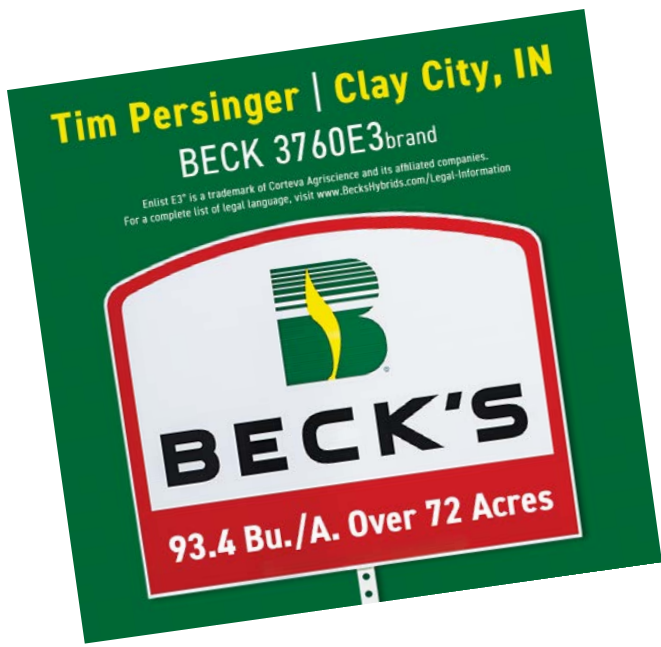




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Illinois farmer-leader praises USDA livestock plan, cites faults

By TIM ALEXANDER
Illinois Correspondent

CISSNA PARK, Ill. – According to Ed Dubrick, a specialty farmer and policy organizer for the Illinois Stewardship Alliance, there are several key factors contributing to the economic crisis facing agricultural producers. One of them is market consolidation. Four companies – Tyson Foods, Cargill, JBS and National Beef – own 85 percent of the U.S. beef market share, according to the USDA. In addition, the three largest meatpacking firms control 63 percent of pork packing, 46 percent of beef packing and 38 percent of poultry, PoliticalReview.org revealed.

The USDA also notes that three seed companies – Bayer, Corteva Agriscience and Syngenta – control 80 percent of the genetics market. In addition, four food companies – Walmart, Kroger, Costco and Albertsons – own one-third of all U.S. grocery stores, while Nestle, PepsiCo, Coca-Cola, Unilever and Mars dominate global food and beverage production.

“All of these factors are in play while we have failed to meaningfully enforce anti-trust laws for a long time. This (non-enforcement) has allowed consolidation to occur and create unfair marketplaces for both farmers and consumers, with people struggling all across our food and farm system,” according to Dubrick, a north-central Illinois producer of chickens, turkeys, laying hens, sheep and fresh produce. Dubrick is concerned that when you factor lower international demand for many farm commodities into the mix, non-compliance with federal antitrust laws exhibited by major food companies adds to the already-stacked deck producers face when trying to turn an economic profit.

“We need meaningful enforcement; whether it’s the Sherman Act that dates

back to 1890, or the Packers and Stockyards Act, which dates to 1921, we have the laws on the books but we’ve neglected to enforce or uphold them,” he said. “When Standard Oil was broken up, their market share wasn’t as large as some of these companies we are talking about today. We’ve allowed this to perpetuate, and we need anti-monopoly busting to restore fair marketplaces and break up both price-fixing and price-gouging.”

Opinions vary as to why the U.S. has eschewed enforcement of the violation of anti-trust laws in recent years, with one school of thought assigning a shift in legal and economic philosophy toward an approach that recognizes economic efficiency over fairness as a cause. Lobbying by large food companies, limited resources of regulatory and enforcement agencies and the difficulty in proving harm to the consumer are also all cited as contributing to the shift in anti-trust law thinking. In addition, weakening of laws such as the Robinson-Pittman Act, which prohibits price discrimination, due to court actions could also be a factor, according to the National Grocers Association.

While he and his colleagues with the Alliance are fighting against powerful monopolies controlling the food system, Dubrick is also concerned about President Donald Trump’s suggestion the U.S. purchase Argentinian beef to manipulate the value of the U.S. beef market in favor of the consumer. He also believes that any beef product imported into the U.S. should carry a country of origin label (COOL).

“When the consumer doesn’t even know what they are buying, it removes their option to say, ‘I want to support the American farmer, I want to support my neighbor,’” said Dubrick, whose Irquois County farm is around 50 minutes northeast of Champaign-Urbana. “We don’t currently have mandatory COO labeling on beef and pork, so why would a large packer tell you if they’re selling Argentinian beef? They would hide it in secrecy because they wouldn’t want you to know.”

The Alliance policy activist and small farmer said that after poring over the USDA’s emergency plan for the livestock industry, issued by Secretary Brooke Rollins on Oct. 20, he found “a lot of good” on behalf of livestock producers within the 13-page white paper. “I think it’s a step in the right direction, but I don’t think it goes far enough. I’m glad that USDA has been receptive to the constructive criticism they’ve received from farmers, but I would like to see the

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Above: Harvest season is winding down over much of the Farm World readership area. Leondia Walchle



Above: Tom Adam is Iowa Soybean Association (ISA) president and a fifth-generation Harper, Iowa, farmer. (courtesy of Joclyn Bushman, Iowa Soybean Association)

Farmers sentiments mixed over new U.S.-China soybean trade deal

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

AVON, Ind. – While the new trade agreement between the Trump Administration and China has been welcomed news for many U.S. farm organizations, others are mixed about the deal.

On Oct. 30, China pledged buy 12 million tons of U.S. soybeans this season and at least 25 million tons annually for the next three years. As part of the trade agreement, China said it will suspend all the retaliatory tariffs applied to U.S. agricultural products, including chicken, wheat, corn, cotton, sorghum, soybeans, pork, beef, aquatic products, fruits, vegetables and dairy products.

David Hardin, who raises soybeans and corn on his farm near Avon, Ind., and is an Indiana Soybean Alliance board member, said he is cautiously optimistic about the announcement.

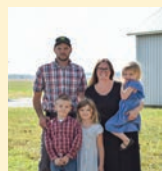
“The fact that they have agreed to

take 12 million metric tons this year has been a big boost to the soybean market after months of lacking direction,” he said. “The guarantee that China will buy 25 million metric tons per year for the following three years helps give the market some certainty about a minimum level of Chinese business.”

However, he said, “We still haven’t seen all the details of the agreement, and there hasn’t been official confirmation from the Chinese except that U.S. beans will continue to have a 13 percent tariff on them. The 25 million number is near the low end of what sales have been for the last four years, but at least we have a floor under the market now. The last two trade wars have led to a huge expansion of the Brazilian growing area. Competition with South America will only become tougher in the future.”

Brian Duncan, president of Illinois Farm Bureau and Ogle, Ill., farmer, said, “We have seen the impact of the

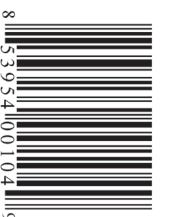
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Ohio cattle producers facing fall forage, herd preparation challenges

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

COLUMBUS, Ohio – According to The Ohio State University (OSU)'s Beef Team, the state's beef producers are facing fall forage and herd preparation challenges.

The OSU team recently evaluated 180 forage samples from across the state and found that overall forage quality was notably poor. Many of the samples, especially first cutting hay, showed significantly reduced protein and energy levels.

"This year brings added complexity: forage quality is down significantly, especially in first cutting hay, which suffered from delayed harvests and excessive rainfall in many regions," said Ted Wiseman, The Ohio State University agriculture and natural resources educator.

Wiseman said this decline is largely attributed to delayed harvests caused by wet spring conditions, which led to overly-mature forage with diminished nutritional value. As a result, producers must be especially cautious when planning winter feeding programs.

In addition, he said, to minimize stress and maximize performance when weaning calves this fall, producers should ensure calves are vaccinated well ahead of weaning and consider creep feeding (a supplemental, nutrient-rich feed provided to nursing calves in a separate area that cows cannot access) to ease the nutritional transition.

"Once calves are separated, it's critical to assess cow body condition," he said. "Cows should enter winter with a body condition score of 5 to 6 to maintain reproductive performance and withstand colder temperatures."

He said pasture management also demands attention as forage growth is

slowing with shorter days and cooler nights, and overgrazing now is possibly compromising spring regrowth.

"Producers are encouraged to walk their pastures, estimate remaining forage, and begin transitioning to stored feeds," he said. "Inventorying hay and silage supplies is essential, especially given the variability in quality. Testing forages for nutrient content will help guide supplementation strategies and avoid costly surprises later."

"Fall is also the ideal time for soil sampling and fertility adjustments," he added. "Maintaining proper soil pH and nutrient levels strengthens forage stands and sets the stage for successful spring growth. Producers planning to frost seed (surface placement of seed in late winter, early spring) legumes should begin preparing pastures now by reducing grazing pressure and controlling weeds."

He also said fall offers a chance to catch up on facility maintenance and herd health tasks, such as repairing fences, checking water systems, and scheduling pregnancy checks and deworming, which can all be done before winter conditions make these jobs more difficult.

"In a year where forage quality has been a real challenge, especially with poor first cutting hay, Ohio beef producers need to stay ahead of the curve," he said. "Evaluating feed inventories, checking cow condition, and making smart pasture decisions this fall will go a long way toward keeping cattle healthy and productive through winter."

"Taking time now to adjust rations, supplement low-quality hay, and prep facilities means fewer problems later and a smoother start to spring," he added.



Above: A Jersey cow grazes in an Ohio pasture. Ted Wiseman, The Ohio State University agriculture and natural resources educator, said pasture management also demands attention this fall as forage growth is slowing with shorter days and cooler nights, and overgrazing now is possibly compromising spring regrowth (photo courtesy of The Ohio State University).

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Richland County operation serves as teaching farm for high school, college students

By Mike Tanchevski
Ohio Correspondent

BUTLER, Ohio – Richland County is home to a farm that is training a new generation of farmers by getting their hands dirty – not with chemicals or modern farm equipment but with antique hand tools and hard work.

Brokaw’s Farm & Market is a working and teaching farm run by Michelle Garnsey and her husband, John Brokaw. The farm employs high school and college student interns, along with seasonal help, on its no-spray, teaching farm. “I’m the business owner, and my husband helps a lot,” Garnsey said. “I always bounce ideas off of him. He has a full-time off-farm job – he helps when he can, but it’s mostly me and the student interns, and the few adults we hire each year to help manage the student interns.”

The farm has its roots in personal health. “My husband and I both had health issues that made us rethink what we were eating,” she said. “We wanted to grow our own food, as clean as possible.” That meant going beyond “organic” – using compost from their own chickens, rotating crops, and relying on manual labor and old-school tools instead of chemicals or machinery.

Michelle and John moved onto the 5-acre property in 2010 to homestead and grow their own food. “We

started small and added a little more each year – more gardens, more projects,” Garnsey said. It wasn’t until the pandemic hit in 2020 that their private homestead caught the attention of people. “People just started pulling into the driveway, asking if we sold food,” she said. “We realized there was a real need.”

Initially, they sold fruits and vegetables from their porch. By 2022, porch sales morphed into a full-fledged small business.

In addition to the acreage Brokaw Farm is on, Garnsey rents 5 acres from a local farmer, allowing for up to 7 or 8 acres for production – though today, “it’s probably more like 4-4 ½ acres,” she said. “It’s enough to keep us busy from before sunrise to well after sunset, especially since we do everything by hand.”

During the pandemic, Garnsey left her job in education – she has a background in instructional design for online learning – to hike the Appalachian Trail. She funded her venture by working on small farms and hostels, learning about livestock, crops, and the realities of farming. When she returned, she brought that



Above: Aerial view of the high tunnel, chicken coops, main garden, berry tunnel, and west garden.

experience home, committing to replace the grocery store with what she could grow on the farm.

What sets Brokaw Farm & Market apart is its commitment to teaching. In 2024, Garnsey launched a paid internship program for local high school and college students. The goal is sim-

ple: “Most young people interested in farming aren’t born into it, and the start-up costs are overwhelming,” she said. “We want to show them that you don’t need to inherit land or take on debt to get started. You can farm a backyard, or borrow or rent land.”

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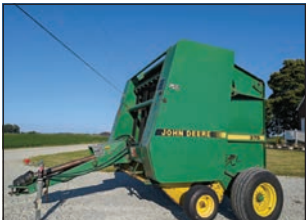
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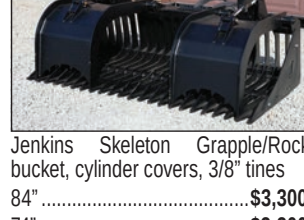
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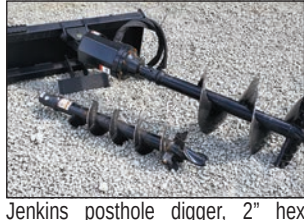
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Total Receipts:	1,273	1,474	1,683
Feeder Cattle:	990(77.8%)	1,231(83.5%)	1,425(84.7%)
Slaughter Cattle:	223(17.5%)	225(15.3%)	244(14.5%)
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4	337-347	342	470.00-473.00	471.52
4	355-390	381	430.00-450.00	444.70
1	390	390	475.00	475.00 Fancy
19	410-446	442	420.00-437.00	431.62
8	427	427	451.00	451.00 Fancy
17	456-486	476	397.50-400.00	399.25
17	455-496	486	417.00-433.00	422.17 Fancy
38	508-547	537	382.50-403.00	396.05
29	502-535	519	407.00-429.00	419.47 Value Added
33	550-597	582	371.00-395.00	384.39
27	568-576	575	406.00-413.00	411.72 Value Added
35	601-647	626	343.00-369.00	356.59
18	665-690	682	331.00-357.50	337.08
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1	945	945	303.00	303.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	255	255	395.00	395.00
1	345	345	380.00	380.00
2	382	382	397.50	397.50
9	416-445	431	380.00-404.00	392.67
8	512-545	522	367.50-377.50	373.39
6	560-570	563	355.00-358.00	355.51
7	635-645	638	320.00-338.00	331.68
3	810-845	822	298.00-313.00	307.86
2	955-960	958	247.00-253.00	249.99

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	290	290	275.00	275.00
2	405-435	420	350.00-357.50	353.88
1	500	500	317.50	317.50
1	560	560	300.00	300.00
2	622	622	265.00	265.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	515	515	220.00	220.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	155	155	475.00	475.00
3	210-242	231	435.00-447.50	443.72
1	270	270	422.50	422.50
7	310-345	336	392.50-407.50	396.74
11	360-395	381	390.00-401.00	396.46
26	404-441	420	360.00-385.00	377.37
8	415-440	426	387.00-392.50	388.38 Fancy
38	460-496	475	357.00-377.00	365.46
34	502-535	524	342.50-365.00	357.38
1	515	515	307.50	307.50 Fleshy
17	503	503	376.00	376.00 Value Added
26	553-590	568	342.00-360.00	351.57
52	550-586	557	367.00-384.50	383.36 Value Added
8	615-633	627	319.00-338.00	326.64
28	639	639	357.50	357.50 Value Added
4	685	685	315.00	315.00
2	650	650	261.00	261.00 Fleshy
3	700-730	720	289.00-303.00	293.54
2	800-835	818	270.00-289.00	279.70
7	852-882	873	284.00-290.00	285.67
14	972	972	257.00	257.00 Guaranteed Open
5	1015	1015	264.00	264.00 Guaranteed Open

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	245	245	345.00-360.00	350.00
1	275	275	367.00	367.00
1	345	345	377.50	377.50
6	355-376	367	350.00-375.00	363.61
5	420-440	434	352.50-357.50	354.99
11	455-490	473	335.00-350.00	345.22
8	507-545	526	312.50-335.00	322.97
2	560-595	578	310.00-312.50	311.21
11	600-628	620	300.00-310.00	308.76
4	728-730	729	250.00-265.00	261.24
1	755	755	260.00	260.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	385-390	388	331.00-340.00	337.03
4	570-577	575	279.00-282.50	279.87
1	795	795	235.00	235.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	350	350	280.00	280.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	170-190	180	460.00-470.00	464.72

1	215	215	475.00	475.00
1	215	215	500.00	500.00 Fancy
3	255-287	276	465.00-467.50	465.77
3	305-320	312	455.00-460.00	457.54
1	305	305	480.00	480.00 Fancy
4	355-395	370	413.00-420.00	416.55
13	365-396	390	450.00-467.00	463.47 Fancy
6	410-445	423	408.00-432.50	419.06
23	451-495	473	385.00-410.00	395.22
3	455-457	456	425.00-437.00	433.01 Fancy
10	500-545	525	352.50-373.00	363.86
10	505-525	516	385.00-400.00	390.09 Fancy
19	560-590	581	340.00-363.00	350.14
10	550-561	556	372.50-378.00	376.24 Fancy
19	600-645	619	327.00-347.50	341.27
5	665-682	673	296.00-319.00	307.50
5	650-653	652	341.00-343.00	341.80 Fancy
9	700-745	732	292.00-310.00	296.41
1	780	780	299.00	299.00
1	805	805	287.00	287.00
2	885	885	282.00	282.00
1	960	960	230.00	230.00
2	1047	1047	203.00	203.00
1	1100	1100	205.00	205.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	260-297	285	400.00-412.50	408.69
2	435-445	440	330.00-350.00	339.89
5	450-495	481	361.00-380.00	369.72
4	555-587	575	331.00-337.50	334.61
1	640	640	320.00	320.00
2	720-745	733	272.00-280.00	275.93
5	837	837	251.00	251.00
1	855	855	227.50	227.50
3	900	900	224.00	224.00
3	960-965	962	170.00-180.00	176.66

