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McMillan's Message

Commissioner
John McMillan

Supporting Gulf Seafood

In early November, I expressed my appreciation to the Alabama Congressional delegation for their tireless efforts on the passage of H.R. 774. The Illegal, Unreported, Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015 strengthens maritime law enforcement's ability to stop foreign illegal fishing. It also implements the Port States Measures Agreement that denies port entry to foreign vessels engaged in illegal fishing and protects the seafood industry by prohibiting illegally caught products from being sold in U.S. markets. The bill now goes to the President for his signature.



Some Gulf shrimp go through the Alabama Seafood Tissue Testing Program, a long-term sampling and monitoring program administered by the Marine Resources Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries and the Alabama Department of Public Health.

I want to commend

Congressmen Bradley Byrne and Mo Brooks for co-sponsoring such monumental legislation for our Alabama fishing industry. Being born and raised in Baldwin County, I know just how vital our commercial fishing industry is to coastal Alabama.

H.R. 774 is another step in the right direction to provide for the safety and marketability of Gulf seafood. Our congressional delegation has done a remarkable job

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2015 ALABAMA CENTURY & HERITAGE FARMS ANNOUNCED

Since the Century and Heritage Farm program began in 1976, the Department of Agriculture & Industries has recognized almost 600 farms in Alabama.



This year 16 farms qualified for the program. Each farm has been in operation as a family farm for at least 100 years and reflects interesting and important historical and agricultural qualities. These farms demonstrate a durability and love of the land that is the heritage of the State of Alabama.

All recipients receive a certificate that is signed by the Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, the Alabama

Historical Commission Executive Director and the Governor, officially designating their farm as an Alabama Century and/or Heritage Farm. Each family also receives an exterior farm sign to display at their farm gate.

The farms that received their designations this year are listed below by county. Several of the families were recognized at Farm-City events in their home county last month.

If you feel your family farm qualifies for this program, be sure to check the Alabama Farmers and Consumers Bulletin next summer for an announcement that applications are available for the 2016 Century and Heritage Farm program.

For more information, please feel free to contact Amy Belcher at 334/240-7126 or by email at amy.belcher@agi.alabama.gov.

THE 2015 WINNERS ARE:

County	Applicants Name	Farm Name	Designation
Autauga	Zelma L. (Wilkins) Keen	Keen Family Farm	Century & Heritage
Barbour	Clarence Mac & Joan Reeder	The Old Place	Century & Heritage
Blount	Ted Dial Sr.	Dial Farm	Century & Heritage
Blount	Jeff & Nicole Noojin	J & N Farms	Century & Heritage
Calhoun	Alfred Haver & Elaine Bryant	Haver Family Farm	Century
Coffee	Lloyd W. & Betty C. Lewis	DCL Farm	Century & Heritage
Crenshaw	Linda Talley Pierce	Talley Hill	Century & Heritage
Dallas	Audra Adams Westbrook	The Home Place	Century & Heritage
Henry	Joe & Dethalia Armstrong	Armstrong Farms	Century & Heritage
Lowndes	Watkins C. Johnston Jr.	Midfields Plantation	Century & Heritage
Madison	Carolyn Burgess Featheringill	Townsend Place	Century
Monroe	Albert A. Nettles Jr.	A.A. Nettles Sr. Properties, LLP	Century & Heritage
Monroe	Sam L. House Sr.	The First House Farm	Century & Heritage
Morgan	Jeanne Roundtree Cox Purcell	Roundtree Farm	Century & Heritage
Pike	Gene & Jana Renfroe	Renfroe Preservation, LLC	Century & Heritage
Pike	Carter E. Anthony	Carter Hill Farm	Century & Heritage

AQUACULTURE

Red Wigglers & European Red Worms, \$35/lb. shipped. Billy Ford 2547 Underwood Ferry Rd., Cordova 35550 205/471-5783 (Walker)

Rainbow Trout for winter fishing; Catfish 4-11" \$.30/up ea.; 1-5" Coppnose Bluegill \$.25/up ea.; Shellcracker \$.28/up ea.; White Amur grass carp \$6 ea. Dain Davis 854 Co Rd 167, Leesburg 35983 256/526-8453 (Cherokee)

Bass \$1/up; Bream \$.30/up; Grass carp \$1.50 ea.; Shiners & fathead minnows \$9/lb.; ½ to 1 lb. Catfish \$1.50 ea.; Liming, shocking, lake rejuvenation. Steve Brown 445 Co Rd 55, Moundville 35474 205/371-4494 (Hale)

Pond liming \$400/up; Electro-shocking \$450/up; Fish feeders, aerators & pond fertilizer (water soluble 10-52-4 plus micro-nutrients). Daniel Davis 3822 Co Rd 26, Centre 35960 256/504-3034 (Cherokee)

Bass \$.90/up ea.; Threadfin shad \$450/up; Fathead minnows \$35/1,000. Dain Davis 854 Co Rd 167, Leesburg 35983 256/526-8453 (Cherokee)

CATTLE

All livestock listings must be from bonafide livestock farmers. Notices from livestock dealers, order buyers or persons selling on commission cannot be accepted.

CATTLE SALES

Cattle 18 months and older must be officially identified at change of ownership. For more information about obtaining official tags, contact the State Veterinarian's Office at 334-240-7253. Animals sold out-of-state must meet animal health requirements of the state of destination.

BBU Reg. Beefmaster bulls, \$1,800 to \$3,000, polled, red or black color. Larry Bowen 1030 Co Rd 470, Woodland 36280 770/826-2512 day or night (Randolph)

Sim-Angus bull, pureblood not reg., 20 mos. Nov. 2, gentle, good for heifers, grass fed, \$2,000. J.C. Trice 6206 Co Rd 53, Clanton 35045 205/755-1454 or 205/217-9961 (Chilton)

Reg. Scottish Highland cattle, 8 mos/up, heifers & bulls, purebred bloodlines for foundation stock, \$1,500/up, exc. maternal characteristics, sweet gentle dispositions, great to cross w/your cattle or start your own fold. www.gb3highlandcattle.com or info@gb3highlandcattle.com. Tracey 205/432-9531 (Cullman)

Get a Santa for Christmas. Gentle, polled, reg., dark red Santa Gertrudis bull, DOB 4-30-14, \$2,600. Free ballcap & Star5 info. Betty Kelso-Clough 85 Jackson Cove, Somerville 35670 256/778-7362 or 256/566-7878 (Morgan)

Miniature Zebu bull, 6 mos., \$600. Call 205/399-6321 (Lamar)

CATTLE

6 mos. Brahman bull, \$1,200; 7 mos. Braford bull \$1,200, good bloodlines. Gib Judd 1167 Co Rd 102, Abbeville 36310 239/595-0140 (Henry)

2-3 yo top bloodline bulls, reg. Black Angus bulls \$3,500/up; 15 mos. Angus bull \$2,000, LBW, exc. bloodline. Earl Woodard 318 Faust Rd., Blountsville 35031 205/429-2883 (Blount)

Reg. Simmental & Sim-Angus bulls, yearlings, polled, black, AI/ET docile, hand-fed, great selection \$3,750/up, Bull-Test winner. Call Chester Hicks 4892 Crawfords Cove Rd., Springville 35146 256/490-1919 (St. Clair)

Mini Jersey x Zebu bull calves for \$750; Lowline x Zebu bull calves for \$1,000. Visit us at www.lnminifarm.com. Levon Sargent 256/657-6545 (DeKalb)

12 Angus, Sim-Angus bulls, 15-30 mos., black, BWF, polled, top bloodlines, \$2,500-\$3,500; 3 Black, Sim-Angus pairs \$3,000 ea. W.P. Powell 6712 Co Rd 24, Clanton 35045 205/755-3786 (Chilton)

Reg. Black Angus bull, 14 mos., AAA 18164760 SAV Thunderbird sired, great looking bull, guaranteed, vet checked, \$3,500 OBO. Bill Whitley 205/862-8230 (Shelby)

BBU Reg. Beefmaster bulls, \$2,000, polled, red & black colors. Carmon Smith 3557 Co Rd 24, Crossville 35962 256/891-3777 day (DeKalb)

Replacement heifers cross bred w/varying amounts of Brahman influence, 650 to 700 lbs., \$1,600 ea., leave a message. 334/324-3180 (Montgomery)

4 Bred Baldy heifers, Angus x Hereford 3 black, 1 red, 1 due in Dec. 15, 3 due in Feb. 16, \$2,750 ea.; 4 Black Sim-Angus heifers, pasture exposed, \$2,000 ea. W.P. Powell 6712 Co Rd 24, Clanton 35045 205/755-3786 (Chilton)

Limousin homozygous black and homozygous polled breeding age bulls and young heifers, guarantee black & polled calves, top bloodlines, exc. milking, great disposition, all vaccinations, LBW, free delivery, \$2,000/up. 205/456-1468 (Blount)

Reg. Limousin bulls, red & black, double polled, gentle, LBW, 16 mos. to 19 mos., \$1,750 - \$1,950. Don Jones 15246 Hwy 110, Fitzpatrick 36029 334/279-1023 or 334/207-7749 (Bullock)

30 yearling Simmental & Sim-Angus bulls, homo, black, \$3,500 to \$4,500. Mike Wells 70 Co Rd 824, Selma 36701 334/412-2280 (Dallas)

Limousin double black & double polled bulls & heifers, double homozygous black & polled, guarantee black & polled calves w/most crosses, LBW, gentle, free delivery, \$2,000/up. 205/456-0468 (Blount)

Miniature crossbred young bulls, grass fed beef or breeding, gentle, polled, \$500/up negotiable. Lee E. Caudill 256/228-7475 (Jackson)

3 Black Angus pairs calves born in October, \$2,700 ea. Call Richard M., Odenville 205/960-5451 (St. Clair)

CATTLE

Five good black pairs, all 3-in-1 packages, very large heifer calves, \$2,750 ea. or all 5 pairs for \$12,800. Bob King 6525 Co Rd 5, Ashland 36251 256/354-7726 (Clay)

Want black calves out of red cows? You bet you do! Make it happen with Limousin homozygous black double polled bulls, \$2,500/up. Please call 205/466-3468. (Blount)

