Jennings remained deeply involved with the FSR alumni network and the Dale T. Friday Scholarship Fund. For more than 40 years, he has also worked with commercial and educational exhibitors at FSR, becoming a reliable source of knowledge and insight on exhibitor relations and show operations.

"His decades-long dedication reflects an unmatched passion for both the event and its people," Zachrich said.

Representing Great Plains Manufacturing of Salina, Kansas, Sites has long been a standout among FSR exhibitors. His leadership and problem-solving were instrumental in the planning and construction of loading dock facilities at the showgrounds. His critical infrastructure improvements were designed to handle large agricultural equipment more safely and efficiently.

Under Sites' guidance, Great Plains became one of the first exhibitors to implement innovative practices at FSR, including the use of recycled materials to improve exhibit areas, setting a standard for creativity and sustainability.

Sites also helped add to the innovation on the farm. At the Molly Caren Agricultural Center, Sites was instrumental in the introduction of vertical tillage with the Great Plains Turbo Till to provide a reduced tillage option to save time and improve conservation.

"Known for his ready smile and unwavering support, Sites exemplifies the kind of exhibitor partnership that has helped FSR become one of the premier farm shows in the country," Zachrich said.



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