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	460	460	300.00	300.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	845	845	175.00	175.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	390	390	300.00	300.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
30	1335-1845	1497	152.00-164.00	158.89	Average
27	1210-1990	1528	165.00-178.00	169.53	High

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
38	1055-1495	1244	148.00-164.00	157.17	Average
7	1120-1390	1234	165.00-177.00	170.83	High
2	1035-1260	1148	144.00-145.00	144.55	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
37	860-1325	1085	131.00-148.00	141.03	Average
6	875-1265	1093	153.00-163.00	157.14	High
9	675-1415	919	117.00-127.00	121.50	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1540	1540	147.00	147.00	Average
1	930	930	126.00	126.00	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
9	1515-1900	1719	183.00-194.00	188.48	Average
6	1805-2145	1954	197.00-209.00	202.79	High
7	1150-1590	1439	171.00-181.00	176.57	Low

REPLACEMENT CATTLE

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	O	4	1025-1255	1124	185.00-232.50	204.34

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T2	3	1100-1225	1183	3200.00	3200.00
>5	T1	1	1225	1225	2125.00	2125.00
>5	T2	10	1246-1451	1347	2600.00-3025.00	2811.39
>5	T3	12	1180-1535	1343	2350.00-3275.00	2810.47
>8	T2	2	1175-1440	1308	2050.00-2100.00	2072.47
>8	T3	1	1525	1525	2375.00	2375.00

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
>5	T1	1	1125	1125	1825.00	1825.00
>5	T2	1	1080	1080	2000.00	2000.00

BRED COWS - Medium 2 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
>8	T2	2	985-1010	998	1800.00-1825.00	1812.66

COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1-2 w/ <150 lbs calf (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	O	2	1010	1010	3250.00	3250.00
>5	O	5	1100-1540	1265	3000.00-3450.00	3224.98

COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1-2 w/ 150-300 lbs calf (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
>5	O	4	1430-1460	1453	3800.00	3800.00

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

Age	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	1	1420	1420	2500.00	2500.00

MARKETS

Kentucky Daily Grain Bids

Grain Report for Thursday, November 6, 2025 - Final

FUTURE SETTLEMENTS									
Exchange	Commodity	Closing Settlement Prices (¢/bu) as of 11/06/2025							
CBOT	Corn	428.75 (Dec 25)	443.00 (Mar 26)	451.50 (May 26)	458.25 (Jul 26)	454.00 (Sep 26)	465.00 (Dec 26)	477.75 (Mar 27)	
CBOT	Soybeans	1091.75 (Nov 25)	1107.50 (Jan 26)	1117.50 (Mar 26)	1128.25 (May 26)	1137.00 (Jul 26)	1126.50 (Aug 26)	1099.00 (Sep 26)	
CBOT	Wheat	535.50 (Dec 25)	549.75 (Mar 26)	559.00 (May 26)	569.00 (Jul 26)	580.75 (Sep 26)	596.50 (Dec 26)	609.00 (Mar 27)	
CBOT	White Oats	294.50 (Dec 25)	312.25 (Mar 26)	318.25 (May 26)	324.75 (Jul 26)	323.75 (Sep 26)	318.50 (Dec 26)	322.00 (Mar 27)	
KCBT	Wheat	522.25 (Dec 25)	537.00 (Mar 26)	548.25 (May 26)	560.50 (Jul 26)	574.25 (Sep 26)	591.75 (Dec 26)	605.00 (Mar 27)	
MGE	Wheat	557.00 (Dec 25)	572.25 (Mar 26)	584.25 (May 26)	596.50 (Jul 26)	612.25 (Sep 26)	630.50 (Dec 26)	641.75 (Mar 27)	

US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	50.00Z to 150.00Z	UNCH	4.7875-5.7875	DN 0.0650	5.2875
Pennyrile	50.00Z to 150.00Z	UNCH	4.7875-5.7875	DN 0.0650	5.2875

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Lower KY	125.00Z	UNCH	5.5375	DN 0.0650	5.5375
Purchase	125.00Z	UNCH	5.5375	DN 0.0650	5.5375
Purchase	125.00Z	UNCH	5.5375	DN 0.0650	5.5375

US #2 YELLOW CORN (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	10.00Z	UNCH	4.3875	DN 0.0650	4.3875
Purchase	15.00Z	UNCH	4.4375	DN 0.0650	4.4375
Green River	20.00Z	UNCH	4.4875	DN 0.0650	4.4875
Green River	25.00Z	UNCH	4.5375	DN 0.0650	4.5375
Pennyrile	-15.00Z to 15.00Z	UNCH-DN 3.00	4.1375-4.4375	DN 0.0650-DN 0.0950	4.2208
Pennyrile	-10.00Z to 22.00Z	UNCH	4.1875-4.5075	DN 0.0650	4.3275
Louisville	-15.00Z	UNCH	4.1375	DN 0.0650	4.1375
Louisville	-15.00Z	UNCH	4.1375	DN 0.0650	4.1375
Bluegrass	-25.00Z	UNCH	4.0375	DN 0.0650	4.0375
Bluegrass	0.00Z	UNCH	4.2875	DN 0.0650	4.2875

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	0.00Z to 8.00Z	DN 2.00-UNCH	4.2875-4.3675	DN 0.0850-DN 0.0650	4.3275
Ohio River - Upper KY	3.00Z to 7.00Z	DN 5.00-DN 3.00	4.3175-4.3575	DN 0.1150-DN 0.0950	4.3375
Ohio River - Lower KY	9.00Z to 20.00Z	DN 3.00-UNCH	4.3775-4.4875	DN 0.0950-DN 0.0650	4.4325
Ohio River - Lower KY	13.00Z to 23.00Z	DN 3.00-DN 2.00	4.4175-4.5175	DN 0.0950-DN 0.0850	4.4742
Purchase	9.00Z to 15.00Z	DN 3.00-DN 5.00	4.3775-4.4375	DN 0.0950-DN 0.1150	4.4008
Purchase	13.00Z to 25.00Z	UNCH	4.4175-4.5375	DN 0.0650	4.4825

US #1 SOYBEANS (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	0.00F	UNCH	11.0750	DN 0.2675	11.0750
Purchase	5.00F	UNCH	11.1250	DN 0.2675	11.1250
Green River	-10.00F	UNCH	10.9750	DN 0.2675	10.9750
Green River	-25.00F	UNCH	10.8250	DN 0.2675	10.8250
Pennyrile	-35.00F to 5.00F	10.7250-11.1250	DN 0.2675-DN 0.2725	10.8250	
Pennyrile	-25.00F to 20.00F	UNCH-DN 2.00	10.8250-11.2750	DN 0.2675-DN 0.2875	10.9250
Louisville	-90.00X	UNCH	10.0175	DN 0.2800	10.0175
Louisville	-90.00F	UNCH	10.1750	DN 0.2675	10.1750
Bluegrass	-60.00F	10.4750	DN 0.0225	10.4750	
Bluegrass	-40.00H	10.7750	10.7750		

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-18.00F to -10.00F	DN 4.00-DN 10.00	10.8950-10.9750	DN 0.3075-DN 0.3675	10.9350
Ohio River - Upper KY	6.00F	UNCH	11.1350	DN 0.2675	11.1350
Ohio River - Lower KY	-6.00X to 15.00F	10.8575-11.2250	DN 0.4350-DN 0.2975	11.0721	
Ohio River - Lower KY	11.00F to 27.00F	UP 1.00-DN 5.00	11.1850-11.3450	DN 0.2575-DN 0.3175	11.2683
Purchase	-6.00X to 10.00F	DN 22.00-DN 2.00	10.8575-11.1750	DN 0.5000-DN 0.2875	11.0606
Purchase	11.00F to 20.00F	UP 1.00-UNCH	11.1850-11.2750	DN 0.2575-DN 0.2675	11.2375

US #1 MILLING SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	-15.00Z	UNCH	5.2050	DN 0.1925	5.2050
Pennyrile	10.00N	UNCH	5.7900	DN 0.1600	5.7900

US #2 SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT (BULK)

Country Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Green River	-75.00N	UNCH	4.9400	DN 0.1600	4.9400
Pennyrile	-60.00N to -20.00N	UNCH	5.0900-5.4900	DN 0.1600	5.2000
Louisville	-25.00N	DN 4.00	5.4400	DN 0.2000	5.4400

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Upper KY	-38.00N	UNCH	5.3100	DN 0.1600	5.3100
Ohio River - Lower KY	-20.00N to -10.00N	UNCH	5.4900-5.5900	DN 0.1600	5.5580
Purchase	-10.00N	UNCH	5.5900	DN 0.1600	5.5900

Explanatory Notes: Price & Basis Values quoted are for Current Delivery, unless otherwise noted.

CBOT/KCBT/MGE Trade month symbols: F January; G February; H March; J April; K May; M June; N July; Q August; U September; V October; X November; Z December. FOB: Freight On Board. CIF: Cost, Insurance, and Freight. T. Truck, R: Rail, B: Barge, T/R: Truck/Rail, R/B: Rail/Barge, T/R/B: Truck/Rail/Barge, OV: Ocean Vessel

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Daily Livestock and Poultry Slaughter

Report for Thursday, November 6, 2025 - Final

Current Day Slaughter									
Thurs., Nov. 6, 2025		Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	Prev Week WTD	Last Year WTD	2025 YTD	2024 YTD	YTD % Change
Calves	1,000	1,000	425	4,000	4,000	2,829		177,154	
Cattle	112,000	114,000	124,343	456,000	457,000	495,701		26,851,630	
Hogs	477,000	477,000	488,089	1,951,000	1,941,000	1,947,604		110,203,517	
Sheep	8,000	8,000	7,000	36,000	35,000	32,925		1,624,295	
Chicken (Young)	35,402,000	35,509,000	34,747,000	141,860,000	141,825,000	140,370,000	8,045,376,000	8,125,210,000	-1.0%

Previous Daily Slaughter

Wed., Nov. 5, 2025		Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	Prev Week WTD	Last Year WTD	2025 YTD	2024 YTD	YTD % Change
Calves	1,000	1,000	919	3,000	3,000	2,404		176,729	
Cattle	117,000	119,000	125,381	344,000	343,000	371,358		26,727,287	
Hogs	493,000	485,000	484,293	1,474,000	1,464,000	1,459,515		109,715,428	
Sheep	8,000	8,000	6,371	28,000	27,000	25,925		1,617,295	
Chicken (Young)	35,509,000	35,587,000	35,036,000	106,458,000	106,316,000	105,623,000	8,009,974,000	8,090,463,000	-1.0%

Previous Day Breakdown

Wed., Nov. 5, 2025		
Cattle	Steers/Heifers ...	94,000
	Cows/Bulls ...	23,000

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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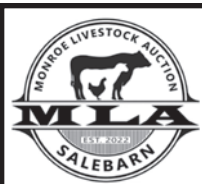
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Small Animals	11/4/2025	Sheep	Cows
Chickens	\$2-\$15	Ewes	\$1.05-\$1.50
Bantys	\$2-\$6	40-60# Lambs	\$2.30-\$4.05
Ducks	\$2-\$15	61-80# Lambs	\$2.40-\$3.05
Pigeons	\$2-\$5.75	81-100# Lambs	\$2.20-\$2.80
Eggs	\$2.50-\$5		142
Rooster	\$2-\$13	Goats	
Turkey	\$12.50-\$32.50	Billys	\$55-\$430
Peacock		Nannies	\$90-\$240
Rabbits	\$3-\$32	Kids	\$80
	1284		87
Veal Calves		Feeder Cattle Dairy and Beef	
Holstein (80# & UP)	\$800-\$1150	200-500#	\$1.50-\$4.05
Beef Cross (80# & UP)	\$1150-\$1510	501-800#	\$1-\$3.15
	336		116
			Fat Cattle
			Holstein heifers
			Colored
			Pigs
			Fat Hogs
			Sows
			Boars
			Feeder Pigs
			20-45#
			46-65#



Market Report

November 5th 2025 26th Auction

This Report Is the Actual High and Average Prices.

	Hd. Ct.	High	Avg.
Fat Hogs:	N/A		
Sows:	N/A		
Boars:	N/A		
Feeder Pigs:	N/A		
Beef & X Veal #1:	14	\$1400	\$1227
Beef & X Veal #2:	1	\$550	\$550
Dairy Veal #1:	28	\$1060	\$1024
Dairy Veal #2:	16	\$800	\$531.25
Jersey Cross:	4	\$275	\$193.75
Beef Fdrs 200#-550#	12	\$4.00	\$3.00
Beef Fdrs 551#-1000#	10	\$3.00	\$2.50
Dairy Fdrs 200#-550#	12	\$3.00	\$2.25
Dairy Fdrs 551#-1000#	N/A		
Cull Cows #1:	2	\$1.40	\$1.37
Cull Cows #2:	3	\$1.17	\$1.06
Fat Cattle Colored:	3	\$2100	\$2030.85
Fat Cattle Holstein:	N/A		
Bulls:	3	\$1.92	\$1.77
Cow/Calf Pair:	1	\$2750	\$2750
Breed Cows Colored:	N/A		
Milk Cows:	3	\$1400	\$1200
Springers:	N/A		
Sheep Ram:	N/A		
Sheep Ewe:	N/A		
Lamb 0-60:	1	\$2.50	\$2.50
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voluntary COOL loophole (closed) that allows meat from other countries that gets ground or packaged in the U.S. to put ‘product of the USA’ on the label,” said Dubrick, adding that USDA should move to require mandatory COOL requirements on all imported beef products coming into the country.

As a producer and consumer, Dubrick said he can’t reconcile Trump’s thinking when it comes to suggesting the U.S. beef market should be enhanced with imported products. If beef prices are too high, he wonders, why hasn’t demand for pork and chicken surged? Why haven’t Americans shifted to alternate proteins if prices are too high for beef?

“Consumers still want beef. To say that beef prices are too high is really missing the boat. We need to bust up these monopolies. We need to find levers and policies that we can pull that allow for open and fair and honest marketplaces, ones that allow the little meat processor to get started and grow and challenge the marketplace,” he said.

On Oct. 24, Reps. Harriett Hageman (R-Wyo.) and Ro Khanna (D-Calif.) reintroduced the COOL Enforcement Act. It would reinstate mandatory COOL requirements, which were lifted for beef and pork in 2016 under a World Trade Organization ruling, for beef. COOL food laws require retailers to inform customers about the source of their food. Agricultural commodities were once exempted from mandatory COOL laws. In 2002, Congress passed a series of laws implementing COOL

requirements for select commodities, including beef. The law stood until the WTO ruled that mandatory COOL laws were in violation of WTO rules, prompting Congress to remove the requirement for beef.

Hageman and Khanna’s bill also raises potential fines for those falsely labeling their beef as made in the U.S., including multinational packers. The bill further dictates that no ruling from an international body, such as the WTO, impacts our country’s ability to implement COOL requirements, according to a Hageman news release.

“I’m hopeful that (bill) can move either as a standalone bill or as part of a farm bill, if we ever get to one,” Dubrick said. In the meantime, “we need to be investing in more local food systems, so farmers have a fair marketplace, consumers have a choice and we have resilience the next time a pandemic happens, or the next thing that upsets the apple cart.”

Returning to the subject of the U.S. importing beef, Dubrick noted that according to many economists, the food system is so consolidated and rigged against both the farmer and the eater that imports are likely to decrease the prices farmers receive. It’s also unlikely to impact the price consumers pay at the grocery store.

The Alliance is asking lawmakers to look at long term agricultural reforms, in addition to emergency assistance for farmers “before food security, and in turn national security, are further jeopardized. Washington needs to reprioritize fair markets and diversified domestic production for the viability of farmers, the vibrancy of our communities, and the health and security of our nation.”

Farmers

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lack of soybean orders have on the bottom line for farmers in Illinois and across the nation. Our goal is to see fair access for our farmers in foreign markets. We continue to advocate for permanent, enforceable trade agreements that open markets, eliminate unfair barriers and give long-term certainty.”

Tom Adam, Iowa Soybean Association (ISA) president and fifth-generation Harper, Iowa, farmer, and Grant Kimberley, ISA senior director of market development and sixth-generation Maxwell, Iowa, farmer, told Farm World in a Nov. 5 joint statement, with the market price for a bushel of soybeans increasing by more than 60 cents on the news of China’s purchase, it’s a reminder that markets under-performed throughout the year.

“As the markets wait for China’s announced purchases to become actual orders, ISA continues to advocate for the EPA’s finalization of renewable volume obligations for 2026 (a record 5.61 billion gallons), a reallocation of proposed small refinery exemptions, diversifying international demand through new trade partnerships and addressing chronically high fertilizer and crop input prices that strain farmer cash flow and opportunities for profit,” the statement said.

Bob Thompson, Michigan Farmers Union president, told ABC12 News in Flint, concerning the new trade deal, “The idea that there has been a significant gain here is woefully misstated. I think that it’s well known that statements are made and then sometimes the follow through isn’t as strong as we would like.

