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## School zone pesticide bill being fine-tuned in Illinois

By **TIM ALEXANDER**  
Illinois Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. – A state bill that would require pesticide applicators to serve notice to schools and daycare operations before spraying is being fine-tuned in the Illinois legislature. House Bill 1596, introduced in the Illinois House in January 2025, would require certified pesticide applicators to provide written or email notice at least 72 hours before beginning “large scale” pesticide applications within one-half mile of a school or public park. The bill would apply to applications involving boom sprayers, tractor mounted sprayers and aerial targeting, and would exclude residential applications.

“This would affect many pesticide applicators,” said Michelle Wiesbrook, University of Illinois Extension weed scientist, on March 11. “This would be in addition to the Lawncare Act notification requirements and the PARNA notification requirements. Who would get notified and what would they do with that information? How feasible would it be to provide notice 72 hours prior and what happens when weather or schedules change?”

The Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association (IFCA) stands opposed to HB 1596, stating in a March 17 legislative update, “This bill passed out of the House Energy and Environment Committee last Spring but did not move out of the House Chamber. A second amendment has been filed that does nothing to remove IFCA’s opposition.”

Recent amendments to the bill clarified what constitutes the term

“large scale” (5 or more contiguous acres) and “public park,” which can now include forest preserves, bike-ways, trails, and conservation areas under state or local jurisdiction. Schools are described as child-care institutions as described within the Child Care Act of 1969.

Though some lawmakers and agricultural groups are concerned that the proposed three-day notification window may be too restrictive for farmers who must adjust their application schedules quickly based on weather conditions, the bill continues to gain sponsors. On March 16, Rep. Aaron Ortiz signed on as the eighth Democratic co-sponsor of the partisan measure.

Rep. Laura Faver Dias (D-Grayslake), original sponsor of the bill, told news sources that the goal is to make sure that schools and parks have the knowledge they need to plan and be prepared for nearby chemical applications. Children whose respiratory systems are vulnerable are impacted by pesticide spraying, she said.

According to the Environmental Working Group, a research and environmental nonprofit, 740 Illinois elementary schools are within a quarter mile of a crop field and 40 are within 20 feet of cropland. Research conducted by Investigate Midwest found that 61 percent of schools located in Champaign County are within a half mile of a crop field.

Children should not be exposed to pesticide applications, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), due to an increased risk of childhood leukemia, neurocognitive conditions and enhanced infant mortality rates. Phosphonates (glyphosate) and chlorophenoxy herbicides (2, 4-D) were specifically listed by the AAP as dangerous to children.

“Epidemiologic evidence demonstrates associations between early life exposure to pesticides and pediatric cancers, decreased cognitive function, and behavioral problems,” the AAP said their December 2012 Pediatrics publication. “Related animal toxicology studies provide supportive biological plausibility for these findings. Recognizing and reducing problematic exposures will require attention to current inadequacies in medical training, public health tracking, and regulatory ac-

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**Above:** On March 7, the Adams County Indiana 4-H beef members were required to bring in their animals for Beef Identification Day. The animals were tagged, weighed, and tested to determine which Breed Category they would show in. Brothers Gus and Max Adams said they have been working with their show animals since September and have participated in several Open Shows around the area. Photo by Leondia Walchle. Have a photo for Farm World? Email [connie@farmworldonline.com](mailto:connie@farmworldonline.com)

## Kentucky Hay Testing Lab helps farmers verify forage quality

By **DOUG SCHMITZ**  
Iowa Correspondent

GLASGOW, Ky. – Kentucky State University’s Hay Testing Lab is helping farmers quickly verify forage quality so they can make better feeding and management decisions, officials said.

Located at the university’s Cooperative Extension Office in Glasgow in Barren County – recognized for having Kentucky’s highest cattle numbers – the facility provides accurate testing, combined with expert guidance to support producers, officials added.

“Forages and hay are some of Kentucky’s most profitable agricultural commodities and occupy the largest acreage in the state,” said Abigail Hines, Kentucky State assistant professor of animal science, in a March 6 media statement. “Not to mention that with livestock production central to Kentucky agriculture, forage quality, and therefore forage quality testing, directly influences farm economics.”

According to officials, since the lab opened in May 2025, it has analyzed nearly 700 hay and forage samples for more than 120 producers across 26 Kentucky counties, with numbers growing weekly, delivering timely results and practical guidance that help strengthen feed and management decisions.

Officials said the volume and county-by-county reach show the need for accessible testing and consultation extends well beyond Barren County, especially in a state where hay and forage underpin Kentucky’s livestock economy, occupying nearly 1.8 million acres across about 37,000 farms, and forage quality directly influences

livestock performance and farm profitability.

Offered free of charge to Kentucky producers, the service has trained professionals to help farmers translate results into next steps for rations, hay marketing, and future cutting, fertilization and storage decisions, officials added.

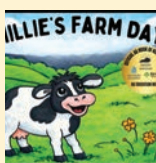

“Using near-infrared spectroscopy technology, the lab quickly measures key nutritional components such as relative feed value, crude protein, and mineral content,” the statement said. “It can also help identify concerns tied to nitrates and mycotoxin contamination.

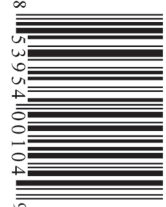
“Producers cannot improve forage quality after baling, but they can use testing to make better decisions with what they have,” the statement added. “Reliable results and interpretation help match hay to animal needs, reduce costly guesswork in supplementation, and protect both performance and margins.”

Marcus Bernard, Kentucky State dean of the College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources, said farmers and agricultural professionals helped shape the lab’s design after citing limited access to quality testing and inconsistent help interpreting results.

“From multiple sources, especially from area farmers and ag professionals, we learned about the opportunity to positively impact farmers by increasing both cost-savings and profitability through hay and forage testing,” he said. “We see this service as a bottom-line support.”

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## Hay lab

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Avinash Tope, Kentucky State associate dean for academics in the College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources, said the university built the lab around that producer feedback, pairing high-precision analysis with interpretation and consultation so results translate into decisions producers can use immediately.

"Realizing the limited availability of services and the potential revenue loss to our farmers, we are jumping in to help them realize the full economic potential of their hay, feed, and forages with high precision analysis of these products," he said.

He told Farm World the need for the lab became clear in early 2024, when producers in Western Kentucky identified a lack of convenient local hay-testing options: "Kentucky State then worked with Extension personnel and consulted with colleagues and specialists elsewhere on equipment selection. Startup costs for the analyzer and supporting equipment were approximately \$120,000, supported through USDA Extension funds."

Hines told Farm World producers may submit samples directly through

the Barren County Extension office or by working with their local extension agent.

"To help ensure accurate and consistent sampling, Kentucky State developed a Hay and Forage Sampling Guide that provides a straightforward, step-by-step process for collecting, packaging, and either shipping, or dropping off samples. Producers are also welcome to contact the lab if they need additional information or guidance," she said, adding, "turnaround is typically no more than one week from submission to results, and often less."

Barren County Extension Agents Jacob Hall and Tyler London told Farm World in a joint statement, "Producers value having access to a free, local service that not only delivers results quickly, but also helps them understand what those results mean. Many appreciate that it is not simply a lab report. They can ask questions, receive expert consultation, and use the information to make more informed decisions within their operations."

The hay testing lab is located at 107 Myrtle Street in Glasgow. For more information, contact the Barren County Extension at (270) 282-0982, or reach out to Tyler London at Tyler.London@kysu.edu, or Jacob Hall at Jacob.Hall@kysu.edu.

## Pesticides

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tion on pesticides."

The Prairie Rivers Network said, "Illinois families deserve the right to know when pesticides are being applied near their homes, schools, and public spaces, and we must prevent the use of chemicals that endanger our communities. The network is a nonprofit affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation that is in support of HB 1596 and HB 1645, a bill also currently before the Illinois House that seeks an outright ban of the sale and use of ester formulations of 2,4-D pesticides.

"There are several pesticide related bills being considered in the Illinois Senate and House currently. We've been told that action will need to be taken on many of these in the next couple of weeks if they are to become laws," Wiesbrook noted. "Some have previous versions that were introduced in past years and will likely return in some form if no action is taken this spring. Many Illinois pesticide applicators and operators will be affected by these bills should they become law."

HB 1596 was referred to the House

Rules Committee on Feb. 24, 2026, according to LegisCan. A related piece of legislation, Senate Bill 1574, amends the Illinois Pesticide Act to replace the definition of the term "licensed operator" with definitions of the terms "licensed large-scale operator" and "licensed small-scale operator." It provides that the director of agriculture shall issue separate certification tests for licensed large-scale operators and licensed small-scale operators based on the rules and regulations prescribed for each by the Department of Agriculture.

"This would split General Standards into large-scale and small-scale operators based off of the size of their equipment," according to Wiesbrook. "This would create confusion for roughly 15,000 operators in Illinois who would then need to determine which General Standards test they would need - many of which would need to take both. Boom sprayers are specifically mentioned, but booms can be tractor mounted or hand-held. The intent is to limit what applicators need to know for sprayer calibration, yet the basic required math skills remain the same."

To read more of Wiesbrook's comments on current Illinois legislation affecting crop applications, visit <https://extension.illinois.edu/blogs>.

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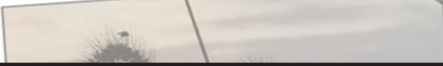
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# Global food costs up in February; highest levels in 5 months

As of February 26th, the United States had 39.57 million metric tons of unshipped grain and soybean sales on the books. This was an 18 percent increase from last year and credited to the demand we have seen for corn and wheat. Sales of these grains are well ahead of last year and will likely remain active as our leading competitors in the global market are seeing production issues. There are concerns the U.S. is front loaded in its grain demand, but the volume we are shipping shows the market remains current. Soybean demand is down on the year due to the delayed start to China's imports, but even this has built in recent weeks. China now has 4 mmt of unshipped soybean purchases with 7 mmt already shipped.

Concerns are building in the market that the current futures rally will cut commodity demand, especially with transportation costs skyrocketing. Rising costs have been absorbed by most of the interior market, especially ethanol grind and soybean crush. Margins on both have rallied to last summer's highs with support coming from the energy market rally. This rise in grain values has not been welcomed by the livestock industry, as high feed grain costs are causing further stress on already razor thin margins.

Rising grain values are already starting to impact global food costs. Data from the United Nations' Food and Ag Organization shows global food costs in the month of February climbed to their highest levels in five months. This gain was led by vegetable oils and meats, but cereals and grains added to higher costs.

The U.S.'s Energy Information Administration has released its 2026 and 2027 ethanol supply and demand outlooks. The EIA is predicting daily ethanol production of 1.08 million barrels per day for each year, up slightly from 2025's average of 1.07 million. Blender demand is expected

to average 930,000 barrels a day for both 2026 and 2027, equal to the 2025 volume. This leaves very little ethanol for export, and this has been a growing source of demand recently.

China's soybean deliveries to start 2026 are on the low side. China has taken in 12.55 million metric tons of soybeans this year, a 7.8 percent decline from a year ago. Weather disruptions and a slow start to the Brazil soybean harvest are two of the primary causes of slow unloadings. China is also rotating its domestic soybean reserves, which will eventually be filled with U.S. imports. March soybean imports are expected to be much higher, coming in at 6.5 mmt compared to just 3.5 mmt last year.

What is more interesting in China is the current corn situation. Corn demand continues to rise in China, but many suppliers claim to be out of inventory. This has turned corn buyers to government auctions which have been seeing solid demand, even at elevated values. Recent auctions have seen 98 percent of corn sold. Sources in China claim that quality issues are causing an even more limited supply in stocks.

The quality of China's grain crop has been questioned for several weeks, and this does not look like it will subside anytime soon. There are now concerns over the growing conditions of this year's wheat crop in China as heavy rains and warmer temperatures are already causing disease worries. This situation is being amplified by a late planting season that did not allow for proper crop development before these conditions set in. These weather conditions are also elevating the odds of insect pressure in China's wheat crop. These worries are being verified by ongoing auction results with buyers taking 100 percent of of-



MARKET ANALYSIS  
By Karl Setzer

fers.

The February Consumer Price Index report showed mixed numbers. Total inflation from January to February held steady at 2.4 percent for total inflation and 2.5 percent on core inflation. Core inflation excludes energy and food costs. Total inflation in February crept up 0.3 percent, just above the 0.2 percent increase in January. Core inflation was 0.2 percent in February, just below the 0.3 percent in January. The standout number was on energy, which was up 0.6 percent in February after falling 1.5 percent in January. Food costs were also up 0.4 percent in February, twice the increase from the month before. Even higher costs are predicted for March.

Cargill has suspended soybean export sales from Brazil to China. Cargill has also suspended its purchases of soybeans from farmers in Brazil as the country's entire soybean trade with China is becoming less certain. Stricter sanitary requirements on soybean exports from Brazil are being requested, tightening them to a point where trade would be risky from a delivery point of view. It is currently unclear if China asked for these tighter regulations, or if Brazil did itself. The entire development stems from Brazil placing anti-dumping charges on Chinese steel. This development is likely to bring the U.S. at least some additional export demand, especially if other firms join in.

The U.S. Climate Prediction Center has released its La Nina forecast, and claims there is now a 55 percent chance the event will transition to an El Nino influenced pattern through July. The CPC also states there is a 62 percent chance the El Nino will remain

in place through the end of 2026. History indicates that El Nino patterns tend to elevate U.S. corn and soybean yields as they bring cooler and wetter growing seasons to the Midwest. In a strong El Nino year, U.S. yields can increase up to 9 percent.

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## Indiana Corn Marketing Council seeks farmers to serve on its board of directors

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indiana Corn Marketing Council (ICMC) has opened the application process for farmers to serve on its Board of Directors. ICMC will host elections for board positions in Districts 3, 6 and 9 and for two at-large seats.

Hoosier farmers interested in directing Indiana's corn checkoff investments may now petition to run for one of the five seats up for election. ICMC works to promote, market and build demand for corn and corn products with the goal of supporting and growing Indiana's corn industry.

"The corn checkoff relies on farmers to fill these leadership positions to help the Indiana corn industry remain strong and effective," said ICMC President Susan Brocksmith, a farmer from Vincennes, Ind. "Since the Indiana Corn Marketing Council was created, Hoosier corn growers have benefited from the volunteer leadership of those who have served on the ICMC board. New perspectives and ideas will always help our corn research and promotion efforts."

Board members direct the promotional, educational and research activities funded by the corn checkoff. Some of the board's priorities include increased ethanol use, improved transportation infrastructure, on-farm research, livestock promotion and expanding international exports.

To run for ICMC director, Hoosier farmers must be at least 18 years old, a registered Indiana voter and a resident in the appropriate district. Farmers who submit a valid petition by June 1, 2026, will be listed as a candidate on the election bal-

lot. Farmers seeking a board position must show proof of paying a corn assessment within the past two years. All petitions should be sent to Amber Myers, ICMC Board Leadership Manager, at amyers@indianacorn.org, or by mail to 8425 Keystone Crossing, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Voting will take place at county offices of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service from Aug. 10-14 or by absentee ballot, which will be made available in July.

Here is the breakdown of each district that will host an election this year:

- District 3 includes the counties of LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, DeKalb, Whitley, Allen, Huntington, Wells and Adams.


- District 6 includes the counties of Blackford, Jay, Delaware, Henry, Randolph, Wayne, Fayette and Union.

- District 9 includes the counties of Franklin, Jennings, Jefferson, Ripley, Dearborn, Ohio, Clark, Switzerland and Scott.

- Two statewide At-Large seats, representing all Indiana counties, are up for election.

Farmers can access all necessary forms at [www.incornandsoy.org/ICMCElection](http://www.incornandsoy.org/ICMCElection) or by calling the ICMC office at 1-800-735-0195. Forms are also available at Purdue Cooperative Extension Service offices.

Newly elected directors will begin a three-year term Oct. 1. ICMC directors can serve three consecutive full terms or a total of nine years. For more information about Indiana Corn Marketing Council, visit [www.incornandsoy.org](http://www.incornandsoy.org).



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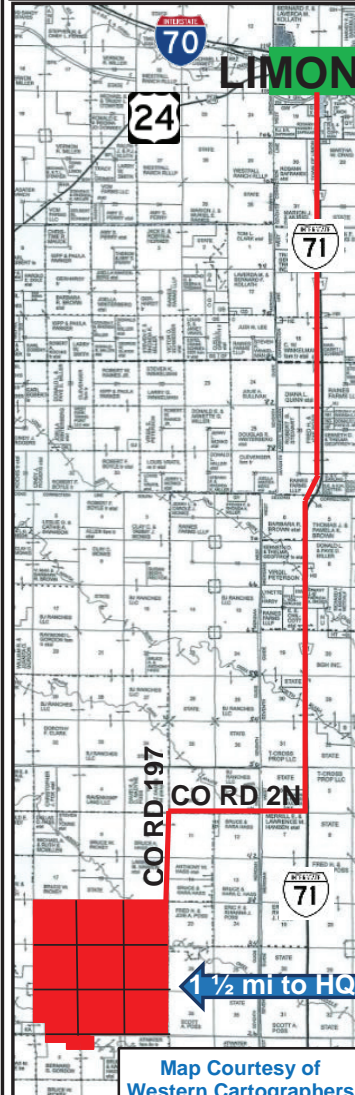
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# MARKETS

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<b>Total Receipts:</b>	719	883	983
<b>Feeder Cattle:</b>	608(84.6%)	772(87.4%)	884(89.9%)
<b>Slaughter Cattle:</b>	106(14.7%)	96(10.9%)	91(9.3%)
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1	225	225	600.00	600.00
2	255	255	700.00	700.00 Fancy
1	330	330	620.00	620.00 Fancy
2	350-360	355	565.00-570.00	567.46 Fancy
10	400-438	429	492.50-517.50	504.65
4	420-430	425	537.50-550.00	543.68 Fancy
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9	507-546	527	479.00-500.00	490.33 Value Added
3	576	576	429.00	429.00
23	557-595	569	447.50-481.00	468.68 Value Added
2	605-610	608	387.00-412.50	399.70
11	611-620	614	425.00-451.00	434.58 Value Added
5	670-673	672	389.00-405.00	395.38
33	665-672	668	414.00-436.00	425.42 Value Added
9	712-730	715	357.50-382.00	373.71
1	755	755	349.00	349.00
5	810-830	824	330.00-339.00	334.18
6	901	901	326.00	326.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	290	290	400.00	400.00
2	262	262	540.00	540.00
2	432	432	485.00	485.00
1	460	460	455.00	455.00
1	535	535	400.00	400.00
1	640	640	357.50	357.50
2	680	680	361.00	361.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	170	170	620.00	620.00
3	280-295	287	475.00-480.00	478.37
7	310-347	331	471.00-497.50	493.13
5	305-336	330	540.00	540.00 Fancy
9	350-390	372	462.50-487.50	475.53
12	370-393	384	500.00-510.00	505.21 Fancy
16	400-435	419	440.00-477.50	470.29
3	410-442	431	482.50	482.50 Fancy
24	456-496	483	420.00-445.00	434.28
17	450-480	459	449.00-457.50	452.84 Fancy
3	500-525	515	399.00-412.50	403.91
15	500-530	513	418.00-447.50	424.58 Value Added
2	560-580	570	371.00-391.00	380.82
13	550-585	564	402.50-422.50	412.99 Value Added
8	620-647	641	360.00-380.00	365.79
38	608-626	615	390.00-404.00	399.12 Value Added
2	655	655	352.50-367.50	360.00
4	751-760	753	308.00-322.00	318.47
5	996	996	237.00	237.00
1	1090	1090	259.00	259.00 Guaranteed Open
1	1160	1160	222.50	222.50

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	180	180	480.00	480.00
1	280	280	455.00	455.00
2	355-375	365	442.50-455.00	448.58
3	400	400	400.00-402.50	401.67
3	495	495	408.00-412.50	409.50
2	510-525	518	365.00-381.00	373.12
1	560	560	360.00	360.00
4	630-645	638	325.00-337.00	329.20
3	650-680	667	315.00-329.00	320.91
2	700-745	723	295.00-303.00	298.88