Reg. & Purebred Black Brangus bulls, LBW, gentle, good bloodlines, 10 mos/up, \$1,800/up. Kenneth Fuller 510 Fuller Rd., Cragford 36255 256/618-1344 or 256/354-4052 (Clay)

Reg. purebred Miniature Jersey bull, born 12-15-13, asking \$2,500 OBO. 251/964-2656 (Baldwin)

Reg. Red Angus bulls, good bloodlines, hand fed, gentle, \$2,600/up. Dale Hammett 706/506-1668 (Cherokee)

3 Reg. Angus bulls sired by SAV Hesston, SAV Silverado & BAF Pioneer 2010, \$2,500-\$3,000. A.L. Bonds 165 Bonds Rd, Gunterville 35976 256/878-7060 (Marshall)

Reg. Angus bulls, 20-22 mos., direct grandsons of 878 & Mitty in Focus, EPDs by GeneMax, breeding soundness tested, \$3,000/up. George M. Gibbins 426 Old Choccolocco Rd., Anniston 256/237-7350 (Calhoun)

Good quality 21 mos. reg. Charolais bull w/ BSE provided, delivery available, \$2,250. T.R. Hamilton 444 Pleasant Hill Rd., Eclectic 36024 334/541-2821 (Elmore)

Reg. Charolais bulls, AI sired by Firewater, Prime Profit & Ledger, 12-22 mos., long bodied, heavy muscled, calving ease, good EPDs, very gentle, \$2,000/up. Billy Gilley 135 Co Rd 1684, Holly Pond 35083 256/708-4700 or 256/796-7801 (Cullman)

Reg. Limousin bulls, 10 head to choose from, LBW, polled, black or red, out of heavy milking dam, performance records available, \$2,200 to \$2,800; 1 proven sire, 4 yo, \$3,500. Richard Beard Jr. 8109 Glendale Farms Rd., Trussville 35173 205/655-7682 (Jefferson)

CATTLE

New born calves, most are dairy, a few beef-dairy crosses, \$200/up. 334/745-2357 (Chambers)

Polled Hereford bulls, 17-20 mos., available January 1st, reg., exc. pedigrees & EPDs, \$2,800 to \$3,000. Satisfied customers throughout Alabama for many years. Call for appointment. Jim & Lynda Lowery 5320 Co Rd 36, Heflin 36264 256/253-2445 (Cleburne)

19 Reg. Black Simmental heifers \$26,000 for all; 2 yo reg. Black Simmental bulls, \$2,500/up. Call Marty at 256/572-0800 (Blount)

2 yo polled Hereford bulls, gentle, easy keeping, passed BSEs, \$3,000/up. Ken McMillan mcm0315@gmail.com 205/405-0068 (Talladega)

November 2014 Commercial (not registered) Brown Swiss maiden heifer, OCV, wormed, dehorned as a calf, \$1,500. T. Johnson, Pennington 205/301-0220 (Choctaw)

Angus bulls, reg. Angus, nationally known bloodlines from LBW sires, some females available, \$2,500/up. Glenn Fuller 256/329-9544 (Tallapoosa)

Reg. Angus bulls that are perfect for heifers, \$2,500/up, top bloodlines, gentle, handfed, homegrown. Ken Tyler 2984 Pine Ridge Rd., Union Grove 35175 256/506-3819 or 256/498-3174 (Morgan)

Reg. Gray Brahman bull, 16 mos., Elmo grandson, \$3,000; Also Brangus & Black Baldie bulls w/just a touch of ear, \$2,000. Wes Tyler 18 Blake Ln., Arab 35016 256/673-2672 (Marshall)

Reg. Angus bulls, Objective & Traveler breeding, LBWs, grass raised, 30 mos., ready for service, \$2,000-\$3,500. Phillip Stringer 22801 Hwy 69, Coffeetown 36524 251/589-5620 (Clarke)

Heifers 12 Charolais cross, 20-22 mos., exposed to small Angus bull, should calve 5-1-16, \$1,750 ea., pictures available. 32845 Boston Rd., Dozier 36028 334/388-2755 (Covington)

CATTLE

Texas Longhorn steers, calves & some up to 5 yo, reg. cows & heifers, top bloodlines in U.S. \$700-\$2,000. Claude Lipscomb www.blackandbluequarterhorses.com 251/965-3600 (Baldwin)

19 Beefmaster heifers exposed to Red Angus bull since June, 15-24 mos., full & percentage. \$3,000. 256/347-6118 (Morgan)

Grain fed Angus steers, ready for the processor, approx. 1,000-1,100 lbs., \$2,000 ea. 334/728-4485 (Lee)

3-4 yo Brangus Angus 7-8 mos. bred, commercial farm raised, exc. producers, reducing prime stock, \$2,400 ea. George2@bellsouth.net Scooba, MS 39358 404/216-8325 (Mississippi)

Bulls 2, 14 mos., virgins, commercial stock \$1,500 ea., white faces, black bodies, Baldy Angus, farm raised, Scooba, MS. Mina2@bellsouth.net 404/499-4295 (Mississippi)

CHRISTMAS TREES

Virginia Pines & Leylands \$25/up; Fraser Fir \$50/up; Wreaths \$15/up; Tree accessories \$2/up; Gifts \$5/up. Opening Nov. 27. Located off Hwy 31 behind Thorsby School. Ginger Duncan www.neelyfarmschristmastrees.homestead.com 205/389-1831 (Chilton)

Leyland Cypress, Arizona Cypress, Red Cedar, Virginia Pine, Fraser Fir, 5' to 14', \$30/up, Central Alabama's most beautiful, www.wadsworthchristmastrees.com. Frank Wadsworth 3071 Dexter Rd., Wetumpka 36092 334/567-6308 (Elmore)

EGG & POULTRY

Beautiful & healthy Indian Blue & pied peafowl, 2015 hatch, \$75 ea. Candi McNair 706/326-2812 (Lee)

Mallard Ducks, beautiful, ready for your pond, \$16/up, possible delivery. 601/671-4209 (Mississippi)

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Commissioner

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EGG & POULTRY

Mandarin Ducks \$85/pair; Pheasants: Red-gold \$100/pair; Lady Amherst \$130/pair Joe Mitchell 1837 S. Broad St., Albertville 35950 256/878-2969 (Marshall)
African Geese 7 grown, \$200 for all; Bourbon Red Turkeys 3 grown \$100 for all; Royal Palm Turkeys 3 grown for \$100. Ray Humphrey 334/701-2332 (Lee)

FARMS FOR RENT

25 ac. ag. land to lease near Detroit, AL, Marion County, trade for bush hogging & other work. egraham@egsinc.com 205/936-2575 (Marion)

FARMS FOR SALE

21.46 +/- ac., all fenced, 2 homes, very nice barn, electricity, well water, separate 4-car garage, serious buyers only, must see it, call to set up appointment, \$139,900. 256/201-7258 or 256/239-5654 (Cleburne)

47 ac. approx., timber, good hunting, 5 miles east 102 & 13 int., \$1,200/ac. I.E. Burleson 867 Co Hwy 76, Haleyville 35565 205/269-5401 (Marion)

Working cattle farm w/42 +/- ac. in Jemison, rolling hills w/multiple home sites overlooking 6 mile creek on property, cabin complete w/kitchen, 3 pc bath & loft upstairs, property fenced/cross fenced, corral w/electricity, water & covered work area, large barn w/water & electricity, forested wildlife areas, city water & well, \$249,000. Tracey info@gb3highlandcattle.com or 205/432-9531 (Cullman)

33.3 ac., 14 miles north of Wetumpka, 600' road frontage, large timber, good building sites, county water available, \$114,500. 334/315-2910 (Elmore)

40+ ac. Hanceville River Bend area, wooded & some open, old farmhouse included, no barns, not fenced, \$300,000. 256/737-9513 (Cullman)

30 ac. farm near Boaz, Sardis area, fenced, 1/2 mile highway frontage, corner Chumley & Horton Gap Roads, \$5,000/ac. OBO. 205/456-0468 (Etowah)

88 ac. Fall City Rd., Walker County, 1500 ft. road frontage, 15 ac. grass, rest woods, \$2,250/ac. 205/295-8151 (Walker)

FARM LABOR AVAILABLE

Pole Barns, Hay Sheds, Equipment Sheds, Deer Camp Buildings, 40x60x12 special, 6x6 posts/metal trusses, labor provided. Tcb1955@gmail.com 601/573-9450 (Mississippi)

All types fencing, barn building & repair, catch pens & more, all work guaranteed. Jeff McDonald 256/527-0808 (Morgan)

Farm fencing installed: chain link, barbed wire, electric, field fence, hi-tensile, goat wire, will travel, references available, all calls returned. Rick Neves 256/747-3301 (Cullman)

HAY & FEEDING GRAIN

Hay 4'x5' rolls \$30 to \$40 ea., can delivery. Gene Milton 334/566-7922 (Pike)

4x5 horse & cattle hay, Bermuda/Bahia, sprayed & fertilized, barn stored \$50, outside \$35; Pasture hay \$25. 334/695-1793 (Barbour)

5x4 bales, baled dry, stored dry, fine quality mixed grass hay for cattle \$30/bale. George Foster 256/506-3188 (Etowah)

Sq. bales Russell Costal \$5 ea.; Round rolls Bahai mixed \$35 ea., sprayed & fertilized. Call 334/284-3388, 334/320-7025 or 334/300-1002 (Lowndes)

Hay 4x5 round bales, barn kept, \$30/bale. David Ford 8651 Co Rd 26, Ragland 205/283-0638 (St. Clair)

Hay 5'x5' rolls of Costal & Costal mix, all net wrapped, \$30/roll, we load it. Diteous (Neil) Sutton 53 Lightner Rd., Arton 36311 334/685-3169 (Barbour)

4x5 Bahia hay \$40/roll, good hay. Earl Woodard 318 Faust Rd., Blountsville 35031 205/429-2883 (Blount)

2015 4x4 rolls Bahia hay, baled, stored under tarps without rain, \$25/roll, will load. Thomas Clegg 15873 Hwy 159, Kennedy 35574 205/364-7343 (Pickens)

HAY & FEEDING GRAIN

Fertilized Johnson Grass hay, exc. quality, \$35 to \$40/bale, 4x6 net wrapped, pick up in Pike Road. 334/399-0131 (Montgomery)
Bermuda hay sq. bales \$6, round bales \$45. John Robinson 251/424-8011 (Baldwin)