“I guess the farmer in me is an internal optimist that likes to think that things are going to turn out well and I certainly hope that that’s the case here,” he said, adding the new trade agreement falls short of initial expectations. “Certainly, it is better than the zero that we had. But we probably would have had at least twice or more beans shipped.”

Ryan Marquardt, Iowa Farmers Union vice president and a Van Meter, Iowa, farmer, said, “The Iowa Farmers Union welcomes any progress that opens markets for U.S. farmers. Farmers know that trade relationships are built on trust. That trust takes years to build, and can be broken in moments, and may take decades to repair.

“We urge the Trump Administration to pursue fair, transparent, and stable trade policies that prioritize family farmers and strengthen the long-term health of Iowa’s rural economy,” he said. “As a soybean farmer and fifth-generation Iowa farmer, I know my family would appreciate it.”

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China to buy 12 million metric tons of US soybeans by end of 2025

After several months of waiting, China has finally booked U.S. soybeans for import. This came ahead of the long-awaited meeting between President Donald Trump and President Xi from China. While this was positive for soybean futures, news of additional China soybean demand was more of a highlight.

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has announced China will be buying 12 million metric tons of U.S. soybeans before year end. He further stated China would be buying 25 mmt of U.S. soybeans annually for the next three years. Bessent also stated other Asian buyers are looking at sourcing 19 mmt of U.S. soybeans, but no timeline was given. No corn or wheat intentions were released, but China is expected to buy "massive" volumes of U.S. sorghum.

There is an underlying issue in China that has impacted the country's commodity demand from any source, and that is deflation. China's economy has struggled ever since the COVID pandemic, despite several rounds of government stimulus that are still taking place. Even with retail costs of most products falling in China, so is demand as consumers are not engaged. This includes food demand as China is reporting a 1.6 percent decline in restaurant sales. This fall in consumer demand has slowed China's appetite for several products, including commodities.

The trade dispute between the United States and China has greatly benefited Brazil soybean exports, but Argentina has also been a benefactor. China booked a large volume of Argentine soybeans when the Argentine government suspended export taxes

and helped push soybean demand well above last year. A larger soybean crop is also allowing Argentina to export more product. The Argentine Ag Minister now says 2024/25 soybean exports will total 12.3 million metric tons, 3 mmt more than the prior year.

MARKET ANALYSIS
By Karl Setzer

The Energy Industry Administration released data showing expansion in the U.S. biofuel industry slowed in 2024. Expansion in the industry totaled 3 percent in 2024, adding 391 million gallons of renewable diesel and other biofuels. While an increase, this was just one-third of the expansion seen in 2022 and 2023. Reduced margins have slowed expansion in the industry, which is actually favorable long-term as it prevents over-production. Ethanol remains the primary renewable fuel and the only one seeing its expansion build. Total U.S. ethanol capacity stands at 18.5 billion gallons.

The American Petroleum Institute released a statement that has weighed on the ethanol industry. The API has been a supporter of expanding ethanol use, but the group announced it is withdrawing its backing of year around use of E-15. The group stated an updated approach to E-15 legislation, along with several other changes are needed, and has reached out to the White House to make reforms. The ethanol industry has been hoping for permanent implementation of year around E-15 use since it has been allowed for the past several years anyway.

The Brazilian soybean crush firm ABIOVE has released updated supply and demand soybean numbers. For production, ABIOVE is predicting a crop of 178.5 million metric tons, up

from their previous 176.8 mmt estimate. Soybean exports are forecast at 111 mmt, an increase of 1.5 mmt from before. ABIOVE is predicting soy meal production of 46.6 mmt and exports of 24.6 mmt, both record large. Soy oil production is also expected to be a record 12.1 mmt, but even so, the country will need to import another 125,000 mt to satisfy projected demand. This import figure is a 25 percent increase from last year.

The analytical firm Rabobank also updated its Brazilian production numbers for both corn and soybeans. Rabobank puts the Brazil soybean crop at 177 mmt, up 3 percent from last year. A 2 percent expansion in plantings is behind the larger crop estimate. Brazil's soybean export forecast was held at 111 mmt, equal to last year as Brazil's domestic soybean consumption is rising as fast as production is.

Rabobank predicts a Brazil corn crop of 137 mmt this year, down 3.5 percent from last year. Corn plantings are forecast to expand by 2.2 percent from a year ago, but a return to normal weather will likely limit yields. The same domestic demand is forecast to cut Brazil's 2026 corn exports to 37 mmt, a year-to-year decline of 5 percent.

More attention is being placed on global production data, and while some regions of the world are producing large crops, some areas are seeing production issues. One of these is the European Union who has trimmed both its grain and oilseed crops. Even so, the EU has not upped its imports of either corn nor soybeans from a year ago. EU corn imports to date total 5 million metric tons versus last year's 6.84 mmt. Soybean imports total 3.62 mmt com-

pared to last year's 4.28 mmt. EU soy meal imports total 5.68 mmt, which is close to last year's 5.89 mmt.

The Federal Reserve lowered its interest rate by an expected 25 basis points in its October meeting. This takes it to a range from 3.75 percent to 4 percent. The vote came in at 10 to 2, with one vote for a larger cut and one for no cut at all. The Fed stated that given available data the amount of economic uncertainty is still elevated. One concern is the risk of unemployment, although inflation does remain above the target of 2 percent and has started to rise.

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Michigan Farm Bureau helps to provide venison to the hungry

By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent

LANSING, Mich. – Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) is more actively involved this year in helping to feed the hungry with venison from deer donated by hunters. A \$15,000 check from MFB’s Venison Donation Task Force was recently presented to Michigan Sportsmen Against Hunger (MSAH) to cover the processing costs of deer contributed by hunters to the cause. The contribution was the largest monetary donation yet by the task force, which formed in April. The mission of the task force includes reducing the deer population while addressing food insecurity especially among children. An overpopulation of deer in the state has resulted in more farmers reporting crop losses from

the animals eating in their fields. “This is a win-win for all parties involved,” said Andrew Vermeesch, MFB director of public policy. The donated deer will be ground into burger and distributed to charities across the state. “There are a lot of food banks and food pantries, but the one thing that they had the most difficulty in supplying is protein, and we can make it possible for them to get good quality venison, which is nutritious, tasty, and people love it,” said MSAH President C.J. Merriman. Since 1991, MSAH has donated more than 1.2 million pounds of ground venison to more than five million residents of the state. To donate, hunters must legally harvest and tag their deer, report the kill, field-dress it, then drop it off at a participating processor at no cost. Hunters can also contribute money to the program when they purchase their hunting licenses. Currently, there are close to 30 processors taking part in the MSAH program. According to MSAH, donations of deer from the organization have risen sharply from just over 18,000 pounds of venison during the 2014-15 hunting season to nearly 115,000 pounds in 2023-24. The MFB task force previously made a \$10,000 donation to Hunters Feeding Michigan and allocated another \$60,000 to fund other venison donation events sponsored by farm bureau branches in a handful of Michigan counties. “Efforts like this help take deer out of fields and onto the family table,” Vermeesch said. According to Hunters Feeding Michigan – a state program with a network of processors and food banks to get venison to people in need – one average-sized deer provides an estimated 160 high protein, nutritious meals. A growing number of farmers reporting crop losses from hungry deer resulted in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and the Michigan Natural Resources Commission taking action in the spring to try to reduce the overpopulation. Crop protection permits to kill fe-

male deer are now valid during entire growing season instead of just one or two week intervals. In addition, permits can be applied for before spring planting and then activated once the crop is in the ground. Crop protection permits for killing deer were also expanded to include alfalfa, winter wheat and, in some cases, overwintered cover crops. Farmers can also have family members, friends or anyone else wanting to take part join them in hunts to protect their crops. Previously, farmers were restricted to choosing from a state-designated list of shooters they could invite to take part in hunts. According to MDNR, there are an estimated two million deer in the state with about half of them in southern Michigan where the numbers have exploded from about 200,000 over the past 40 years. Adding to the overpopulation problem is the number of licensed deer hunters in Michigan has dropped from over 870,000 in 1995 to just under 600,000 in 2023, DNR said.



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FFA hands out awards, honors during 98th national convention

By Michele F. Mihaljevich
Indiana Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS – The 2025-26 National FFA officer team – including members from Michigan and Tennessee – was named during the organization’s recent convention. In addition, winners were announced in several competitive categories.

The new officer team will be led by President Trey Myers, former member of Perkins Tryon FFA in Oklahoma. The rest of the team is Lilly Nyland, secretary, former member of Careerline Tech Center FFA in Michigan; Joey Nowotny, eastern region vice president, former member of Laurel FFA in Delaware; Jael Cruikshank, western region vice president, former member of Bend FFA in Oregon; T. Wayne Williams, southern region vice president, former member of Woodbury FFA in Tennessee; and Claire Woeppel, central region vice president, former member of Chambers FFA in Nebraska. Thirty seven FFA members were candidates for the various positions.

The 98th convention and expo was Oct. 29-Nov. 1 in Indianapolis.

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- Houston Ray Stewart, fiber and/or oil crop production – entrepreneurship/placement; Brighton FFA, Tennessee.
- Jonathan Cromer, grain production – entrepreneurship/placement; Ridgemont FFA, Ohio.
- Eric Taylor, nursery operations – entrepreneurship/placement; Miami Trace Great Oaks FFA, Ohio.
- Tucker Snook, turf and landscape maintenance – entrepreneurship/placement; Cambridge FFA, Illinois.
- Mason Riebe, vegetable production – entrepreneurship/placement; Tri-Point FFA, Illinois.
- Maggie Rose Taylor, outdoor recreation – entrepreneurship/placement; Pery Central FFA, Indiana.
- Hunter Sims, agricultural mechanics design and fabrication – entrepreneurship/placement; Scotts Hill FFA, Tennessee.
- Ellie Julia Taylor, agricultural communications – entrepreneurship/placement; Hamilton Southeastern FFA, Indiana.
- Colin Batten, dairy production – placement; Versailles FFA, Ohio.
- Lincoln Winner, diversified agricultural production – entrepreneurship/placement; Versailles FFA, Ohio.
- Ty Jones, diversified livestock production – entrepreneurship/placement; Allen County-Scottsville FFA, Kentucky.
- Blake Schmitmeyer, agricultural processing – entrepreneurship/placement; Versailles FFA, Ohio.

Agriscience Fair:

- Maverick Dawson, power, structur-

al and technical systems, division 3; Ridgemont FFA, Ohio.

Memphis Harvey and Jameson Hil-yard, power, structural and technical systems, division 4; Ridgemont FFA, Ohio.

Cecelia Gable and Leena Hennen, social science, division 2; New Lexington FFA, Ohio.

Emma Goff, social science, division 3; Oakland FFA, Tennessee.

Hailey Wendling and Lydia Hamilton, animal systems, division 6; Felicity-Franklin FFA, Ohio.

Charlie Martell and Addison Prater, plant systems, division 2; Ridgemont FFA, Ohio.

Willow Kearns and Tanner Vanbuskirk, plant systems, division 4; Ridgemont FFA, Ohio.

VIP Citation recipients:

- David Bishop, Ashland, Ohio
- David Snyder, Ashland, Ohio
- Aaron Wetzel, Chicago, Ill.

The convention’s attendance of more than 73,000 set a record, and created a \$40 million economic impact, FFA said.

The organization also said the convention will continue to be in Indianapolis at least through 2040. The convention was in Indianapolis from 2006 to 2012. After three years in Louisville, Ky., the event returned to Indianapolis

in 2016.

“We’re thrilled about the opportunity to continue calling Indianapolis home for our convention through 2040,” Cheryl Zimmerman, National FFA Organization executive secretary, said in a release. “This city has proven time and again to be an incredible partner, welcoming our members with open

arms, providing world-class facilities, and helping us create life-changing experiences for students in agricultural education. Extending our convention contract ensures we can keep building on that strong foundation and inspiring the next generation of agricultural leaders for years to come.”



Above: The 2025-26 National FFA officer team is (left to right) Trey Myers, president; Lilly Nyland, secretary; Claire Woeppel, central region vice president; Jael Cruikshank, western region vice president; Joey Nowotny, eastern region vice president; and T. Wayne Williams, southern region vice president. (courtesy National FFA Organization)

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Above: Pillow and Paddock Bed and Breakfast is in the heart of horse country.

Love of horses takes woman from California to farm in Kentucky

LA GRANGE, Ky. – Shannon Thelander grew up on a farm in Northern California and fell in love with horses at an early age. The horses had been gone for a while from the farm, but her love for them never left. When she was 14, she saw a flyer offering horses to lease. This started a whole new journey. “I leased three of them, Thelander said. The owners also spent



WRENCING TALES
By Cindy Ladage

time helping her get reacquainted. “They taught me to ride again, and my world exploded.” She began working with the horses to pay for the lease, and then at 15, she began working at a dude ranch where she stayed on learning to train horses, helping with trail rides. She would pack for the trips, take campers and families to the camp station and she said.

“Live in the mountains where we did both basic and luxury trips for office retreats.”

Thelander added that they also did cattle drives for a Jewish camp, where she said, “We taught kids to ride and do a three-day cattle drive, then bring the cattle back. It was good experience where I worked with all kinds of horses, both high end, and backyard varieties.”

In days gone by, horses were broken through harsher efforts. Today, teaching colts to accept riders has a new, gentler technique. Thelander said they took a lot more steps, and she learned them all. “I left the ranch at 18,” she said adding she returned home, did some horse training and worked with horse therapy program connected to Mustangs.

“Then, she said, I came to Kentucky to visit my boyfriend’s parents,” fell in love with the area, saw a lot of potential, and decided to move. “Before the plane landed,” she shared, “I decided to move.”

It wasn’t just Thelander making the move to Kentucky, she said, “I had three horses; one was one of the ones I had leased when I was 15.”

She said the trip from California to Kentucky was strenuous, with her three horses, plus, a stallion she was hired to haul. With a lot of tire changes, she said the difficult trip made her

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Wrenching

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decide she was in Kentucky to stay. When she first arrived, she worked all over the state before finding a farm. “I’ve been here for 10 years now, for a year, I hopped around training here and there.”

The round-the-clock hard work that first year allowed her to buy her farm and settle down near the town of La Grange, which is just a scant 20 minutes outside of Louisville. Her family from California would come to visit, and they stayed at the nearby Pillow & Paddock Bed and Breakfast. With frequent stays – and learning of the Thelanders dream to eventually retire and open a bed and breakfast – it all came together. “The owner kept telling me it was for sale,” Thelander’s mom Michelle said about the inn.

Eventually, the Thelander family moved from California to Kentucky and down the road, Michelle and Shannon began running it together. While she is no longer training horses, Shannon has two horses (Hippo and Jess), and two pet pigs, Mr. Pig, and Meatball, that greet visitors that come and eat leftover breakfast waffles. The pigs are a big attraction and delight the guests.

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Above: Jess, one of Shannon's horses.

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These days, Shannon just recently committed to working with a horse farm neighbor to rehab a rescue mustang. To find out more, log onto their website at www.pillowandpaddock.com.



Above: Michelle and Shannon with her horses and Mr. Pig.

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Above: In 2024, the farm partnered with a licensed cannery to preserve excess produce in the form of shelf-stable pickles, pickled beets, applesauce and relishes, which are now available for purchase at the on-farm store and area farmers markets.



Above: The farm serves as a teaching and learning farm for high school and college student interns. Most interns work a rotating schedule that gets them hands-on experience on the farm and at local farmers markets and events.

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The program's a hit – this past year, 193 students applied for just 12 spots. Some interns arrive through word of mouth, others via partnerships with local organizations like Catalyst Life Services, which helps youth ages 14-18 gain workplace experience. Interns get more than just farming: they're trained in job basics (from how to call off work to what to wear in the fields), paid a fair wage, and encouraged to explore what aspects of farming excite them most. If they discover that market vegetables and chickens aren't their thing, Garnsey helps them find placements at other farms – sometimes in dairy or horse operations.

The internship typically lasts the summer, but flexibility is key. "If a student realizes after a few weeks that it's not for them, that's okay. We want this to be a positive learning experience, not a chore," she said.

Brokaw Farm & Market produces a variety of annual and perennial crops, including orchard fruits, ber-



Above: The farm practices bootstrapping and upcycling, using salvaged, thrifted, wildcrafted, and donated materials to reduce its carbon footprint. Farm owner Michelle Garnsey said, "Our farm store is an eclectic collection of merchandise, furniture, and display racks that we've bought over the years from auctions, garage sales, thrift stores, family, and friends."

ries, salad greens, tomatoes, peppers, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, kohlrabi, and edible flowers. "We started out trying to replace the grocery store and grew a bit of everything," Garnsey said. Now, they adjust each season to what interns want to learn and what the community needs. "Local markets have plenty of bakers and flower growers, but not enough fruits and vegetables – that's where we focus," she said.

Eventually, Garnsey would like to make the farm completely sustainable and regenerative. "We want to eventually get to the point where we don't bring in any off-farm inputs," she said. Examples include egg-laying chickens providing not just eggs but essential fertilizer for their compost, growing bamboo to serve as eventual trellising materials, and different types of plants that could be used as attachments. "We're eventually trying to get it to where it's all very old-fashioned, all the inputs come from the farm, and there's no off-farm inputs – we're not there yet, but we're working toward it," she said.