**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	2	900-915	908	237.50-245.00	241.28
2-8	O	2	1010-1220	1115	217.50-225.00	220.90

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
>5	T1	1	1305	1305	2200.00	2200.00
>5	T2	2	1175-1450	1313	2725.00-2750.00	2736.19

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	T3	1	840	840	2450.00	2450.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	165	165	620.00	620.00 Fancy
2	235-245	240	535.00-560.00	547.24
1	255	255	570.00	570.00
2	297	297	655.00	655.00 Fancy
1	300	300	590.00	590.00
2	305-310	308	620.00-630.00	624.96 Fancy
8	355-392	385	531.00-557.50	543.20
2	360-375	368	575.00-585.00	580.10 Fancy
5	400-425	416	492.50-505.00	501.02
4	410-435	426	511.00-530.00	525.43 Fancy
10	457-488	475	489.00-510.00	498.44
4	465-485	478	525.00-540.00	531.16 Fancy
1	465	465	552.50	552.50 Thin Fleshed
2	545	545	447.50	447.50
8	502-520	512	475.00-499.00	492.09 Fancy
2	515	515	515.00	515.00 Thin Fleshed
10	557-595	569	439.00-455.00	445.80
3	560	560	460.00-462.50	460.83 Fancy
3	607-635	616	392.50-400.00	395.08
13	605-645	630	411.00-437.50	422.43 Fancy
3	655-680	665	355.00-376.00	363.22
4	705-725	710	331.00-350.00	345.15
3	715-725	720	359.00-363.00	361.00 Fancy
2	750-760	755	300.00-305.00	302.48
2	750-765	758	350.00-360.00	354.95 Fancy
1	840	840	317.50	317.50
5	935	935	318.00	318.00
1	1005	1005	280.00	280.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	240	240	512.50	512.50
1	250	250	500.00	500.00
2	300-345	323	500.00-530.00	513.95
3	385-395	388	442.50-487.50	470.15
6	410-440	423	450.00-465.00	461.23
5	475-495	489	435.00-462.50	442.69
1	570	570	420.00	420.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	280	280	400.00	400.00
1	425	425	417.50	417.50
2	457	457	405.00	405.00
1	515	515	347.50	347.50
1	980	980	210.00	210.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
9	1265-1920	1722	164.00-173.00	169.92	Average
30	1300-1795	1502	176.00-195.00	183.41	High

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
9	1145-1590	1302	157.00-172.00	167.29	Average
11	1135-1390	1230	174.00-186.00	178.07	High

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
11	870-1235	1061	140.00-155.00	148.28	Average
2	840-1490	1165	170.00-175.00	173.20	High
1	990	990	133.00	133.00	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
3	1925-2105	2002	225.00-231.00	227.76	High

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1620	1620	197.00	197.00	Average
9	1520-1855	1672	205.00-220.00	214.56	High

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

Explanatory Notes:  
 Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months)  
 Age - Numerical representation of age in years.

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News  
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## Kentucky Daily Grain Bids

Grain Report for Thursday, March 19, 2026 - Final

**FUTURE SETTLEMENTS**  
Closing Settlement Prices (¢/bu) as of 3/19/26

Exchange	Commodity	Price	Change	Price	Change	Price	Change	
VCBOT	Corn	469.75 (May 26)	480.00 (Jul 26)	482.00 (Sep 26)	494.50 (Dec 26)	504.00 (Mar 27)	509.50 (May 27)	512.00 (Jul 27)
CBOT	Soybeans	1168.50 (May 26)	1183.25 (Jul 26)	1176.50 (Aug 26)	1147.75 (Sep 26)	1146.25 (Nov 26)	1156.75 (Jan 27)	1152.75 (Mar 27)
CBOT	Wheat	608.00 (May 26)	619.50 (Jul 26)	632.75 (Sep 26)	650.00 (Dec 26)	663.50 (Mar 27)	669.00 (May 27)	658.75 (Jul 27)
CBOT	White Oats	367.75 (May 26)	361.25 (Jul 26)	367.25 (Sep 26)	361.50 (Dec 26)	365.00 (Mar 27)	371.00 (May 27)	361.50 (Jul 27)
KCBT	Wheat	627.25 (May 26)	642.25 (Jul 26)	656.75 (Sep 26)	675.75 (Dec 26)	689.00 (Mar 27)	693.75 (May 27)	684.50 (Jul 27)
MGE	Wheat	643.75 (May 26)	657.50 (Jul 26)	673.50 (Sep 26)	686.25 (Dec 26)	693.75 (Mar 27)	695.50 (May 27)	696.75 (Jul 27)

### US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)

**Country Elevators - Conventional**

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Pennyrile	75.00K to 165.00K	UNCH-UP 5.00	5.4475-6.3475	UP 0.0650-UP 0.1150	5.8975
Pennyrile	55.00Z	UNCH	5.4950	UP 0.0475	5.4950

**Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional**

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Ohio River - Lower KY	130.00K	UNCH	5.9975	UP 0.0650	5.9975
Ohio River - Lower KY	60.00Z	UP 5.00	5.5450	UP 0.0975	5.5450
Purchase	145.00K	UNCH	6.1475	UP 0.0650	6.1475
Purchase	40.00Z	UNCH	5.3450	UP 0.0475	5.3450

### US #2 YELLOW CORN (BULK)

**Country Elevators - Conventional**

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	Average
Purchase	13.00K	UNCH	4.8275	UP 0.0650	4.8275
Purchase	-20.00U	UNCH	4.6200	UP 0.0500	4.6200
Green River	12.00K	UNCH	4.8175	UP 0.0650	4.8175
Green River	-10.00Z	UNCH	4.8450	UP 0.0475	4.8450
Pennyrile	-25.00K to 10.00K	DN 5.00-UP 3.00	4.4475-4.7975	UP 0.0150-UP 0.0950	4.5725
Pennyrile	-30.00Z to -15.00Z	UNCH	4.6450-4.7950	UP 0.0475	4.7200
Louisville	-17.00K	UNCH	4.5275	UP 0.0650	4.5275
Louisville	-17.00K	UNCH	4.5275	UP 0.0650	

# MARKETS

## Weekly National Sheep Summary For Week Ending Friday, March 13, 2026

Weekly Trends: Compared to last week slaughter lambs traded steady and slaughter ewes steady. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless otherwise specified.

**Slaughter Lambs:** Choice and Prime 1-3  
 San Angelo: 80-90 lbs 350.00-380.00.  
 New Holland: 40-50 lbs 395.00-520.00; 50-60 lbs 420.00-450.00; 60-70 lbs 420.00-450.00; 70-80 lbs 375.00-450.00; 80-90 lbs 400.00-440.00; 90-100 lbs 360.00-425.00; 100-110 lbs 370.00-440.00; 110-120 lbs 310.00-420.00; 120-130 lbs 295.00-330.00.  
**Billings:** No test.  
**Ft. Collins:** 90-100 lbs 347.50-360.00; 100-110 lbs 350.00-367.50; 110-120 lbs 275.00-370.00; 120-130 lbs 255.00-320.00; 140-150 lbs 242.50-255.00; 150-170 lbs 210.00-230.00.  
**Kalona:** No test.  
**Equity Coop:** No test.  
**Sioux Falls:** 50-60 lbs 430.00-485.00; 70-80 lbs 380.00-430.00; 80-90 lbs 355.00-430.00; 90-100 lbs 355.00-395.00; 100-110 lbs 315.00-340.00; 110-120 lbs 300.00-330.00; 120-130 lbs 265.00-297.50; 130-140 lbs 250.00-256.00; 140-150 lbs 225.00-260.00.  
**Buffalo, MO:** No test.  
**Missouri:** No test.  
**Arkansas:** No test.  
**Equity Coop:** No test.  
**Slaughter Ewes:** Good 2-3:  
 San Angelo: 47.00-185.00.  
 New Holland: 130.00-185.00.  
**Billings:** No test.

**Ft. Collins:** 100.00-172.50.  
**Kalona:** No test.  
**Equity Coop:** No test.  
**Sioux Falls:** 105.00-150.00.  
**Buffalo, MO:** No test.  
**Missouri:** No test.  
**Feeder Lambs:** Medium and Large 1:  
**San Angelo:** No test.  
**Billings:** No test.  
**Sioux Falls:** 40-50 lbs 445.00-515.00; 50-60 lbs 420.00-485.00; 60-70 lbs 390.00-460.00.  
**Buffalo, MO:** No test.  
**Missouri:** No test.  
**Ft. Collins:** No test.  
**Kalona:** No test.  
**Equity Coop:** No test.  
**Arkansas:** No test.  
**Replacement Ewes:** Medium and Large 1-2:  
**San Angelo:** No test.  
**Billings:** No test.  
**Ft. Collins:** No test.  
**South Dakota:** No test.  
**Kalona:** No test.  
**Missouri:** No test.  
**Arkansas:** No test.  
**Sioux Falls:** 4-6 Open 80-90 lbs 195.00 per unit.  
**Buffalo, MO:** No test.  
 Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 39,000 compared to 37,000 last week and 39,150 last year.  
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## Missouri Direct Hay Report Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/20/2026

Seasonal transitions have been in full force the last couple of weeks, from record highs to mid-teens and heading back to more possible records by this weekend. Grass is greening and livestock haven't been as eager to clean up hay on the days that had sunshine, and snow wasn't on the ground. A lot of hay still coming to the market as producers try to move some inventory before feeding season ends. The drought monitor has shown some improvement but still most of the state is highlighted, despite the fact one can get stuck very quickly in most areas currently. A few producers have put some fertilizer on, but it has been very limited thus far applications should pick up a lot in the next couple of weeks by the way the weather looks as long as co-ops and suppliers can get ingredients. Hay supplies are moderate to heavy for the time of year, and demand is moderate to light. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay directory at <https://apps.mda.mo.gov/haydirectory> or visit the University of Missouri Extension feed stuff finder at <https://feedstufffinder.org>

HAY (Conventional)	
Alfalfa - Supreme (Ask/Per Ton)	250.00-300.00
Medium Square 3x3	
Alfalfa - Supreme (Ask/Per Bale)	10.00-15.00
Small Square	
Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/Per Ton)	175.00-225.00
Medium Square 3x3	
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per Ton) Large Round	150.00-175.00
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per Bale) Small Square	6.00-10.00
Alfalfa - Fair (Ask/Per Ton) Large Round	125.00-150.00
Mixed Grass - Premium (Ask/Per Ton)	150.00-200.00
Medium Square 3x3	
Mixed Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Ton)	100.00-150.00
Large Round	
Mixed Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Ton)	50.00-100.00
Large Round	
Mixed Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Bale)	2.25-7.00
Small Square	
Mixed Grass - Fair (Ask/Per Bale)	20.00-40.00
Large Round	
STRAW (Conventional)	
Wheat - (Ask/Per Bale Small Square)	4.00-7.00

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News  
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## Weekly Combined Regional Shell Egg Report

Report for: 03/08/2026 - 03/14/2026

National Shell Eggs - Caged					
Delivered Warehouse, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	157.00 - 180.00	170.75	55.00	115.75	
Large	156.00 - 180.00	169.69	60.00	109.69	
Medium	86.00 - 107.00	97.25	11.50	85.75	

Midwest Shell Eggs - Caged					
Delivered Warehouse, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	157.00 - 166.00	161.50	61.00	100.50	
Large	156.00 - 165.00	160.50	61.00	99.50	
Medium	86.00 - 95.00	90.50	12.00	78.50	

Delivered Store Door, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	164.00 - 172.00	168.00	61.00	107.00	
Large	162.00 - 170.00	166.00	61.00	105.00	
Medium	92.00 - 100.00	96.00	12.00	84.00	


Paid to Producers - FOB, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Large	138.00 - 148.00	143.00	61.00	82.00	
Medium	68.00 - 72.00	70.00	12.00	58.00	
Small	45.00 - 51.00	48.00	13.00	35.00	

Northeast Shell Eggs - Caged					
Delivered Warehouse, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	164.00 - 179.00	171.50	53.00	118.50	
Large	163.00 - 177.00	170.00	59.00	111.00	
Medium	89.00 - 102.00	95.50	11.00	84.50	

South Central Shell Eggs - Caged					
Delivered Warehouse, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	171.50 - 180.00	175.75	52.00	123.75	
Large	171.50 - 180.00	175.75	59.00	116.75	
Medium	98.50 - 107.00	102.75	11.00	91.75	

Southeast Shell Eggs - Caged					
Delivered Warehouse, White, Cents Per Dozen					
Class	Price Range	Average Price	Price Change	Price	Last Reported (3/6/2026)
Extra Large	170.50 - 178.00	174.25	54.00	120.25	
Large	169.00 - 176.00	172.50	61.00	111.50	
Medium	96.50 - 104.00	100.25	12.00	88.25	

Explanatory Notes: Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, white eggs in cartons.  
 Regional Breakdown: Midwest: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA. Northeast: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, Eastern PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT. South Central: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX. Southeast: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA.  
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Small Animals	3/17/2026	Sheep	Cows
Chickens	\$2-\$9	Ewes	\$1.40-\$1.85
Bantys	\$2.50-\$12.50	40-60# Lambs	\$2.50-\$4.20
Ducks	\$10-\$25	61-80# Lambs	\$3.25-\$4.20
Pigeons		81-100# Lambs	\$2.50-\$3.95
Eggs	\$0.25-\$1.50		441
Rooster	\$6-\$17	<b>Goats</b>	
Turkey		Billys	\$20-\$350
Peacock		Nannies	\$70-\$375
Rabbits	\$6-\$12.00	Kids	\$60-\$210
	1467		83
<b>Veal Calves</b>		<b>Feeder Cattle Dairy and Beef</b>	
Holstein (80# & UP)	\$1275-\$1875	200-500#	\$3.10-\$5.55
Beef Cross (80# & UP)	\$1400-\$2000	501-800#	\$1.30-\$3.20
	381		104
		<b>Feeder Pigs</b>	
		20-45#	\$70-\$90
		46-65#	\$35-\$90
			54


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### Market Report March 18th 2025

**This Report is the Actual High and Average Prices.**

	Hd. Ct.	High	Avg.			
Fat Hogs:	2	\$55	\$55	Hay Lg Sq:	90	\$95 \$53.61
Sows:	N/A			Hay Sm Sq:	163	\$8.00 \$6.05
Boars:	1	\$27	\$27	Hay Rnd Bale :	N/A	
Feeder Pigs:	2	\$40	\$40	Straw Lg. Sq:	6	\$55 \$51.67
Beef & X Veal #1:	31	\$1700	\$1470.97	Bedding:	13	\$30 \$26.54
Beef & X Veal #2:	7	\$1000.	\$917.86	Straw Sm. Sq:	N/A	
Dairy Veal #1:	80	\$1475.	\$1215.94	Rabbits:	N/A	
Dairy Veal #2:	15	\$775	\$706.67	Chickens:	N/A	
Jersey Cross:	5	\$900	\$502	Chicks:	N/A	
Beef Fdrs 200#-550#	5	\$3.75	\$2.51	Bantys:	N/A	
Beef Fdrs 551#-1000#	N/A			Roosters:	N/A	
Dairy Fdrs 200#-550#	8	\$3.05	\$2.74	Ducks:	N/A	
Dairy Fdrs 551#-1000#	N/A			Turkey:	N/A	
Cull Cows #1:	5	\$1.60	\$1.52	Quail:	N/A	
Cull Cows #2:	N/A			Pigeon:	N/A	
Fat Cattle Colored:	N/A			Guinea:	N/A	
Fat Cattle Holstein:	N/A			Guinea Pig:	N/A	
Bulls:	N/A			Geese:	N/A	
Cow/Calf Pair:	N/A			Peacocks and Hens :	N/A	
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# Ohio farmer has turned to yaks as a way to diversify

By DOUG GRAVES  
Ohio Correspondent

MAYSVILLE, Ohio - While Yaks are antive to the Himalayan region of South Central Asia, the Tibetan Plateau, and as far north as Mongolia and Russia they can be found on farms in the United States

Blake Mathys is owner of Covered Bridge Yak Farm in Union County, Ohio. He has a herd of 12 yaks on his 60-acre farm. He and his family enjoy them immensely.

"When we started raising yaks, we thought of it as a business but we've come to realize it's mostly a hobby," Mathys said. "It's not going to ever be a major money-making operation. They're amazing animals. They're very smart. When it's a nice cold snowy day in the middle of winter you can look out and see their hair blowing in the wind. They look like they should be up in the mountains."

Yaks are cold-hardy, sure-footed beasts with stucky hooves and they can withstand some of the planet's most extreme environments.

They may appeal to farmers in the U.S. for many reasons. They are specially adapted to sparse vegetation. They provide a variety of valuable products, including milk, meat, fiber and hides. They can act as talented draft animals. They're known for their resistance to diseases, requiring less intensive care compared to some other livestock.

While yaks can generally be managed like cattle, they live longer (up

to 25 years) and have slower growth rates. They're both browsers and grazers, while cattle are grazing focused with minimal to no browsing. This means yaks might snack on leaves, and woody plants vs just eating grass. Yaks have evolved to handle extreme environmental conditions, such as low temperatures and high altitude, but they can thrive in more temperate regions with proper care and management.

"I grew up on a central Ohio farm, where our family collected Scottish Highland cows, Jacob sheep and peacocks," Mathys said. "When we moved back to Ohio 12 years ago, I wanted to raise something unusual, and yaks fit the bill and made for a thriving hobby."

Many yak owners covet the fiber these animals produce. Diet management is vital to a fiber harvest as inadequate protein in their diet will have a negative impact on the fiber soundness. Yak fiber is known for its softness and warmth, often comparable to cashmere. Their fiber is durable and resistant to pilling. The fiber is rare, with only a small amount produced each year.

"Some yak producers make extra money with the fiber," Mathys said.

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Above: There are 12 yaks on the farm of Blake Mathys in Union County, Ohio. He has raised them since 2015. (photo submitted)

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# Campbellsville man named Kentucky's 2025 Certified Crop Adviser

By **DOUG GRAVES**  
Ohio Correspondent

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky. - For 26 years, Tim Harrison, of Campbellsville, consulted and scouted crops on thousands of acres in the Bluegrass State. He crisscrossed the state daily, analyzing soil, planting samples and recommending sustainable farming practices to help others increase their productivity while preserving their natural resources. Perhaps no other crop adviser was more well-known and respected in and around Taylor County and across the state.

After 48 years of dedication to agriculture, Harrison decided it was time to retire. Harrison's efforts didn't go unnoticed, however, as he was recently named 2025 Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) of the Year.

"I always wanted to help people and I didn't realize I made such an impact after all these years until many farmers approached me, telling me how much I helped them over the years. That's when I knew I made an impact," he said.

From an early age, Harrison knew he wanted to work and be a part of agriculture. After high school he began farming crops and backgrounding Holstein heifers. But several years later he picked up an off-farm job as a spray applicator.

"It was the 1980s when farming was tough and I needed another income coming in. That's when I went to work for Miles Farm Supply," Harrison said. Two years later, as an Opti Crop Consultant for Miles, he obtained his CCA certification which he said was like a college diploma to him.

"I never attended college and started farming at a very young age. I just learned all I could," Harrison said.

Harrison has worked in the industry for Miles Farm Supply, Southern States Cooperative, Security Seed and most recently with Nutrien Ag Solutions.

Alex Seaton, branch manager of Nutrien Ag Solutions in Elizabethtown,

nominated Harris for this award.

"Tim always looks to the best interests of the grower in his advice and recommendations, treating their operation as if it was his own," Seaton said.

Harrison said he has seen a lot of changes in agriculture over the years, adding that the CCA program has helped him keep up with those changes.