Wheat straw \$4/bale; Feed Wheat \$210/ton; Corn \$180/ton, prices may change w/market. Mike Duke 4476 Stockdale Rd., Munford 256/362-8824 (Talladega)

Fescue/Orchard grass, 4x5' rolls, baled 6-5-15 & 9-2-15, well fertilized, no rain, good quality, will load, \$35/roll. Ralph A. Smith 256/878-1217 (Marshall)

Hay 5x6 fertilized Johnson Grass, near Uniontown, AL, \$35. Pete Carter 334/431-0105 or 334/412-5585 (Dallas)

4x5 rolls of Bahia, net wrap w/cover edge, \$40/roll. Joe Womble 334/391-0588 (Elmore)

Feed wheat (dove wheat) 50 lb. bags \$9 ea. J. Beard 8109 Glendale Farms Rd., Trussville 35173 205/296-3461 (Jefferson)

Horse and cattle hay, 4x5 rolls, barn stored, net wrapped, no rain, \$45. 256/295-1049 (Etowah)

Bermuda 4x5 roll, net wrapped, \$35/roll; Bahai mix 4x5 roll, net wrapped, \$35/roll, approx. 475 rolls total, all barn stored & not rained on. Please leave message. George Armstrong 550 Arrow Ln., Hayden 35079 256/352-5442 (Blount)

4x5 rolls of Bahia & Bahia mixed grass hay, well fertilized & sprayed, \$40/outside, \$45/barn stored. Perry Cole 205/223-9008 (Shelby)

5x5 rolls of Coastal \$30 & 5x5 rolls of Bahia \$25, net wrapped, discounts on 100 bales or more. 334/432-0469 (Barbour)

Sq. bale hay, Bahia \$5, Mixed grass \$3, some Mixed Grass \$2, some mulch/dogbeds \$1, discount for quantity, sprayed & fertilized, you haul. Gordon Norton 256/463-3231 (Cleburne)

Alfalfa hay, Western grown, heavy 95 lbs. +/-, leafy, fine stem, \$18.50, 20 bale min., discount on 100 bales or more; Alfalfa Orchard mix \$12.50/bale; 3x3x8 Alfalfa bales \$135, premium 1,000 lb. +/- bales \$159 ea. Junior Beard 8109 Glendale Farms Rd., Trussville 35173 205/655-7682 (Jefferson)

Net wrap round bales, we load, \$30-\$35/bale, (15) 4x5 Ryegrass, (80) 4x6 Crab/Signal, (30) 4x6 Millet. Jerry G. Magee 6567 Co Hwy 21, Horton 35748 256/572-4698 (Blount)

HORSES & MULES

AMHA Miniature Horse mares, pinto, dun & appaloosa, 2 to 10 yo, \$300 to \$800; Must sell exceptional broodmare \$250 OBO. Nancy Redden 334/298-4464 (Russell)

Donkeys jack \$50 ea., jennies \$100 ea., raised w/cattle, good for keeping dogs & coyotes away. 334/864-0424 (Chambers)

Miniature Donkeys 32" jenny 1/11 & colt 7/18/15 & colt 5/14, all gentle & pretty, \$400 for all. Selling due to husband death. Judy 205/572-0178 (Walker)

Pasture horses \$100/mo., barn/stall, tack room, riding area/pin, Centaur fencing & little bit of heaven for your horse. 205/665-7992 (Chilton)

Morgan bay colt foaled June 10, 2015, halter broke, stands tied & leads, will be registered, \$800 plus you pay transfer fee of \$30. Carol Potts 256/482-3953 (Morgan)

Reg. 4 yo Welsh pony, dark gray, rides & cart/wagon trained, beautiful & gentle, \$2,000. Betty Durham 7239 Co Rd 19, Section 35771 259/228-3370 (Jackson)

5 yo Morgan horse gelding, solid black, works good, been rode some, \$1,400 OBO. Daniel P. Yoder 111 Waterfork Rd., Ethridge, TN 38456 (Tennessee)

Miniature black stud & blue roan mare, need loving & forever home, must go together, price negotiable. Gene Conkle 256/492-1515 (Etowah)

Miniature Donkeys, Peawee lost his mother & needs a home, dark brown, extra sweet, 7/15/15 \$100 OBO; Also have spotted jack 6/3/15. 205/681-2966 (Jefferson)

AQHA blue roan & black ranch bred horses. If you run barrels or rope, these are bred to win, \$2,500-\$5,000. Claude Lipscomb www.blackandbluequarterhorses.com 251/965-3600 (Baldwin)

Morgan chestnut colt foaled July 17, 2015, halter broke, stands tied & leads, will be registered, \$800 plus you pay transfer fee of \$30. Carol Potts 256/482-3953 (Morgan)



Map of Alabama Counties

LIVESTOCK DOGS

AKC/ASCA Reg. Australian Shepherd pups, 20 years raising them, exc. quality, tris \$350, merles \$450. Kerry/Lamar Waters klwaters@sw.rr.com 334/714-1093 (Coffee)

Blue & Red Heeler puppies, full blooded, DOB 9-29-2015, tails docked, UTD shots/deworm, health record, starter food, parents on premises, \$150 ea. 256/498-0309 (Morgan)

CKC Reg. Aussie pups, full size, mom & dad on site, born Oct., merles \$400, blacks \$300, for pic text 256/412-5607. Robert Coats 1458 Co Rd 298, Florence 35634 256/766-3109 (Lauderdale)

Border Collie puppies, champion lines from working stock, smooth & long coats, reds, tris, black & white, \$400 ea. www.JLBordercollies.com Jimmy Tolleson 545 Bright Rd., Boaz 35956 256/506-5135 (Etowah)

Valley Border Collies striving to produce border collies that can & will work cattle or sheep w/eye & balance, w/the right amount of bite, pups \$400; Training \$450/monthly, private lessons offered (contact us for ministry program). www.valleybordercollies.com James A. Thomas 334/790-8910 (Geneva)

CKC Heeler puppies, blues & reds, champion bloodline, DOB 10-22-2015, UTD shots/deworm, tails docked, health record, parents on site, \$200 ea. 256/498-0309 (Morgan)

MACHINERY

MF 135, 1970, exc. running cond., small dent on right rear bumper & missing light on right rear bumper, asking \$3,700. Kitty Curington 49 Co Rd 252, Ft. Payne 256/996-2087 (DeKalb)

Tuffline Offset disc, heavy duty, 8.5' hydraulic, \$4,700. Call 205/595-0203 after 4 p.m. (Talladega)

Fiat Allis dozer 10-LC wide track, UC strong tractor, \$11,500. 1350 Co Rd 831, Cullman 35057 256/347-9974 (Cullman)

13' Int. Field Cultivator w/drag harrow \$200; 5' Orchard plow \$250. 256/446-8906 (Colbert)

1953 Ford Jubilee w/front end loader, runs good, good cond., 12V, \$4,950 negotiable. L. Lewis, Waleska, GA 770/428-7996 (Georgia)

Ford 5600 engine rebuilt, clutch, pump & injectors, painted, ROPS, \$9,000. Wayne Smith 9 Lee Rd. 705, Opelika 36804 334/749-8233 (Lee)

Midland 3 yd. dirt pan, good cond. \$5,000; McKee 10' field cultivator, good cond., \$2,500. 334/714-3957 (Houston)

Ross All Terrain Fork Lift, runs good, strong machine, needs brake work, \$3,000; 977 Cat. Traxcavator (loader), runs good, \$6,500. 215 Thrash Ln., Guntersville 35976 256/891-1398 (Marshall)

MACHINERY

Chipper/Shredder, 5 hp Craftsman VGC.-cranks easily, kept indoors, \$200. Archie Mack Williams 205/616-8367 (Jefferson)

Int. Track Loader, big machine, V8 engine, \$8,500; MF 245 \$3,800; MJD w/cultivator \$1,600. 256/878-8224 or 256/572-6994 (Marshall)

1978 MF 285-2WD tractor, 8 speed, has total of 3,080 original hrs., 82 hp diesel w/ plenty of power, runs, shifts & operates well, has couple of leaks in steering column that could be fixed but still steers & drives great, sheet metal nice but needs paint, have never added air to tires but they are weather cracked, no welds & very original, \$7,000 OBO. Richard 334/289-8906 (Marengo)

2240 JD Tractor, 1981 model, 57 hp diesel, power steering, independent PTO, looks & runs great, \$7,300. 7211 Hwy 9, Anniston 36207 256/236-7376 (Calhoun)

JD 4x6 round baler model number 468, silage special, exc. cond., net wrap or string, baled 9,500 rolls, \$22,500. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

JD 2130, 70 hp diesel tractor w/front loader, bucket & hay spear, remotes, power steering, like new tires, \$10,500. 12050 Choccolocco Rd., Anniston 36207 256/310-6647 (Calhoun)

4435 JD Combine, 4 row corn head, 16' grain head, \$15,000. Charles McClain 3242 McClain Cir., Gadsden 35903 256/490-8734 (Etowah)

MACHINERY

One 8' JD disk \$375 OBO; Two 3 pan turning plows \$250 ea. firm; B JD hood & gas tank assembly \$125; A JD tractor, 47 model, high-low transmission, does not run, \$1,700 OBO, has rollomatic front end. John Nelson 256/482-2675 (Morgan)

Root Master rake, global hook up for a front end loader, bought new in 2011, used very little, \$2,300. 205/372-7463 (Hale)

Linde 225 amp welder w/cart wire & gas, \$400. 251/979-5693 (Baldwin)

Complete Springtooth cultivator for A JD \$1,500 OBO; 2 sets brand new 2-piece JD wheels size 24x10, costs \$600 ea. new, take \$300 OBO for both. John Nelson 256/482-2675 (Morgan)

1951 JD 12A Combine, 6' cut, pull type w/ two cylinder engine, runs, \$1,100. Tim Fields 251/422-3353 (Mobile)

2009 JD 7230 farm tractor, 5,439.5 hrs., 630 loader w/hay spear & bucket, exc. cond., 18.4x38 rear tires 90%, 14.9x24 front 90%, \$52,500. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