After primarily selling produce at farmers markets and off their front porch, the farm now boasts a dedicated store. "I cleared out my yard shed and we dragged it around to the front of the property and refinished the inside, added air conditioning, heat, and a refrigerator," she said. "It's a

big step up from selling off the porch."

Sales in the store and at farmers markets feature fresh produce from Brokaw Farm as well as products made by local farmers. "We want to create a network, so farmers don't feel isolated," Garnsey said. Interns get exposure to other farm operations through volunteer days, and Brokaw Farm's store sells products from these partner farms, taking only a small commission to help cover intern wages.

"One farmer invited us to their corn festival this year, and we sold our products there," she said. "One of them does honey, so we sell their honey at our farm store. One of them makes jams and jellies, so we sell their jams and jellies at our farm store and farmers markets. We're really trying to connect farmers in the area so they don't feel so isolated."

Another partnership emerged with a local Amish woman who owns her own FDA-inspected, licensed commercial cannery. "We partnered with her last year and sent some extra crops there and had her can them," Garnsey said. "Then we had those available to sell at our farmers' markets."

Currently, the Brokaw Farm & Market store is open Saturdays and Sundays, 9 am - 6 pm. Porch pick up and private shopping appointments are also available upon request.

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TireGrabber makes handling of large agricultural tires safer, faster

By DOUG SCHMITZ
Iowa Correspondent

BOONE, Iowa – At Iowa State University (ISU)’s Agricultural Engineering and Agronomy (AEA) Farm, employees like AEA Farm Manager Nathan Meyers change up to 30 large agricultural tires in a year, which is why the farm’s newest addition helps minimize safety risks and maximize efficiency.

The TireGrabber, a patented tire handler that easily attaches to the front of the farm’s skid loader, holds the tire securely and safely, while farm employees remove or tighten the bolts. The tool is engineered to securely grip, lift and manipulate large-scale tires from 3,000 to 12,000 pounds, according to company officials at TireGrabber, Ltd., based in Camrose, Alberta, Canada.

Meyers said what once could take several farm workers, a forklift and an extensive amount of time to ease the tire off and put a new one on, now only takes two farm workers and about five minutes.

“We can more safely handle the tires, which is important because we move a lot of tires due to research projects going on,” he said. “We also have equipment coming here to the farm and we are shipping equipment out, so we’re constantly changing tires.”

Canadian farmer Darcy Goossen, the tool’s creator and TireGrabber president, and Steven Minken, TireGrabber senior business development manager, were inspired to partner with ISU after meeting Meyers at the recent Farm Progress trade show.

During an ISU campus visit, Goos-



Above: Nathan Meyers, manager of Iowa State University’s Agricultural Engineering and Agronomy Farm, uses the TireGrabber to change the front tire of a combine. (courtesy of Iowa State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences)

sen and Minken decided to lease the TireGrabber and a sprayer jack to the university at no cost to support agricultural safety education.

“Steven and I decided we wanted to start actually donating to causes where we could see the impact and plant seeds of safety for future generations,” Goossen said. “The TireGrabber is user-friendly and perfect for a university setting. Anyone can learn how to use it; it’s very self-explanatory.”

Kendall Lamkey, ISU professor of

agronomy, and associate dean for facilities and operations for the Col-

lege of Agriculture and Life Sciences, said tools like the TireGrabber help ensure the university is a place that promotes safety and models safe behaviors to students.

“My top priority is to ensure the safety of all my employees,” he said. “I want to send them home the same way they came to work. I consider the TireGrabber a huge addition to keeping our faculty, staff and students safe, both here on campus and our facilities around the state.”

Meyers told Farm World the feedback about the TireGrabber has been very good: “The farm staff have enjoyed using the TireGrabber equipment because it makes a tough and dangerous job of changing and moving large agricultural tires into a safe and easier task.”

He said if the lease on the TireGrabber ended, “we would look into purchasing the TireGrabber. Safety is a big concern in agriculture and at Iowa State University, and this tool makes a dangerous job safer.”

He said the TireGrabber is a win for everyone and expects its use to extend beyond just the AEA Farm: “We want everyone to be safe, so when we aren’t using it, our other farms are welcome to borrow it.”

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The daily rhythm of goat milking for the last 36 years

by **Leondia Walchle**
Indiana Correspondent

ADAMS County, Ind. – Roger and Jenny Neuenschwander, along with their extended family, have been raising, showing, breeding, and milking goats for 36 years.

They are well-known dairy goat breeders, particularly recognized for their Toggenburg (Toggs) and Nubian goats. Toggs are the oldest registered breed in the American Dairy Goat Association (ADGA). They are primarily known for their high milk production, extended lactation period, consistent performance, and gentle nature. The Nubians are known for their long, floppy ears and high-quality, rich milk with high butterfat content. They are a dual-purpose breed for both dairy and meat production.

The Neuenschwanders utilize an eight-stanchion milking area where two goats can be milked at a time using an automatic milking machine twice daily; very similar to dairy cattle on a smaller scale. Each goat will produce around one gallon of milk per day. Goat milk is the most widely consumed milk in the world. It has a rich nutritional profile, is easier to digest, and is a viable alternative to cow's milk for those allergic.

Jenny said, "We started out raising registered Holstein dairy cattle. When 4-H fair time came around, the kids were more interested in the goat barn." The family maintains a 40-goat herd. They keep their own bucks to breed their does and sell breeding stock and wethers (male goat that has been castrated). Participating as a

Above: Jenny Neuenschwander hand milking to be sure every last drop is out.

family unit, a handful of goats are entered in annual competitions from the county and state 4-H fairs to the national level.

The Neuenschwander team returned from the July 2025 American Dairy Goat Association (ADGA) National Show held in Grand Island, Neb., to bring home the title of National Show Toggenburg Senior Champion with their 4-year old, "Neuen-View Mt Amazing Grace." Judges look for an attractive framework, strong level top line, correct feet and legs, and wide, flat ribs.

The family plans to participate in the 15-day 2025 North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE), in Louisville, Ky., Nov. 6-20. This is considered the largest all-breed, purebred livestock show in the country.

Above: Toggenburg goats can give one gallon of milk per day.

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Corn husking a daily childhood chore on farm for champion

By Stan Maddux
Indiana Correspondent

HUDSON, Ind. – A northern Indiana man credits his Amish upbringing on a dairy farm for recently winning the state and national titles in corn husking along with his prior top finishes in the competitions.

Kevin Lambright, 46, of Hudson, was also the state and national corn husking champion in 2023.

He started competing in 2020, nearly 30 years since Lambright husked his last ear of corn before leaving the family farm near Topeka. One of his chores while growing up was husking corn before and after school to provide feed for his family's 30 or so dairy cows.

He also helped milk the cows, which everyone in his family did manually. "It made for strong hands," he said.

Lambright won the national competition on Oct. 18 for the second time at Reed Farms in Nappanee by husking a whopping 475 pounds of corn in 30 minutes. With deductions for cobs not perfectly stripped, his net total was still just over 458 pounds.

Lambright said he was surprised by the amount, which was his personal best.



Above: After becoming state champion, Kevin Lambright from Indiana brought home the national title for corn husking.

"Sometimes, everything goes your way when you're husking. You don't drop any. You don't get tired. I just literally had a great day," he said.

In comparison, he won the state title on Oct. 4, also at Reed Farms, with just over 361 pounds of corn husked in 20 minutes.

Lambright was also the 2024 state champion corn husker, but he did not compete that year in the national competition in Iowa due to a conflict with his job at Cedar Creek RV, a maker of recreational vehicles in Topeka.

"I chose to work, instead," he said.

Currently, he's an assistant plant manager with the company he's been with for 26 years.

During harvest, Lambright said he husked corn every morning from daybreak until jumping in the shower and heading off to school. Husking corn is what he did after school, too, along with his other chores like milking and feeding the cows until dark.

He also fed the dozen or so draft horses his family used to pull plows during spring planting and wagons to bring in the crops in the fall.

"I think what helps me is I done it for that long while growing up," he said.

Lambright said his younger brother, Atlee, was competitive at husking corn when he was approached by a man looking for entries in the contests he staged.

"He wanted us to compete. I decided I'll go give it a shot," he said.

Lambright said he competed against his brother that year and lost. He also wasn't a top finisher in the state and national contests but placed second the next two years at the national level.

Lambright said Atlee hasn't competed in about five years but likes to joke that he would beat him again if he ever got back into it.

He also likes to poke fun at his older brother, Duane, who's also a for-

mer competitive corn husker.

"I always tell them they're afraid to get back in because they know I'm going to beat them," he said.

Like he did as a kid, Lambright wears a galvanized steel hook on his right hand to slice the skin over each cob before peeling it off and throwing the stripped cob into a wagon.

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"If you stretch your arm all the way out to make a throw and then all the

way back that takes up a lot of time," he said.

He said knowing where the next ear is before reaching to rip it off the stalk is another time saver.

Lambright said he doesn't know how much longer he'll keep competing but would like to pass down the tradition to his children, ages 7 and 5, who he took to competitions the past two years.

"I would like to get them started," he said.



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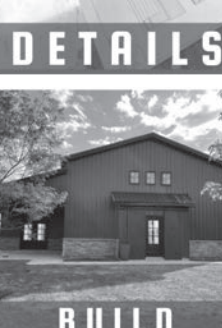




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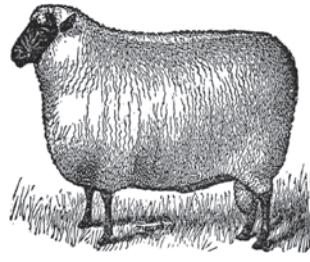
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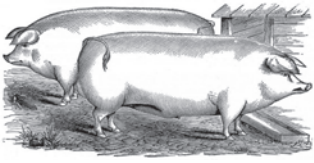
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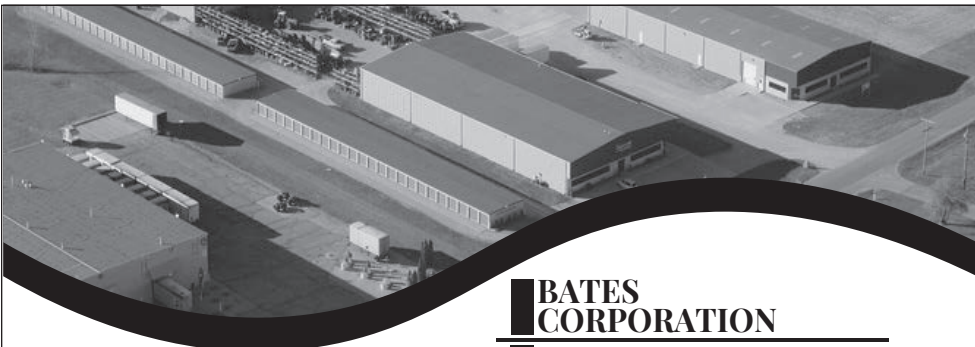
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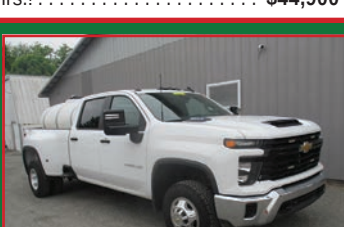
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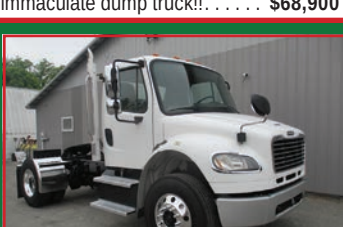
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Wholesome Meadows Farm's owners focus on chickens, cattle, hogs

By Celeste Baumgartner
Ohio Correspondent

BLUFFTON, Ind. – Although neither Sara nor Josh Smith grew up on a farm – Sam was actually a city kid – they liked the farming lifestyle. So, in the spring of 2014, they got some land, started farming, and never looked back. They call the farm Wholesome Meadows.

Now they farm about 130 acres that they own and rent. Their main focus is on livestock. They have 1,100-1,200 laying hens and raise around 2,000-3,000 broiler chickens every year. They finish a dozen beef cattle and 25 to 30 hogs a year.

"We also raise a couple acres of pumpkins, around a half-acre of produce, and 90 acres of non-GMO grain, corn, soybeans and wheat," Josh said.

When they wanted to add more row crops, they found a farm close to their home farm that would have allowed them to expand. So they went to Iroquois Valley, an organic, regenerative farmland finance company that provides farmer-friendly leases.

"They purchased that farm for us, and they are letting us rent it from them," Josh said. "They have very good terms and a long-term contract, so we have that security. In the future, we have the option to purchase the property. It has helped us be able to expand without having the resources to purchase this farm on our own at this time."

They are transitioning to organic on



Above: Sara Smith is preparing to feed the chickens. They have 1,100-1,200 laying hens and raise around 2,000-3,000 broiler chickens every year.

the home farm and the rental property and should be certified next year.

Sara added that they have always farmed organically; they just weren't certified.

"That's what we feed our family, so we want the food that we sell to be food that we would feed our family," she said.

Their kids, Isaac, age 9, Sadie, 8, and Cora, 5, help with farm chores.



Above: Josh and Sara Smith chose the farming lifestyle. Now their kids, Isaac, age 9, Sadie, 8, and Cora, 5, are starting to help with chores.

"We started paying them a little bit so that definitely helps with the motivation," Sara said. "We are teaching them, okay, how do you handle the money that you are making? And now that you're getting paid, here are some requirements that need to be met. We

are kind of preparing them for when they get older and get a job, they will already know the expectations."

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Above: When they wanted to expand their grain production of non-GMO corn, beans, and wheat, Iroquois Valley purchased a nearby farm and now rents it to them with good terms.

Wholesome

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seller. Those layers produce about 500 dozen eggs a week. That’s a lot of eggs to wash.

“We get compliments from our customers that our eggs are the best they’ve ever had,” Josh said. “We get a lot of word-of-mouth advertisement that way.”

They market their products at the Fort Wayne Farmers Market, at their farm, and online through an organization called Market Wagon.

“They have a hub in Indianapolis and Fort Wayne,” Sara said. “The customers go to their website and they order our products and every Thursday we go to those two hubs and drop off everything they ordered. Then they have drivers who deliver the bags to the customers. We just pay them a percentage and they do all of the work for us.”

That’s just one way that the family builds a little more freedom and flexibility into their schedule, and that freedom and flexibility is one thing they like about the farming lifestyle.

“That, and being able to work with your family,” Josh said. “We love be-

ing outside, the fresh air, the sunshine, the dirt.”

Sara added that since they homeschool, Josh can sometimes be there for part of the school day.

The downside of farming is that with livestock, even on Christmas Day, there are chores, and they never get to take a vacation. Yet they have no regrets about their choice to farm.

“We were looking for a better way of life for our family and a good environment for our children to teach them the value of hard work,” Josh said. “We were also looking for a career change, a way to earn money working at home with the family. We are blessed to both be full-time on the farm. I do a little bit of contracting work in the off-season, but we could wholly survive on the farm.”

Iroquois Valley is a real estate investment trust (REIT) and a public benefit corporation that is in the business of helping farmers like Josh and Sara to be successful. Founded in 2007, they have invested in more than 70 farmers in 20 states, covering 36,600 acres of farmland. Most of that land is in the Midwest, largely in Indiana and Illinois.

Weak La Niña possible in December

The 8-to-14-day outlook (for Nov. 12-18) from the National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center for our area of the Midwest calls for likely above normal temperatures and leaning above normal precipitation. Eric Snodgrass, of Nutrien Ag Solutions, thinks our colder temperature now is being influenced by a big low-pressure system over the Canadian Hudson Bay region. However, the trend through November will be milder and possibly wetter. Some computer models for December show a weak La Niña, with colder and wetter weather possible.

2025 Soybean Variety Trial results from The Ohio State University are now available. The northwest Ohio trials were in Henry and Sandusky counties and were planted May 27 and 30 and harvested Oct. 11 and 13, respectively. Henry County had 60 soybean varieties ranging from 2.3 to 3.1 relative maturity and yields ranging from 80.6 to 61.5 bushels per acre, with a mean (average) yield of 74 bushels. Results are available at the OSU Soybean and Small Grain Agronomy website: www.stepupsoy.osu.edu.

The official Michigan State University 2025 soybean variety trial results are not yet published, as they are compiled and distributed in a report for winter meetings, typically in late 2025 or early 2026. The final 2025 Michigan Soybean Performance Report will be published through the

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Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee and can be found online on the MSU Variety Trials website.

Wheat germination and emergence may be slower than normal due to dry soil conditions, as rainfall has been very scattered and light. Late germination and emergence mimics late planting, which historically results in lower final yields. Wheat germinating by the third week of October will limit tillering, overwintering hardiness and may result in a possible 10 to 25 percent lower yield than wheat planted by the Hessian fly free date of late September. Farmers may wish to assess stands in late winter or very early spring before deciding whether to keep the stand. Good fall stands should still have some nitrogen (up to 20 pounds of actual nitrogen) applied as soon as possible.

Turkey trivia: Wild turkeys are native to Mexico, taken to Europe to be domesticated, then later brought back to North America by English colonists. The average person eats about 15 pounds of turkey per year. A male turkey is called a tom; a female is a hen. There is no butter in a Butterball® turkey.