"The industry has changed so much over the years, with new technology, high-performing seeds and auto-steer equipment," Harrison said. "The latest, perhaps, is the emphasis on soil health. It's really starting to pick up. We're all going to be learning to do more and more on less acreage. By becoming a CCA you can help connect cutting-edge science and research to the fields where farming gets done, as well as support ongoing research with valuable feedback and results."

The CCA of the Year Award program is designed to recognize an individual who is highly motivated, delivers exceptional customer service for farmer clients in nutrient management, soil and water management, integrated pest management and crop production, and has contributed substantially to the exchange of ideas and the transfer of agronomic knowledge within the agricultural industry in Kentucky.

There are four required steps to becoming CCA-certified, the first is passing two comprehensive exams covering nutrient management, soil and water management, integrated pest management, and crop management.

Second, one must have at least two years of documented crop advising experience with grower references for holders of a Bachelor of Science degree or four years of documented post-high school advising experience including grower references.

Third, the candidate must sign and adhere to the CCA code of ethics, meaning they always focus on grower profitability while optimizing and protecting natural sources.

Finally, participants must earn 40 hours of continuing education every

two years, as CCAs always must have the latest information on new technology and industry developments.

Once certified, a crop adviser's job included providing knowledge, advice and assistance in the management of crop growth. Advisers maintain a close relationship with their clients and scout their fields for problems that may arise during the growing season. Crop advisers make recommendations on various aspects of crop management, including seed selection, fertilizer use, pest management and disease treatment. They also keep agronomic and financial re-

ords of customer accounts and may work part-time or full-time, often as self-employed individuals.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average annual salary for a crop adviser is \$62,800.

"My advice to anyone wanting to become a crop adviser is to learn all you can, and don't think you know it all because you don't and you can't," Harrison said. "CCAs are partners with farmers on the front lines of critical decisions in agriculture, so it's highly important to stay up on the latest technology and learn every single day."



**Above:** Tim Harrison (right), of Campbellsville, Ky., was named 2025 Certified Crop Adviser of the Year. The presentation took place at the Kentucky Commodity Conference recognition awards dinner in Bowling Green on Jan. 15. Harrison received a plaque and a \$1,000 cash award. (photo submitted)

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# Florida farmer encourages visitors to volunteer, share foods with others

By Celeste Baumgartner  
Ohio Correspondent

BOKEELIA, Fla. - William Masters was retired. He played a lot of golf but got bored. Originally from Illinois, Masters moved to Florida. He bought 10.5 acres there, cleared it, and started planting. He called it Masters Grove. People driving past stop in to see what's going on there. Masters likes having company. He welcomes them.

"I wanted a place where I could go work, and when I got tired, I could just quit," Masters said. "We were just driving by, and my wife, Mary, encouraged me to buy it. I wanted to have a garden. I wanted to have a place where we could have our grandkids, and kids come out, and that's how it started. It has pro-

gressed from there."

That progress includes building pens for Sussex chickens, some ducks, and establishing a row of bee hives. And constructing a building to provide a space for processing the produce, and a big porch for visiting. Later plans include pigs.

"We have 150 avocado trees, about 100 mango trees, then we have canistel (a tropical fruit tree) also known as egg fruit," Masters explained. "We use it to make slushies. We grow anything you can imagine in the garden - onions, peppers, herbs, tomatoes, cauliflower, broccoli, and we have grown sweet corn. We planted like a food forest, a lot of bushes that give fruit. There might be some figs or whatever."

All that entails more work than Masters wanted to do. Josh Ramsier start-

ed volunteering to help, and then Masters hired him. He does most of the day-to-day work.

"I take care of the garden, the trees, I make sure the coffee is on in the morning, build chicken coops, put netting over the coops so the eagles don't get the chickens. It kind of changes with the season," Ramsier said. "I didn't want to look for a job you just do so you have a car that is one year newer than your neighbors. Our kids can come here and run around. It teaches them that there is more to life than video games."

What does Masters do with all of the produce? He gives most of it away. A donation jar rests on a counter, but people are free to take whatever they want. Mary Masters, Josh's wife, Kaitlyn, and others volunteer to help with canning and processing food.

"I just sense that people like to be together," Masters said. "Maybe they don't have any family or friends. One of the greater joys I get out of life right

now is watching people enjoy themselves out here.

"They make catsup and salsa, and that is my goal. I can provide a place for people to do that. My wife and I have been abundantly blessed. So, I can provide all of the things we need here."

People enjoy coming to help. On a recent Saturday, Shirley McCabe, a seasonal visitor from Walton, Ky., and a farm owner, helped can tomatoes.

"When they canned tomatoes, they didn't take the skins off," Masters said. "Shirley showed them how to blanch the tomatoes and take the skins off. That's what I see happening. People are sharing what they have learned over the years with others. We want to do the same thing whether we're making salsa, catsup, whatever it is, to be able to share it."

McCabe said, "I helped can two cannings of tomatoes and we made salsa and marinara sauce. They have a wonderful way of flash-freezing some of the vegetables and fruits, and they preserve everything. It was a joy to be able to go and pick such luscious vegetables there."

Masters likes to have visitors like McCabe and to create community. He invites people to come, and provides coffee and donuts a couple of times a week. He enjoys having people sit in the rockers on the building's big porch and visit.

"People are sharing what they have learned over the years with others," Masters said. "We want to do the same thing, whether we're making salsa, catsup, or an egg casserole, whatever it is, to be able to share it."



Above: Debbie Wells and Lynn Keith made an egg casserole for visitors at Masters Grove to share. They like to visit, and they volunteer to help.



Above: Mariah and her son enjoy making catsup from an excess of tomatoes. Shelves are lined with canned tomatoes, green beans and more.



Above: Kaitlyn Ramsier holding Brownie, a Sussex hen. The chickens need netting over their pens so the eagles don't prey on them.



Above: William Masters, Kaitlyn, and Josh Ramsier enjoy creating community at Masters Grove. They put in the work to make it happen.

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# Case Magnum MX200 plows to \$38,200 in online estate sale

By William Flood  
Ohio Correspondent

Newcastle, IN - On March 9, Jeff Boone Auction & Realty hosted the Ronald Lowhorn farm equipment estate auction, with bidding taking place exclusively through BidBoone.com. Lowhorn, a Vietnam veteran who served three tours with the 375th Army Security Agency Company, spent a lifetime balancing military service, work at the Postal Service and Chrysler, and his farm. The sale offered 86 lots from his operation: tractors, combines, trucks, trailers and other implements, most having sat out of crop production for several years, ready for buyers willing to put in a little work.

Leading the sale at \$38,200 was a Case Magnum MX200 tractor, in good shape, with just 2,067 hours, four-wheel drive, front suitcase weights, three-point hitch with quick hitch, 1,000 PTO, and three hydraulic remotes. A second Case tractor, this one a good-condition Case International with 7,130 hours, landed not far behind at \$30,100. It was outfitted with front suitcase weights, 1,000 PTO, three-point hitch, and three hydraulic remotes.

Two additional modern tractors were available: A running John Deere 4630, with 8,489 hours needing some fuel work, reached \$16,600. It featured front suitcase weights, three-point quick hitch, 1000 PTO, and a set of duals. A second 4630, with 8,347 hours, also needing some work, with auxiliary fuel tank, front suitcase weights, 1000 PTO, and three hydraulic remotes, pulled \$10,000.

Four vintage tractors attracted attention, with bidding hitting \$3,550 on a 1960s Allis-Chalmers One-Ninety XT diesel, with 10,944 hours. It was equipped with a three-point hitch and running, albeit difficult to start. A 1970s Allis-Chalmers A-C 7030, with 4,821 hours, hampered by clutch or linkage issues, made it to \$3,100. It had front suitcase weights, rear wheel weights, 540 PTO, and two remotes. A well-used 1950s WD 45 in unknown condition was carted off for \$775, while a non-running Allis Chalmers D17 from the same era came close at \$700.

Three combines were available. A John Deere 9650 STS 4WD combine, with hours unknown due to a non-working screen but believed to have over 3,000 engine hours, harvested \$16,300. A cosmetically worn International 1460 from the late 1970s/early 1980s, long sitting in a field, brought \$1,600. Meanwhile, a Deere 105 with 2,992 hours, appearing functional but untested, crossed the block at \$950.

Nearly four dozen pieces of additional agricultural equipment - from augers to grain heads - were presented. Leading those offerings, a John Deere tan-

dem grain drill pulled \$7,400. Earlier, a Westfield MK100-71 auger hit \$6,025, and a John Deere 930F grain head with cart reached \$3,500.

Many pieces of that machinery changed hands in the hundreds, including a John Deere 8-row corn head that landed at \$925, an International 5100 soybean special drill for \$700, and an Anderson MFG pull-type sprayer with an 850-gallon tank and hydraulic pump at \$425. Budget-friendly finds included an International 844 corn head going for \$250, an Allis-Chalmers 5-bottom plow for \$225, and a 14-foot John Deere disc at \$175.

Gravity wagons were abundant, with a dozen vying for new homes. A Unverferth 275 in good cosmetic condition topped the category at \$500, and a second Unverferth 275 in similar shape brought \$475. Meanwhile, a rough but usable John Deere 68 auger wagon pulled \$250, while a Parker gravity wagon needing a wheel and fresh rubber all around went for just \$125.

Past the machinery, six vintage "barn find" trucks, each needing work, made their way through the auction. At the top was a 1978 Ford 800 tandem grain truck, not running but titled and wearing serviceable tires, grabbed for \$1,700. A 1978 Freightliner 8664-T cabover semi, with 64,858 miles showing on an uneven odometer and parked in the weeds, was picked up for \$1,600. A 1979 International F1924 tandem grain truck, non-running and showing plenty of rust, bid to \$1,400.

Two trailers were also auctioned: a 2007 Universal Exiss two-horse aluminum straight-load trailer, with escape doors on each side and a front tack/changing area, drew \$8,050, and a 1977 semi-trailer that went with the Freightliner, with rollaway tarp, showing plenty of rust, changed hands for \$1,000.

Other "around the farm" utilitarian items caught attention as well. A Spread-All industrial fan went for \$775, a Farm Fans AB-12B automatic grain dryer brought \$525, and an unrestored late-1940s Tokheim gas pump, selling for \$325, added a touch of vintage charm to the sale.

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Above: The auction featured 14 pieces of farm machinery, most of it in need of work. That included this John Deere 930F grain head with cart, selling for \$3,500.



Above: A well-equipped Case Magnum MX200 tractor in good condition led the auction at \$38,200.



Above: Despite unknown hours, a John Deere 9650 STS combine sold for \$16,300.



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## Yaks

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"In the spring they comb out the fiber, which is very soft and relatively valuable. Yaks come in a few main colorations here in North America. Black and white yaks are known as 'royal' and then the yaks that are mostly black with a little bit of white on the forehead and usually on the



**Above:** The yak is commonly found in Tibet and other Asian areas, but has found a home in Ohio and other states in the U.S. (photo submitted)

back feet are called 'trim.'"

Yak nutritional management is similar to that of most other ruminants. And, yaks are generally susceptible to most common cattle diseases. Proper care, including nutrition, housing and protection against diseases, is essential for their health and well-being.

Yaks are good-natured and enjoyable animals to work with. Quality genetics are the foundation to good temperament, Mathys said.

"As with any livestock you've always got to keep an eye on the bull, but most of them are pretty easy to work with," Mathys said. "They're a little smaller than regular cattle, and that makes it a little easier to keep them. They're a little less hard on gates and fences."

Selling the baby yaks to petting zoos is one of the few ways that Mathys is able to make a profit from his yaks. He also collects yak fiber to sell for yarn, as well as selling their lean meat.

"When they're growing, they put their fat more on the outside of the muscle so there is less of the marbling inside the muscle," Mathys said. "That results in a very lean meat. They're pretty slow growing. It takes about three years to at least get a steer up to appropriate weight to butcher. Because the meat is so lean, it really is something that a lot of consumers are looking for. They

also are kind of nice because yaks do cross with regular cattle."

Mathys has found local grocers to accept his meat, though he said it's not all about profits. Most owners, like Mathys, form bonds with their yak herds and keep them for their novelty.

Gregor Dike, board chair of the North American Yak Association, said yak is a niche meat market that offers potential as a red meat alternative.

"The yak meat is high in protein, at 22 to 23 percent," Dike said. "They're hardy. They have a smaller or a lighter environmental footprint in terms of methane gas release, in terms of soil compaction and things like that."

Despite all the ecological and health benefits of their meat, yaks are unlikely to catch on as a major agricultural product in the U.S. anytime soon. The USDA doesn't allow the import of yaks for farms. That means the yak population in North America is basically limited to what's already here and what farmers like Mathys can breed.

"They're not going to compete with Angus," Dike said. "There are 7,000 yak in the U.S. You probably slaughter 7,000 Angus a day for meat."

Yaks can range in weight from 300 to 1,000 pounds. They can run up to 40 miles per hour.

The Mathys family has been raising yaks in Union County since 2015. They also tend to horses, sheep, goats and chickens. They're looking to diversify their herd, perhaps adding a water buffalo or two.

There are three additional yak farms in Ohio: Heartland Yaks in Leipsic; OH Yaks in Lebanon; Bauman's NH Farm in Waynesburg; and Covered Bridge Yaks in West Mansfield.

Yak farms can be found throughout the Farm World readership area. In Indiana, yaks can be found at the Woolly Yak Ranch & Winery in Arcadia. In Tennessee, Deep Draw Yak Ranch in Crossville raises yaks and offers educational farm tours to the public. In Michigan, large yak herds can be found at A Yak or 2 Ranch in Mancelona, or Kwididinok Farm in Boyne City, the latter offering a petting farm.

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Indiana Pork is hosting several student-focused events this April aimed at building leadership skills, connecting students with career opportunities, and encouraging engagement in issues impacting the pork industry.

On April 7, students are invited to attend a Pork Industry Career Panel at Creighton Hall, Room 1042. The panel will feature professionals from across the pork industry who will share insights about career paths, industry trends, and opportunities available to students interested in agriculture and food production.

Also on April 7, the National Pork Producers Council will join Indiana Pork to host LEADR Training in the Pfendler Hall Dean's Auditorium. This leadership development program helps students strengthen communication, advocacy and leadership skills while learning more about the issues affecting pork producers. Students who attend will receive a free t-shirt and pizza during the event.

Students will have another opportunity to engage with industry topics during the Indiana Pork Industry Issues Discussion Meet on April 11 at Creighton Hall, Room 1042. The event encourages participants to discuss key issues facing the pork industry while

practicing problem-solving and communication skills in a collaborative format. The winner will receive \$500 and an expense-paid trip to the World Pork Expo in Des Moines, Iowa, where they will represent Indiana at the National Pork Industry Issues Discussion Meet.

"Indiana Pork supports building a talent pipeline for the industry through several programs," said Chad Martin with Indiana Pork. "From high school work-based learning placements that introduce youth to production careers, to opportunities that prepare college graduates for management roles, these efforts strengthen our workforce. We also recognize the importance of developing advocates for agriculture and hope these experiences expose college agriculture majors to how policy impacts the industry and how they can turn their passion for agriculture into meaningful action."

Students interested in learning more about the pork industry, leadership development, and advocacy opportunities are encouraged to attend.

Signups for both events can be found at <https://share.hsforms.com/179ks-l3e0SQ059UypYXEJYQr57gz>

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# Indiana grade school students learn about farming during Ag Days

By Stan Maddux  
Indiana Correspondent

LAPORTE, Ind. – Over 900 school children in LaPorte County learned more about where their food comes from and the work involved in getting it to their dinner tables. This occurred during the annual Ag Days put on by LaPorte County Farm Bureau.

The children, all in the fourth grade, were bused from their respective schools to the event inside the Community Building at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds. They spent 10 minutes at each of the nearly one dozen stations learning about different things like milk production and the process involved in food reaching consumers from start to finish.

Dairy farmer Frank Minich informed the students just one dairy cow drinks the equivalent of a “bathtub full of water” every day and can produce as much as 10 to 12 gallons of milk over a 24-hour period.

Minich said it takes about eight hours to milk all his 800 head of Holstein cows and nearly five hours to feed them at his farm near Kingsbury. The milking and feeding are done twice a day.

Minich also revealed he uses gummy bears from a candy factory in Merrillville in his grain mixture for the cows as a nutritional supplement, a long-standing practice in the dairy industry to stretch feed supplies.

He said the gummy bears are made available to him because they didn’t make the candy maker’s grade for quality. However, Minich said the discarded gummy bears are less costly than traditional feed and contain sugars that mirror the ones in the corn included in the grain mixture.

“It’s a smart business move for us to do that,” he said.

He also said a few calves are born every day on his farm. “Baby cows are always cute,” quipped one student.

Vern Schafer, who raises about 90 head of beef cattle in the LaCrosse area, informed the students that cows have four stomachs and are also fed silage, which are corn plants chopped into tiny pieces out in the fields. The silage is heated and cooled while going through a fermentation process before it’s given to the cows.

“It’s very palatable for the cattle because they have a special stomach that lets it digest this stuff,” he said.

Schafer also revealed that steaks



**Above:** Jurnee McDonald (left) and Owen Livergood from Kingsford Heights Elementary School petted a chicken during Ag Days at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds.

“come out of the muscle of a slaughtered animal” and leather jackets are made from the hides of cows once all their meat has been harvested.

Farmer Jeff Mitzner, of Wanatah, played a video showing how 25 tons of freshly harvested cucumbers are loaded into trucks and shipped to processors who turn them into pickles.

“They are going to be put in a can or a jar like that for you to use to buy at the grocery store,” he said.

The video also displayed how tomatoes are harvested by machines and then put through a shaker to remove any rocks or other debris from the plants before they’re shipped for processing.

People riding on the harvesting machines remove any bad tomatoes from the crop, said Mitzner, who raises mostly corn, soybeans, wheat and cattle.

Paul Herrold, who raises primarily corn and soybeans on about 3,500 acres in the Westville area, said the students in his presentations seemed most surprised that flour comes from grinding wheat.

He also told how his soybeans a few years ago were taken to an elevator in Union Mills for shipment to China.

“Literally, crops grown here in LaPorte County could end up anywhere in the entire world,” he said.

LaPorte County Farm Bureau President Mark Parkman said the event is an important learning experience since a vast majority of school children nowadays don’t live on a farm.

Teacher Linda Nelson, who brought



**Above:** Farmer Jeff Mitzner plays a video for students to help explain how crops are harvested during Ag Days at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds.



**Above:** Students during Ag Days learned from farmer Paul Herrold that about one-third of the corn raised in this country goes toward making ethanol.

her fourth-grade students from Kingsford Heights Elementary School, agreed.

“We are surrounded by farmland but I don’t think they really understand what that entails and what it takes to maintain and run a farm. It’s a great opportunity for them to get that,” she said.

Jessica Frankowski, a fourth-grade teacher at Hailmann Elementary School in La Porte, said the event helps students know where their food comes from and everything that’s involved on a farm in caring for the animals.

“I think it allows kids to understand parts of agriculture they don’t always get exposed to,” she said.

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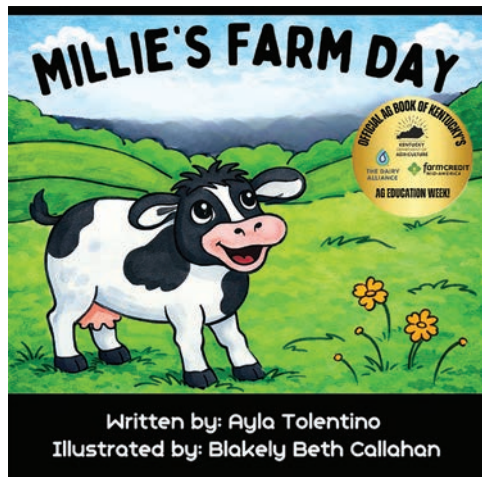
## KDA's All in for Ag Education Week features student-created book

By DOUG GRAVES  
Ohio Correspondent

LEXINGTON, Ky. – Kentucky elementary students got a closer look at modern dairy farming during All in for Agriculture Education Week, thanks in part to a children's book written and illustrated by two Kentucky students.