IH 424 diesel tractor, restored within factory specs, automotive paint, 12 volt charging system, new tires & tubes, new belts/hoses/water pump/switches/glow plugs, fluids & filters, 40 hp, 2,069 original hrs., high/low transmission w/8 forward & 2 reverse gears, heavy duty clutch, good brakes, w/factory drawbar & 1 implement of your choice, \$6,800 cash. 205/368-5339 (Jefferson)

1953 Farmall Super C tractor, runs/operates exc., good paint, good hydraulics, rebuilt carburetor & governor, full set of 2-row cultivators mounted, field ready, \$3,500. C.L. Gamble 205/529-5999 (Jefferson)

7' pull type bush hog rotary cutter \$650; JD 4 bottom plow, shed kept \$750; JD 210 disc 12' \$1,000. 251/269-8214 (Baldwin)

4020 JD tractor, power shift, wide front, diesel, \$4,000. Johnny Griggers 604 Goodway Rd., Frisco City 36445 251/862-2682 after 7 p.m. (Monroe)

1998 JD 450GLT Dozier, 6 way blade, 8' root rake, undercarriage in good cond., runs well, used very little, \$22,000. OJ Blount 21980 US Hwy 29, Andalusia 36420 334/222-0751 (Escambia)

MACHINERY

Corn Crusher, works off PTO, \$600 firm. Louis Johnson 1824 Johnson Rd., Marbury 36051 334/569-2543 (Elmore)

1996 JD Dozer Model 650LGP, 65% undercarriage, 6,508 hrs., all cylinders recently packed, screens exc. cond., serial number W809066 \$19,750. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

1979 Farmall 140 tractor, runs/operates exc., last year made, factory 12 volt alternator, factory key start, original paint, cultivators, field ready, \$4,800 firm. C.L. Gamble 205/529-5999 (Jefferson)

Parting out several tractors, IH Cub 154/185 Lo-Boy, Farmall Super C, 200, Cub, Super A & Farmall 140. Some have run in past year. Also have cultivator & planter parts, as well as tractor & attachment manuals, \$15/up. Local pickup is preferred, but shipping is possible. 205/368-5339 (Jefferson)

Front mounting support & 6 front wafer weights for 5000 Ford tractor, original equipment, exc. cond., \$400. 205/221-7999 (Walker)

1995 JD 9600 Combine w/3,000+ sep. hrs., 5,000+ engine hrs., w/TSR fine cut chopper, \$22,000. 205/908-4809 (Chilton)

EL300 Cat. Trackhoe, 1991, 6,600 hrs., runs, digs & travels, long stick, could be a parts machine or a good farm machine, \$16,000. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

Bush hog new woods \$1,250; Cultivator one row \$150; Cultivator two row \$200; Cultivator two row \$350; New 60" box blade \$300; 10' siding brake \$400; JD 425 mower \$3,500. 711 Co Rd 607, Hanceville 35077 256/734-2545 (Cullman)

JD 6170R 2 wd, 750 hrs., 2013, 140 hp, 3 remotes, front weights, many extras, easy hrs., like new, \$8,200. 4525 Washington Ferry Rd., Montgomery 36108 334/361-9496 or 334/558-4052 (Montgomery)

3000 Ford tractor w/box blade, like new, \$4,500 firm. 251/605-4562 (Washington)

3450 Bush Hog loader w/7' bucket \$3,300; New Holland grinder mixer \$300. Emory Ashley Sr. 2906 Co Rd 115, Ft. Payne 36967 256/845-0619 (DeKalb)

MACHINERY

Adams L-95 fertilizer distributor (injector), 12-row, 800 gal. tank, exc. cond., \$8,000. 334/301-6348 (Montgomery)

JD Model CX20 Batwing Bush Hog, used very little, exc. cond., 1,000' PTO shaft, barn kept, WOCX20F001726 \$15,000. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

584 Int'l tra. \$4,500; Ford 5000 tra. w/loader \$8,500; Int'l 806 tra., needs engine work, \$3,500; Hough loader \$2,500. 334/202-7976 (Perry)

Columbo Peanut Combine 6-36", only harvested 300 ac., \$70,000. 334/391-5188 (Crenshaw)

Catapillar Model 212 motor graders (2) - one w/cab & rippers, both for \$3,900 OBO. Nick Hauser, P.O. Box 767, Livingston 35470 205/652-3082 or 205/652-7718 (Sumter)

Finn sq. hay blower mode B70, 350 hrs., new paint, exc. cond., \$17,500. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

JD 694 corn head, 6-36, hyd. deck plates, \$12,000. 334/391-5188 (Crenshaw)

Lima 100 kw generator powered by 4-cyl. Detroit diesel engine w/S.W. gauges - factory unit mounted on steel skid \$3,800 OBO. Nick Hauser, P.O. Box 767, Livingston 35470 205/652-3082 or 205/652-7718 (Sumter)

Ingersoll Portable air compressor, 185 CFM, exc. cond., 1,475 hrs., JD diesel, \$5,500. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

Int'l 28 1/2" disc \$8,000. 334/391-5188 (Crenshaw)

2013 4x5 JD round baler model number 458, only baled 900 rolls, net wrap or string, \$25,000. Call Mike 205/500-2420 (Walker)

Set of 200 gal. saddle tanks had on JD 7630 \$1,000. David Lazzari 251/424-0071 (Baldwin)

285 Kubota tractor \$1,800, runs great. Charles Clark, P.O. Box 286, Grand Bay 36541 251/680-0699 (Mobile)

684 Int'l tractor, 62 hp, front end loader \$4,300. 256/354-2917 (Clay)

Ford 4400 w/loader, fair cond., has forks, no bucket, 3 pt hitch, \$3,500. Bill Franklin 205/482-8907 or 251/843-2432 (Choctaw)

MACHINERY

D6D Cat Dozer, Ripper, rebuilt motor, transmission & converter, Semi-U blade, 1983 model SR#8802, 35% undercarriage, good cond., \$39,000. Mike Griffin 2019 Stockdale Rd., Munford 36268 356/362-3009 (Talladega)

MISCELLANEOUS

16' galvanized stop sign post, use for fence post, sheds, catch pens, etc., great for tree stand ladders, \$1/foot. 334/385-2421 (Marengo)

Three (3) 1,000 gal. propane tanks, \$850 ea. David Allred 205/466-7063 (Blount)

Metal roll up shop door, 10' wide, 14' tall, good cond., canister type w/brackets & rails, \$500. 5126 Dime Rd., Haleyville 35665 205/486-2787 (Winston)

Cypress, cedar & oak lumber, posts & beams up to 32", \$.80/BF/up, pine also available. 251/246-5913 (Clarke)

Kamatsu PC75, runs great & has two new track motors, very good undercarriage, \$16,000 OBO. Diteous (Neil) Sutton 53 Lightner Rd., Ariton 36311 334/685-3169 (Barbour)

Gourds 1000s & 1000s, \$1/up, hard shell & thick wall, birdhouse & craft. From Oneonta take 231N., go 3 miles to Ebell Rd. on right, go 1 mile to Adamson Dr. on right, go to end of drive at top of hill. 205/625-5040 (Blount)

Lumber cedar, cypress, juniper \$1.10/BFT to \$1.50/BFT; Heart Pine \$5/BFT; Reclaimed Pine \$7 to \$10/BFT. Wes Brown 251/282-0558 (Conecuh)

Outdoor animal pens 10x20x6, wood floors, tin roof & four front gates, easy dis-assembled to move, photos upon request, \$1,650. 256/737-9513 (Cullman)

Cedar posts 8' long, 6 to 7" heart, good solid posts, \$8 ea. Call Jeff McDonald 256/527-0808 (Morgan)

Oak & Popular bean sticks, 6' to 8' long, most are 8', \$.50 ea. Chris Malone 2755 Hawk Pride Mt. Rd., Tusculmbia 35674 256/577-0883 (Colbert)

Concrete reinforced pipes (1) 5' dia. x 8' long, new \$500; (14) 18" dia. x 8' long used \$80 ea.; (18) 24"x8' long used \$95 ea.; (4) 4 1/2' tall x 7' wide 8' long arch pipe never installed \$900/pipe; (16) 4"x8' long concrete reinforced pipe \$400 ea. Russell Chestang 251/401-9577 or 251/829-9576 (Mobile)

600 fiber fence posts for installing hi-tensile fence, 6' tall w/5 pre-drilled holes, unbreakable & will not bend, \$6 ea., volume discounts. Rick Neves 256/747-3301 (Cullman)

Old timey horse drawn hay mower, good cond., \$1,500. Daniel P. Yoder 111 Waterfork Rd., Ethridge, TN 38456 (Tennessee)

Lewis Bros. Poultry Housekeeper \$4,500; Generator 75 kw Taylor w/Volvo diesel 115 hp, \$6,500 firm w/auto transfer switch, 2 poultry houses of equipment. Gary Langston 1191 Langston Rd., Carbon Hill 35549 205/924-9964 (Walker)

4-bale covered hay feeder, \$2,250; 2-bale covered hay feeder \$1,300; Horse hay feeder w/roof/floor & collapsible sides: 1-bale \$1,500, 2-bale \$2,500. Saves hay, see to appreciate. 605 Co Rd 19, Piedmont 36272 256/547-1659 (Cherokee)

250 gal. LP gas tank w/approx. 30% gas, \$350. 1 blue flame LP gas heater & one 5 brick LP gas heater \$100 ea. 205/935-1916 (Franklin)

70 sheets used white colored metal 19" wide, 20' 6" long, good cond., \$9/sheet. Billy Gilley 135 Co Rd 1684, Holly Pond 35083 256/796-7801 or 256/708-4700 (Cullman)

Used rear tractor tires 26"-50" \$200/up; Used pickup tires 50% thread 16"-22" \$30/up; Used industrial tires 15"-28" \$150/up; New military tires w/flap & tubes 9.00x20 \$125 ea. Johnny Griggers 604 Goodway Rd., Frisco City 36445 251/862-2682 after 7 p.m. (Monroe)

Extra heavy duty cattle panels, 11' long x 5'8" tall & weighs 175 lbs., \$140 ea. or 11' long x 5'8" tall & weighs 140 lbs. \$125 ea. Several types gates/panels for catch pens, working pens, all user friendly & animal safe. Tim Decker 466 Co Rd 19, Piedmont 36272 256/390-0240 (Cherokee)