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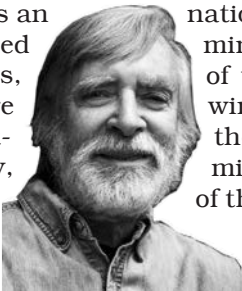
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POOR WILL'S ALMANACK
By Bill Felker

The Moon in November
Nov. 13: The moon enters its final quarter
Nov. 20-21: The moon is new
Nov. 28: The moon enters its second quarter

The Weekly Weather
The 15th, 19th, and 20th are the days this week most likely to be mild with highs in the 60s. The fifth cold front of the month comes through at the end of the period, however, and the 21st brings a slight possibility for a high only in the 20s. The 15th is the day most likely to bring precipitation, having a 60 percent chance of rain or snow. The 20th is also fairly damp, carrying a 50 percent chance. The 18th is the driest day of the week; it has only a 20 percent chance of showers or flurries.

The Sun
The Sun enters the Early Winter sign of Sagittarius on Nov. 22. At the end of November, sunset has reached to within just a few minutes of its earliest time throughout the nation. The latest sunrise, however, is still about half an hour away. The Sun's decli-

nation moves from 14 degrees, 13 minutes (more than two thirds of the way from fall equinox to winter solstice) on the first of the month to 21 degrees, 32 minutes (more than 80 percent of the way to solstice) by Nov. 30.

THE STARS
Two hours before midnight, the sky carries the forms of early winter: the Pleiades, Taurus and Orion are rising, the Milky Way cuts across the sky from east to west, Andromeda lies directly over Ohio, and the Summer Triangle is setting over Dayton.

Farming And Gardening
Falling leaves let you know that it is time for fertilizing the pasture and garden. Manure and compost that is spread now will have a chance to work its way into the ground all winter.
Order legume seed for winter pastures. Start all your bedding plants under lights at new moon to get a head start on spring.
Schedule your frost seeding for January and February. Deep water all perennials before the ground freezes, especially if your garden suffered from the drought this summer.

The Natural Calendar
The final rites of fall include a chronology of the last leaves and fruits. Major losses occur on beeches and pears as autumn ends. Sometimes oaks are the holdouts, sometimes forsythia or a hardy honeysuckle. Sometimes sweet gums and poplars keep a few leaves this late in the year; sometimes protected oak-leaf hydrangeas, Osage, mock

orange or lilacs outlast all the other trees and shrubs.
The fruit of the bittersweet continues to fall to the undergrowth. Pale witch hazel flowers are shriveling. Privets are bare, their blue berries revealed. Euonymus fruits are losing their white outer shells, orange cores unveiled by the cold.
New England aster and stonecrop foliage turned yellow in early November; now the plants are shedding. Late garden lettuce and the autumn growth of rhubarb have withered. Hosta leaves have collapsed into the remnants of maples, ginkgoes and white mulberries. The gooseneck turns chocolate brown. Most all the seeds are gone from milkweed pods; just a few wisps of down cling to their shells. Fragile pokeweed stems have exploded in the frost. The last roses have been frozen by nights in the teens.

Journal
The third week of November is Skunk Cabbage Budding Season, a season of the wetlands that lasts until Skunk Cabbage Blooming Season in February. Now Winter Wheat Greening Season greens the fields as Bluebird Migrating Season and Cricketsong Season close. Throughout town, Silver Maple Leafdrop Season foretells next week's Beech Leafdrop Season. At bird feeders, Junco Season adds juncos to the sparrows and cardinals. On the high wires Sparrow Hawk Season arrives. Bittersweet Fruit Dropping Season comes to the bittersweet vines, and Decorative Pear Leafturn Season transforms Xenia Avenue.
In the greenhouse, it is Aloe Flowering Season. Along the West Coast,

this week is the annual Crab Harvest Season. Poinsettia Season begins in Yellow Springs in Ohio as Crawdad Season starts in Louisiana, crawdads moving into flooded rice fields to feed on the remnants of that crop.

Almanack Literature
Always Look Where You're Going
By Eunice Hicks, Willard, Ohio
One evening when she came back from the outhouse, Mom told Dad, "Tommie, there's got to be another outhouse built."
Dad said then he would build another one beside the old one. He would tear the other one down later.
So one morning, Mom and I and little Sister Polly walked up to the barn, and Mom found out one of her hens hatched out a gang of little chickens, or bitties, as Mom said.
Then Mom said, "I can't let the hen and little bitties stay at the barn. Some varmint will get them," meaning some animals.
So she said, "I know where I will put them," and she took them to the old outhouse beside the new one, but she didn't tell Dad.
Then one morning early, Dad walked out to the outhouse, and he went into the old outhouse instead of the new one. That old hen flogged him so badly he didn't take time to get his pants all the way up!
He came back to the house and said, "Rose, why did you put the old hen and her chicks in that old outhouse? Darn near scared the wits out of me!"
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John Deere 835R Gator snapped up \$24,000 at Ohio auction

By William Flood
Ohio Correspondent

New Bavaria, OH – Siefker Real Estate & Auctions had an online sale on Oct. 7 featuring compact John Deere equipment, shop tools and other farm-related items. The machinery had been meticulously maintained by Bill Helberg, a longtime local farm equipment repairman who was downsizing his collection. The auction included 187 lots offered via Proxibid.com, with a preview available on Oct. 4. Payments were accepted by cash, check or money order.

Of particular draw were six Deere compact machines. Grabbing the event’s top sum of \$24,000 was a one-owner 2024 John Deere 835R Gator with only 100 hours, lightly used for cruising. The super-clean 4WD unit featured a full cab with power steering, heat and AC, and radio. It was fitted with tight doors and glass, and custom wood sideboards.

A bid of about half of that – \$13,250 – took second place, for a good-condition JD 4WD 1025R diesel tractor with only 198 hours. The ready-to-work machine was outfitted with hydrostatic, a 120R loader, a custom boom, a fork-ready bucket, plus an auto-connect 60D mower. A near-new JD 1023E diesel subcompact utility tractor drew \$10,750. It featured a factory cab, hydro drive, a custom rear blade, and a 47-inch quick-hitch snowblower with a rolling cart. Practically untouched, with only 11.3 hours, the owner joked, “It just didn’t snow much!”

Winning bids dropped noticeably from there, with a finely maintained 2024 Deere Z530M zero-turn mower with just 77 hours landing at \$3,200. It was equipped with a 48-inch Accel deep deck, Kawasaki v-twin engine, hydro-drive, custom step assist, chute and rollbar. A well-kept JD X590 followed at \$3,100. Showing only 179 hours, it was the owner’s main mower and came equipped with a 48-inch Accel Deep deck, Kawasaki V-twin, power steering, hydro drive, heavy-duty frame, and chute. Bidding hit \$2,200 for a 1988 John Deere 332 diesel garden tractor, showing 1,718 hours. In exceptional shape for its age, and a true workhorse, it offered a 50-inch deck, three-point hitch, and front snow blower.

Deere and other brands of implements were also offered, including a Deere garden disk – originally used on the JD 332 (above) – going to a new home for \$110. A Deere garden cultivator, also used on the 332, went for \$60, while a Brinly cultivator was grabbed for \$55.

Equally prominent at this sale was the selection of shop equipment. It was led by a well-cared-for Enco 110-1351 lathe – stored under a blanket when not in use – with a 13-by-40 gear head, cabinet, chucks, live centers, and accessories, all going for \$3,100. An Enco ZX-40 milling machine, with additional face mills, chucks, boring heads, cabinet, work lamp, transformer box, and power feeder, sold for \$950. Later, a Crafts-

(John Deere continued on page 17B)



Above: The auction’s top bid went for a 2024 John Deere 835R Gator XUV, selling for \$24,000.

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TRACT#2: A secluded 61.733 ± acres with a balance of productive cropland and river frontage along the East Fork Whitewater River. Composed primarily of Eldean and Ockley soils, the tract has a gentle slope toward the river. This tract will sell with an 2 drainage easements and 1 driveway easement. This tract offers 550+ ft. of road frontage and 48+/- acres of tillable land per FSA records. A strong, versatile tract offering income-producing acres combined with scenic surroundings.

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PROCEDURE: The property will be offered in 3 individual tracts, any combination of tracts, or as a whole 187.139 ± acre unit. **DOWN PAYMENT:** 10% down payment on the day of the auction with the balance in cash at closing. The down payment may be made in the form of cash, cashier's check, personal check or corporate check. **YOUR BIDDING IS NOT CONDITIONAL UPON FINANCING,** so be sure you have arranged financing, if needed, & are capable of paying cash at closing. **EVIDENCE OF TITLE:** The Seller has obtained a title examination and Title Certificate for benefit of Seller. A copy of such Title Certificate is included herewith for reference only. If Buyer desires a title examination or title insurance for Buyer's benefit in conjunction with closing, Buyer is responsible for all of such costs. The entire cost of the owner's title insurance will be the responsibility of the Buyer(s). The seller agrees to provide merchantable title to the property subject to matters of record. All tracts sold "As-Is". **CLOSING:** The balance of the real estate purchase price is due at closing, which will take place on or before FEB. 19th, 2025. **ACCEPTANCE OF BID PRICE:** The successful bidder(s) will be required to enter into a Purchase Agreement at the auction site immediately following the close of the auction. The final bid price is subject to the Seller's acceptance or rejection. **POSSESSION:** Possession will be delivered at closing subject to the removal of the 2025 crop and consistent with the current crop lease which expires on December 31st, 2025. **MULTI-PARCEL AUCTION:** The auction will be offered in various amalgamations, including as individual parcels or lots, combinations of parcels or lots, & all parcels or lots as a whole. **REAL ESTATE TAXES / ASSESSMENTS:** Taxes will be pro-rated to the date of closing utilizing Montgomery County's short pro-ration method. The property is currently enrolled in the CAUV program. Any recoupment required for change of usage of any tract is expense of the buyer. **ZONING:** The properties are zoned RA & RT and are under the control of the Clay Township Zoning Department. **PROPERTY INSPECTION:** Each potential Bidder is responsible for conducting, at their own risk, their own independent inspections, investigations, inquiries & due diligence concerning the property. The inspection date has been scheduled & will be staffed w/ auction personnel. Further, Seller disclaims any & all responsibility for Bidder's safety during any physical inspection of the property. No party shall be deemed an invitee of the property by virtue of the offering of the property for sale. **ACREAGE:** All acreages, dimensions & proposed boundaries are approx. & have been estimated based on current legal description and/or aerial photos. **SURVEY:** A new survey has been completed. If the Tracts all sell to one buyer, the farm will stay as one parcel. If the buyer request to use the survey as separate parcels the buyer will pay for half of survey. If the farm sells to multiple buyers the survey will be recorded as 3 separate parcel number with the seller paying for the survey. Any need for a new survey shall be determined solely by the Seller. **EASEMENTS & LEASES:** Sale of the property is subject to any and all easements of record. Tract#2 Will sell with 3 easements. 2 Drainage Easements & 1 Driveway easement. **AGENCY:** Bussey Bros. Auctioneers & EB Real Estate its representatives are exclusive agents of the Seller. **DISCLAIMER & ABSENCE OF WARRANTIES:** All info contained in this brochure & all related materials are subject to the terms & conditions outlined in the Purchase Agreement. The property is being sold on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis, & no warranty or representation, either expressed or implied, concerning the property is made by the Seller or the Auction Company. All sketches & dimensions in the brochure are approx. Each potential bidder is responsible for conducting his or her own independent inspections, investigations, inquiries & due diligence concerning the property. The info contained in this brochure is subject to verification by all parties relying on it. No liability for its accuracy, errors or omissions is assumed by the Seller or the Auction Company. The conduct of the auction & increments of bidding are at the direction & discretion of the Auctioneer. The Seller & Selling Agents reserve the right to preclude any person from bidding if there is any question as to the person's credentials, fitness, etc. All decisions of the Auctioneer are final. **ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE THE DAY OF THE SALE TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER PRINTED MATERIAL OR ANY OTHER ORAL STATEMENTS MADE.**

REX & ANNETTE STEWART FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION

FRIDAY- DEC. 5TH 2025 @ 10:30 AM EST

1897 Karr Rd Arcanum, Ohio 45304

PREVIEW: DEC. 4th. 2025 8AM- 5PM

NO ONSITE BUYER FEES

ABSOLUTE AUCTION



TRACTORS: 2011 John Deere 9430 tractor-2,705 hrs, 4 remotes, cab, heat/air, radio, articulating, 2nd owner, This tractor is in excellent condition and has been very meticulously maintained, SN#1RW9430PLBP023487; 2017 8245R tractor-2,128 hrs, powershift transmission, 4 remotes, 1000 PTO, quick hitch, rear duals, front fenders, LED lights, cab, heat/air, radio, This tractor is in excellent condition and has been very well maintained, This tractor will be used this fall in harvest so hours will go up slightly. SN#1RW8245RCHP121210; 2004 John Deere 8120 tractor-4,418 hrs, powershift transmission, 4 remotes, 1000 PTO, rear duals, front fenders, quick hitch, cab, heat/air, radio, JD link, this tractor is in excellent condition and has been very well maintained, This tractor will be used this fall in harvest so hours will go up slightly. SN#RW8120P022809; **COMBINE:** 2019 John Deere S760 Combine, 1,415 Engine Hours, 1,104 Separator Hours, Floater Tires, 2wd, power folding grain extensions, fore, aft, lateral tilt feeder house, single point hookup, Active Vision Camera, 4600 display center, Combine advisor package, grain and tailings cameras, Auto guidance ready, 333 Hp engine, beacon lights, Runs and Operates Well Maintained One Owner Machine, Hours will go up slightly will be used for 2025 harvest, SN#1H0S760SKK0805120; **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#1H00C8RXLMO815279; **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; **SPRAYERS:** 2004 John Deere 4710 sprayer-2,443 hrs, 100FT. booms, 800 gallon stainless steel tank, hydrostatic transmission, side fill, SN#N04710X0006367; **HEADER CARTS:** 2018 J&M 4WS15 All Steer Header Cart, 38ft long lights, adjustable feet and adjustable, rail light, 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, Scale with Scale Head, 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; **SEMI TRAILER:** 2019 Timpte Super Hopper 40Ft Long, 68 inch sides, 24 inch hopper clearance, aluminum wheels, power tarp, clean well maintained trailer. VIN#1TDH40027KB162160; **SEMI:** 1999 Kenworth T800 614,611mi. Caterpillar Engine, 8 Speed Transmission, Heat, Air, Radio, wet kit, aluminum wheels, adjustable fifth wheel, Runs and Operates, VIN#1XKDDB9X6XJ797607; **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; **GRAVITY WAGONS:** Killbros 385 Gravity wagon mounted on Killbros 1386 running gear, 385 bushel, front ladder, lights, Shur Lok Roll Tarp, Rear hitch, 385/65R22.5 Tires; Killbros 385 Gravity Wagon, Side discharge, Rainbow Industries Roll Tarp, Front Ladder Rear Hitch, lights; Rotary Mowers: Bush Hog 296 Rotary Mower 3 point mount, 540 PTO, rear wheel, SN: 12-06378; GPS Receivers: Starfire 6000 Receiver with SF 1 activation; John Deere Starfire 6000 Receiver with RTK Activation; **MOWER:** Husqvarna PZT60 Zero Turn Mower, Hours unverified, ROPS, 60 inch deck, Hydro trans, Runs and Operates, SN# 021315F001344; **PUMPS:** Briggs and Stratton Gas Powered Pump; Rate Controllers: Raven SCS440 Rate Controller with nozzels, and plugs; Storage Tanks: (2) 2,500 Gallon Poly Tanks; 1600 Gallon Poly Tank, center top fill, 2 inch outlet; 1,550 Gallon Poly Tank; 60 Gallon Inductor tank; (2) 30 Gallon Inductor Tanks; 15 Gallon Inductor Tank; 2,000 Gallon Double Wall Fuel Tank, with pump; 1,000 Gallon Fuel Tank, with pump; 100 Gallon Fuel Transfer Tank With 12 Volt Pump; MISC. 8Ft Meyers Snow Plow, Scraper Blade; **AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** Rex and Annette are retiring after 47 years of farming. This auction features an outstanding line up of John Deere Equipment that has meticulously maintained. Join Us Live or Online For this Absolute Farm Equipment Liquidation at 10:30 AM Friday December 5th. **PREVIEW DATES:** December 3rd, 2:00-6:00 & December 4th, 9:00-6:00



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2-DAY MATTIX FARM EQUIP. RETIREMENT AUCTION

LATE MODEL EQUIPMENT & SHOP SUPPLIES (THANKSGIVING WEEKEND)

FRI., NOV. 28 @ 9:00 AM / SAT., NOV. 29, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

Location: 7499 Wildcat Pike, New Bloomington, OH 43341. 3 mi. N. of New Bloomington, 3 mi. S.W. of Meeker, 10 mi. W. of Marion, 15 mi. E. of Kenton, 16 mi. S. of Upper Sandusky, 44 mi. E. of Lima, 60 mi. N.W. of Columbus.

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Owners are retiring from their lifelong successful farming career and have closed out M&W Farm Supply business.

Come join us in celebrating Brad's retirement from his lifelong farming career. This will be a massive 2-day live auction event featuring a wide selection of late model, well maintained farm equipment, tools, and inventory. Live on-site w/ online bidding available both days. Do not panic, we will have The Big Game on a large screen for Day 2! Free hotdogs available compliments of Ben Higgins Realty & Auction Co. LLC. Do not miss this incredible event!

PREVIEW DATE: Friday, November 21 from 9:00 AM-2:00 PM.