The book, *Millie's Farm Day*, was written by Ayla Tolentino, an eighth grader at Bondurant Middle School in Frankfort and illustrated by Blakely Beth Callahan, a junior at South Laurel High School in London.

Tolentino, a self-proclaimed "ag nerd" and vice president of her middle school's FFA chapter, was excited to bring a little bit of agriculture into the classroom.



Above: *Millie's Farm Day* will soon appear in the library of each elementary school in Kentucky. (photo submitted)

"I was inspired by my friend Kenzie, who cares for her cattle," Tolentino said. "I've learned a lot from occasionally helping her over the last few years."

Tolentino's abilities in journalism are not surprising. She's won honors with her penmanship.

For Callahan, illustrating the book was quite an honor. She used her imagination and skill to bring Tolentino's words to life in pictures. She, too, has a gift at drawing and has entered many art contests in her life.

"Being the illustrator for *Millie's Farm Day* is something I hold so close to my heart," Callahan said. "I'm incredibly grateful for the chance to bring this story to life through art and to help share the joy and wonder of farm life with young readers. Every page is a reminder of how thankful I am for this opportunity."

The book contest, sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA), the Dairy Alliance, and Farm Credit Mid-America, asked Kentucky students to craft a story centered around dairy farmers caring for their cows. Tolentino and Callahan came out on top among many entries at KDA.

The book will be distributed to elementary schools across the state along with other ag education material. Once distributed, the book will become a permanent resident in the school libraries. This past week, Tolentino and Callahan visited select schools to read the book with students and lead mini



Above: Ayla Tolentino (left) is in the eighth grade and has received numerous honors for her writing. (photo submitted)

lessons tied to the story, including short art activities.

"It's amazing how creative our young people can be," Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Jonathan Shell said. "All in for Agriculture Education Week is designed to get agriculture in the classroom. This book does just that in a fun, colorful way for our youngest future farmers. It helps bring ag into the classroom."

By using a kid-friendly story created by Kentucky students, organizers say the program introduces students to modern dairy practices in a relatable

way, while helping connect classroom learning to the everyday food system.

All in for Agriculture Education Week is designed to help young learners understand where their food comes from through storytelling, school visits and a live virtual tour of a working dairy farm. The tour this year was led by Tony Compton, of Compton Dairy in Columbia, Ky. After the virtual tour, students engaged in a question-and-answer session.

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# Trump signs deal expanding duty-free US beef access to Indonesia

By DOUG SCHMITZ  
Iowa Correspondent

DENVER, Colo. - President Donald Trump recently signed the U.S.-Indonesia Agreement on Reciprocal Trade with Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto, which expands duty-free access for U.S. beef to Indonesia, according to the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR).

As part of the trade deal, signed Feb. 23, Indonesia will purchase at least 50,000 metric tons of U.S. beef annually, and now recognizes USDA authority on food safety and animal health, opening more opportunities for exports, USTR officials said.

The agreement addresses the many barriers maintained by Indonesia,

and successful implementation will allow Indonesian importers and consumers to have meaningful, consistent access to U.S. beef for the first time, said Dan Halstrom, U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF) president.

He said of the agreement, "This is in line with USMEF's market potential estimates and should help incentivize true implementation of the commitments Indonesia has made on removing its non-tariff barriers."

He said export value could reach \$400 million to \$500 million in the near term, following implementation, and exports of U.S. pork have also been restricted by Indonesia's import licensing regime, and by limited approval of U.S. plants.

According to the International Trade Association, Indonesia's import licensing regime is a strict, electronically managed system requiring importers to obtain a Business Identification Number via its Online Single Submission System.

"These obstacles go away under this agreement, enabling further growth in U.S. pork exports, including further-processed products," Halstrom said.

Key terms of the agreement include: Indonesia eliminating tariff barriers on over 99 percent of U.S. products exported to Indonesia across all sectors, including for agricultural products, health products, seafood, information and communications technology, automotive products, and chemicals.

In addition, Indonesia will address and prevent barriers to U.S. agricultural products being sold in the Indonesian market, including exempting food and agricultural products from all of Indonesia's import licensing regimes and ensuring transparency, and fairness with respect to geographical indications, including meats and cheeses, USTR officials said.

Andrew P. Griffith, University of Tennessee professor of agricultural and resource economics, told Farm World, "Opening new trade markets and reducing trade barriers is almost always a good thing for the product being traded from a price standpoint."

"In other words, if more beef moves to an international destination than was previously moving, then it should support higher beef and cattle prices," he said. "Fifty thousand metric tons would be 5-6 percent of the quantity of beef the U.S. exported in 2025."

"This is a fairly large percentage to a relatively small country, but the question is if it will actually happen," he added. "The U.S. cattleman can only benefit from exporting more beef, but it is going to be difficult to produce more beef in the near term."

Grant Dewell, Iowa State University associate professor of veterinary medicine and Extension beef veterinarian, told Farm World, "Fifty

thousand metric tons is not a huge amount, compared to 1.3 million tons we already export. But getting access to this market not only expands our current export, since Indonesia is the fourth largest country based on population, the opportunity for future expansion is important."

Right now, he said, Indonesia imports most of their beef from Australia: "Indonesia has one of the fastest-growing economies in the world, so combining this buying power with their population, quality U.S. beef should be in demand and have the potential to increase exports of high-quality beef. That is the advantage over South Korea and Japan. Those are stable countries, so we don't have a lot of opportunities there."

In the past, he said, Indonesia policies included non-tariff trade barriers that made exporting U.S. beef difficult: "One of those barriers was, instead of recognizing USDA inspection as qualifying for safety assurance, Indonesia would only approve individual plants after they had conducted their own inspections."

"With this new agreement, USDA inspection is considered sufficient, so individual plants don't have to try and get approval on their own, giving the U.S. beef industry a level playing field to export," he added.

Krysta Harden, president and CEO of the National Milk Producers Federation said, "This important agreement enhances the strong and growing relationship we've developed with Indonesia's government and dairy industry."

"Through sustained engagement, we've laid a solid foundation for partnership," she added. "This deal reinforces that progress and positions U.S. dairy to expand its capacity to serve as a reliable partner in supporting Indonesia's dairy sector and nutrition goals."

Mark Wilson, U.S. Grains & Bio-Products Council chair, said, "This move is a welcomed development, and a win-win for American producers and Indonesian consumers alike."



Above: Eighth-grader Ayla Tolentino (right) wrote the farm book based on the experiences she had at a friend's farm while high school junior Blakely Beth Callahan used her imagination and skill to bring Tolentino's words to life in pictures. (photo courtesy KDA)

## Millie's Farm Day

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"As fewer families have direct ties to farming, agricultural literacy has never been more critical," said Farrah Newberry, CEO at The Dairy Alliance. "By partnering with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture to create and distribute Millie's Farm Day to students across Kentucky, we are accurately highlighting modern dairy farming and helping bridge that gap. All in for Ag Education Week is about inspiring curiosity, building understanding, and ensuring the next generation sees the innovation and sustainability driving today's dairy farms."

This special week began last year when Shell joined forces with Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman and Commissioner of Education Robbie Fletcher to bring agriculture into classrooms

across the Commonwealth.

"Education Week delivers an all-encompassing learning experience for students, equips educators with ready-to-use lessons, and fosters community involvement to create hands-on learning opportunities on the diverse world of agriculture for students," Shell said.

"We know the future of our industry is in the hands of this next generation and we're proud to partner with KDA to enhance ag education in our elementary schools statewide," said Mark Barker, senior vice president of agricultural lending at Farm Credit Mid-America. "Supporting programs like All in for Agriculture Education allows students to learn about agriculture in our community helps us achieve our mission of securing the future of rural communities and agriculture."

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# OCA presented several awards during recent Buckeye Cattlemen's Summit

MARYSVILLE, Ohio - The Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA) presented several awards during the Buckeye Cattlemen's Summit on Jan. 24 at the Ohio State University Wooster Campus.

Paradise Corner Farm, of Bucyrus, Ohio, was named Commercial Cattleman of the Year. The award honors Ohio beef operations that have demonstrated success through commercial cattle production. Recipients utilize performance data and modern technologies to improve cattle predictability while maintaining a strong focus on meeting and exceeding the expectations of today's beef consumers.

Paradise Corner Farm is operated by Andy Lohr, his wife, Tonya, and their family in Crawford County. The operation includes a cow-calf herd of approximately 115 cows, with all calves born on the farm retained through finishing. Finished cattle are processed through the family-owned Center Street Meat Co., allowing the operation to provide high-quality beef directly to the local community. The couple's daughter, Jessica, provides day-to-day management of the meat company. In addition, the family purchases cattle as needed to maintain a consistent beef supply for their market.

Cutlip Family Farm, of Glenmont, Ohio, received the Environmental Stewardship Award. The award is presented to an Ohio beef farm that demonstrates a strong commitment to responsible stewardship of land, water, and air resources, as well as livestock, through sustainable farm management practices.

The farm is a 200-acre operation owned and managed by Jeff and Mary Jo Cutlip, along with their daughters, Leann and Laura. The family manages a herd of approximately 55 fall-calving mother cows utilizing Shorthorn and

Angus genetics. Environmental stewardship is a top priority on the Cutlip family's farm, particularly given the rolling hills and varied terrain of the operation.

Don Jones, of Freeport, Ohio, received the Industry Excellence Award. The award honors beef producers who have dedicated their careers to advancing Ohio's beef industry.

Jones has been involved in the beef industry throughout his life. He served as an agricultural education teacher for 23 years before transitioning into public service as a state representative for Ohio's 95th District, a role he held for more than five years. Jones currently serves as the state executive director for the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA). With FSA, he helps implement policies and programs designed to support farmers and promote economic stability in agriculture.

The Licking County Cattlemen's Association received the Outstanding County Award. The award is presented annually by OCA to recognize exceptional achievement in industry education, consumer promotion, and overall involvement at the county level. Evaluation criteria include participation in OCA events, communication efforts, youth support, community outreach, and strong organizational leadership.

Under the leadership of President Ian VanKirk, the Licking County Cattlemen's Association is guided by a seven-member board dedicated to growing the association and supporting the next generation of cattlemen and women. The association boasts a diverse membership of approximately 60 producers representing a wide range of cattle operations.

Turner Shorthorns, of Somerset, Ohio, was recognized as the Seedstock Producer of the Year. The award honors

Ohio beef operations that have demonstrated exceptional breeding success through registered cattle programs.

Turner Shorthorns is owned and operated by Tom and Susie Turner and encompasses 215 acres of reclaimed mining ground. The operation has managed approximately 60 purebred Shorthorn cows for the past 15 years. The Turners believe the Shorthorn breed plays an important role in the commercial beef industry and emphasize selecting cattle that are moderate in size, functional, and efficient in production.

The Industry Service Award went to Cathann A. Kress, vice president for agricultural administration and dean

of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). The award recognizes individuals who have contributed to the betterment of Ohio's beef industry through their careers or volunteer efforts.

Kress has built a strong and lasting relationship with the OCA and Ohio's beef industry, demonstrating a genuine commitment to its long-term success. Throughout her leadership at CFAES, she has been a consistent advocate for youth development and education, helping prepare the next generation to succeed within agriculture and the beef community.

## Pick Tennessee Products unveils new website to better connect consumers

NASHVILLE - The Tennessee Department of Agriculture announces the launch of an updated Pick Tennessee Products website, offering a more streamlined way for consumers to connect with local farmers, producers and artisans across the state.

The website redesign follows continued growth in the Pick Tennessee Products program, which includes nearly 3,200 active members. The updated site focuses on improving the user experience and strengthening connections between Tennessee consumers and local Tennessee producers.

"Tennessee's farmers and artisans are at the heart of our communities, and this updated Pick Tennessee Products website makes it easier than ever for people to find and support them," Agriculture Commissioner Andy Holt said. "By improving the way consumers connect with local producers, we're strengthening our agricultural economy and celebrating the quality that

sets Tennessee products apart."

The new website offers an improved interactive map, cleaner visuals and a more cohesive design. Enhancements also reflect refreshed branding across the platform. Navigation and search functions have been simplified to help users more easily find local producers and access current information.

The website - [www.picktnproducts.org/](http://www.picktnproducts.org/) - is the go-to resource for finding program members. Whether the user is looking for produce, specialty foods, farm experiences, artisan crafts or wood products, using the website provides users with accurate information and a seamless experience to find local producers.

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# Data center on farmland a cash cow for city and schools

By Stan Maddux  
Indiana Correspondent

LAPORTE, Ind. - Farmland has become the source of historic levels of new funding for an Indiana community from a Microsoft data center about to go up on the near 500-acre site.

There's now a push to share that revenue with other local government agencies that normally would have received a cut of the additional money.

What's been described as an unprecedented amount of new funding stems from a decision by Microsoft not to seek property tax relief on its projected \$1 billion investment in LaPorte, and other data centers the technology giant will build elsewhere.

"We're committed to being a good, responsible neighbor and we'll pay our full and fair share of local property taxes, adding revenue to local towns and cities," said Mike Stockwell, a Microsoft land development and permitting program manager.

Initially, officials in La Porte were pleased with the original agreement from June 2024 that called for the city and school corporation to share about \$2.5 million annually over a 40-year period.

At the time, Microsoft was planning to seek tax abatement on the very costly equipment inside the facility but

would pay full property taxes on the half dozen buildings that will make up the data center going up just east of U.S. 35.

A new agreement revealed on March 2 calls for the city to collect 85 percent of Microsoft's entire annual property tax bills with the remaining 15 percent going to the school corporation over 20 years.

Officials did not release specific figures, preferring to wait for the facility to be assessed once it's constructed before estimating the total amount of new property tax funding.

However, City Councilman Tim Franke said the yearly property tax collections from Microsoft have the potential to "double or triple" the city's annual \$30 million budget.

"If you do the math, it's a significant amount of money. We'll see how it all shakes out," he said.

LaPorte Economic Advancement Partnership Executive Director Bert Cook called the influx of new funds contained in the revised agreement "unlike anything we've seen before."

Franke said it was Microsoft that approached the city about striking a new deal, which was given final approval by the city's Redevelopment Commission and school board.

LaPorte Schools Superintendent Dr. Sandra Wood said the amount of

new revenue for the school corporation from Microsoft was the maximum allowed by the state for educational programs.

She also described the amount of funding in the new agreement as "unprecedented for a public school corporation in our state."

Wood said there are no strings attached to the funding, which will be spent at the discretion of the school corporation.

Officials expect start receiving some of the funds in 2028 with full payment in 2029.

How the funds are spent will be decided later at some point.

Mayor Tom Dermody said a lot of the city's money could go toward major needs such as repairing and upgrading infrastructure like streets that "we're going to focus on as much as possible."

Nick Otis, city attorney, said, "I think it will completely change our community."

School Board President Ryan Seaburg thanked Dermody for his leadership over the new deal and commitment to include the school corporation in the windfall.

"Your vision, Mayor Dermody, to help our schools is appreciated by everyone in the community," he said.

Typically, property tax revenue generated by new development is spread among the government entities in the county in which the construction has taken place.

In this case, the city is placing the funds into a tax increment financing district, which allows that revenue to strictly be spent in any of the city's TIF districts except for the amount owed to the school corporation.

LaPorte County Commissioners Joe

Haney and Steve Holifield are among the elected officials wanting some of those dollars to go toward county government.

Haney and Holifield were recently behind a push to direct any data center construction in the unincorporated areas into the Kingsbury Industrial Park to keep such facilities from gobbling up farmland and becoming an eyesore for any nearby residents.

Haney alleged the city is "basically, holding all of that money hostage for their own purposes. It's unfortunate."

Holifield, a full-time farmer, said he received no answer from the mayor when he approached him about revenue sharing.

He said county government should receive a slice of the pie, especially since the data center is going up on land just annexed into the city about two years ago.

Gautama "Goot" Logwood, a candidate for LaPorte County Council, said additional money for county government would come at a critical time when local municipalities are losing funds from statewide property tax reductions.

Logwood said the extra dollars could prevent county government from having to adopt more local income taxes to make up for the lost revenue.

"That kind of money spread around the county could benefit everybody. Not just the city," he said.

Dermody, though, doesn't seem open to the idea because many county government officials have expressed opposition to data centers and want to restrict where they can locate.

"I respect their opposition to progress. We're focused on the city," he said.

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**Household Items**  
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# United States cheese consumption hits all-time high in 2025

U.S. cheese consumption hit an all-time high in 2025, according to data from USDA's Economic Research Service, however consumption is not keeping up with cheese output. The Agriculture Department issued December and January Supply and Utilization data on March 13 as both were delayed by the previous government shutdown. Highlights from January follow.

Cheese utilization totaled 1.29 billion pounds, up 5.7 percent from January 2025, and marked a record for the month of January, according to HighGround Dairy, due to domestic utilization and exports setting highs for the month. Domestic use hit just under 1.2 billion pounds, up 5.2 percent from Jan. 2025, while exports, at 114 million pounds, were up 10.8 percent from a year ago.

Butter disappearance totaled 213.1 million pounds, up 14.6 percent from a year ago, exceeding 200 million for the first time ever, according to HighGround. Domestic usage hit 192.8 million pounds, up 7.8 percent, while exports came in at 20.3 million, up 185.9 percent. HighGround says November's data was "abysmal" but "turned out two very strong months in December and January, both totals set monthly records, and on a 30-day adjusted basis, December ranked third all-time."

Dry whey totaled 73.7 million pounds, up 1.9 percent from a year ago. "Robust export volumes narrowly offset record low January domestic use," says HGD. "In contrast, although total whey protein concentrate utilization was positive year-over-year, it was due to strong domestic consumption while exports languished."

Nonfat-skim milk powder utilization hit 189.3 million pounds, up 20.8 percent from a year ago. Domestic use was up 23.9 percent and exports were up 19.2 percent. Both were up year over year for the first time since May 2025, according to HGD. "However, totals are not overly robust, and smaller than in other years."

Fluid milk sales took a dip in starting 2026. USDA's data showed packaged sales at 3.766 billion pounds,

down 2.3 percent from January 2025, and followed a 1.2 percent slip in December.

Conventional product sales totaled 3.5 billion pounds, down 2.1 percent from a year ago. Organic sales, at 261 million, were down 5.4 percent from a year ago, but represented a typical 6.9 percent of total milk sales in the month.

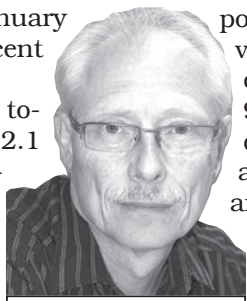
Whole milk sales totaled 1.4 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from a year ago. Whole milk represented a typical 37.2 percent of total sales for the month. Skim milk sales, at 144 million pounds, were down 10.3 percent from a year ago.

The April Federal order Class I base milk price was announced at \$18.66 per hundredweight, up \$3.19 from March, 91 cents below April 2025, but the highest Class I price since September 2025. It equates to \$1.60 per gallon, down from \$1.68 a year ago. The four-month Class I average stands at \$16.30, down from \$20.56 a year ago, and compares to \$18.61 in 2024.

While the Fed voted to keep interest rates where they are, dairy margins weakened in the first half of March from a combination of lower milk prices and steady to slightly higher feed costs. That from the latest Margin Watch (MW) from Chicago-based Commodity and Ingredient Hedging LLC.

"Most of the pressure on milk futures was due to weakness in the Class III market," the MW explained, "With Class IV Futures continuing to see strength from butter and nonfat dry milk powder. After a strong butter rally recently, butter futures sold off back below \$2 per pound, although a rally in powder futures helped offset this. Butter has been supported by strong export sales despite a continued surge in output. According to USDA's Dairy Products report, January butter production of 231.5 million pounds rose 6 percent from 2025, although this increase was offset by the highest January butterfat exports since 1994."