MISCELLANEOUS

LUMBER FOR SALE, Circular Saw Red & White Oak, Hickory, Ash \$1.20 BFT; Heart Pine \$5 BFT; all sizes of treated lumber. Loring White 334/782-3636 (Tallapoosa)

250 gal. propane tank \$250; 6' Woods box blade \$395; 3 pt hitch hay forks \$95/up; 3 pt hitch tote \$145. 205/295-8151 (Winston)

11-piece heavy duty portable cattle alley \$1,650 ea., ideal for cattle producers w/ multiple farms. Add a head catch for \$350 ea. All items built in Cherokee County, see to appreciate at 605 Co Rd 19, Piedmont 36272 256/572-7736 (Cherokee)

One Biro Mod. 144 bandsaw, deer hunter's special \$500, half box blades extra. Emory Ashley Sr. 2906 Co Rd, Ft. Payne 35967 256/845-0619 (DeKalb)

2011 Yamaha Grizzly "350" 4 wd, 125+ hrs., garage kept, \$3,750 OBO. Marl A. Fuller 355 Co Rd 362, Trinity 35673 256/974-2035 or 256/606-1562 (Lawrence)

Grain fed Angus steers, ready for the meat processor, approx. 1,000-1,100 lbs., \$2,000. 334/728-4485 (Lee)

28-piece heavy duty catch pen/funnel/alley w/head catch, \$5,000 ea. Consists of 50' dia. catch pen, 22' funnel w/sweep gate/33' alley. Ideal for cattle producers w/rented/ multiple farms/pastures, see display at our farm to appreciate. 605 Co Rd 19, Piedmont 36272 256/390-3940 (Cherokee)

LUMBER FOR SALE, 5" Treated Round/ One-side Flat Fence Post, 8' long, \$9.50 ea.; all sizes of treated lumber. Loring White 334/782-3636 (Tallapoosa)

Int'l Harv. set of dual rims & hubs w/18.4-38 Goodrich radials (tires are in fair cond.) \$950 OBO. Nick Hauser, P.O. Box 767, Livingston 35470 205/652-3082 or 205/652-7718 (Sumter)

1 set of Simple Cavallo boots for horse, size 3, never used, use in place of shoes, \$90. Carol Potts 256/482-3953 (Morgan)

Lockwood Tree shaker \$800. Charles Clark, P.O. Box 286, Grand Bay 36541 251/680-0699 (Mobile)

Metal building 50'x80'x10' fully enclosed, insulated, \$12,500. 256/447-8344 (Cherokee)

PLANTS, BULBS & SEEDS

Old Southern apple trees \$10-\$20; Maples \$10-\$20; Blueberries \$8; Figs \$10; Sourwood & Sawtooth \$7; Persimmons \$5-\$7. 9093 County Line Rd., Dora 35062 205/648-9670 (Jefferson)

Larkspur, Blackberry Lily, Stokes Aster, Garden Phlox mxd., Linten Rose mxd., White Christmas Rose, Sweet Shrub, Hearts/Bustin, White Scilla, \$2/pk. w/SASE. Mildred Maroney 784 Talucah Rd., Valhermoso Springs 35775 256/778-8561 (Morgan)

Wildflower seed, Bloodroot, Indian Pinks, Solomon's Seal, Tack/Pulpit, False Solomon's Seal, Ansonia, Turks Cap Lily, Pink Geranium, Penstemon, \$2/pk. w/SASE. Mildred Maroney 784 Talucah Rd., Valhermoso Springs 35775 256/778-8561 (Morgan)

SHEEP & GOATS

All sheep and some classes of goats offered for sale or exhibition must be individually identified with official USDA ear tags for the National Scrapie Eradication Program. To obtain official USDA ear tags, contact the USDA Veterinary Services Area Office at 1-866-USDA-TAG.

One mixed goat wether, one male Nubian 6 mos., \$100 ea. Joel Griffin 57 John Roberts Dr., Leeds 35094-6402 205/699-7265 (Shelby)

Full blood Alpine bucks, can be registered, gentle, \$100 ea.; Full blood Alpine does, \$250 ea. Daniel Jones 970 Eavon Brown Rd., Prattville 36067 334/399-2310 (Autauga)

Pygmy goats 1 doe, 2 yo, \$75; 2 bucklings born 8-19-15 & 9-24-15 \$75 ea.; 1 buck 4 yo+ \$150. Eddie Sandlin, Hanceville 256/347-0682 or 256/352-4202 (Cullman)

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SHEEP & GOATS

2 Saanen males & 2 Alpine/Saanen mix for \$60 ea., born spring; One hornless gentle Saanen male 5 yo \$200. 205/935-1916 (Franklin)

75% Nubian cross buck, good temperament, \$150. Emerald Ford 256/522-9083 (Lawrence)

SWINE

7 Durock pigs, 8 weeks old, wormed, \$40 ea., take all \$35 ea. 1350 Co Rd 831, Cullman 35057 256/347-9974 (Cullman)

Teacup piglets, very, very tiny, original breed, panda bear look, etc., litter box trains easily, great pets, \$300 ea. 601/671-4209 (Mississippi)

Large black hog weiners available January 3, \$60; Adult breeding pair also available. Ed Reed, P.O. Box 605, Arab 35016 256/586-6226 (Marshall)

SYRUP, HONEY & BEES

Are you interested in growing cane & making syrup? The Alabama Syrup-Makers Association meets at 8 a.m. the first Saturday of every month at Ryan's Steakhouse in Enterprise. 334/494-3037 (Coffee)

Syrup kettle 100 gal., repaired crack, lip chipped, Rourkes Foundry Savannah \$350. L. Lewis, Waleska, GA 770/428-7996 (Georgia)

Cane juice and cane syrup for sale. Syrup is \$5/bottle and juice is \$3/half-gallon. Earl Stokes 334/494-3037 (Coffee)

TRUCKS & TRAILERS

Utility trailer for hauling goats, calves, steel bottom, steel loading ramp, new tires, side boards, wired, enclosed, \$350 firm. James C. Davis 1245 Bennett Rd., Jasper 35503 205/384-5065 (Walker)

1986 Hino twin cyl. 16' flatbed dump \$1,750. 256/446-8906 (Colbert)

Gooseneck tri-axle w/ramps, 26', 18k, electric brakes w/breakaway, new wiring & rd. ok floor, \$5,250. Call Steve 205/699-7246 (Shelby)

1995 Siebert tri-axle lowboy, folding gooseneck, big rubber w/disc wheels, good trailer, \$11,500. 215 Thrash Ln., Guntersville 35976 256/891-1398 (Marshall)

92 Dodge flatbed, diesel, \$2,200. 256/878-8224 or 256/572-6994 (Marshall)

1994 Ford F350 4x4 w/Loral sprayrig, 7.3 diesel engine, 5 speed man. Transmission, 500 gal s. steel tank, 60' booms, \$17,500. 256/708-3212 (Cullman)

1989 Alabama single axle flat deck w/dove tail rear \$2,500; Single axle lowboy, fold up ramps, \$3,500. 215 Thrash Ln., Guntersville 35976 256/891-1398 (Marshall)

27' Barrett aluminum livestock trailer, 2 decks, dual tandems, Torstow bar suspension, electric brakes, 2 cut gates, \$11,500. 205/295-8151 (Winston)

1979 Ford ton truck, 400 engine, 4 speed, flatbed w/tool boxes, short wheelbase, \$2,500. 256/447-8344 (Cherokee)

2000 Peterbilt 330 truck, 3126 Cat, 6 speed manual transmission, air operated lift axle, new Warren twin cylinder hoist, 16' flatbed, \$22,500. 256/708-3212 (Cullman)

2000 Freightliner 112 Dax cab, C-12 Cat, 10 speed, aluminum wheels, Jake brake, one owner, 389,000 miles, nice, \$18,500. 215 Thrash Ln., Guntersville 35976 256/891-1398 (Marshall)

16' bumper pull, tandem axle, 3 horse/cattle trailer w/tack room, metal enclosed, good paint, rubber mat floor, lights & brakes, \$3,500. Jackie Thrower 68 Aldridge Gap Rd., Arab 35016 256/586-4783 or 256/293-6417 (Marshall)

16' gooseneck cattle trailer w/new paint, metal floor, new tires, new spring hangers, everything been replaced underneath, \$1,200. 205/389-1076 (Chilton)

WANTED

Do you have syrup making equipment, cane mills, syrup kettles, etc? Members of the Alabama Syrup-Makers Association are looking for equipment. 334/494-3037 (Coffee) Would like to buy a reining horse 14½ to 15 hands. Hal Vandervoort 5924 Spring Circle, Guntersville 35976 256/738-0608 (Marshall)

Reg. Gelbvieh bull, 18-36 mos., homozygous polled, black, LBW. Tommy Johnson 205/966-6950 (Jefferson)

Roll over box blade. T.R. Bagwell 3125 Co Rd 3328, Brundidge 36010 334/735-2464 (Pike)

Stainless water tank holding approx. 500 to 1,000 gallons. Peter A. Yoder 185 Waterfork Rd., Ethridge, TN 38456 (Tennessee)

Long equipment trailer, heavy 20-ton plus GVW, heavy frame, heavy tires, etc., pintle hitch, prefer ramps. Mike Griffin 2019 Stockdale Rd., Munford 36268 256/362-3009 (Talladega)



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SIGN UP FOR CORN AND WHEAT COURSE

The 2015 Alabama Corn and Wheat Short Course will be held at the Auburn University Hotel and Dixon Conference Center on December 14-15.

Presenters from Auburn University, the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, other land grant universities, industry and the U.S. Department of Agriculture will address a variety of topics pertaining to corn and wheat growth.

Alabama Extension Small Grains Specialist Brenda Ortiz said this course is an opportunity for farmers to learn more about every aspect of crop management.

“Farmers are always looking to optimize current practices, or adopt new ones,” Ortiz said. “Higher profitability and environmental protection are two of their top concerns. Our speakers try to provide current information to help farmers improve yield and profitability.”

Ortiz said the conference presenters are a combination of university faculty and private companies to give farmers a brief overview of new sciences and technologies available for farmers in the field.