LOADING: Available compliments of Dave & Steven Mattix & Lust Brothers Farms. **Watch for farmland auction coming soon!*

DAY 1 - FRIDAY, NOV. 28, 2025 @ 9:00 AM:

Selling in catalogue order with Big Screen Projector inside shop with seating available. Many good brand tools by Milwaukee, Dewalt, Bosch, Porter Cable, Craftsman, Gearwrench, Mastercraft, John Deere, etc. with sev. multiples of each tool

QUALITY SHOP TOOLS (OVER 525 LOTS):

Lots of asst. ratchets, sockets, wrenches up to 2" in standard and metric; sev. pipe wrenches, chisels, punches, tap & dies, hammers, air tools, pry bars, gear pullers, snap ring pliers, brooms, organizers, measuring tapes up to 300"; over (15) Milwaukee 18V. grease guns, drills, angle grinders, torque wrenches, hole saws, Raytek infrared thermo, taps; Snap-On load tester, allen wrenches, nut drivers, ratchet straps; acetylene torch gauges, cart, & heads; wire cutters & pliers, channel locks; Napa 10 ton port. ram; log chains up to 30"; screwdrivers; Milwaukee 14" cut off saw; sev. drill bits; Pitts. trans. jack; Maddox 5 gal. air bead seater; Bosch Bulldog Extreme-Max hammer drill; Milwaukee band saw; Thermal Dynamics Cutmaster 52 plasma cutter; Kobalt 20 gal & 50 gal. air compressors, ¾" & ½" hose reels; Crafts. hightop table & stools; JD 71 3 pt. 1-row planter; Stihl FS90R weed trimmer; Pioneer & Nachurs thermos.; pr. Agri-Gold stools; Viking 20' 2 ga. jumper cables; shop fans; LP White Guardian propane shop heater; Dyna-Glo Deluxe prof. grade 650,000 btu heater, ran on dsl.; sev. Werner fiber. step ladders; rivet guns; levels; DeWALT 18V. tools; Milwaukee M18 new grinder; Carlyle 10 ton port. ram ki sev. 50' & 100' ext. cords; Pittsburg 2 ton compact trolley jack (new); Emerson 220 24,000 lb. high lift jack; Shop Vacs; (2) Stihl SR450 backpack foggers (like new); Milwaukee & DeWALT batteries & chargers; Milw. ½" sq-ring impact wrench; Milw. ½" hammer drill; fire extinguishers; vise grips; Conn. 30 ton shop press; 2" gas trash pump; Banjo 2" transfer pump w/Honda motor; (6) Crafts. 6-14 drw. rolling tool chests; S.M.V. signs; come-alongs; chain hoists, 3-6 ton jack stands; bottle jacks; 2 bumper hitch vises; sev. 2" receiver hitches & balls; 53 gal. plastic toolboxes; tarp straps, clamps and many, many more tools used for an operation of this size. Please see our website & upload catalogue with pics. & lot numbers & selling order. **THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN NEW SHOP & AG. SUPPLIES:** Sev. electrical supplies and connectors; lots of asst. petroleum & synthetic oils; Napa wiper blades; hyd. & def. cans, u-bolts; clamps; zip-ties; chain lube; brake fluids; antifreeze; lube; cleaners; spray paint, glass cleaners, asst. hardware; bearings; filters; hand cleaners, battery terminals & cleaners; impl. paint; Hy-Guard; exhaust repair tubing; airlines; fuel treatments; 2 & 4 WD ball joint service kit & coil springs; roller chain breakers & No. 50 roller chain; wire brushes; fly traps, bait & rodent poison; John Deere Cool-Guard detailing supplies; P.B. blaster; O-ring field kits; roll bins, lynch pins; trans fluid; rivets; light bulbs; marking flags; starter fluid; chain hooks; respirators; work lights; Banjo clamps; JD grease fittings and so much more! **PALLET RACKING-SHELVING UNITS-BOLT BINS:** Over 106' of nice pallet racking 8-9' sections; over (12) metal shelving racks 6' tall & 4'-6' wide; (10) Fastenal bolt organizers w/hardware; Bowling Alley top workbench 11"x44"; lg. vintage green wood bolt bin from Old Schwadder Oliver Impl. LaRue, OH.; heavy duty steel stock rack. **WELDING EQUIP.:** Miller Matic 251 wire welder & cart; welding wire; 40"x43" welding table; welder ext. cords; helmets, gloves, blanket & supplies; torch cart w/hoses & heads; torch gauges.

DAY 2 - SAT. NOV. 29, 2025 @ 9:00 AM: AUCTION NOTE: All miles and hrs. are pre-hvest! Download a full catalogue for selling order on our website. **COMBINE-HEADERS & GRAIN CARTS:** • '24 JD X9 1000, 36" rubber tracks, JD signature cab., Gen 5 display w/extended monitor, 750/65R26 rear tires, only 224 eng. hrs./sep. 172 hrs., updated chopper, SN.1H0X910XLRB830457 • '24 JD RD45F Hydraflex draper, extra cutter bar, used 3,700 ac., SN.1H0RD-45FCRW0830323 • '24 JD C18R, 20", only 1,100 ac., SN.1HOC18RX-AR0830079 • Unverferth AWS 48' header cart, SN.A68770146 • Unverferth AWS 36' header cart, SN.A68260324 • Unverferth 1319 Xtreme grain cart, 42" tracks, equalizer track suspension, elect. tarp, folding auger, 4 directional rotating spout, scales, unloading camera view, partial auto greaser. **TRACTORS:** • '24 JD 9RX 640, Ultimate Comfort Cab Package. Gen 5 display w/extended monitor. 6 SCV., 2 pwr. beyond ports, front & rear camera, heated, cooling & massag-ing seat, Apple/Android Carplay, complete frt. weights, only 295 hrs., SN.1RW9640DARJ825670 • (5) '24 JD 9RX 540, Ultimate Comfort Cab package, Gen 5 display w/extended mon., 6 SCV., 2 pwr. beyond ports, front & rear camera, heated, cooling & massaging seat, Apple/Android Carplay, 36" tracks, individual hrs. below: • 107.7 hrs.,

SN.1RW9540DKRJ825682 • 157.7 hrs., SN. 1RW9540DARJ825820 • 163 hrs., SN.1RW9540DVRJ825511 • 347 hrs., SN.1RW9540D-VRJ825816 • 382 hrs., SN.1RW9540DHRJ825836 • '24 JD 6130M, 16/4 spd., power shift, F.W.A., 3 pt., 3 SCV., 18 frt. wts., 20/70R 24 frts., 480/70R 38 rears, only 46 hrs., SN.1L06130MKRK422202 • '81 JD 4640, C/H/A, quad range, 18.4R 42" duals, 16 frt. & wheel wts., 3 hyds. power beyond, 3,512 hrs. on eng., 10,000 total hrs., SN.022783RW. **(2) SKID LOADERS-(2) DOZERS-BACKHOE-SOIL PAN-FORKLIFT-ATTACH'S:** • '21 JD 332G, C/H/A, air ride seat, heated seat, backup camera, iso controls, no bkt., 50.2 hrs., SN.1T0332GMLMF408872 • '21 JD 330G, C/H/A, air ride seat, ISO & H controls, no bkt., 171 hrs., SN.1T0330GKCMF407140 • Komatsu D37E-5 Dozer, 6-way blade, joystick controls, shows 1,464 hrs., rops, 16" pads, SN.3957 • '87 Cat D6H rops w/sweep, dozer, 4-way blade w/hydr. tilt, high track 25" pads, 12' 6" blade, shows 1,014 hrs., SN.GFC00541 • 12' root rake, pin on, off Cat D6 • '93 Ford 575D T/L/B, cab., 4wd, 88" bkt., 20" digging bkt., DF1Q1Z, SN. A422938 • Reynolds 17C pul scraper w/hitch, fits Case IH • Clark propane fork-lift CGC25, 3 stage mast, 5,299 hrs., SN.C365L-0317-9394FB • (2) JD BP84C Q.T. pickup brooms for skid loader, like new, SN.1T0BP-84CAM0000212 & SN.1T0BP84CLN0000472 • Backhoe bkt. forks • HLA by Hurst 33.3 cu. ft. Q.T. bkt., for skid loader • JM 80" Q.T. rock bkt., for skid loader • (2) JD C78 construct. bkts. • Spectra Precision Laserplane 1145, trimble control system • (New) Rockland RL2 6.5 cu. yd. payloader bkt., 108" w, fits Komatsu WA380. **UTILITY VEHICLES-(2) SNOWMOBILES:** • '23 Kubota RTV X1120 dsl., 4wd, p.s., elect. dump, roof, half doors, rear hitch, bedliner, 151 hrs./1029 mi., VIN#A5KF1GDBKPG040488 • '12 Polaris RZR 800 EFI, 1,367 mi., rebuilt motor and very few miles driven since. w/cover, VIN#4XAVH76A7CB595713 • Kubota RTV900, dsl., 4wd, roll bar, elect. dump, shows 2,990 hrs., VIN#KRTV900A51045417 • (2) 2023 Skidoo Renegade BXP4 600 R, heated grips, additional accessories, 14.3 hrs. & 15.4 hrs., VIN#2BPSBXPA4PV000469 & VIN#2BPSBX-PA8PV000295. **SERVICE TRUCKS-WELDER:** • '22 Kenworth T-370, Paccar L9330 eng., 8.9L, 330 hp, Allison auto. trans., IMT CAS80r air comp., Miller Bobcat welder/generator 85 hrs., 8" Wilton vise, IMT 12,000 lb. crane w/ remote & hyd. outriggers, air ride, 13'9" Q.T. bed, 22.5 alum. buds, 48,310 mi. /2,330 hrs., VIN#2NKHJ7X-9NM487129 • '07 GMC 4500 4x4 Duramax dsl., auto. trans., Knapheide service body., 144,768 mi., VIN#1GBE4E3977F422604 • Miller Trailblazer 302 Air Pak generator/welder/air comp/batt. charger, 30 hp. **SEMI TRUCKS:** • '18 Mack Pinnacle day cab, M-Drive auto. trans., Mack MP8 12.8L eng., 445 hp, dual wet kit, air leaf susp., air ride cab., 22.5 rubber, alum. buds, 490,440 mi., VIN#1M1AW07Y-3JM085991 • '16 Mack Pinnacle day cab, M-Drive auto. trans., Mack MP8 12.8L eng., 505 hp, dual wet kit, air leaf susp., air ride cab., 22.5 rubber, alum. buds, 318,966 mi., VIN#1M1AW07Y7GM056793 • '16 Mack Pinnacle day cab, M-Drive auto. trans., Mack MP8 12.8L eng., 445 hp, dual wet kit, air leaf susp., air ride cab., 22.5 rubber, alum. buds, 480,382 mi., VIN#1M1AW09Y1GM058374 • '16 Mack Pinnacle day cab, M-Drive auto. trans., Mack MP8 12.8L eng., 505 hp, dual wet kit, air leaf susp., air ride cab., 22.5 rubber, alum. buds, 542,537 mi., VIN#1M1AW09Y8GM010726 • '00 Freightliner day cab, Meritor 10 spd. trans., Cat C12 eng., hi-pressure wet kit, airliner susp., air ride cab, 541,716 mi., VIN#1FUJ3WEB5YLB77754 • '00 Freightliner Century Class day cab, Eaton Fuller 10 spd. trans., Cat C12 eng., airliner susp., 439,571 mi., VIN#1FUYSWEB6YLB77247 • Misc. parts for the above. **PORTABLE LOADING DOCK:** • Innovative Custom Fabricators DR-Pro-70-30 portable dock - 30,000 lbs. GVW. **TRAILERS (HOPPERS-DUMPS-TANKER-EQUIPMENT):** • (3) '12 Wilson 42" L x 66" T x 96" W, grain hoppers, upgraded roll tarp & doors to Thunder 6000 elect. controls, w/remote for tarps/doors, alum. buds, 24.5 rubber, spring susp. • '95 Wilson 39' L x 66" T x 96" W, grain hopper, upgraded roll tarp & doors to Thunder 7000 elect. controls, w/remote for tarps/doors, 24.5 rubber, spring susp., alum. buds • (2) '21 Trail Star alum. dump 32' L x 84" H x 102" W tandem axle w/drop, liner, flip tarp • (2) '20 Trail Star alum. dump 32' L x 84" H x 102" W tandem axle w/drop, liner, flip tarp • '75 Polar 5000 gal. stainless tanker, baffles, new Honda pump • Homemade Tri-Axle, bumper pull, 218" L x 75.5" W, selling w/bill of sale • '94 CZE Trailer-Pintle 20' L x 102" W, 5' self cleaning tail, tandem axle w/duals, spring loaded folding ramps • '21 Fuel Pro 900 gal. w/Honda eng. for dsl. & 12V def pump, 90 gal. def tank • '13 Thundercreek Fuel 700 gal. Briggs & Stratton eng. & 12V def pump, 130 gal. def tank, rear

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Tractor, Tools, Antiques
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Farm Toy Collection Auction
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Antiques, Collectibles, Estates
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DAY 1

November 13th @ 5:30pm CST

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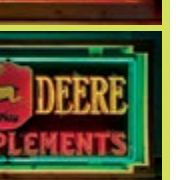
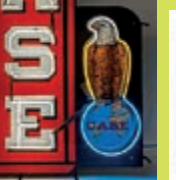
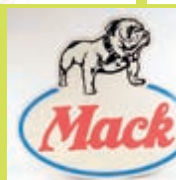
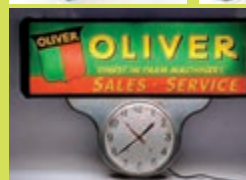
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Some USDA reports released as government shutdown continues

Frustration continues in our nation's capital and around the country as the government shutdown remained in place this week, even impacting airline flights. It was announced that food aid for the 42 million Americans dependent on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) would be partially funded after two judges ruled that USDA contingency funds must be used. President Donald Trump however stated on Truth Social that the SNAP benefits "will be given only when the Radical Left Democrats open up the government and not before." The Senate returned to Washington on Monday but did not schedule another vote on the issue as we reached what has become the longest shutdown ever.

The USDA said it will publish a few of its regular reports, despite the shutdown. The September Milk Production report will be issued Nov. 10, and the Crop Production and World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates will be released Nov. 14. The Dairy Products report, which would have been issued this week was not.

The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments this week regarding the legality of Trump's tariffs. The case is being closely watched and could have huge implications for global trade and U.S. policy. Meanwhile, trade talks with Canada have not been rescheduled since the furor over a Canadian financed TV ad campaign prompted Trump to end the talks. Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney apologized for the campaign.

The USDA announced the October Federal order Class III milk price at \$16.91 per hundredweight, down 68 cents from September, \$5.94 below October 2024, and the lowest Class III price since April 2024. That put the 10-month Class III average at \$18.31, down from \$18.82 a year ago, and compares to \$17.10 in 2023.

Wednesday's Class III futures settlements had the November price at \$17.09; December, \$17.02; January, \$16.53; February, \$16.50; and March at \$16.62.

The October Class IV price is \$14.30, down \$1.87 from September, \$6.60 below a year ago, and the lowest Class IV since March 2021. Its 10-month average stands at \$18.11, down from \$20.71 a year ago and compares to \$18.93 in 2023.

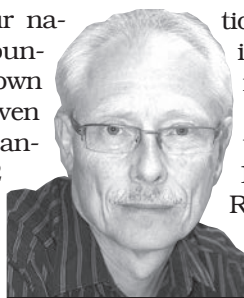
"Dairy margins were flat to weaker over the last half of October as higher milk prices and an increase in the feed markets were largely offsetting," says the latest Margin Watch (MW) from Chicago-based Commodity and Ingredient Hedging LLC.

"While the milk market was higher, this was only in Class 3 futures while ongoing weakness in butter caused Class 4 to sell off. Butter prices have reached a four-year low with the spot CME market dropping to \$1.545 per pound to reach the lowest price since early 2021.

"Increased butterfat in milk tests combined with rising global milk output has depressed butter prices both in the U.S. and other markets and U.S. producer milk checks in most federal orders," the MW stated. "The Class 3 market caught a bid though as several U.S. cheese plants experienced production issues recently that reduced cheese production during October.

"Both mozzarella and Cheddar barrel production was well below expected output due to unplanned disruptions for maintenance and compliance. USDA's Dairy Market News mentioned downtime in each of its last five weekly reports during October, also noting that spot Cheddar barrel inventories were 'somewhat tight.'"

Rabobank's latest dairy report looked at consumer trends, animal protein, and dairy production. It stated, "Food infla-



**MIELKE MARKET
WEEKLY**
By Lee Mielke

tion continues to outpace overall inflation, and restaurants are feeling the pressure, with nine straight quarters of declining traffic." Speaking in the Nov. 10 Dairy Radio now broadcast, Rabobank senior dairy analyst Lucas Fuess said there continues to be signs of stress by consumers at retail as well as restaurants, though some are doing well.

Grocery store sales in key dairy products are still tending higher, according to Fuess, as dairy is an affordable form of protein, especially when compared to other protein sources. U.S. beef prices are at multi-year highs, he said, due to the U.S. herd being at the lowest level in decades, a result of higher feed costs and draught the past few years. The USDA's all-fresh beef price reached a record \$9.18 per pound in August, according to Rabobank, and U.S. cattle slaughter from January through September was down 1.5 million head, or 7 percent from a year ago.