The MW added, "USDA Census Bureau trade data shows January 2026 butterfat exports exceeded 30.4 million



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pounds, with one-third of the volume consisting of anhydrous milkfat, which exceeds 98 percent butterfat. Consequently, the butterfat equivalent of January's butter and milkfat exports exceeds 14,900 MT and represents 14 percent of U.S. butter production during January. Cheese production during January of just under 1.3 billion pounds was up 4.7 percent from last year with a 6.5 percent increase noted in Italian varieties which exceeded 3.9 percent growth in the American category, although it should be noted that Cheddar production was up 7.4 percent from last year."

"January cheese exports of 51,700 MT were up 11 percent from last year though down 4.5 percent from December. Mexico accounted for 30 percent of total cheese exports in January, but exports to our southern neighbor were the lowest since March 2025 and almost 20 percent below December as the US dollar continues to strengthen relative to the Peso, in part resulting from the war with Iran," the MW concluded.

USDA's Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook, issued March 16, mirrored milk price and production projections in the March 10 World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report. The Outlook stated, "Dairy herd expansion is expected to continue into 2026, consistent with 2025 trends and supported by dairy cow numbers reported through January 2026, recent culling patterns, and expected cow retention. Based on recent data, the number of dairy cows forecast in 2026 has been revised upward to 9.57 million, an increase of 30,000 from the previous forecast and 72,000 head more than in 2025. Milk output per cow has been revised downward to 24,520 pounds,

a decrease of 65 pounds from the previous forecast, but still 129 pounds higher than in 2025."

Dairy cow slaughter in January was only slightly below last year's levels on a monthly basis, according to the Outlook. "However, available data for February suggests an uptick in slaughter activity that aligns with seasonal patterns in dairy cow slaughter, dairy cow slaughter increases in the spring when spring flush in milk production tends to depress milk prices. While year-to-date slaughter data points toward more slaughter activity than last year, January dairy cow average inventories indicate that farmers driven by the high returns from beef-on-dairy practices are still retaining cows in production despite recent falling milk prices."

The Outlook also warned "On March 6, workers at the JBS beef plant in Greeley, Colorado gave notice to management that they plan to strike at midnight March 15. In anticipation of the walkout, industry analysts have noted that JBS was halting slaughter starting March 9 to finish processing remaining carcasses. It is estimated that JBS harvests 5,000-6,000 head per day at their Greeley plant. JBS spokespeople noted that it will "temporarily shift production to other JBS facilities where we currently have excess processing capacity."

USDA slaughter data shows 57,900 dairy cows sent to slaughter the week ending Feb. 28, 1,800 head or 3.2 percent more than a year ago. Year to date 517,900 cows had been culled, up 34,200 or 7.1 percent from a year ago.

CME block Cheddar was trading Thursday at \$1.6475 per pound, highest since Nov. 10, 2025, and 4.50 cents above a year ago. It closed Friday at \$1.53. The barrels were trading Thursday at \$1.57, following a Friday finish at \$1.53. Traders were anticipating Friday afternoon's February Milk Production report.

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# Fulbright Scholar visit reinforces Clark State's growing role in global ag

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio — Kigbah Salifou Coulibaly, Ph.D., a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, will give a public presentation on global agriculture and economic development on March 31 at Clark State College, a founding member of the Community College Alliance for Agriculture Advancement and the hub for the Ohio Center for Precision Agriculture.

At 9:30 a.m., Coulibaly will present an informational session regarding his personal experiences with the Fulbright Program, opportunities for students who are pursuing or have earned a bachelor's degree and professionals interested in international academic exchange and research.

At 11 a.m., Coulibaly will present a lecture titled "The Importance of Cocoa Production in Cote d'Ivoire: Challenges and Opportunities." The presentation will examine cocoa production in Cote d'Ivoire and explore economic and environmental factors affecting one of the world's most important agricultural commodities.

Both presentations, which are free and open to the public, will be held on Clark State's Springfield campus in LRC, room 207.

Supported through the Fulbright Program Outreach Lecturing Fund, Coulibaly's visit will also include meetings with Clark State's agriculture advisory committee and campus tours highlighting Clark State's agriculture programs to encourage inter-

national collaboration and introduce all parties to research and perspectives from around the world.

An associate professor of economics at the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Statistique et d'Economie Appliquée in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, Coulibaly's research focuses on agricultural economics, cocoa production, climate variability and strategies to improve income for smallholder farmers.

Cote d'Ivoire is the world's largest producer of cocoa, making the crop central to the country's economy and to global chocolate supply chains.

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"Hosting an international scholar through the Fulbright Program also gives our students and community an opportunity to learn about global agricultural systems and the economic challenges and opportunities facing farmers around the world," said Arly Drake, associate professor of agriculture at Clark State.

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# Chyann Kendel wins 2026 Teachers Turn the Key Award

By Celeste Baumgartner  
Ohio Correspondent

OXFORD, Ohio - Chyann Kendel, agricultural education teacher at Talawanda High School, has been selected as the 2026 Teachers Turn the Key Award recipient from the Ohio Association of Agricultural Educators (OAAE).

The Teachers Turn the Key professional development program supports early career agricultural educators as they grow in the profession. This summer, Kendel will represent OAAE at the Region IV level, which includes Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan and Missouri.

"This award is available to teachers in their second, third or fourth year of teaching," Kendel said. "Essentially, each state gets to recognize one teacher for that award. I will get to be part of a program at the national level, so the National Association of Agricultural Educators, NAAE."

The program is designed to retain quality ag educators, Kendel said. The profession continues to see teachers leave the classroom. In Ohio, over 50 percent of ag teachers are in their first five years of teaching. The program exists to reach out to teachers early in their career and to encourage them to continue as ag teachers.

"I submitted my application to the national level, and there are some awards available," Kendel explained. "But at least I get to participate in this professional development program in New Orleans in the beginning of December. I will get the chance to collaborate with other like-minded teachers from across the state. This will give us new ideas, renewed energy, and build our network of people that are doing similar things across the country, and allow those rela-



Above: Chyann Kendel, on the left, with the 2025-2026 Talawanda/Butler Tech Chapter Officer Team.

tionships to continue."

There is a nomination process for the award, and while the nominees are not told who nominated them, Kendel knew that Kari Beckner Roberts, also an agricultural education instructor at Talawanda, had nominated her. Kendel then applied for the award and requested supplementary materials, filled them out, and turned them in to the state.

"I got to showcase what I am proud of as a teacher within that application. It was exciting to see that reflected in winning," she explained. "What I enjoy is watching students take ownership of their learning inside and outside of the classroom. This week has been exciting, as we were also recognized as a top 10 FFA Chapter in Ohio."

Cali Clayton, a senior at Talawanda and president of the Talawanda/Butler Tech FFA, said Kendel is one of a kind. Her passion for the FFA, agriculture and her students is exemplified every day by her work ethic and the dedication that she has to the program at Talawanda.

"I have only had her as a teacher this year, but she has been my adviser for all four years of high school," Clayton said. "She started teaching at Talawanda when I was a freshman in 2022. I hold the experiences that she has mentored me through dearly. I know that I am not the only one who feels this way. I couldn't think of a better candidate or a teacher more deserving of this award. I am happy



Above: Chyann Kendel, winner of the 2026 Teachers Turn the Key Award from the Ohio Association of Agricultural Educators, with a group of students on a tour at the National FFA Convention.

to be one of her students."

Kendel has an incredible ability to connect with students while maintaining high expectations, Beckner Roberts said. Her initiative, leadership and strong network within agricultural education have brought tremendous value to the program. She consistently steps up to take on challenges, support new opportunities and strengthen the program for the students and community.

"Chyann has a remarkable ability to take a vision for our chapter and turn it into something tangible through grant work. Her efforts continue to open doors for our students," Beckner Roberts said.

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Packer, Billion 25' w/ custom dolly hitch.

**PLANTING EQUIPMENT:** '12 JD 1990 Air Seeder 30' w/ 10" spacing, Case IH 5400 15' No-Till Drill w/ Coulter Cart & rolling basket

**HARVEST:** '99 Case IH 2388 Combine w/ 4938E 3695S hrs., Case IH 1020 30' Grain Platform, Case IH 1660 Combine w/ 1020 grain platform w/ 4746 hrs.

**ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT:** H&S BF12HC Hay Rake, JD suitcase weights, JD rear plate weights, JD 20 series starter weight bracket, fifth wheel GN adapter hitch, NH 352 Feed Grinder.

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# Track chairs will help those with limited mobility explore state parks

Visitors to Indiana State Parks with limited mobility will soon have a free tool available to help them get outside and explore trails, with state-of-the-art track chairs coming to all Indiana State Parks.

"Nature is for everyone, and that includes the ability to enjoy the scenic trails at Indiana State Parks," said Gov. Mike Braun. "By making at least one track chair available at every state park, we're opening miles of trail to explore to more people statewide and positioning Indiana as a national leader for accessibility at our state parks."

A track chair is an all-terrain, electric-powered wheelchair helping people with limited mobility safely explore rugged, off-road environments.

Purchase of 45 track chairs was made possible by \$1 million in funding from Lilly Endowment Inc. The funds were part of a \$50 million grant the foundation made to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources in 2024 to support new development and upgrades across the Indiana State Park system. The track chairs will be distributed statewide for use at each Indiana State Park and Indiana State Park Inn. The new chairs supplement the 13 powered mobility chairs currently available at Indiana State Parks.

The investment makes Indiana the current national leader in the availability of track chairs at state parks, with a greater number of chairs than any other state park system in the country.

"DNR works daily to ensure Indiana's public lands are accessible to all," said Alan Morrison, DNR director. "Whether it's traversing a trail, viewing wildlife, enjoying the beach, fishing, hunting, or other outdoor pursuits, our DNR properties are open and welcome to Hoosiers of all interests and abilities. With support from Lilly Endowment, we're proud to be the national leader in track chairs at our state parks."

## IDNR creates permanent invasive carp harvest permit

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has established a new permanent rule effective in December 2025 (312 IAC 9-10-28) creating an invasive carp harvest permit. The new permit opens new avenues for large-scale removal of invasive carp, fosters economic opportunities, and protects native fish populations and recreational users.

Invasive carp species, including silver, grass and black carp, have become a significant issue across the

Midwest negatively impacting native fish populations and recreational activities like boating and fishing.

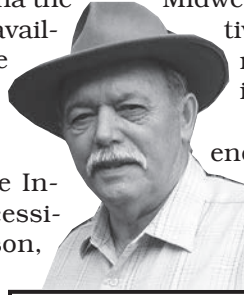
The new permit is free to encourage commercial fishing interest in removing these fish from public waters and help protect native ecosystems. Permit holders may use gill nets and seines in approved locations, gear types otherwise unauthorized for commercial fishing. Anglers must submit a fishing request before harvest specifying the date, location of their fishing, and the gear to be used.

All native fish (bycatch) must be immediately released upon capture, and all gear must be attended at all times; no overnight sets are allowed.

Detailed reports of harvested pounds along with bycatch must be submitted to DNR within seven days of fishing.

Harvested invasive carp must not be transported live and are required to be packed on ice or dry when moved to a market or processor.

Interested individuals can find additional information by visiting: [wildlife.IN.gov/licenses-andpermits/permits-commercial-licenses](http://wildlife.IN.gov/licenses-andpermits/permits-commercial-licenses) or by emailing [CarpHarvestPermit@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:CarpHarvestPermit@dnr.IN.gov).



**SPAULDING OUTDOORS**  
By Jack Spaulding

## Body recovered from floodwaters

Indiana Conservation Officers have recovered the body of 82-year-old James Petty, of Fortville, after locating the missing vehicle with sonar.

Indiana Conservation Officers were searching for a man after his truck was swept off Spout Springs Road just south of Shoals. A passenger in the vehicle had been rescued. The location is near the White River and is prone to flooding.

On March 8 around 2:30 p.m., a 911 call for help was received by Martin County dispatch from the passenger of the vehicle. The caller was able to climb out of a window and hold on to a nearby tree vine. Members of the Shoals Volunteer Fire Department and the Martin County Sheriff's Department launched a boat and rescued the passenger.

On March 16 at 1:45 p.m., divers were able to safely reach the vehicle in 20 feet of flood water to complete a thorough search. Petty was found dead still in the vehicle.

'till next time,  
Jack

Readers can contact the author by writing to this publication or e-mail Jack at [jacksaulding1971@outlook.com](mailto:jacksaulding1971@outlook.com)

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# Book on Hollywood stunt women perfect for movie buffs, Western novel fans

"Daughters of Daring: Hollywood Cowgirl Stunt Women" by Chris Enss  
c.2026, Lyons Press, \$34.95, 258 pages



THE BOOKWORM SEZ  
Terri Schlichenmeyer

"Their work has been seen by millions of filmgoers who seldom consider feats of daring that were performed by women other than the names on movie posters," says Enss. But their personal lives were just as audacious...

In smithereens. That's what the wagon is, after breaking apart at the bottom of the canyon. Outlaws were chasing Our Heroine when her wagon tipped and went over the cliff, boom, crash. Still, the horse is fine, and so is Our Heroine because it's just an old black-and-white flick and, as in the new book, "Daughters of Daring" by Chris Enss, Our Heroine and women like her were total movie pros.

So, you think you've got a lousy job. A century or so ago, when movie making was in its infancy and Western films were wildly popular, producers and directors were well aware of the limits on their beautiful starlets. Hiring them wasn't cheap, and they were generally reluctant to do anything dangerous - which is why the film industry needed cowgirls.

Even the word was new and daring. Cowgirls - former female ranchers, wranglers and equestriennes - would happily perform leaps off horseback. They'd do the cattle-roping, the wag-on-off-the-cliff action, chase scenes and shoot-outs, and they'd do it all for roughly \$11 a day, fees negotiable.

But the show must go on. Lucille Mulhall's mother dreamed of "ball gowns, cotillions and midafternoon teas" for her daughter, but you don't usually find those things on the back of a horse. Married several times, LuLu Belle Parr was also the apple of "the one-time president of Argentina" who admired her talents on a bucking bronc. May Manning Lillie was working toward a Bachelor of Arts degree when she married and became a stuntwoman. Anita Bush was the first Black stuntwoman to star in a Western film. Helen Gibson became famous due to another star's illness. Tillie Baldwin grew up in Norway and was a hairdresser when she first immigrated to America. Lorena Trickey was once arrested for murder.

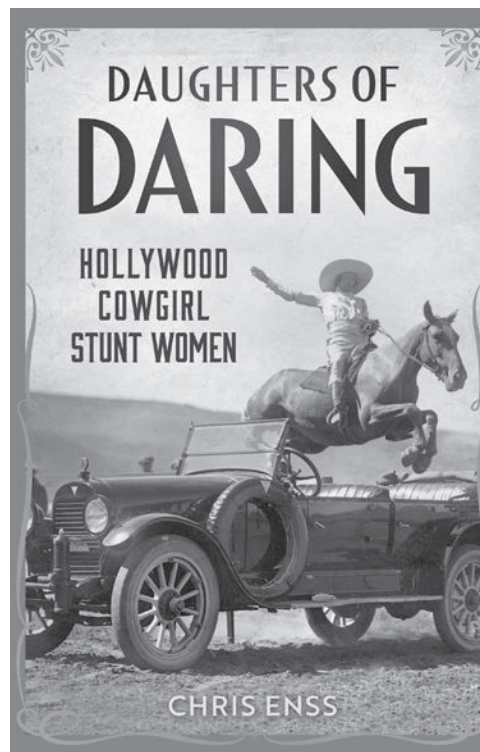
that's hokey and irresistible. Yeah, and remember: the actors in that flick were real people who did the dangerous stuff that AI does now.

Knowing that should make you want to reach for "Daughters of Daring."

Beginning in the mid-1800s with the circus and P.T. Barnum, Enss brings to life a whole cadre of performers who were feminists before feminism even existed, living life on their own terms when such a thing was rare. Despite the occasional typo, reading about these women is enlightening, sometimes humorous, but also oddly empowering as it smashes any mythology you might have about women's lives at the turn of the last century.

Our great-grandmothers were bad. Real bad.

This is a must-have for Western novel fans, of course, but movie buffs and readers of women's history will want it, too. "Daughters of Daring" is exciting, revealing, and perfect for when you need a break.



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## Important LAND AUCTION

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Cleveland & Washington Townships

• 6± miles southeast of South Whitley • 12± miles northwest of Huntington • 25± miles west of Fort Wayne

**262± Acres** Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> • 6:00pm

Offered in 7 Tracts, Combinations or as a Total Unit

**AUCTION LOCATION:** Whitley County 4-H Community Center, 680 W Squawbuck Rd, Columbia City, IN 46725.  
**PROPERTY LOCATION & DIRECTIONS:** From the intersection of SR 5 & Henry Rd (5 miles south of South Whitley), travel east on Henry Rd 1/2 mile to the property.

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Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> • 4-6pm  
Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> • 4-6pm

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DAY ONE - Bidding ENDS Saturday April 11, 2026 @ 9:00 AM Eastern  
DAY TWO - Bidding ENDS Sunday April 12, 2026 @ 7:00 PM Eastern

Items located @ 12544 Carpenter Rd. Milan, MI & Other Locations

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JD 963 Wagon Gear  
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**SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026, 10:00 A.M. EST**

- RESTORED TRACTORS (SELL AT 12:00 NOON) -

1973 John Deere 6030 D, open station, syncro range, fenders, rear wheel weights, front weights, 20.8x38 tires, dual remotes, Turbo, quick coupler, 20.8x38 clamp-on duals, 7874 shown hours, SN 034584R

1959 Farmall 560, D, WF, fast hitch, dual hyd., 15.5x38 tires, SN 18770

300-gal. Fuel tank on running gear, 12-volt pump

1956 Farmall 450, gas, NF, fan fenders, 15.5x38 tires, SN 1478

4 Pedal tractors

1953 Farmall 350, gas, NF, fan fenders, 12.4x38 tires, SN 12696S

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1953 Farmall Super M, NF, fan fenders, power steering, 13.6x38 tires, SN 509316J

Handful of miscellaneous items

1953 Farmall Super H, NF, fan fenders, power steering, 12.4x38 tires, SN 14027J

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Out- standing offering from the Schellenberger Estate; sells at 12:00 noon**

1951 Farmall M, gas, fan fenders, NF, power steering, 13.6x38 tires, SN 253335X

- AREA FARMERS' EQUIPMENT -

1967 John Deere 4020, gas, WF, rear weights, quick coupler, syncro range, 16.9x34 tires, 8054 hours shown, SN 17151R. Sells with John Deere 158 loader,

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84" material bucket

1985 Ford 9000 semi tractor, 10-speed, wet kit, day cab

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U.S. Army Escort Wagon (1917-1919) World War I. Built Jan. 1917 by Piedmont Wagon Co., Hickory, NC. Nice

1965 Ford Galaxie 500 automobile, convertible, automatic, V8, 123,660 miles

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Honda 200 Fourtrax ATV

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8"x30' PTO auger with electric motor

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SKID LOADERS \* LAWN MOWERS \* TRACTORS

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FRIDAY, APRIL 3rd 2026, 10:00 AM