“There was a significant increase in the acres of grain sorghum planted this year, and

many issues with sorghum pests,” Ortiz said. “To help farmers combat these issues, we have expanded the conference topics to include sorghum management information.”

Topics include managing corn for high yields, soil health and cover crop mixtures, best practices for sorghum production, wheat production and profitability and wheat management.

Registration for the conference can be found online and closes December 4. For more information, visit www.aces.edu.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING ADS

Following are the guidelines for advertising in the classified section of the Alabama Farmers and Consumers Bulletin. Adherence to these rules will ensure quick processing of ads. All ads that do not meet the following guidelines will not be published.

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3. Ads must be limited to 20 words. This does not include name, address or phone number.
4. Ads must include name, address, city, zip code, area code/phone number and county, no “Farm Names or Work Names/Addresses.” Only two phone numbers will be listed. Due to the number of character spaces required for most E-mail addresses, an advertiser must select either a resident address or an E-mail address. Both cannot be printed.
5. Only paid subscribers are permitted to advertise in the Bulletin.
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7. Ads for the classified section will not be accepted from dealers, merchants or commercial establishments.
8. Ads received by fax or e-mail must be received by 5 p.m. on the 10th day of the month and ads received by regular mail must be postmarked by 5 p.m. on the 12th day of the month in order to appear in the following month’s issue. The e-mail address is afcb@agi.alabama.gov and the fax number is 334/240-7169.
9. Ads which are to be repeated must be submitted for each issue.
10. Land advertised/wanted must be minimum of 10 acres or more. Ads will not be accepted from dealers or persons selling land on a commission basis. Information on housing should be limited. Ads should reflect descriptions of the land/farm.
11. Only livestock (herding/working) dogs will be published in the Bulletin.
12. Instructional material cannot be advertised in the Bulletin.
13. Ads will be accepted for agricultural work only. Ads for household, nursing or companionship will not be accepted.
14. Ads to exchange one item for another item will be accepted only when both items being exchanged relate to agriculture. Ads for cars, boats, mobile homes, etc. will not be accepted as an exchange for agricultural items.
15. Prices must be included with all items offered for sale. Price ranges may be used in certain ads; for example, due to age, weight, etc. cattle can be advertised as \$1,200-\$1,500.
16. We will only advertise birds listed in the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) book. Notices from poultry dealers, order buyers or persons selling on commission cannot be accepted. Please note: Psittacine birds and pigeons are NOT listed in the NPIP book. Any questions concerning the NPIP should be directed to the Poultry Section at 334/240-7255 ext. 4.

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FORAGE AND GRASSLAND CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER

By Katie Wendland

The Alabama Forage and Grassland Conference is set for Thursday, December 10, at Lakepoint State Park in Eufaula. Online registration is open at the Alabama Forages website at www.aces.edu/anr/forages and on the Alabama Cattlemen's Association webpage at www.bamabeef.org/al_forage.html. Early registration is encouraged. Registration is \$75 per person and includes a meal.

Alabama Extension forage specialist Dr. Jennifer Johnson said this year's theme "Forward Thinking with Forage Systems" was developed to encourage producers to consider the impacts of forage management beyond the next grazing season.

"The development of a

systems way of thinking encourages producers to have forethought and proactive management," Johnson said. "The Alabama Forage and Grassland Conference is a platform to provide broader conceptual thought and encourage producers to step outside their comfort zone."

Conference speakers will cover a variety of topics, including:

- Investing in 21st Century Conservation
- Managing Forages for Profit
- Interseeding Alfalfa into Bermudagrass
- Using Legumes in the Deep South
- Grass for the Gap: Wintering the Cow Herd with Quality Forage

A pre-conference tour, "Highlighting Forage Research on Alabama Experiment Stations," will be held on Wednesday, December 9, at the Wiregrass Research and Extension Center, in Headland. Dr. Kim Mullenix, Alabama Extension beef specialist, will lead the tour, alongside other research and extension professionals who will be available to address producer questions.

"Producers will visit the forage demonstration garden and view electric fencing options," Mullenix said. "Attendees will also see current research related to stockpiling bermudagrass and use of cool-season annual forage mixtures to extend the grazing season during the winter months."

RECOGNIZING SERVICE TO ALABAMA AGRICULTURE



At the November 10th meeting of the Agriculture and Industries Board, Commissioner John McMillan recognized two of the board members for their outstanding accomplishments. First, the Commissioner recognized J.B. Turner (above) for recently being named the Alabama Natural Resources Conservation Service 2016 Small Farmer of the Year. The Commissioner also recognized Fred Cespedes (below) for being inducted into the Alabama Poultry and Egg Association's Hall of Fame. On behalf of the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries, we congratulate both of these board members for their remarkable contributions to Alabama agriculture.

Recipe of the Month

Bring this Americana classic from Burris Farm Market and Bakery to your own kitchen, or pop in to the Loxley roadside stand for a ready-made version. Serves 6

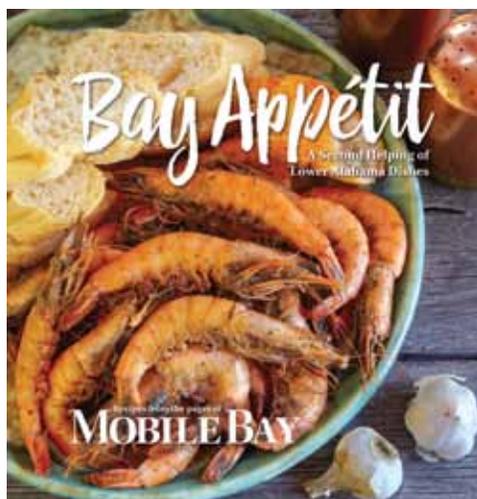
Apple Cinnamon Lattice Pie

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 3 tablespoons self-rising flour
- 3 cups fresh apples, peeled, cored and sliced
- 1 egg, beaten
- 3/4 stick butter, melted
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 (2-crust) package prepared, unbaked piecrust
- 1/4 stick butter, melted
- Cinnamon and sugar, for topping

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a bowl, mix together all sugar, cinnamon and flour.
2. Add apples, egg, butter and vanilla. Pour into 1 prepared, unbaked piecrust.
3. Cut strips from second piecrust and top pie in a lattice-like formation.
4. Brush top of pie with melted butter, and sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar.
5. Bake in oven for 30 - 45 minutes, or until pie is brown and slightly bubbly.

Recipe and photo courtesy of Mobile Bay Magazine, "A Piece of the Pie," November 2012 issue. You can find this and other great Alabama recipes in *Bay Appetit: A Second Helping of Lower Alabama Dishes*. To purchase your own copy of this widely popular second edition cookbook, visit www.mobilebaymag.com or call 251-473-6269 ext. 113.



PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

Back Forty Beer Co.'s name is inspired by an old agricultural term referring to the 40 acres of land situated furthest from the barn. The back 40 acres are historically the most challenging land to maintain. Likewise, Alabama is widely seen as the wasteland for craft beer in America. With mass-produced light beer being the drink of choice for many Southerners, the craft beer market here has been largely ignored. However, if you dig a little deeper into the story of the back 40 you will see that because the soil is rarely used, it's very fertile and is actually capable of producing a tremendous yield. And just like the farm, the Deep South's craft beer culture is fertile and primed for harvest.



In 2008, it was illegal to produce or sell a beer in the state of Alabama that exceeded 6 percent ABV. This eliminated dozens of beer styles that are commonly offered by craft breweries everywhere. It also was illegal to operate a tasting room at the brewery or sell beer directly to the public. And even worse, it was illegal to package beer in a container larger than 16 ounces. And to this day, it's illegal for breweries to offer investment opportunities to anyone owning a restaurant or distributor within the state, which makes it really difficult for a small business to raise the critical funding necessary to grow and expand.

In 2008, after several years in the corporate world and with over 150 brewery tours under his belt, founder Jason Wilson reached out to renowned Brewmaster Jamie Ray and asked for his help in developing the recipes for Back Forty Beer Co. The goal for the liquid was simple — to expose Southerners to the same craft beer culture that Wilson had been a part of for the last 10 years. This meant starting out with classic beer styles and evolving with customers along the way. Ray agreed and in January of 2009 he would become Back Forty's first employee.

The next challenge was raising the money necessary to build a brewery. Resources were limited, and at one point it looked like the project may have to be put on hold due to lack of funding. As a last resort, Wilson reached out to a microbrewery in Mississippi and asked them if it would be possible to use their space to help get Back Forty's beers

to the market and hopefully build some momentum that would assist in securing the funds needed to build Back Forty's own facility.

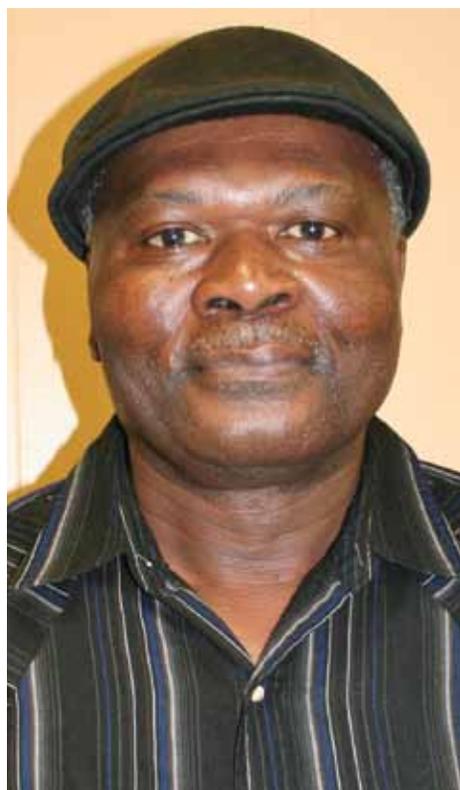
In June of 2009, Back Forty released its first offering, Naked Pig Pale Ale. The beer was only available in the North-Central Alabama, but the response was overwhelming, and in March of 2010, the second Back Forty offering hit the shelves, Truck Stop Honey Brown Ale, which was awarded a silver medal at the Great American Beer Festival, and in the weeks following, distribution offers poured in that would allow Back Forty to expand its coverage throughout Alabama.

This was the spark needed to secure a small business loan and begin sourcing equipment for Back Forty's own facility. Wilson settled on Gadsden as the permanent home for Back Forty and secured a 27,000-square-foot warehouse that was built in the 1940's. Back Forty's four employees spent 11 months working with contractors restoring the space and installing equipment.