"Pork prices also remain well ahead of year-ago levels and the five-year average, with cutout values of \$109 per cwt. are averaging 15 percent above last year. Chicken production continues to outpace year-ago levels, and prices are down sharply in recent weeks, with boneless breast meat prices now 27 percent below year-ago levels.

"Crop producers are also under pressure," says Rabobank. "Corn stakeholders are pushing for year-round use to boost ethanol demand, while soybean surpluses are increasing reliance on proposed biodiesel mandates to absorb excess supply.

"August milk production increased 3.2 percent versus the prior year, and at 9.52 million cows, the herd size is now the largest since the mid-1990s. July total dairy exports were up 7 percent year over year, and cheese is on track for a record year," says Rabobank. We'll get September data next week.

Cash block Cheddar dropped 10.25 cents Monday and 1.75 cents Tuesday, dipping to \$1.6475 per pound, lowest CME price since September 26, but it closed Thursday morning at \$1.66. It finished Friday at \$1.7675 and a year ago at \$1.72. The barrels fell to \$1.70 Tuesday, lowest since Sept. 30, and were holding there Thursday, after closing Friday at \$1.8050 and \$1.7675 a year ago.

HighGround Dairy's "Monday Morning Huddle" warned: "Given the heavy

milk volumes and new cheese capacity, it seems unlikely that the (previous) price increases were due to supply constraints, other than the seasonal troughs in milk production in October and November. Cheese prices tend to increase in third and fourth quarter due to increased demand from the holidays and football season.

"Prices could maintain these levels a bit longer, but the team at HighGround expects declines at the tail end of 2025 into early 2026, as demand wanes and the Northern Hemisphere flush kicks up."

StoneX says. "Fresh Cheddar was likely in good demand short term as some final holiday buying and exports were getting booked but that has since waned. Markets expected that demand to pull back and continue to be weighed down by strong milk production expectations."

Central region cheesemakers told Dairy Market News that retail and food

service sales are steady, but some note lighter demand compared to a year ago. Milk production is steady, but some cheesemakers say strong demand from Class I processors was reducing spot availability. Some cheesemakers were still down for maintenance and were selling spot milk to nearby processors. Demand for Class III milk was somewhat light as cheesemakers have sufficient volumes internally. Class III prices ranged from \$2-under to \$1.50-over Class at mid-week.

Western Cheese manufacturers are receiving contractual volumes of milk and spot loads are available. Unplanned production downtime and a few plants yet to run at full capacity contributed to the week's situation. Cheese production varies from lighter to steady. Domestic demand is reported as steady, but not robust. Sellers generally convey sentiment that the approaching November holiday will strengthen demand for cheese over the next few weeks.

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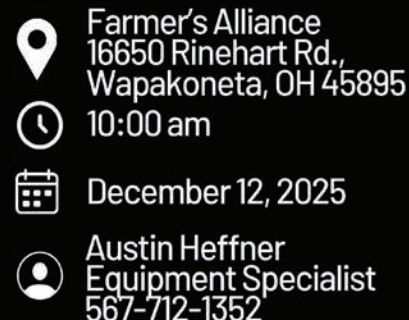
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Horse Sense: Even my horse knows, "wrong is wrong."



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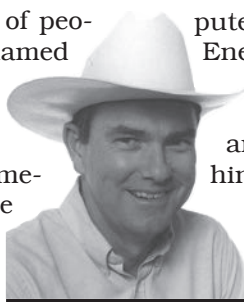
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Satisfaction comes with staying home, doing things the same way as always

I belong to that fraternity of people known as “stickers” so named because we tend to stay put and do the same old thing in the same old way. Whereas the average American homeowner stays in their house 11.8 years, my wife and I have lived in a house we had built 40 years ago.

Ranchers and farmers know what I’m talking about. Practically every rancher I know is the third, fourth or fifth generation to live on the same ranch. I’ve known two ranchers who were born and died in the same bed. While my wife and I can’t make that claim I am a fifth generation Californian and the last of my family to live here. I know it’s the trend and we should leave California like the smart people are doing, but we’re just not built that way. I’m a little angry at the Californians who are giving up and leaving so they can go mess up some other state instead of staying here and putting up a good fight against the communists and socialists who have ruined my once golden state. That was before we were overrun by illegal aliens, lefty professors, government bureaucrats, the homeless, whack-job Hollywood types and rich nerds who sit at com-



It's THE PITTS
By Lee Pitts

puters all day drinking Five Hour Energy drinks and Mountain Dew who’ve made their pile of dough, bought their yacht and pulled up the ladder behind them.

I can’t help it, I get attached to things, like my wife. Last year we celebrated 50 years of marriage and we commemorated the occasion by going to the same Mexican restaurant we always do. Our last truck we owned for 25 years and our current car, a Buick Lucerne, is the best car we’ve ever owned. It’s 18 years old now, has never had a major mechanical problem, has 70,000 miles on its speedometer and when washed and waxed looks brand new. Since my stroke five years ago, I can’t drive so we tend to stay home and we’re satisfied. That’s a word you

don’t hear much any more... satisfied.

It used to be that the only person who liked change was a wet baby but now it seems our society can’t change fast enough. Look around and you’ll see dying downtowns replaced by big box stores and Amazon. In my younger years a family could have a nice house, a nice car and a nice life with only one wage earner but now it takes two people working multiple jobs just to stay afloat. They’re only one injury or sickness away from bankruptcy. And this we call progress?

When my wife and I got married we were broke but hard work quickly corrected that. Stickers tend to be savers. We still bank at a real bank, I don’t know how Bitcoin or an ATM works, we have one credit card, pay it off every month and we have zero debt. We started out with nothing and were able to buy our first home at 24

years of age and paid it off within five years with both of us working. Today we find kids still living at home at 26, unemployed with a huge student loan to pay off. They are sad and mad and they rebel by assassinating good people who are just trying to help.

Stickers are loyal. We buy the same brands of food we ate when we were kids, use the same old tools, and buy the same gas. Some might look at my wife and I in our old, comfortable and familiar clothes and call us misers or dinosaurs, but we’re not opposed to change, but only if it’s a change for the better. You can get hurt out there on the cutting edge.

And you know what? We love our happy home and the way we live. It may not be perfect but it’s home and we have no intention of ever leaving except in a hearse or a body bag.

Jerry Joe Eckrote Sr. (1951-2025)

Jerry Joe Eckrote Sr., 74, passed away peacefully at home Oct. 30, 2025. Eckrote was born in New Castle Aug. 1, 1951, to Joe and Helen Eckrote, of New Castle. He married Darlene Smith June 30, 1971, and she survives.

Eckrote graduated from Highland High School in 1969. He was a lifelong farmer beginning in 1967 and milked and raised Brown Swiss cows for over 50 years and later retired to farm near Akron. He also operated a custom hay and straw business. He enjoyed driving the Amish and took them on many trips, as well as driving their children to and from school each day. He was a Fulton County 4-H leader for the Burton Hot Shots 4-H Club and a 4-H Council Member. One of his accomplishments was starting the dairy judging teams for Fulton County.

His greatest accomplishment was his family. Surviving besides his wife are his children: Jerry Jr. (Amy), and Jeffrey (Michele). Surviving grandchildren are: Emma (Daniel Musselman) Eckrote, Lane (Jackie) Eckrote, Lucretia (Marissa) Eckrote, Benson Eckrote, Jeffrey Jr. (Alexandria) Eckrote, Sarah (Noah) Martin and Anna (Lincoln) Wildermuth. He is also survived by one sister, Sandra Sidwell, of Pendleton, and one brother Jerald (Kris) Eckrote, of Pendleton, and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his best buddy and favorite sister-in-law Mary Smith and sister-in-law Cheryl Wise. He was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Helen Eckrote, a sister Beverla Tuterow, and sister-in-law Donna Aleman.

Calling was at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester, on Nov. 6. The funeral was at Pleasant Hill Church, 242 West Pleasant Hill Road, Akron, on Nov. 7; Pastor Wayne Balmer officiated. Burial was in the Bockover Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to The Macy Food Pantry, C/O Amy Eckrote, 14439 N. 100 W., Macy, IN 46951 or Pleasant Hill Church, 242 West Pleasant Hill Road, Akron, IN 46910.

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- Saturday 11/29 @ 9am - ONLINE ONLY AUCTION - Vehicles, Tractors, Farm & Construction Equipment, Trailers, Municipal & School Surplus items and MORE
- Sunday 11/30 @ 7pm ONLINE ONLY TOY AUCTION - Featuring hundreds of toy trucks and farm toys
- Sunday 11/30 - 9am-5pm - Payment and pickup for items purchased on 11/29
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Finding the perfect dredge to cook fish in wasn't easy

Many years ago, I became frustrated with the choices of “Professional Dredges” on the market. It seemed everything I bought was overpriced, over spiced, too strong or too coarse. Facing only discouragement in the supermarket aisles, I rolled up my sleeves and began to tinker with creating a homemade dredge suiting my cooking desires.

I wanted something which coated well, wasn't too coarse, gave some crispiness and wasn't over spiced. After a lot of trial and error, I came up with a dredge with low-cost ingredients readily available in the local supermarket. It took a lot of frying fish, chicken and seafood to get there, but I finally compiled a recipe suiting all my needs.

I combine in thirds – one pound each of enriched white cornmeal, enriched flour and corn starch along with a small amount of garlic powder and onion powder. With the primary ingredients sold in 5-pound or 1-pound amounts, I make a little over 15 pounds of dredge at a time. It sounds like a lot, but it goes quicker than you would think.

Using a kitchen counter scale, I weigh out 1 pound of enriched white cornmeal, 1 pound of enriched flour and combine with a 1-pound package of cornstarch. To this I add 2 ounces (four tablespoons) of onion powder and 2 ounces (four tablespoons) of garlic powder. Using a large kitchen whisk, I mix the ingredients thoroughly and bag in plastic freezer bags. I try to fill about a quart of the dredge per bag. Stashed in the freezer, the dredge lasts for years.

The combined and mixed ingredients make an excellent “wet” or “dry” dredge.

For fried chicken, I like to liberally coat the chicken pieces in Frank's Hot Sauce and roll and well coat the chicken pieces in the custom dredge. When the chicken is fried to a golden brown in 320-degree Canola or Peanut oil, it is delicious. The hot sauce doesn't add any heat or spice but imparts a delicious layer of flavor. The Frank's beats an extended soaking in buttermilk.

For fish, I simply roll the damp pieces of fish in the dredge before frying at 320 degrees.

For shrimp, I dip them in the dry dredge, and then dip them in a wet dredge made of the custom ingredients and beer or ginger ale. I make the wet dredge just a little runnier than pancake batter. Don't overcook... I usually fry ours about four minutes depending on the size of the shrimp.

For onion rings, I let the rings set in an ice-water bath for an hour or so; drain and partially dry them and cover them with the dry dredge. Dusting off the excess, I dip the rings into the same wet dredge I mentioned for the shrimp and fry at 320 degrees until golden brown.

As with all fried foods, salt to taste while still hot and make sure you have made plenty!

Tree news from the DNR

A swamp chestnut oak tree in Jennings County has been recognized as the largest of the species in the country by the National Champion Tree program, with a height of 95 feet, a circumference of 318 inches, and a canopy spread of 118 feet.

The record swamp chestnut oak is on the family farm owned by Richard and Kris Schepman outside of Crothersville. Recently, Gov. Mike Braun and Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) leaders presented the Schepmans with a certificate recognizing their family's stewardship of this impressive tree.

“Over the last century, Indiana's for-

ested land has substantially grown as a result of Hoosiers' conservation work and responsible stewardship,” Braun said. “The Schepman family and private landowners across the state deserve high praise for their commitment to growing healthy trees like this giant in Jennings County, which I hope continues to stand tall for generations of future Hoosiers to enjoy.”

The DNR Division of Forestry, which maintains a list of Indiana's largest known trees of each of the state's native species, notified the national program of the tree, and its record score of 442.5, which is the tree's height (feet), circumference (inches), and canopy spread (feet, multiplied by 0.25) added together.

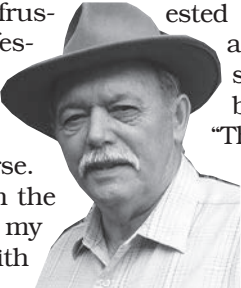
According to the U.S. Forest Service, the swamp chestnut oak is native to “the Atlantic Coastal Plain from New Jersey and extreme eastern Pennsylvania, south to north Florida, and west to east Texas; it is found north in the Mississippi River Valley to extreme southeast Oklahoma, Arkansas, southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, southern Indiana, and locally to southeast Kentucky and eastern Tennessee.”

The tree is on private property, so it is not available for public viewing.

‘till next time,
Jack

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WOODBURN FARMLAND AUCTION

Monday, December 1 • 6pm

64[±] acres Offered in 4 Tracts



• Productive Tillable Soils • Potential Building Sites • Public Sewer & Public Water Available

AUCTION LOCATION: The Woodburn Community Center, 22651 Main St, Woodburn, IN 46797
PROPERTY LOCATION: 16± Acres Located Along Woodburn Rd, & Adjacent to N Roussey Rd Cul De Sac (North of US 24). 48± Acres Located Off of S Roussey Rd (South of US 24, Access This Parcel Via Slusher Rd to Roussey Rd).

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SAT., NOV. 22nd, 2025 @ 10:00 A.M.
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Collectibles ~ Glassware ~ Household Items ~ Kitchen Cupboard Items ~ C-I Dinner Bell
Several Hand & Power Tools ~ Garage-Lawn Items ~ Scag Commercial Diesel Zero Turn Mower w/61" Mowing Deck (recently serviced) ~ Bumper Hitch Single Axle Utility Trailer
5' King Kutter 3Pt. Tiller

Craftsman roll around toolboxes, Kennedy stack toolbox, Ryobi & Craftsman pressure washers, Champi-on 6,000W generator, Several wrenches-sockets-hammers & hand tools, 2-Up-right air compressors, Wil-ton bench vise & other vises, Air tools, Pull type lawn trailers-sweeper-yard roller, 2-Wooden cubby hole shelving units, Work benches, Modern wicker patio set, Large bin organizer w/bins & hardware, Apart-ment style refrigerator, we will be updating our website, several unlisted & uncataloged items selling!

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– FARM MACHINERY SALE –

Located 2 miles west of Kentland, IN on U.S. 24 to Jct. S.R. 71 & U.S. 24, south 5 miles to 600 N. and west to 1000 W. and 1/2 mile south to sale site; 5493 N. 1000 W., Earl Park, IN, on

EARL PARK, INDIANA

SAT., NOV. 22, 2025, 11:00 AM EST (Indianapolis Time)

- TRACTORS - VEHICLES -

1968 IH 656 hydro, gas, WF, 3-pt., 18.4x30 tires, SN 11640, shows 4374 hours with Bush Hog 2845 Quick Tach loader
1963 Farmall 806 gas, 3-pt., WF, 18.4x34 tires, dual hyd., shows 4681 hrs., ROPS bar, 1000 & 54 PTO, SN 10080
1963 Wheatland IH 706 gas, 18.4x30 rear tires, w/Wheat-land WF, fenders, 3-pt., shows 4997 hrs., SN 540
2010 Ford Explorer, 4WD, cloth interior, 203,000 mi.
1956 Farmall 350, NF, gas, TA, 13.6x38 tires, fenders, single renote, SN 7745
1990 Ford Econoline 150 van w/handicap ready, 48,000 mi.
1994 Ford E350 18' camper, 460, Class C, sleeps 6
Hyster Challenger 50 forklift, 4-cyl., 5,000-lb. cap.

- MACHINERY -

Brillion 5-shank V ripper, 3-pt.
John Deere Model 609 3-pt. mower
Kewanee Model 200, 3-pt. blade, 9' hyd. angle
IH 55 pull-type 10-shank chisel
IH 2B pull plow on steel
IH 13-hole grain drill, grass attach., on steel
IH 2-row corn planter
IH 8' drag disc
Mayrath 8"x61" SA auger
IH 2250 Mount-O-Matic loader
1,600-gal. Stainless steel tank
Seringa unload auger, electric motor

- LAWN EQUIPMENT -

JD Model F911, hydro, 72" deck, commercial deck, steering wheel, Zero-turn, 981 hrs., 22-hp Kawasaki
2 JD Model F725, hydro, 54" deck, Zero-turn, steering wheel, 1382 hours, & 1433 hours
TracVac Model 880, 8-hp.
Lawn roller
60-gal., 12-volt Sprayer with boom
12-volt, 3-pt. Sprayer
782 Cub Cadet
125 Cub Cadet
1300 Series Cub Cadet, 18-hp. Kohler
Cadet snow thrower & front blade
Cushman 2-seat UTV w/dump bed, 5-speed, 39 hrs.
Turf Truckster UTV with bed
Heald Hauler tri-cycle UTV with bed
Fence row mower
Yard trailer
Hydraulic log splitter on wheels

- SHOP TOOLS - INVENTORY -

Alkota Model 3851 pressure washer
NAPA 20-drawer roll-around toolbox
Forney welder
C-Aire 80-gal. upright air compressor, 5-hp, twin cyl., 220-volt
Craftsman 6" joiner
Roll-around staircase
Power hack saw
Welding table
Engine hoist
Cutting torch
Hydraulic hose kit & fittings
16-ton Pipe bender
16-speed Drill press
Anvil
Tap & die sets
10 Lawson, 4-drawer cabinets & contents
Grinder on stand
Hydraulic jacks
Several truck & implement tires & rims
All kinds of hand wrenches
Power tools
Battery charger
Tire mover
Floor jacks
Parts washer
Utility cart
Log chains & binders
Cut-off saws
Steel roll-around racks
HyTran oil
Rotella oil
Sears drill press
Greaser
Several IH shop manuals
295 AC welder
PowerMate 6,500-watt generator
Homelite 4,400-watt generator
Coleman 4,000-watt generator

- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS -

Clipper fanning mill
Fiberglass ladders
Lots of combine parts
Pallets of truck parts
IHC hydraulic cylinders

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Dave had a trucking operation for a few years & farmed. Something for everyone here.