**SKID LOADERS:** 2020 New Holland C345 Tracks, Cab/Heat/Air, 1492hrs. SN#NLM482540; 2016 New Holland C232 Tracks, Cab/Heat/Air w/ Hand-Foot Controls, 3916hrs. SN#NFM414183; 2020 Case TV370B Tracks, Cab/Heat/Air, 1380hrs. SN#NMM497636; 2021 Case TV380 Tracks, Cab/Heat/Air, 2316hrs. SN#NGM416477; Wheeled Machines: 2022 Case SV340B Cab/Heat/Air 350hrs. SN#NMM496793; 2016 Case SR210 Open Rops 1895hrs. SN#JAF633527; 2016 John Deere 328E Cab/Heat/Air, Hand-Foot, 1895hrs. SN#KVDE251936; 2015 John Deere 326E Cab/Heat/Air, 2795hrs. SN#J290795; 2020 Kubota SSV75 Cab/Heat/Air, Pilot Control 1565hrs. SN#20999; 2017 New Holland L228 Cab/Heat/Air, Hand-Foot, 1543hrs. SN#NMM439477; 2020 New Holland L228 Cab/Heat/Air, Hand-Foot, 1252hrs. SN#NKM480445; (3)2020 New Holland L328 Cab/Heat/Air, E-H Control, 3065hrs. SN#NLM486382 2204hrs. SN#NLM482439, 2200hrs. SN#NLM488229; 2023 New Holland L334 Cab/Heat/Air, Pilot Control, 1012hrs. SN#MPM432647; 2015 New Holland L230 Open Rops Hand-Foot, 3465hrs. SN#NEM472825; 2015 New L230 Cab/Heat/Air, Hand-Foot, 2617hrs. SN#NEM472877; 2015 New Holland L223 Cab/Heat/Air, Hand Control 2489hrs. SN#NEM483670; 2016 New Holland L228 Cab/Heat/Air, Hand-Foot, 3674hrs. SN#NGM416370; 2020 New Holland L320 Cab/Heat/Air, E-H Control 2040hrs. SN#NLM488599;

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Holland TC33DA w/Loader, 4WD, Hydro, 2306hrs. SN#G105063; 2006 New Holland TC40DA 2WD w/ Woods Loader, Gear Drive, 1882hrs. SN#G614724; 2005 New Holland TC33DA w/Loader, 4WD, Hydro, 1958hrs. SN#G105064; 1994 New Holland 3415 4WD, Turf Tires 1442hrs. SN#UX21268;

**AG TRACTOR:** 1984 Ford 7610 Open Station, 2WD, 639hrs. (Non Acutal) SN#C737643; 1978 Massey Ferguson 1085 Diesel 2WD w/Cab SN#9B72241

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**LAWN MOWERS:** (4)Ferris ISX3300 EFI 40hp Gas, 72" Deck-150hrs. SN#4001662122, 149hrs. SN#4002296419; 388hrs. SN#400169989; 1112hrs. SN#4001826148; Ferris IS3200 37hp Gas, 72" Deck 323hrs. SN#2017278369; Toro Z255 25hp Gas, 72" Deck 1579hrs. SN#200000327; Toro 3000 Z-Master 25hp Gas, 72" Deck 646hrs. SN#404533789; Toro Z-Master 25hp Gas, 61" Deck ? Hrs. SN#313000202; Toro Z-Master 27hp Gas, 72" Deck 884hrs. SN#312000244; Grasshopper 729 w/Cab&Snowblower 29hp Gas, 61" Deck 522hrs. SN#6616986; Grasshopper 614 14hp Gas, 48" Deck ?hrs. SN#96092611 John Deere Z930M 25hp Gas, 60" Deck 802hrs SN#051747; Simplicity Prestige 30hp Gas, 54" Deck 345hrs. SN#2016609497; (2)Simplicity Prestige 27hp Gas, 54" Deck-496hrs. SN#2016687835, 535hrs. SN#2014499596; Simplicity Broadmoor 25hp Gas, 48" Deck 91hrs. SN#2017331219; Simplicity Regent 23hp Gas, 46" Deck 543hrs. SN#2015290160; 2022 Snapper Pro S200XT 37hp Gas, 61" Deck 577hrs. SN#4002140874; Simplicity Citation XT 28hp Gas, 61" Deck 330hrs. SN#2016508999; Simplicity Citation 23hp Gas, 52" Deck 374hrs. SN#200000694; Simplicity Citation 21hp Gas, 48" Deck 903hrs. SN#2000780479; Simplicity Cobalt LE 37hp Gas, 72" Deck 806hrs. SN#4000872151; Simplicity ZT2500 24hp Gas, 46" Deck 802hrs. SN#2015480900;

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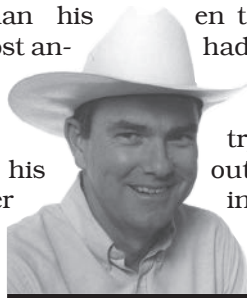
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# Teaching horse not to break reins brings about another bad habit

Gentleman had more than his share of bad habits but his most annoying was his ability to make a short pair of useless reins out of a long pair of split reins by pulling back and breaking his reins whenever and wherever he was tied. Snubbing my horse up to a post was like trying to tie a wild bobcat up with a piece of string... it just couldn't be done.



It's THE PITTS  
By Lee Pitts

I mentioned this to a good friend of mine, Willard Wolfe (sadly no longer with us), who happened to be a very good horseman. "I used to have the same problem with a horse I had as a child growing up in Anadarko, Okla.," recalled Willard. "The horse was giv-

en to me by my grandfather and had some sentimental value so I couldn't just send him to the glue factory without at least trying to make a decent horse out of him. But I tried every trick in the book to keep him from breaking reins. But nothing seemed to work. Then one day Hunting Horse, an Indian who worked on our ranch, saw that hammerhead of a horse pull back and break a brand-new set of reins. A man of few words, Hunting Horse called Willard aside and said, "Little Wolfe, 'Me can teach your horse not to do that.'"

Willard said, "At first I didn't believe Hunting Horse. So, I asked my grand-

father what he thought and he suggested that 'we had nothing to lose.' So, the very next day Hunting Horse instructed Little Wolfe, 'Ride horse out to canyon and wait for me there.'"

Willard had no idea what Hunting Horse had in mind but in desperation he did as he was told. When Hunting Horse and Little Wolfe met in the canyon the Indian instructed Willard to, "Tie horse up to tree."

Little Wolfe did as he was told. "Now," said Hunting Horse, "Little Wolfe spook horse." Again Little Wolfe did as he was told. And sure enough the horse pulled back on his reins and broke them, but in the process he also stepped back over a cliff and fell 30 feet, head over heels. The horse fell so fast that his shadow was 30 minutes behind him and he landed in a shallow pool of water below.

"Now, Little Wolfe go get horse and tie him to the tree again," instructed Hunting Horse. "Only this time better if you take your new saddle off horse." Again, Little Wolfe did as he was told. When the quivering horse had been retrieved and tied once again to the tree, Hunting Horse said, "Now, Little Wolfe spook horse again." But this time when Little Wolfe spooked his horse, the now perfect horse just stood his ground, not pulling back on the reins at all. Willard admits that his horse was "lathered up like he was ready for a shave, but he did not pull back and break his reins."

So following Willard's advice I tried the same training techniques with Gentleman and reported back to Willard the next time I saw him.

"Did all go well?" asked a concerned Willard.

"Not exactly," I replied. "I did just as you suggested and tied Gentleman up to a big tree which shaded a gully 20 feet below. Right on cue the minute I had tied Gentleman he reared backward. I didn't even have to spook him. Sure enough he fell backward into the gully below. Very pleased with myself I brought a very reluctant Gentleman back up to the tree, spliced the reins back together and tied up my horse once again. Lo and behold when I spooked Gentleman this time he did not back up and break the reins."

"So, it worked," said Willard with a confident air about him.

"Not really," I sadly reported. "Now in addition to breaking reins Gentleman has acquired another nasty habit."

"What's that?"

"Now he climbs trees."

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# Farmers may need to go 'bare-bones' as prices rise during Middle East conflict

With the increased violence in the Middle East, a difficult agriculture season just got harder. Will we see \$5 corn and \$12 beans? Yep. But don't be deceived.

**55 YEARS AND COUNTING FROM THE TRACTOR SEAT**  
BY BILL WHITMAN

Fuel is up 20-plus percent and freight will move accordingly. That means parts, new equipment, inputs, and grain hauling may all go up 10-20 percent because we know our ever-loyal vendors will take advantage of the instability in the world. They always have and they always will.

So, when we are looking at a year of losses and then add an additional projected loss increase, how do we absorb even more. More than ever, we go "bare-bones" on everything. Buy moderately priced seed, minimal fertilizer application, cultivate in lieu of herbicide application(s), simply generate cash flow the cheapest way possible.

Beware. We're seeing a side of business we have not seen before. Your failure is irrelevant to those making their living from servicing your farm. I've written several times about a lawsuit in Michigan where a mid-size dairy has had to sue a dealership for charging them for a failed major tractor repair. Initially the lawsuit involved just the dealership but following an intensive forensic and impartial teardown, the wrong parts were installed, tools left in the machine, parts installed backward. Now the statutes in Michigan allow the manufacturer to be brought into the suit.

I honestly believed that given comments by corporate folks prior to their inclusion, they would, at long last (after four years, five planting seasons), put an end to this abuse. While they may still press for a settlement, they have, to date, continued the proverbial stall. When I know that this dairyman and his family have been loyal to that manufacturer for decades, I have to wonder when the market lost its way?

Brand loyalty has driven agriculture business for decades. Unfortunately, we have arrived at a time when our vendors are no longer loyal to us. Are there exceptions? Yes. I've talked about BJ Biltz and his reasonably priced equipment shop, Dean Ford Equipment, which presents a fairly priced selection of late

model equipment; John Thacker, who has spent decades looking out for the interests of his seed and herbicide customers; Dayne Jessup, who is showing the way

for young farmers to "make it" by mixing farming and custom work; and Charlie Mullins, who has a small used equipment business running along with his cattle business. Again, these people are the exception, most of the businesses we do business with are interested in one thing and one thing only, as much cash from your pocket to theirs on a massive scale.

As an aside, the problem is that vendors whose roots used to be in agriculture have been bought out by big corporations who look only at the equity in agriculture as a gold mine.

I've beat this dead horse too much, but it bears repeating, a human being requires three things to live: food, clothing and shelter. The very first on this list is the most essential, food. I don't know why the government and big corporations ignore the importance of less than 1 percent of the population that produces the most essential requirement for life, food. Those big corporations that do have seized the opportunity and began selling society on synthesized food. When every reputable study shows that real meat and vegetables are far and away better for us, there are those that will tell us not to believe what we know but believe what they tell us. Sadly, much like DEF, sulfur, oil, coal, solar, wind, ethanol, all of which has been exploited with agriculture's equity being used to finance these initiatives in one way or another.

As far as I can tell, like every other challenge agriculture has faced throughout time, no one is going to fix this but us. We need to start communicating with our neighbors, not as competitors but as fellow soldiers in the same fox hole. You'll be surprised by the ideas that will come from working together.