Back Forty brewed its first production batch of beer at its new home in January of 2012. This also marked the release of two new Back Forty offerings, Freckle Belly IPA and Kudzu Porter.

Back Forty now employs 22 individuals and has tripled its capacity at the brewery, with another expansion planned in late 2015. For more information, visit www.backfortybeer.com.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



James Bradley

Our Spotlight Employee of the Month is James Bradley. James has worked for the Department of Agriculture and Industries for 33 years. He serves as a custodian for the department's main office, the Richard Beard building in Montgomery.

Some of his duties include: sweeping, mopping and buffing the floors; vacuuming; cleaning the restrooms; replenishing restrooms supplies; cleaning up after events and keeping the inside of the building always looking nice.

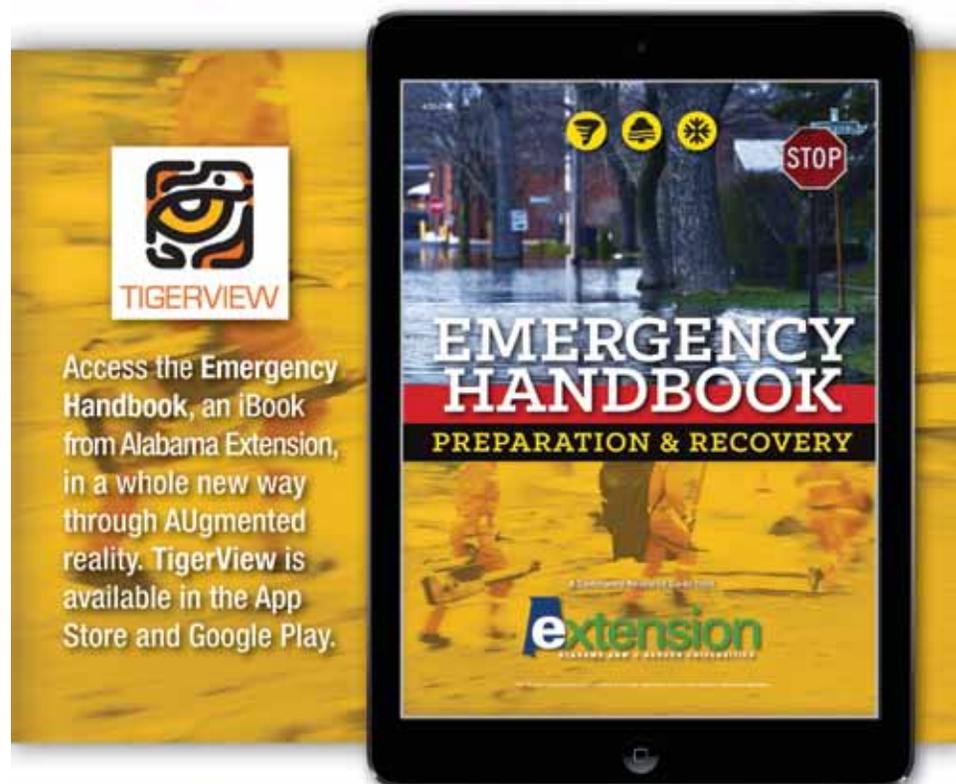
James said his favorite part of his job is the sense of accomplishment he feels at the end of each evening when he finishes cleaning the building. He takes pride in his work and has always enjoyed the people he has worked with and worked for.

James and his wife, Orethra, have been married for 42 years. James plans to retire on December 31st of this year and feels very blessed by his career at the department.

We are continuing to spotlight an employee each month to put a face with the many services provided by the Department of Agriculture and Industries. We hope you enjoy getting to know more about our excellent employees!

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Commissioner John McMillan (center) met with a group of agricultural officials from the Philippines who visited the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries last month. The group spent time with Plant Pest Administrator Christel Harden (far left) to learn how states set up agricultural regulatory programs. The group also met with the department's Animal Industries division staff. While in the U.S., they spent time at Tuskegee University and the USDA APHIS headquarters in Maryland.

LONG-TERM AU FIELD EXPERIMENTS OFFER NEW BREAKTHROUGHS

By Charles Mitchell
Extension Specialist

Researchers from the Auburn University College of Agriculture are using the oldest continuous cotton experiment in the world to find answers to some of the most vexing problems of modern-day agriculture.

The "Old Rotation," established in 1896, is the third oldest field crop experiment on the same site in the United States. This rotation also includes rotations with corn, soybean, and small grains and includes winter cover crops, mainly winter legumes. It was placed on the National Register of Historical Places in 1988.

The "Old Rotation" was one of the first experiments to demonstrate and document the value of rotating cotton with other crops and with including nitrogen-restoring legumes in the system. Information from this test provided evidence that rotation with legumes could sustain and actually improve yields of cotton and corn in Alabama soils.

Because only minor changes have been made in the cropping systems, this experiment continues to document the effect of these systems on productivity, soil and environmental quality, and sustainable agriculture. The "Old Rotation" consists of six cropping systems in 13 plots on one acre of a Pacolet fine sandy loam on the campus of Auburn University. The experiment sits at the junction of the Southern Piedmont and the Gulf Coastal Plain soil physiographic regions.



Wheat and AU Merit hairy vetch on March 17, 2015 at Old Rotation. Photo courtesy of Auburn University

Alabama's long-term field crop and soil fertility experiments on a diversity of soils are a resource that exists nowhere else in the world. These experiments are the basis of soil test calibration and recommendations not only in Alabama but throughout the Southern U.S. Experiments such as the "Old Rotation" and the "Cullars Rotation" (circa 1911) continue to offer new information on sustainable production as the old plots are adjusted to modern technologies.

They continue to teach about soil quality influences on long-term productivity. These plots have become a resource for scientific investigations by international scientists from other countries and a resource for study by sciences other than agronomy.

They have contributed to the fact that almost 80 percent of Alabama Coastal Plain farmers use some type of in-row subsoiling and conservation tillage to maximize water use efficiency. The Cullars Rotation

is the only site in the U.S. where deficiencies of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, sulfur and low pH effects can be observed on five crops during the course of a year.

These experiments have shown growers 1) the value of cover crops and high residue management on yields; 2) the value of building soil organic matter; 3) long-term crop yields can be increased using new technologies; and the 4) relative significance of selected primary and secondary nutrients on sustainable production. These projects document soil test calibration for service laboratories throughout the South. They also serve as a conservatory of soil resources for new, relevant research on soils with a prescribed history of amendments.

Some of these long-term experiments have enabled other researchers to do soil test calibration research on new crops – bioenergy crops that would have required many more years without long-term, established experiments.

HELP THE ENVIRONMENT — RECYCLE YOUR TREE

What will you do with your live Christmas tree after the holidays? The best way to get rid of the tree is to recycle it.

Christmas trees are not a major landfill problem, but sometimes tree disposal is a concern for those not knowing the alternatives, says Extension Horticulturist Ken Tilt, with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

Mulch from evergreens adds acid to alkaline soil, says Tilt. Add 2 to 4 inches of mulch around flowers, fruit trees, raspberries, shrubs and trees.

Many communities have a recycling program for discarded Christmas trees. Recycle programs run by municipalities must be cost-efficient and must not disrupt waste management.



Many cities chip up trees and use them for mulch or compost. This technique is most cost-effective. Other recycling programs include using discarded trees for erosion control on beaches, as a habitat for fish in ponds and lakes and as fuel in electrical power generators. They also can be used as a wildlife habitat in your landscape. So start the year 2016 as a friend to the environment and recycle your tree.



The Alabama Peanut Producers Association (APPA), with the help of the nonprofit group Peanut Proud, recently donated nearly 11,000 jars of peanut butter to food banks in Dothan, Mobile and Montgomery. From left are Montgomery Area Food Bank Executive Director Parke Hinman, APPA Board Members Billy Hixon of Pike County and Jerry Byrd of Dale County, APPA President Carl Sanders and APPA Executive Director Caleb Bristow.

McMillan's Message CONTINUED...

in helping to rehabilitate our fishing community after the 2010 Gulf oil spill.

With a billion dollar plus annual economic impact to the state, Alabama's fisheries have taken a hit since the spill. Through the work of the Department of Agriculture and Industries and other state agencies, Alabama's Gulf

seafood has been deemed safe for consumption. With the cooperation of the commercial fishing industry and the department, Alabama's seafood is on the upswing.

H.R. 774 is another great example of government stepping up to the plate and supporting industry in our country.

LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS

<p>Cattle Auctions Alabama Livestock Auction Inc. Uniontown Tuesday, 11 a.m. 334-628-2371</p> <p>Arab Livestock Market Inc. Arab Tuesday, 10 a.m. 256-586-4212</p> <p>Ashville Stockyard Inc. Ashville Monday, 11:30 a.m. 205-594-5151</p> <p>Clay County Livestock Inc. Lineville Tuesday, 12:30 p.m. 256-354-2276</p> <p>Coffee County Stockyard LLC New Brockton Thursday, 1 p.m. 334-897-2540</p> <p>Cullman Stockyard Inc. Cullman Thursday, 8:30 a.m. 256-734-4531</p> <p>Dothan Livestock Co. Dothan Monday, 10 a.m. 334-677-3361</p> <p>Frisco City Livestock Market Frisco City Wednesday, 1 p.m. 251-267-3176</p>	<p>Farmers Cooperative Market Inc. Opp Wednesday, 1 p.m. 334-493-4568</p> <p>Fort Payne Stockyard Inc. Fort Payne Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. 256-845-1028</p> <p>Linden Stock Yards Inc. Linden Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. 334-295-8707</p> <p>Livingston Stockyard Livingston Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. 205-652-7411</p> <p>Mid States Stockyards Inc. Letohatchee Tuesday, 10 a.m. 334-227-8000</p> <p>Montgomery Stock Yards Inc. Montgomery Monday, 1 p.m. 334-288-8060</p> <p>Moulton Stockyard Inc. Moulton Wednesday, 11 a.m. 256-974-3133</p> <p>Northwest AL Livestock Auction Russellville Monday, 10 a.m. 256-332-3323</p> <p>Roanoke Stockyards Inc. Roanoke</p>	<p>Wednesday, 11 a.m. 334-863-2411</p> <p>Sand Mountain Stockyard Inc. Crossville Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. 256-561-3434</p> <p>South Alabama Livestock Inc. Brundidge Thursday, 1 p.m. 334-735-2364</p> <p>Tennessee Valley Livestock Association Florence Monday, 12 p.m. 256-766-0281</p> <p>Valley Stockyard Inc. Decatur Thursday, 11 a.m. 256-353-7664</p>
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Goat Auctions
Central Alabama Goat & Poultry Auction
 Clanton
 2nd & 4th Saturday
 205-287-1647

Clay County Goat & Poultry Auction
 Millerville
 2nd & 4th Saturday, 12 p.m.
 256-839-6824

Escambia County Cooperative Inc.
 Brewton
 Saturday, 12 p.m.
 251-867-5111

NATIONAL WEEKLY HOG REPORT

The following are national statistics of hog sales, as compiled by the USDA on Friday, November 13. Early weaned pigs and all feeder pigs \$2 per head lower. Demand light to moderate for moderate offerings. Receipts include 52 percent formulated prices. All prices quoted on per head basis with an estimated lean value of 50-54 percent.