ESTATE of DAVID A. COBB - EARL PARK, IN

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Above: This sale included shop tools, power and hand tools, and accessories like this 20-drawer U.S. General rolling tool cabinet, going for \$475.

John Deere

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man 20-inch industrial drill press hammered at \$750.

Somewhat lower offers scored items like a 20-drawer U.S. General rolling tool cabinet that changed hands for \$475 and an air-operated shop press that struck \$400. Bidding went to \$200 for a Central Precision 7-by-10 mini-lathe – yet another piece stored under a blanket to preserve its condition.

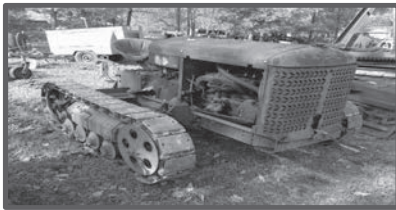
Tool sets and hand tools also attracted attention: an approximately 200-piece SAE and metric socket set, with sockets, handles, extensions, and other accessories, reached \$200 even though incomplete. Then, a Chas Parker 974 1/2 bench vise went for \$80, while a Pittsburgh compact

bender pulled \$75.

For the home and garden, there were items like a Brinly lawn sweep-er, scooped up for \$150. An offer of \$90 won a Ryobi 3000psi pressure washer, and an 85-pound tow-behind spreader left for \$75. Some practical finds even went for under \$25, including a Remington pole saw snagged for \$20.

Back in John Deere territory, this sale also held a handful of JD acces-sories and collectibles. A working, lighted, round John Deere wall sign shone at \$170. On the other end, a collection with two Deere clocks, a round tin sign, and a figural sign of a tractor was picked up for a modest \$30. A \$25 offer won a set of JD trac-tor weights, while a Deere four-draw-er metal file cabinet filled with belts and supplies went home for just \$4.

Siefker has several auctions cur-rently on its calendar. For more information, visit: www.siefkerauc-tions.com.



CASH / PHILLIPS
AUCTION

WHEN: Sat. Nov. 22, 2025 @ 10:00am

WHERE: 6351 LeSourdville West Chester Rd.

Liberty Twp., Ohio 45011

NOTE: ALL PARKING WILL BE OFF SITE, at VanGorden Elementary School, 6475 LeSourdville West Chester Rd., FREE CONTINUOUS SHUTTLE WILL BE PROVIDED

TRACTORS, BULLDOZERS, CAR, EQUIPMENT & MORE: Allis Chalmers B Tractor; 1936 Model E Cletrac Wide Track Agricultural Crawler (NR); (4) Cub Tractors with Belly Mowers & Cultivators, also (1each) breaking plows, disc, & cycle bar mower; MH Pony Tractor; Farmall A Tractor (Stuck Engine); Cockshut 30 (Frame); 1949 Huff Payloader; Cat. D4 Dozer (Hyd. Blade & Electric Start); Allis Chalmers M w/Heil loader(NR); AC Dozer(NR); 1974 ½ MGB Convertible 4spd. 4cyc. Car; JD 410 Back Hoe (Runs will Not Move); Buffalo Springfield Roller; 1928 Insley E Shovel Crawler, tandem roller 1 of 16; 10,000 lb 2 Post Lift; Club Car Pioneer UTV; 6ft. Bush Hog; 1920 Stover Mixer w/ Hit & Miss Engine; Shop Press; Thermo Dyn Plasma Cutter; Miller Stick & Tig Welders; Fair Amount of Scrap; Saddle Vise; Crème Separator; Sev. Sections Pallet Racking; Much More. **HOUSEHOLD:** Antique Cast Iron Fireplace Cover; Beautiful Cherry Bedroom Suite; Primitive Table & Chairs; Primitive Hutch; Edison Record Player; Collection of Longenberger Baskets & Dishes; Collection Porcelain Dolls; Crock Jugs; Roll Top Desk; Old Rocker; Lg. 2 Door Cabinet; Several Nice Chairs; Glassware; Wall Clock; Lots More Nice Quality Household items

TERMS & NOTE: Cash or Good Check w/valid Photo ID, Visa, Master Card, Discover, (3% will be added to all CC transactions). Everything is sold as is, where is, with NO GUARANTEES. **ONLINE BIDDING AVAIL. @ LiveAg.com**(10% Buyers Premium – Internet Buyers Only). All ANNOUCEMENTS on auction day take precedence over any/all published materials. **NO LOAD OUTS UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUCTION.** Come prepared to remove your items on auction day but next Day pick-up time on Sun. Nov. 23, 2025 from 9am – 1pm will be avail. All other pick-ups need to be arranged with auctioneer. This promises to be a large, we may need to run 2 rings for a while, & don't miss a thing. ***** BREAKFAST & LUNCH WILL BE AVAIL. FOR PURCHASE AT WAGON WHEEL FOOD TRUCK***** **VISIT us www.auctionzip.com user #7414**



5,618-acre Illinois farm sells for \$47.7 million

Illinois

Greene County – In early October, Halderman Companies, in partnership with Moore & Warner Farm Real Estate, closed the sale of 5,618 acres of Illinois farmland. The largely contiguous tract lay along the east side of the Illinois River and was levee-protected. It was located within the Hartwell and Keach drainage districts and included a large farm headquarters, center-pivot irrigation, and two grain storage facilities with over 400,000 bushels capacity. The property sold for \$47.7 million (\$8,491/acre).

Taylorville – On Oct. 5, Cory Craig auctioned 52.7 acres of recreational land zoned AG-1. The South Fork River ran through the northeast corner of the property, which also featured multiple ponds, potential homesites, abundant wildlife, and marketable mature hardwood. The property was enrolled in a Forestry Program that transferred to the new owner. Hunting rights were open for 2025. The tract was adjacent to SR-48, accessible via a 1,540-foot lane. It sold for \$284,580 (\$5,400/acre).

Indiana

Geneva – Krueckeberg Auction & Realty conducted an online-only auction on Oct. 9 for a grain storage facility on 3.21 +/- acres. The property included four 1977-built cement grain

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AUCTION ROUNDUP
BY WILLIAM FLOOD

bins, with a combined 280,000-bushel capacity, plus another 10,000 +/- bushels of overhead storage on the property's east side. The facility featured a working grain dryer, crimper, three vertical mixers in the feed mill, and a crimper in one of the overhead bins. Additional improvements included 70-foot certified scales (tested annually), a 989-square-foot office, and two buildings measuring 48-by-42 feet and 56-by-30 feet. The facility sold for \$245,000.

North Manchester – On Oct. 25, Metzger Property Services presented 7 +/- acres with two country homes and outbuildings. Tract 1 contained 5.56 +/- acres, with a 3-bedroom/2-bath rancher with a full, finishable basement and attached 2-car garage. Outdoors was a 48-by-80-foot pole barn and an old farrowing house. Tract 2 was 1.5 +/- acres, with a large 3-bedroom/1-bath traditional 2-story farmhouse with a detached 2-car garage. The tracts sold combined for \$210,000.

Kentucky

Hardin - On Oct. 18, Harris Real Estate & Auction offered 151.3 +/-

acres in nine tracts, with over 97 +/- acres of tillable, gently-rolling farmland. Tract 1 was 5.6 +/- acres along Highway 402/Brewers Highway, featuring a 3-bedroom/2-bath brick ranch with an attached 1-car garage. Recent updates included new roofing, central HVAC, water heater, and 200-amp breaker box. Outbuildings included a large 2-bay barn with exterior storage, a tool-shop garage with attic space, two portable storage buildings, a 2-bay barn, and a lean-to hay barn. Tract 2 measured 2.96 +/- acres, also on Highway 402/Brewers Highway. Tract 3 was 5.03 +/- acres on Wadesboro Road. Tract 4, 6.34 +/- acres, Tract 5, 7.03 +/- acres, and Tract 6, 7.03 +/- acres, each on Penny Rd. Each offered excellent building sites. Tract 7 held 9.13 +/- acres, and Tract 8 offered 22.70 +/- acres

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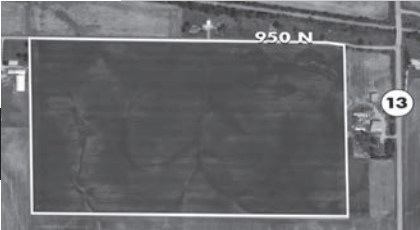
TILLABLE FARMLAND | PATTERN TILED | WABASH CO, IN
ROAD FRONTAGE ALONG CR 950 N | LOCATED NEAR (2) ELEVATORS

ONLINE at halderman.com
AUCTION
70.6+/- ACRES
MONDAY
NOVEMBER 17TH
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET

PROPERTY LOCATION: Southwest corner of the intersection of SR 13 and CR 950 N in Pleasant Township, Wabash County.

68+/- Tillable | 2+/- Non-Tillable | 0.6+/- Other

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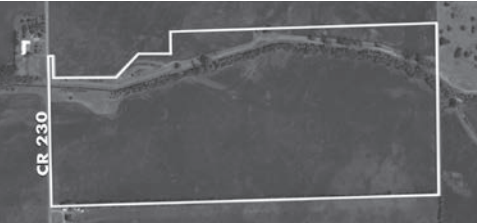
HIGH QUALITY FARMLAND | 150.33+/- ACRES | JASPER CO, IN

ONLINE at halderman.com
AUCTION
WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 19TH
4 PM - 6 PM CT

PROPERTY LOCATION: 3 miles north of Hanging Grove, IN along CR 230 in Hanging Grove and Barkley Township, Jasper County.

129.15+/- Tillable | 21.18+/- Creek/Recreation

Josh Wagenbach: 219.863.0870
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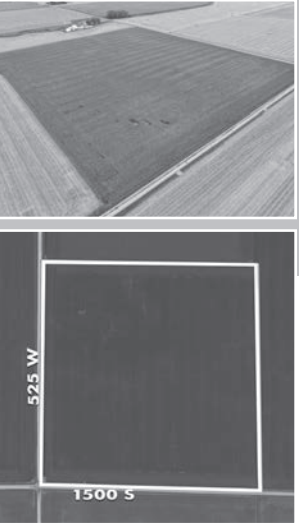
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 4 PM - 6 PM CT

ONLINE at halderman.com
AUCTION
PRODUCTIVE CROPLAND | NEWTON CO, IN

PROPERTY LOCATION: 5200 W 1500 S, Kentland, IN 47951 in Jefferson Township, Newton County

37.45+/- ACRES: 35.7+/- Tillable | 1.75+/- Roads/Other

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Seller: Knochel Farm

HUNTER'S PARADISE • MATURE TIMBER • SCENIC CREEK

ONLINE at halderman.com
AUCTION
TUES. NOVEMBER 18TH | 4 PM - 6 PM ET

PROPERTY LOCATION: At the end of Ted Davis Road west of N Jacksonburg Road near Hagerstown and Cambridge City, IN.

127.413+/- Acres 104.567+/- Classified Forest
21.51+/- Tillable | 1.0+/- Building Site/Heritage Barn

Craig Springmier: 937.533.7126 | Rusty Harmeyer: 765.570.8118



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FOR SALE

PROPERTY LOCATION: 4683 E 200 S, Tipton, IN 46072 in Madison Twp, Tipton Co

7.14+/- ACRES
6.5+/- Tillable • 0.64+/- Other

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PRODUCTIVE SOILS | POTENTIAL BUILDING SITES | RECREATION
345.92+/- ACRES | 5 TRACTS | FAYETTE CO, IN

MON. DECEMBER 8TH, 6:30 PM
AUCTION

PROPERTY LOCATION: On the south side of CR 300 N approximately 4.5 miles northwest of Connersville, IN.

AUCTION LOCATION
JOHN H. MILLER COMMUNITY CENTER
2900 N Park Road
Connersville, IN 47331

Michael Bonnell: 812.343.6036 | Dave Bonnell: 812.343.4313 | Rusty Harmeyer: 765.570.8118



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Seller: Kerr Farm, Inc & Edwin Kerr Revocable Trust.
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PRODUCTIVE CROPLAND
IN A DESIRABLE AG COMMUNITY
710.68+/- ACRES • HENRY CO, IN

10 TRACTS

THURS. DECEMBER 4TH, 2:00 PM ET
AUCTION

HENRY CO MEMORIAL PARK: W.G. SMITH BUILDING
260 W CR 100 N, New Castle, IN 47362

PROPERTY LOCATION: 2 mile southeast of New Castle, IN along Dublin Pike, 300 S and 425 E in Liberty Township, Henry Co.

Lauren Peacock: 765.546.7359 | Chris Peacock: 765.546.0592



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Real Estate

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each on Penny Road with good tillable acreage. Tract 9 contained 85.48 +/- acres with roughly 52 tillable, plus good building sites, on Magness Road. They sold as follows: Tract 1: \$190,000, Tract 2: \$20,000 (\$6,757/acre), and Tract 3: \$40,000 (\$7,952/acre). Tracts 4-6 sold combined for \$123,500 (\$6,054/acre), Tracts 7-8 for \$210,000 (\$6,598.55/acre), and Tract 9: \$535,000 (\$6,259/acre).

Madisonville – On Oct. 22, Kurtz Auction & Realty held a live/simulcast auction of four tracts comprising 67.669 acres with building sites and cropland, known locally as the Parish Estate. Tract 1 was 3.347 acres with 497.73 feet of road frontage, with a good building site, and water/electric available at the road. Tract 2 held 3.372 acres with 441.5 feet of road frontage, water and electric at the road, a small lake, and was subject to an agricultural easement for cropland access. Tract 3 measured 3.713 acres with a 2,816-square-

foot 3-bedroom/2-bath brick home with a 2-car attached garage. It also featured an attached guest quarters with a full bath, currently used as a beauty shop, a 40-by-40-foot shop with concrete floors and electricity, underground fencing, and a Generac whole-house generator. Tract 4 encompassed 57.237 acres of mostly flat cropland with Belknap and Hosmer silt loams, with tiled fields. The parcel, with 948.25 of frontage along Island Ford Road, contained three outbuildings: a 60 by 55-foot shop with gravel floor and electricity, a 35-by-35-foot 3-car garage with concrete floor and electricity, and a 40-by-40-foot 2-car garage/shop. The tracts sold as follows: Tract 1: \$53,440 (\$16,000/acre), Tract 2: \$53,920 (\$16,000/acre), Tract 3: \$1,009,120 (\$272,000/acre), and Tract 4: \$457,840 (\$8,000/acre).

Michigan

Reed City – Miedema's LastBid Real Estate offered a 3-bedroom, 2-bath mobile home and pole barn on approximately 10 acres at an Oct. 1 online auction. The property

featured a 1996 double-wide mobile home in need of repairs, served by a 5-inch submersible well and raised septic system. A 26-by-36-foot pole barn, constructed in 2019, had 12-foot insulated side walls, two insulated 9-by-10-foot doors, 4-inch reinforced concrete floors with a 6-foot approach, a floor drain, and 200-amp service. The parcel was cleared across the front, with apple trees scattered throughout the wooded area, a small pond, and areas suitable for food plots or pastures. The property sold for \$110,500.

Sturgis – On Oct. 1, Bright Star Real Estate Services auctioned 12.59 +/- acres of vacant land just steps from Klinger Lake. The property featured rolling hills, mature timber, walking trails, and multiple potential home sites, supplying development potential. It was located just 0.3 miles from U.S. 12, providing easy access. The property sold for \$200,000 (\$15,886/acre).

Ohio

Cedarville – On Oct. 16, Sheridans held a live/online auction of two tracts totaling 128 acres, with 124

tillable, from the Rosen D. Thomas Family Trust. The over-97 percent tillable tracts had 4,500+ feet of combined road frontage along Jamestown and London Roads, and contained high-quality soils with ample drainage access to the North Fork of Massies Creek along their western boundaries. Tract 1 measured 75.7 total acres (54.9 acres in Clark County and 20.8 acres in Greene County), with approximately 74 tillable, and had over 3,400 feet of frontage. Tract 2 was 52 acres in Clark County, with approximately 50 tillable acres and over 1,080 feet of frontage. The two tracts sold combined for \$2 million (\$15,661/acre).

Greenwich – Kaufman Realty & Auctions hosted a live auction on Oct. 22 for a well-built 1900s schoolhouse, remodeled into a 3-bedroom/2-bath home sitting on 0.97 acres. The 1,950-square-foot home blended historical details with modern updates that included heat pump heat and A/C, an electric water heater, and public water/sewer. A 1-car attached garage was serviced by propane forced-air heat. The home sold for \$167,750.

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