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<p><b>TRACTORS</b> 2012 JD 8310R, MFWD, IVT TRANS, ILS, DUALS, 3596 HRS JD 9420, 3PT, PTO, AT VALVE, 710 TIRES, 3310 HRS JD 8630, 3PT, PTO, DUALS JD 8630, 3PT, PTO JD 8440, 3PT, MFWD, 6560 HRS, S/N 002895R JD 7130 W/CAB &amp; H360 LDR, MFWD, 8552 HRS, S/N 714228 JD 5225 W/CAB, 2WD, 620 HRS, S/N 120426 JD 5075E W/CAB, 360 HRS, S/N 420790 JD 5045D, 2WD, 1100 HRS, S/N 000227 JD 4720, MFWD, HYDRO JD 4630, ROPS, SYNCHRO SHIFT JD 4600 W/LDR, 2761 HRS, S/N 464039 (AS IS - TRANSMISSION) JD 4555 JD 4430, S/N 026913R JD 4410 W/BLADE, 4WD (AS IS) JD 2355, MFWD, 5232 HRS JD 2040 W/LDR, 7037 HRS 2023 JD 1025R W/LDR, 4WD, 12 HRS, S/N 861097 JD 1025R W/LDR &amp; DECK, QUICK COUPLER, 135 HRS JD 1025R W/LDR, 1749 HRS, S/N 224847 JD 1025R, S/N 133583 (AS IS - PTO) JD 950 W/BELLY MOWER JD 870, S/N 001688 JD 870, S/N 103924 C/IH 8940 W/DUALS &amp; FRONT WEIGHTS, PS, QUICK HITCH, MFWD, 8455 HRS - 2000 HRS ON ENGINE OVERHAUL C/IH MX240, MFWD, UPDATED FUEL INJECTION PUMP, 7200 HRS, S/N JJA101243 C/IH JX75 W/LDR, MFWD, 4108 HRS (PTO ISSUES)</p>	<p>JD 135G EXCAVATOR, C/A/H JD 60 EXCAVATOR, C/A/H JD S780 COMBINE W/CHOPPER, FLOATERS, 2WD, 995/738 HRS, S/N 817097 JD RD40F DRAPER HEAD, S/N 815049 JD 712F CORN HEAD W/DEVASTATORS, FOLDING, S/N 807563 UNVERFERTH 30' HEAD CART UNVERFERTH 42' HEAD CART JD 2660 VT TOOL, TRUE SET, 43' KUHN 4870 DOMINATOR BRENT V1500 GRAIN CART ON TRACKS W/ SCALES UNVERFERTH 4000 4-BOX SEED TENDER W/ TALC BOX &amp; SCALES KUHN 1034 BALE ACCUMULATOR JD C400 HAY CONDITIONER, 13' JD SB328 SQUARE BALER, TWINE SITREX QR12 HAY RAKE MF RK3855 TWIN HAY RAKE HOELSCHER 10-BALE GRAPPLE, SS MT HARVEST FC1545 CONVEYOR 2013 PETERBILT 386 SEMI, DAY CAB, AIR RIDE, ALUM WHEELS, 10-SPD, PACCAR MX13 2012 PETERBILT 386 SEMI, DAY CAB, AIR RIDE, ALUM WHEELS, WET KIT, 13-SPD, PACCAR MX13 2012 WILSON HOPPER BOTTOM TRAILER W/ AG HOPPERS, AIR RIDE, ALUM WHEELS, POWER TARP 2008 WILSON HOPPER BOTTOM TRAILER W/ AG HOPPERS, AIR RIDE, ALUM WHEELS, POWER TARP 1996 RAVEN ALUM DUMP TRAILER W/GRAIN CHUTE, 28'</p>	<p>JD 510D BACKHOE, 4WD, EXT A HOE, 3140 HRS FORD 555D BACKHOE, OPEN STATION, 4WD 2014 CAT TL1255C TELEHANDLER, 2707 HRS, S/N DHW00939 NH LM435A TELEHANDLER W/CAB, 4WD 2018 CAT 336FL EXCAVATOR W/3 BUCKETS &amp; FROST TOOTH, S/N TZA20289 TAKEUCHI TV280FR EXCAVATOR W/THUMB, 1592 HRS CASE CX57C EXCAVATOR, C/A/H, 2-SPD, HYD THUMB, 2-WAY BLADE, 2792 HRS, S/N HKMC11LK000814 INGERSOLL RAND DD70 ROLLER, 4-CYL DSL, HYDRO INGERSOLL RAND DD-34HF ASPHALT ROLLER INDUSTRIAL ROLLER CAT BA25 SWEEPER HARLEY S-4C POWER RAKE, SS MT C/IH BH102 BACKHOE BOBCAT 8811 BACKHOE, SS ATTACH KUBOTA BACKHOE ATTACH TREE PULLER BANDIT 200XP WOODCHIPPER, CAT 4-CYL DSL, PINTLE HITCH, 1950 HRS KUBOTA 72" BRUSH CUTTER, SS MT HYD PHD W/2 AUGERS, SS MT PHD W/2 AUGERS, SS MT 3PT PHD CAT 163-4812 BRUSH GRAPPLE, 72", SS MT STOUT 66-9 GRAPPLE, SS MT CAT 72" SKID STEER BUCKET, NEW 72" WORKSITE BUCKET (2) 66" SKID STEER BUCKET CASE 36" TLB BUCKET (12 SETS) Q/A PALLET FORKS, 4000LB CAPACITY, NEW JD 48" PALLET FORKS LANDPRIDE FORKS BRIDGESTONE 450X88X71 EXCAVATOR TRACKS, FITS CAT 308 CAMSO 230X48X70 EXCAVATOR TRACKS CAMOPLAST D230X72KX45 EXCAVATOR TRACKS</p>	<p>FORD 3PT DISK, 8' <b>GRAIN CARTS &amp; WAGONS</b> KINZE 850 GRAIN CART, ROLL TARP, S/N 505860 UNVERFERTH 650 GRAIN CART, SMALL 1000 PTO, LIGHTS, CORNER AUGER J&amp;M 575 GRAIN CART F&amp;M LIN GRAIN CART, 500-BU, SMALL 1000 PTO BRENT 644 GRAVITY WAGON, ROLL TARP, FENDERS, S/N 550108 BRENT 644 GRAVITY WAGON, ROLL TARP, FENDERS, S/N 550109 EZ TRAIL 500 GRAVITY WAGON <b>HAY EQUIPMENT</b> NH H6750 DISK MOWER, 3PT JD 270 DISK MOWER H&amp;S AR3212 HAY RAKE MF 1510 10-WHEEL RAKE, HYD FOLD <b>ROTARY MOWERS</b> JD E15 BATWING, 15' JD HX15 BATWING BUSH HOG 3810HD BATWING WOODS BW180 BATWING, 540 PTO WOODS 16' BATWING, 1000 PTO JD MX10 ROTARY MOWER W/STUMP JUMP-ERS, 540 PTO JD 709 ROTARY MOWER JD 609 ROTARY MOWER, 540 PTO RHINO TS12 ROTARY MOWER BUSH HOG 3108 ROTARY MOWER BUSH HOG 306 ROTARY MOWER BUSH HOG SQUEALER ROTARY MOWER BUSH HOG ROTARY MOWER, PULL TYPE, 7' WOODS 184 ROTARY MOWER WOODS MD172 ROTARY MOWER, 3PT FRONTIER RC2072 ROTARY MOWER LANDPRIDE ROTARY MOWER, 6' TITAN ROTARY MOWER, 3PT, 5' COUNTYLINE RC48 ROTARY MOWER KING KUTTER ROTARY MOWER, 5' (2) 3PT ROTARY MOWER JD 272 GROOMING MOWER COUNTYLINE GROOMING MOWER LANDPRIDE FINISH MOWER WOODS RM550 FINISH MOWER 72" FINISH MOWER FINISH MOWER RHINO BATWING GEARBOX</p>	<p>2 RIMS OFF MAGNUM TRACTOR REAR TIRES ON 8-LUG RIMS 17.5X25 TIRES 14X28 TIRES <b>VEHICLES</b> 2013 HARLEY DAVIDSON ULTRA CLASSIC, 27000 MILES 2011 HARLEY DAVIDSON FATBOY FLSTFB, 24000 MI 2004 HARLEY DAVIDSON XL883 SPORTSTER (REBUILT TITLE) 2009 FORD F150 TRUCK 1978 CHEVY K10 SHORT BED TRUCK W/LIFT KIT, 4X4 2005 VOLVO VNL, ISX CUMMINS, 10-SPD, AIR RIDE, DUAL LINE WET KIT, 952960 MILES 1996 KENTWORTH T-800, N14 CUMMINS ENGINE, 9-SPEED, SINGLE LINE WET KIT 2012 MAURER HOPPER BOTTOM W/TARP &amp; UNLOAD DOORS, 40' 2006 FEATHERLITE ALUMINUM LIVESTOCK TRAILER, 3-HORSE W/TACK ROOM CHEYENNE GOOSENECK STOCK TRAILER 1999 JA-MAR 5'X8' TILT TRAILER BUMPER HITCH TRAILER CARGO TRAILER, 14' <b>GOLF CARTS, ATVs, AND UTVs</b> 2020 EZ GO GOLF CART, GAS (50) 2016 YAMAHA GOLF CART, EFI, GAS, EMERALD COLOR (50) 2016 YAMAHA DRIVE GOLF CART, EFI, SANDSTONE COLOR (36) 2018 CLUB CAR TEMPO, 48V, PLATINUM COLOR W/BLACK TOP &amp; 2022 BATTERIES 2025 JD 875M GATOR W/CAB &amp; AIR, 208 HRS 2025 KAWASAKI KRT800KSFNL TERYX 4 S 2025 KUBOTA RTV XG850SGAS25, 4 HRS 2024 POLARIS GENERAL W/HEAT, 170 HRS, EXTENDED SERVICE WARRANTY THROUGH 3/25/2030 2023 POLARIS RANGER 1000 2022 POLARIS RZR1000XP W/WMY RIDE, 188 HRS 2022 JD XUV835R GATOR 2021 POLARIS RANGER 1000XP 2021 KAWASAKI MULE PRO FX EPS 2021 CAN AM RYKER 800 ACE 2021 LANDMASTER L4 4X2 2020 JD 835M GATOR, PS, POWER LIFT, 621 HRS/5701 MI 2020 YAMAHA YXZ 1000RR SS XT-R SPECIAL EDITION, 1601 MILES/78 HRS 2020 POLARIS RANGER 500, 77 HRS 2020 TRACKER 800SX, 3076 MILES 2019 CAN AM 007MKF00 2019 POLARIS RANGER EV, 300 HRS 2019 KAWASAKI KAF800GKAL TERYX, 242 HRS 2017 KAWASAKI MULE TRANSPORT 4X4 W/ SNOWPLOW &amp; DUMP BED, 6-SEATER, 162 HRS 2016 POLARIS RANGER XP900 2015 JD XUV825I GATOR, PS, BED LIFT, 1184 HRS 2015 POLARIS RANGER XP900EPS TALC INDUCER, BRAKES, ROLL TARP UNVERFERTH 3750 SEED TENDER W/SCALES MERIDIAN 225RST BULK SEED TENDER, TANDEM, ROLL TARP MERIDIAN 375RT SEED TENDER AUTOMATIC 1200 ROLLER MILL SCHULER 175BF FEED WAGON (2) H&amp;S SILAGE WAGON NI MANURE SPREADER (2) CATTLE CHUTE J&amp;M 874 HEAD CART, 36', LIGHTS UNVERFERTH HT25 HEAD CART WOODS LOADER (NO BUCKET) KEWANEE 209 6-WAY GRADER BLADE, 9', 3PT, HYD ANGLE RHINO R950 BLADE FRONTIER BOX BLADE (2) REAR BLADE TAR RIVER SP-500SS DRY FERT SPRDR, 3PT (2) 3PT &amp; Q/A SEEDER 3PT CONE SPREADER (2) TROYBILT ROTOTILLER SIGMA 6' ROTOTILLER LANDPRIDE RTA1258 ROTOTILLER ROTOTILLER 3PT SLICER LANDPRIDE AERATOR 8' DRAG DISK JD 450 SICKLE BAR MOWER, 9' JD 3PT SICKLE BAR MOWER NH 451 SICKLE BAR MOWER OFFSET FLAIL MOWER, 3PT LAWN SWEEPER WALK BEHIND WEED EATER LEAF BLOWER LOG SPLITTER STHL CHAIN SAW WINCO PTO GENERATOR, PULL TYPE, SINGLE AXLE, 540 PTO GENERATOR NEW 300-GAL FUEL TANK W/20-GPM PUMP (2) 3PT RECEIVER HITCH (2) Q/A TO 3PT ADAPTER PORTABLE RAMP WEIGHT BRACKET W/WEIGHTS WEIGHTS</p>	<p>JD Z997R, 2000 HRS JD Z997R JD Z950M W/TWEELS, 105 HRS JD Z950R, 850 HRS JD Z950M, 941 HRS JD Z930M, 60", 548 HRS JD Z930M, 60" JD Z925A, 60", 946 HRS JD Z920M W/BAGGER, 60", 800 HRS JD Z920M JD Z655 JD Z465 JD Z445, 54" JD Z445, 48" JD Z445 (AS IS) JD Z435 JD Z425, 54", 204 HRS JD Z425, 48", 733 HRS JD Z225, 42", 1000 HRS JD X739, 60", 600 HRS JD X590, 368 HRS JD X570, 48", HYDRO JD X485 JD X320, 54", 920 HRS JD X300, 42" (2) JD X300 JD X225 JD S160, 334 HRS JD S100 (BAD MOTOR) JD M653 JD LTX1046 JD LT1155 JD L110, 460 HRS JD F687 JD E180 JD E120, 42" JD E100, 42", 250 HRS JD D105, 42" JD D105 JD 665, 60" JD 652R, 400 HRS JD 525E, 54" JD 455 JD 125, 42" JD ZTR JD ZTR (AS IS) JD RIDER ARIENS EZR 2048 BAD BOY OUTLAW BAD BOY MAVERICK, 60" BAD BOY MAVERICK MZ BOBCAT ZT6161 BOBCAT, 60" BOLENS BUNTON, 60" CUB CADET ZTX56, 60", 50 HRS CUB CADET Z-FORCE CUB CADET TANK LZ60 CUB CADET TANK CUB CADET LTX1040 CUB CADET DIXIE CHOPPER LT2700 ZTR EXMARK LAZER Z, 1114 HRS EXMARK LAZER Z EXMARK LAZER Z, 60" EXMARK LZXS EXMARK STARIS, 60" EXMARK VANTAGE, 60" EXMARK FERRIS IS3300, 2 HRS FERRIS IS2200, 61", 28HP FERRIS IS2000, 60", 600 HRS FERRIS IS700 FERRIS IS600, 250 HRS (2) GRAVELY PRO TURN 460, 60" HUSKEE HUSQVARNA ZTR HUSTLER SUPER 104 Z W/WIDE ARM MOWER HUSTLER SUPER Z HUSTLER HYPER DRIVE HUSTLER EXCEL MINI Z, 1054 HRS HUSTLER HONDA PUSH MOWER KUBOTA ZD1211, 60", 236 HRS (2) KUBOTA ZD331, 72" KUBOTA ZD326 KUBOTA Z421KW, 54" KUBOTA Z242, 48" KUBOTA F2560E KUBOTA F3680, 72", 4WD KUBOTA WHF 15-48 WALK BEHIND, NEW (2) KUBOTA WHF 19-52 WALK BEHIND, NEW KUBOTA WHF 14-36 WALK BEHIND, NEW KUBOTA WALK BEHIND, 76 HRS MF GARDEN TRACTOR SCAG TURF TIGER, 855 HRS SCAG TIGER CAT II, 61', EFI, 1489 HRS SCAG CHEETAH II, 60", 400 HRS (2) SCAG CHEETAH II, 60" (2) SCAG CHEETAH SIMPLICITY CHAMPION SIMPLICITY, 50", 390 HRS SIMPLICITY RIDER SNAPPER RIDER (3) STIHL RZ261, NEW TORO Z-MASTER, 60", 400 HRS (2) TORO TIME CUTTER TORO 2000 SERIES, 60" TORO ZTR TORO MOWER WOODS MOWER W/BAGGER</p>
<p>CASE 1175, S/N 8773636 CASE 930 W/LDR &amp; WEIGHTS, DSL 2011 MF 2605, MFWD, 155 HRS AC 5030 W/LDR AC 5030, 1633 HRS AGCO ALLIS 8745, C/A/H, 12-SPD, DUAL PTO, 2 SCV, MFWD, 1482 HRS, S/N G28205 FORD NH 5640 W/CAB &amp; LDR FORD 1720 W/LDR, MFWD, 1534 HRS FORD 1520 W/LDR, MFWD, 2159 HRS IH 5288, 7400 HRS IH 2444 IH 706, GAS (AS IS) IH 400 (AS IS) KIOTI CK2610 W/LDR, MFWD KUBOTA M5-111 W/ROLL BAR, HYD SHUTTLE, 3PT, 540 PTO, 2 SCV, MFWD, 3902 HRS, S/N 58282 KUBOTA L4701 HST W/LDR, MFWD 2009 KUBOTA L4400 W/LDR, MFWD, 477 HRS KUBOTA L3901 W/LDR, MFWD KUBOTA L3800 W/LDR, MFWD, HST, 741 HRS, S/N 86642 KUBOTA L2900 W/LDR, MFWD, GST KUBOTA L2502 W/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 100 HRS KUBOTA L2501 W/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 134 HRS KUBOTA L2501 W/LDR, MFWD, 300 HRS KUBOTA BX2380 W/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 257 HRS KUBOTA BX2380 W/LDR, HYDRO, MFWD, 93 HRS KUBOTA BX22 TLB, MFWD, 600 HRS, S/N 54574 KUBOTA B7500 KUBOTA B3030 W/LDR KUBOTA B2601 W/LDR &amp; DECK, MFWD, 151 HRS KUBOTA L345DT W/LDR, 4WD KUBOTA 2150, 4WD MCCORMICK MC115 W/LDR &amp; CANOPY, MFWD MF 4243 W/CAB &amp; LDR, 2224 HRS MF 2605 W/LDR MF 1529 W/LDR, MFWD 2006 MONTANA 4344 W/LDR, MADE BY LS 2008 NH T8030, S/N Z8R02606 NH TN75 NH 1530 W/LDR, MFWD NH T1510 W/LDR, MFWD, 365 HRS 2004 NH TC45DA W/LDR, MFWD NH TC21D W/LDR, 60", HYDRO NH 120 WORKMASTER W/CAB &amp; LDR, MFWD, 1300 HRS RURAL KING TRACTOR (BURNT)</p>	<p><b>BERNARD FARMS</b> <b>CALL (317) 370-8390 FOR ANY QUESTIONS</b> 2022 APACHE AS1050 SPRAYER W/90' BOOMS, 15" NOZZLE SPACING, 1000-GAL TANK, FOAM MARKERS, 6-SPD TRANS, 229 HRS SALFORD BBI MAGNASPREAD 12-TON SPREADER 3PT ANHYDROUS TOOL BAR, 11-KNIFE SUNFLOWER 6430 MULCH FINISHER, 31' KRAUSE 11-SHANK DISK CHISEL W/SPRINGS JD 7X PLOW</p>	<p><b>COMBINES</b> JD 9870STS, 3939 HRS, S/N 725996 (AS IS) JD 9870 COMBINE (BAD MOTOR) JD 9770, 3601/2440 HRS C/IH 8010 COMBINE W/FLOATERS, 4WD, 3000/2000 HRS <b>HEADS</b> 2006 MF 8000-30F FLEX DRAPER, 30' JD 635F GRAIN HEAD JD 635 GRAIN HEAD C/IH 2020 GRAIN HEAD, 35' C/IH 1020 GRAIN HEAD, 20', S/N JJC0094315 C/IH 1020 GRAIN HEAD, 20' 2005 CHALLENGER FH25 GRAIN HEAD, S/N 84549 2011 GERINGHOFF 830 8-ROW CORN HEAD, S/N 910111830 2005 C/IH 2208 CORN HEAD, CNH WIDE THROAT HOOKUPS, HYD DECK PLATES MF 830 CORN HEAD, 8-ROW, 30" SPACING <b>PLANTERS &amp; DRILLS</b> KINZE 3650 PLANTER W/LIQ FERT &amp; MONITOR, 16-ROW 2015 KINZE 3500 8/15 SPLITTER PLANTER W/ MONITOR KINZE 3500 8/15 SPLITTER PLANTER KINZE 3000 8/15 SPLITTER PLANTER KINZE 3140 12-ROW WIDE PLANTER, 3PT HITCH JD 1780 16/31 SPLITTER PLANTER JD 7240 PLANTER, 4-ROW, 30" SPACING, LIQUID, ROW CLEANERS, VAC, SEED CUPS &amp; MONITOR, VIN 100859 JD 7000 6-ROW W/KINZE 5-ROW SPLITTER PLANTER, NO-TILL, LIQUID JD 7000 PLANTER, 4-ROW, 3PT JD 750 DRILL W/GRASS SEED JD VAN BRUNT DRILL W/GRASS SEED C/IH 5500 SOYBEAN SPECIAL DRILL, 30' LANDPRIDE 25-120 PACKER/SEEDER LANDPRIDE 6' SLICE SEEDER</p>	<p><b>OTHER EQUIPMENT</b> 2023 DOYLE TOP SHOT FERTILIZER CONVEYOR, KUBOTA MOTOR AG CHEM ROGATOR 1064 SPRAYER W/STAINLESS TANK, S/N 106030504 AG 854 CHEM SPRAYER W/STAINLESS TANK, S/N 8529768 HARDI BNL50 SPRAYER, 50-GAL, 3PT, 540 PTO C/IH 2800 APPLICATOR W/JOHN BLUE GROUND DRIVE PUMP, 800-GAL TANK, 11-SHANK AG-RAIN IRRIGATION REEL 2019 J&amp;M EC270 SEED TEND, HONDA ENG, TALC INDUCER, BRAKES, ROLL TARP UNVERFERTH 3750 SEED TENDER W/SCALES MERIDIAN 225RST BULK SEED TENDER, TANDEM, ROLL TARP MERIDIAN 375RT SEED TENDER AUTOMATIC 1200 ROLLER MILL SCHULER 175BF FEED WAGON (2) H&amp;S SILAGE WAGON NI MANURE SPREADER (2) CATTLE CHUTE J&amp;M 874 HEAD CART, 36', LIGHTS UNVERFERTH HT25 HEAD CART WOODS LOADER (NO BUCKET) KEWANEE 209 6-WAY GRADER BLADE, 9', 3PT, HYD ANGLE RHINO R950 BLADE FRONTIER BOX BLADE (2) REAR BLADE TAR RIVER SP-500SS DRY FERT SPRDR, 3PT (2) 3PT &amp; Q/A SEEDER 3PT CONE SPREADER (2) TROYBILT ROTOTILLER SIGMA 6' ROTOTILLER LANDPRIDE RTA1258 ROTOTILLER ROTOTILLER 3PT SLICER LANDPRIDE AERATOR 8' DRAG DISK JD 450 SICKLE BAR MOWER, 9' JD 3PT SICKLE BAR MOWER NH 451 SICKLE BAR MOWER OFFSET FLAIL MOWER, 3PT LAWN SWEEPER WALK BEHIND WEED EATER LEAF BLOWER LOG SPLITTER STHL CHAIN SAW WINCO PTO GENERATOR, PULL TYPE, SINGLE AXLE, 540 PTO GENERATOR NEW 300-GAL FUEL TANK W/20-GPM PUMP (2) 3PT RECEIVER HITCH (2) Q/A TO 3PT ADAPTER PORTABLE RAMP WEIGHT BRACKET W/WEIGHTS WEIGHTS</p>	<p><b>LAWN AND GARDEN</b> JD Z997R, 540 HRS JD Z997R W/TWEELS, 72", 600 HRS JD Z997R, 600 HRS</p>	<p>2022 APACHE AS1050 SPRAYER W/90' BOOMS, 15" NOZZLE SPACING, 1000-GAL TANK, FOAM MARKERS, 6-SPD TRANS, 229 HRS SALFORD BBI MAGNASPREAD 12-TON SPREADER 3PT ANHYDROUS TOOL BAR, 11-KNIFE SUNFLOWER 6430 MULCH FINISHER, 31' KRAUSE 11-SHANK DISK CHISEL W/SPRINGS JD 7X PLOW</p>
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# Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo finishes with \$942,300 in sales

By DOUG SCHMITZ  
Iowa Correspondent

FRANKFORT, Ky. - The 2026 Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo, March 6-8 in Frankfort, finished with more than \$940,000 in total sales in the 40th edition of the event at the Kentucky Exposition Center, according to officials.

Total sales in 2026 were \$942,300 - a \$239,763 increase over last year's sales. The average sale per lot also increased from \$3,369 last year to \$4,706 this year - a difference of \$1,337, officials said.

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Jonathan Shell said in a March 12 media statement that although the show saw an increase in total sales and average lot sales, the number of lots sold decreased by 10 from last year to 198 this year, in line with a nationwide decrease in cattle inventory. But he added the smaller inventory created strong cattle prices for producers.

He said the latest numbers show

cattle and calves are Kentucky's number one commodity, bringing in more than \$1 billion in agricultural cash receipts.

"As the largest beef cattle state east of the Mississippi River, the Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo showcases the importance of this industry," he said. "Although the number of lot sales were down, we are excited to see average sale prices on the rise, showing the resiliency and strength of this agricultural sector."

Currently, there are 11 breed shows and sales including Angus, Beefalo, Charolais, Chiangus, Limousin, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Red Poll, Salers, Shorthorn and Simmental, according to officials.

This year, Angus cattle brought an average of \$5,983 per lot to lead all breeds. The sale topper was a \$40,000 Angus female from Circle M Farms in Rockwall, Texas. The Beef Expo welcomed cattle from 12 states, including Kentucky, and six breeds this year. In the junior show,

409 cattle from eight states passed through the show ring, including 189 from Kentucky.

The 2026 Beef Expo's main sponsors were Kentucky Farm Bureau and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture.

Fran McCall, Kentucky Farm Bureau commodity specialist, told Farm World the Kentucky Beef Expo traces its roots to the Kentucky Angus Sweepstakes, which began in 1947 as a way for Angus breeders to come together and promote and market cattle.

"Over time, additional breeds began holding their own sales, and as the industry evolved, leaders saw the value in combining those efforts into one larger event," she said. "That led to the creation of the Kentucky Beef Expo in 1986."

She said the Expo has long been important to Kentucky's beef industry because it provides a central place for breeders, buyers and cattle enthusiasts to gather, compare cattle across breeds, and market purebred livestock.

"It has also grown into more than just a sale, offering youth and educational opportunities such as the 4-H and FFA Cattle Judging Contest, trade show, and Junior Jackpot Steer and Heifer Show," she said. "The goal has always been to create a stronger, more exciting event for buyers and sellers, while showcasing Kentucky's beef cattle industry."

She said producers interested in selling at the Expo work through the respective sale managers for each

breed sale: "Those managers handle consignments, oversee the catalog, coordinate the show and sale, work with the Beef Expo board and Kentucky Department of Agriculture staff, and manage the logistics of each sale."

The Kentucky Beef Expo board includes two representatives from each breed, two representatives from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, and one representative from the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, she said: "The Kentucky Department of Agriculture has supported the Expo since its beginning, both financially and through staff involvement."

She said one unique aspect of the event is the Commonwealth's support through KRS 302 KAR 15:030, a regulation relating to beef cattle shows and sales, which helps fund breed show premiums, as well as advertising and catalog preparation.

Premiums: Each breed show receives \$4,000 from the state (KRS 302 KAR 15-030). These funds must be matched by the respective breed association (typically via entry fees), totaling \$8,000 in premiums awarded.

Advertising/Catalog: An additional \$2,000 is available for each breed to reimburse costs for advertising and catalog preparation.

Matching Requirement: Breed associations are required to match their state appropriation on a dollar-for-dollar basis.



Above: Kentucky Agriculture Deputy Commissioner Warren Beeler (pictured third from right) met with Kentucky Farm Bureau's executive team and breed representatives during the 2026 Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo, March 6-8, in Frankfort. The group makes up the Beef Expo board. (courtesy of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture)

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# Dispersal Auction

### SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH | 10AM

**Auction will held on site located at 6308 Scott Rd, Tiro OH 44887.** From Tiro, take St Rt 39 North to St Rt 103 and go West toward N Auburn Rd. Watch for RES signs. **Tractors:** 1992 Case 7140 Magnum MFWD, C/H/A, 18F/4R powershift trans, large 1000 PTO, (3) remotes, hammer strap, axle duals, (18) suitcase weights, Ag Leader auto steer, Vanguard VM-2600 control, 4,100hrs, Serial Number: JJA0041894; 1992 Case 7140 Magnum MFWD, C/H/A, 18F/4R powershift trans, large 1000 PTO, (3) remotes, hammer strap, axle duals, (18) suitcase weights, 4,615hrs, Serial Number: JJA0033920; 1994 Case 5230 Magnum 2WD, open station, 16-speed trans w/ left hand reverser, 540 & 1000 PTO, 3pt, (2) remotes, 2,427hrs, Serial Number: JJF1033798, IH Farmall 560, diesel, needs work, Neighbor consignment; Farmall H, restored. **Combine, Heads & Wagons:** 1996 Case 2166, 2WD, Axle Flow, Ag Leader PF Advantage yield monitor, manual bin extensions, 3,861 engine/ 2,524 separator hours, SN:JJC018282; 1995 Case 1020 25' grain platform; Case 643 6Row 30" corn head; Unverferth HT-25 header cart; Unverferth HT-30 header cart, (2) Killbros 387 gravity wagon, 1396 running gear, lights, tarp, 385/65R22.5 tires; (2) Killbros 385, gravity wagon, 1396 running gear, lights, tarp, 385/65R22.5 tires, Unverferth 325 gravity wagon, lights, tarp, 385/85R22.5 tires. **Planting:** Great Plains 2N-2410 No-Till Drill, 24', 10" spacing, 2 section hydro fold, SN:GP-C1927; John Deere 1770 Conservation 12 Row planter, MaxEmerge Plus, Vacuum, (2) 225gal liquid fertilizer tanks, row markers, 2pt hookup, 30" spacing, Serial Number: H01770R675116; EZ-Trail 3400 tender wagon, 1074 running gear, hydraulic auger, Subura gas engine, tarp, lights. **Tillage:** Glenco 11-shank disc chisel, hydraulic disc, walking tandems; Case 4800 Vibra Shank 24' field cultivator, new shovels, 2-bar harrow; Unverferth 220 24' double rolling basket, flat fold, adjustable tongue. **Truck & Other Equipment:** 2015 Chevy Silverado 2500, reg. cab, 4WD, 6.0L gas, transfer tanks, tool boxes, 41k miles; Case 1825 Skid Steer, OROPS, H-Pattern hand controls, 48" bucket, forks; diesel, showing 628 hours, SN: GCJ004984; Woods 214 14' batwing mower, manual fold; 2018 Mortiz livestock trailer, 7,000 GVWR, tandem axle, cut gate. **Tools & Shop Items:** (2) ProTemp diesel heaters; pressure washer, press wheels; chains; straps; hitches; oils; tillage equipment parts; etc. **Note:** Mark your calendars for a good clean auction with well-kept equipment. We will start with shop and small uncatalogued items at 10am with the major equipment selling at 10:30 AM. Online bidding is available for the equipment at www.RES.bid. **Preview:** Equipment will be available for inspection on Friday April 3rd from 12pm-4pm. **Load Out:** Items can be removed auction day until 3 pm and also Monday April 6th from 1pm-5pm. After Monday April 6th removal will be by appointment only. All items must be paid in full before removing them from the premises. **Buyer's Premium:** If bidding in-person, there is no Buyer's Premium. If bidding through RES.bid, a 5% Buyer's Premium will be applied to each purchase. If bidding through Equipment Facts, a 7% Buyer's Premium will be applied to each purchase. **Payment Terms:** All invoices must be paid by Wednesday, April 8th at 5:00 PM. We accept cash, check, wire transfer, and credit cards (Up to \$3,000). 5% Buyer's Premium waived if paid by cash or check. All items must be paid in full before removal.

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'12 FORD F350 KING RANCH TRUCK & TRAILERS - JD TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

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**QUALITY HORSE-DRAWN EQUIPMENT - LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT - SHOP EQUIPMENT & TOOLS - COUNTRY ANTIQUES & PRIMITIVES**

**OPEN HOUSE #1: MON MAR 23 2-4:30 PM**  
**OPEN HOUSE #2: MON APRIL 6 2-4:30 PM**

**TRUCK & TRAILERS:** '12 Ford F-350 King Ranch 4x4 crew cab, miles: 112K (one-owner, garage kept, SHARP), engine: 6.7L diesel, trans: auto, FX4, short bed, tires: 18", LOADED; '11 Corn Pro 24+5 GN flatbed trailer; '00 Sooner 20' alum livestock trailer; '76 ASM 15' flatbed utility trailer

**JD TRACTORS:** '99 JD 5410 4x4 tractor w/JD 540 loader, hrs: 3923, one-owner, CHA, engine: 81HP (engine) diesel), trans: power-shift; JD pallet forks & bale spear; '07 JD 3720 4x4 tractor w/JD mid-mount 72" mower, hrs: 1705, one-owner, CHA, engine: diesel 40HP, 3-pt; NOTE: both tractors serviced regularly by JD Dealer & garage kept

**EQUIPMENT/FARM ITEMS:** Land Pride AFM4214 14' batwing finish mower; Land Pride 3-pt 90" finish mower; Land Pride APS1560 3-pt 60" seeder; Land Pride 76" 3-pt tiller; Danuser 3-pt PHD; Fimco 3-pt 50-gal sprayer; wood splitter; Cosmo seeder; Delta 100-gal diesel tank

**HORSE-DRAWN EQUIPMENT:** Graber Mfg custom show wagon (SHARP), hyd brakes, spring ride; custom show wagon, hyd brakes; late 1800's restored carriage with fold-down top; late 1800's WS Frazier restored doctors/mail cart; 1800's restored sled, extremely well done; American Seeding/IH walk-behind grain drill (all original)

**LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT:** Behlen 10-section corral panel system; 30+ wire livestock panels; livestock metal gates; Rubbermaid water tanks; rubber feed tubs; 50+ bales straw; wall mtd hay feeders; (2) round bale feeders; livestock feeders; used fence posts/wire

**SHOP EQUIPMENT/TOOLS:** Smoothway 30KW 3-pt PTO generator (like new); Honda EB2200X generator; Kobalt/Craftsman tool chest; Bosch 4100 table saw; Craftsman drill press; Century/Miller welders; torch set; Channel-Lock pliers; Craftsman socket sets/wrenches (nice sets); gear pullers; pneumatic tools; hand tool assortment; bolt cutters; engine hoist; Bosch power tools; chains/binders; shop hardware & metal shelves; alum ext ladders

**LAWN & GARDEN/MAINTENANCE:** Echo CS-590 chain saw (like new); (3) Echo/Stihl chainsaws; Echo PD-255LN blower; Echo HC-150 hedge trimmer; Echo string trimmers; log hooks; cant hook; Ex-Cell pressure washer; telescoping wand attached; BE20" surface cleaner; Agri-Fab lawn bagger; lawn spreader; Troy-Bilt Horse garden tiller; (25) bags fertilizer; long-handled tool

**COUNTRY ANTIQUES/PRIMITIVES:** Berninghouse "Hercules" barber chairs; large No. 22 church/school 18" bell; (2) post mtd dinner bells; horse collar mirror; cross-cut saws; stone jars/churn; Singer/Franklin sewing machines; piano stool; milk can; corn sheller; Amish built furniture (quilt displays, porch swing, etc)

**HOUSEHOLD/FURNITURE:** (2) Keller oak lighted cabinets; Flexsteel LR furniture; home exercise equipment; framed artwork

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# Electric tractors coming from Deere, CaseIH Farmall, Monarch

Starting in 2026, a small number of early-production Deere electric tractors will be in use by actual farm customers. These will be 130 HP models.

CaseIH Farmall 75C electric models with 75 HP 4WD are in development.

Monarch is currently the leading producer of E-tractors with the following models:

MK-V Utility 70HP, MK-V Standard 70HP and MK-V Dairy 70 HP.

Minneapolis Moline UDLX comfort tractor

In 1938, MM designed a combination tractor/car. They installed a streamlined cab with fenders on the UDLX frame to offer a tractor that could work in the field, then be transportation to town.

Some small manufacturers had tried to do the same thing with mixed results by building a kit to convert a Ford Model T for the field. These kits provided iron-lugged rear wheels, heavier rear axles, and chain drives to lower the speed. The kits were sold from 1910 and 1930 for \$125 to \$300.

The MM Comforttractor was different in that it started with a tractor which would not require any additional fittings. It would provide the farmer with a

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BY PAUL WALLEM

tractor which could also be a car. Top speed was 25 MPH.

Only 150 were built. 100 were sold, 50 were returned to the company. It was too unconventional

and expensive for farmers to accept.

Deutz-Fahr

Deutz-Fahr has announced a 9-series 6-cylinder diesel 7.8-liter with continuously variable transmission and Terramatic technology. Rear hitch lift capacity is 26,450 lbs. 3-speed rear PTO is standard; front PTO is available.

Autonomous tractors on Wisconsin dairy farms

In a November 2025 column, I reported the increasing number of Monarch autonomous tractors being purchased by Wisconsin dairies. New statistics tell why.

There were 5,100 dairy farms in the state at the beginning of this year. That is just half of the number 10 years ago. However, the number of cows being milked has stayed almost the same because of the increase in very large herds. In the past, those operations have pushed back feed by hand, and now labor is much harder to get. An autonomous tractor can do this job well. The long barns allow the autonomous trac-



Above: The Minneapolis Moline UDLX Comforttractor

tor to do this job more often than was done manually.

Small farms - nothing new

I visited a Kubota dealer northwest of Chicago that sits between urban growth on one side and traditional agriculture still operating on the other. We discussed the increasing number of small farm operations, just as is happening elsewhere in the U.S. Typically, a couple that were raised on the farm but have no other family still farming will buy about 40 acres that they can operate and raise their children on. One of this dealership's new customers is boarding horses, selling vegetables to local restaurants, and doing a small amount of cropping with used machinery. They hope to purchase

additional small acreage.

These changes remind me of our 160-acre farm with dairy, hogs, sheep and chickens that I was raised on a long time ago. There were no farms bigger than that in our neighborhood. Now we are seeing similar startups.

Paul Wallem was raised on an Illinois dairy farm. He spent 13 years with corporate IH in domestic and foreign assignments. He resigned to own and operate two IH dealerships. He is the author of THE BREAKUP of IH and SUCCESSES & INDUSTRY FIRSTS of IH. See all his books on www.Paul-Wallem.com. Email your comments to pwallem9@gmail.com.

## ONLINE AUCTION Wednesday, April 8



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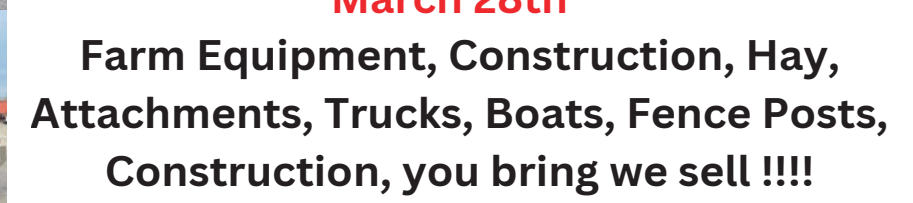
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**GRAIN TRUCKS:** 2000 Navistar Semi, tandem duals w/wet kit; International S1900 Grain Truck w/16' Ohman Standard Bed & Shurlock Roll Top; 1991 GMC Topkick Single Axle Dump Truck, 67,194 miles; 1978 GMC Sierra 6000 w/14' grain bed, 4-speed, new Jasper 350 engine

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**TRACTORS:** MF 2860E, 4WD, w/Loader, 50Hrs w/Factory Warranty. Ford 4000 SU Gas Tractor. MF 251 XE 2WD w/Loader. JD 2240 Diesel 2WD, 1 Owner, 1700 Orig. Hours. Kubota L3130 Diesel 4WD w/Loader, 2000 Hrs. Case IH 485 Diesel 2wd, 1 Owner, 2100 Hrs., Nice. JD 5500 4wd Diesel, 540 Loader, 5300 Hrs., Triple Remotes, Nice. Ford 850 Orig. Newer rear Tires, Runs Good. A.C. WD, Newer Rear Tires, Older Repaint, Runs Good. IH B 275 Diesel Tractor, Runs and Drives. MH 30 Tractor, Older Repaint, Runs Good. Rural King RK 19 Tractor, 4WD w/Loader 150 Hrs. Ford 4000 4C Gas, Nice Orig Tractor. IH 684 Diesel, 2WD w/Loader, Nice.

**COMBINES/HEADS:** JD 6620 Combine. JD 444 Corn Head.

**TILLAGE:** MF 3 pt., 2 Bottom Plow. Ford 101, 3 pt. 2 Bottom Plow. IH 420, 3 pt., 2 Bottom Plow. Ford 3PT, 6' Disc., Very Nice Orig. Tuffline 3PT, 4' Disc. Dunham Lehr 13' Cultimulcher, Later Model, Very Nice. Harrogator Brand Harrogator, approx. 18', Orig. Paint, Good Spikes. Summers 27' Vertical Tillage Tool, Weight Kit, Light Kit, Nice. JD 30' Vertical Fold Field Cult. DMI 30' Crumbler. JD 220, 18' Center Fold Disc, Good Blades, Orig Paint. IH 370, 12' Disc. JD 825 6 Row Cultivators. JD 15' 400 Rotary Hoe, Nice. A.C. 1200, 12' Field Cult. DMI 25' Rolling Basket. IH 133, 4 Row Cult. IH 10', 370 Disc, Like New Blades, Orig Paint. IH 470, 14' Disc, w/Harrow, Very Nice and Orig. Brillion 12' Cult., Nice. Harrogator Brand Harrogator w/Wings. Nobel 7 Shank Disc Chisel, Nice. DMI 18' Rolling Basket, Weight Kit, Light Kit, Nice. A.C. 3 Bottom Snap Coupler Plow. Dunham Lehr 10' Cult. Tye 4 Shank, 3PT Para-Till Ripper. Glenco 9 Shank Disc Chisel. Taylor-Way 5 Shank, 3PT Disc Chisel w/Buster bar. Dirt Dog 5 Shank 3PT Ripper, Unused. Frontier 6', 3PT Field Cult., Nice. Leinbach 6', 3PT Soil Pulverizer. Ford 101, 3PT, 2 Bottom Plow, Nice Orig. Iron Craft 90" HD Unused 3PT Tiller. MF 7 Shank Disc Chisel., Very Nice. JD AW, 10' Disc, Orig. Bush Hog Ro-till 2 Shank, 3PT Ripper. IH 4600 Field Cult. w/5 Bar Harrow. DMI Tiger Mate 1137' Field Cult. DMI 23' Crumbler.

**PLANTERS/DRILLS:** JD 7200, 12 Row, Liquid Fert. No-Till Planter. JD 246-247, 2 Row, 3PT Planter w/Fert. Orig. JD BD, 1110, 17X7 Grain Drill, Double Disc, Acres Meter Shows 163 Acres,

Very Nice, Like New. Marlist 10' No-Till Drill. JD 8300 Grain Drill w/Cultiplanter. Melroe 204 Grain Drill, Nice. IH 510, 13X7 Double Disc, Grass Seed, Fert. Very Nice, Orig. Drill (Hard to Find). JD 3 Pt, 2 Row B-24 Planter w/Fert., Nice. JD 8300, 21X7 Grain Drill, Press Wheels, Double Disc, Nice. MF 3PT, 2 Row Planter, Orig.

**HAY TOOLS:** MF 3PT Sickle Bar Mower, Nice. NH 451 Sickle Bar Mower, Very Nice. NI Roller Bar Rake, Nice Orig. Belt Drive. JD 1320, 9' Discbine. NI 3PT Sickle Bar Mower. NH 258 Roller Bar Rake, Very Nice Orig. NH 472, 7' Haybine, Nice. Hesston 3710, 2 Basket Pull type Tedder, Nice. NH 472 Haybine. JD 375 Round Baler, Nice. NI 4845 Round Baler, Very Nice Orig. Later Model. A.C. Rota Baler, Orig. Barn Kept, Newer Belts.

**MANURE SPREADERS:** Badger BN 3242 w/Top Beater, Polly Floor, PTO Drive, Very Nice, Like New. IH 530 PTO Spreader, Orig. MF 110 PTO Spreader, Orig. Frontier MS 1108 PTO Spreader, Nice.

**GRAVITY WAGONS:** J&M 350 w/J&M Auger w/ Cement Truck Tires, Tarp, Nice Wagon, On J&M Gear. Killbros 350 On Killbros Gear w/Tarp, Very Nice. Small Gravity Wagon. Killbros 250 Gravity Wagon On Kory Gear, Nice. McCurdy Gravity Wagon. M&W Center Dump Gravity Wagon.

**LAWN AND GARDEN:** Used Country Clipper Boss, Joystick Steering, 72" Cut, 750 Hours. New XLT 60" Cut Twin Levers, Last Years Model. Unused Earthquake Tillers.

**MISC.:** Countyline 5', PT Finish Mower, Like New. 6' Tarter Finish Mower, Like New. Grain-O-Vator Tandem Axel Feed Buggy, Not Rusted out. Brad co 6' Skid steer Bush Hog. 3PT Slip Scoop. York, Skid steer Land Scape Rake. Bush Hog 2426 QA Loader. JD 726 Loader w/Brackets. Grain Vac. Little Giant 50' Double Chain Elevator. Woods 5', 3PT Finish Mower. Unused Wolverine Skid Steer Post Hole Digger w/Bits. Industrias America 7' Pull Type Box Blade w/Manual Tilt, Unused. Industrias America 12' Pull Type Box Blade w/Manual Tilt, Unused. Maywath 8"x36' Auger, Good Shape.

**SPRAYERS/TANKS:** Great Plains 1000 Sprayer. Great Plains 1000 Gallon Sprayer, Needs Work. 500 Gallon Tank w/Pump on JD Running Gear. 1000 Gallon 28% On Running Gear. 13 Shank 28 Tool Bar. (4) Plastic Totes w/Cages. Running Bed w/Mounted Sprayer Pump.

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# IANA updates website to better serve farmers regarding nutrients

By Michele F. Mihaljevich  
 Indiana Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS – The updated Indiana Agriculture Nutrient Alliance (IANA) website will serve as a good source for information that enables viable farmers, healthy soil and clean water, according to the organization's executive director.

"Farmers are incredibly busy people, so the entire IANA website ([www.inag-nutrients.org](http://www.inag-nutrients.org)) was updated visually to make it easier for farmers to use and find the information they need about nutrient management for their farms," Ben Wicker explained. "It is important to note that the information on the site is vetted by the 14 partners who support IANA so it is a very credible spot for farmers to find usable information."

"Our hope is that farmers can use the site as a reference point as they think about nutrient management, prompting them to engage with our partners and industry professionals to design plans that work for their unique situation."

The site has four sections – 4R nutrient management (right source, right rate, right time, right place); soil health; water management; and resources.

The 4R principles help farmers think through how to get the most out of every application, he noted. Information on soil health focuses on available tools and helping farmers protect their soil for future generations, Wicker added.

The section on water covers strategies to avoid run off, and the resources section is organized by topic to help farmers and their advisers quickly find literature about each element of nutrient management, he said.

IANA receives similar questions about nutrients and management regularly, Wicker said.

"Some common questions include how to apply fertilizer and manure more efficiently and still maximize return on investment or yield," he said. "Another question involves analysis of fertilizer sources for the least expensive option that still can be applied according to the equipment the farm has available. A third ques-

tion is when to apply given varying weather conditions, making soils unsuitable for wheel traffic much of the winter and spring."

Wicker said farmers around the state may be more willing to think about management strategies given that fertilizer prices are squeezing the bottom line.

"Particularly now, they are open to strategies that get a larger percentage of nutrients into their crops and stay in their soils," he said. "It is an economic argument for many, but those mindful of conservation and stewardship also grow to see the long-term advantages of 4R nutrient management."

Wicker said progress is being made on goals for managing nutrients IANA hoped farmers would achieve by 2025. Goals were set for the planning, application and protection of nutrients. For example, IANA hoped all farmers in the state would regularly perform soil sampling and implement plans for nutrient management. Another goal was that Indiana would see a 25 percent increase in cropland acres using reduced tillage systems.

The goals were set to be intentionally aggressive and aspirational to demonstrate the scale of change and progress needed, he said.

"Being able to show changes in farmer attitudes and practices has been recognized as a positive indicator of nutrient loss reduction, even when changes in water quality may lag," Wicker said. "Based on farmer surveys and other tracking metrics, positive gains were seen across all goals. There is still work to be done in ensuring the agronomic and economic case for practice changes is clear to farmers for the long-term viability of both the practices and farmers' operations overall."

IANA, started in 2018, empowers farmers to improve nutrient use efficiency, enhance soil health and protect water quality by vetting and promoting sustainable, proven practices that drive farm success and protect natural resources, Wicker said. Its partners include the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana Farm Bureau, Purdue University Extension and several commodity groups in the state.

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