Receipts this Week: 74,704 Last Week: 102,057 Last Year: 78,952
 Information below (l-r) is: Lot Size, Head, Formula Range, Formula Wtd Avg., Head Cash Range, and Cash Wtd Avg.

Early Weaned Pigs 10-12 lbs. Basis:

600 or less	2,179	34.75-40.38	38.64	1,150	29.00-29.00	29.00
600-1200	10,325	32.69-42.50	37.96	9,087	29.00-37.75	33.20
1200 or more	26,953	32.69-46.00	39.25	10,250	30.00-40.00	33.52
Total compos.	39,457	32.69-46.00	38.88	20,487	29.00-40.00	33.12

Feeder Pigs 40 lbs. Basis:

600 or less	1,010	39.00-52.00	46.00
600 - 1200	2,350	38.00-48.00	43.06
1200 or more	11,400	44.00-52.50	48.50
Total composite	14,760	38.00-52.50	47.46

Total Composite Weighted Average Receipts and Price (Formula and Cash): All Early Weaned Pigs: 59,944 at 36.91; All 40 lbs. Feeder Pigs: 14,760 at 47.46.

Note: Prices are quoted on a per head basis delivered to the buyers farm. Prices include frieght and fees on a farm to farm basis.

Source: USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA. 24 Hour recorded market information 515-284-4830. Visit www.ams.usda.gov/LPSMarketNewsPage.

ALABAMA MONTHLY HAY REPORT

Compared to last month: Hay prices were steady for the month of November. Trade moderate with moderate supply and good demand. All prices are FOB unless otherwise noted.

Estimated Tons: 1,200	Last Month: 2,406	Last Year: 1,394	
Southeast Hay:	Tons	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Peanut Small Square			
Good	12	80.00-80.00	80.00
Peanut Mid Round			
Good	65	70.00-70.00	70.00
Bermuda Grass Small Square			
Premium	410	180.00-300.00	215.02
Good	15	160.00-160.00	160.00
Bermuda Grass Large Round			
Premium	42	130.33-130.33	130.33
Bermuda Grass Mid Round			
Premium	443	80.00-130.00	103.84
Good	161	70.00-80.00	72.08
Bahia Grass Small Square			
Premium	8	200.00-200.00	200.00
Fair	10	160.00-160.00	160.00
Bahia Grass Mid Round			
Premium	11	100.00-100.00	100.00
Wheat Straw Small Square			
Fair	5	160.00-160.00	160.00

Source: USDA—Alabama Department of Agriculture Market News, Montgomery, David Garcia at 334-223-7488. For more information, visit www.ams.usda.gov.

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ALABAMA LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Cattle and calves at reported markets throughout the state for November totaled an estimated 35,000 head compared to 44,983 head for October and 40,861 head for November 2014. Compared to last period: Slaughter cows and bulls sold unevenly steady. Feeder steers sold \$6 to \$7 higher, steer calves sold \$4 to \$6 higher. Feeder heifers and heifer calves sold \$2 to \$4 higher. Replacement cows and pairs sold mostly steady. The feeder supply consisted of 25 percent steers, 39 percent heifers and 36 percent bulls.

Slaughter Cows Breakers 70-80				450-495	470	144.00-205.00	174.31
Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	500-545	527	140.00-187.00	161.47
960-1690	1368	73.00-80.00	76.54	550-595	573	130.00-170.00	152.93
1205-1750	1530	67.00-72.00	69.72 Low Dressing	600-646	624	125.00-170.00	149.67
1160-1525	1272	81.00-87.00	83.24 High Dressing	605-630	615	155.00-184.00	174.15
				Replacement			
Slaughter Cows Boners 80-85				655-695	678	120.00-160.00	144.65
815-1635	1205	77.00-84.00	81.13	650-690	665	125.00-172.00	164.36
900-1875	1228	70.00-76.00	73.86 Low Dressing	Replacement			
895-1580	1222	85.00-91.00	87.80 High Dressing	705-740	722	132.00-162.00	146.78
				715-745	726	152.00-170.00	158.92
				Replacement			
Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90				760-790	776	122.00-146.00	132.98
785-1580	1055	70.00-75.00	72.84	760-795	763	140.00-160.00	158.58
800-1575	1043	64.00-69.00	67.83 Low Dressing	Replacement			
850-1320	1145	76.00-80.00	77.05 High Dressing	800-815	808	125.00-135.00	130.05
				850-860	855	122.50-127.50	125.01
				900-930	915	117.50-135.00	126.11
Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1				Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2			
Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1065-2165	1561	101.00-108.00	104.49	215-245	233	220.00-255.00	231.47
1130-2410	1581	94.00-100.00	97.33 Low Dressing	255-295	276	180.00-240.00	210.55
1370-2305	1646	109.00-113.00	111.18 High Dressing	305-346	326	172.00-230.00	201.10
Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1				350-395	379	157.50-218.00	189.38
270-290	276	260.00-265.00	261.96	400-445	426	142.00-209.00	177.53
305-345	323	220.00-280.00	243.11	450-498	475	132.00-194.00	164.17
355-395	369	210.00-256.00	232.18	500-546	525	125.00-175.50	156.19
400-445	422	187.00-245.00	216.72	550-595	578	120.00-165.00	150.14
455-498	473	182.00-225.00	208.79	570-590	582	172.00-178.00	174.66
502-545	523	161.00-215.00	190.88	Replacement			
555-585	567	160.00-205.00	184.90	600-645	624	110.00-161.00	146.23
600-645	614	145.00-185.00	173.79	620-640	629	171.00-178.00	174.50
655-695	686	150.00-179.50	173.49	Replacement			
706-745	726	146.00-172.00	165.57	655-695	676	100.00-155.00	137.84
765-795	774	145.00-174.50	162.42	660-685	664	152.00-165.00	162.37
866-877	869	145.25-161.00	149.22	Replacement			
Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2				703-745	723	122.00-151.00	133.14
255-295	270	240.00-280.00	258.54	770-795	783	120.00-140.00	127.27
310-345	329	210.00-270.00	231.21	805-835	822	110.00-135.00	119.02
355-395	378	205.00-264.00	218.27	910-930	920	130.00-135.00	132.47
400-445	427	177.00-230.00	207.11	Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 3			
450-495	474	165.00-220.00	193.88	205-245	227	180.00-230.00	204.90
500-545	527	150.00-211.00	183.37	255-295	278	172.00-220.00	198.89
550-597	574	150.00-195.50	178.36	300-345	323	160.00-218.00	185.72
600-645	627	147.50-188.00	169.12	350-395	374	142.00-199.00	173.88
655-695	672	132.00-176.00	160.09	400-445	426	135.00-200.00	165.38
705-745	720	127.00-166.00	150.01	455-495	475	125.00-180.00	156.85
750-795	784	130.00-165.00	149.32	500-546	524	112.00-169.00	150.09
Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1				555-595	575	105.00-162.00	141.24
200-245	217	230.00-305.00	263.55	605-645	624	105.00-153.00	136.83
265-295	278	185.00-255.00	222.14	655-695	678	105.00-140.00	123.18
300-345	324	182.00-240.00	216.23	705-715	710	115.00-135.00	125.07
350-395	375	170.00-230.00	205.02	815-825	820	105.00-107.00	105.99
400-445	424	150.00-218.00	193.55				

Source: USDA-AL Dept of Ag Market News Service, Montgomery, AL, David Garcia, OIC / Office 334-223-7488. For more information contact: Montgomery.lgmn@ams.usda.gov.



These green apples were grown by Robert Deutscher, of Crow Mountain Orchard in Fackler, Alabama. The farm has 150 acres that produce apples, peaches, nectarines, pears, berries and cherries and sells them to the local school systems, as well as patrons of farmers markets in its area.

ALABAMA INITIATIVE CHOSEN FOR FARM TO SCHOOL GRANT

The Alabama Farm-to-School Initiative received word in mid-November that it was one of 74 projects in 39 states chosen to receive grants from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to connect child nutrition programs with local farmers and ranchers.

“Farm to school programs work — for schools, for producers and for communities,” said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. “By serving nutritious and locally grown foods, engaging students in hands-on lessons and involving parents and community members, these programs provide children with a holistic experience that sets them up for a lifetime of healthy eating. With early results from our Farm to School Census indicating schools across the nation invested nearly \$600 million in local products, farm to school also provides a significant and reliable market for local farmers and ranchers.”

The Alabama Farm-to-School Initiative plans to increase the volume and diversity of locally grown fruits and vegetables served in over 1,500 school cafeterias by expanding the initiative’s services. Partners include the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries, Food Bank of North Alabama, Farm Food Collaborative, Alabama Department of Education, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Jones Valley Teaching

Farm, Madison County School District, Huntsville City School District, Birmingham City School District and Madison City School District.

The initiative’s expanded services will include sales coordination on a local and statewide basis, succession planting, planning and harvest coordination, product testing, GAP train-the-trainer training for cooperative extension agents, GAP certification assistance for farmers, marketing services and cafeteria staff training with peer-to-peer networking opportunities.

The Food Bank of North Alabama will coordinate grant-funded activities, manage quality assurance and facilitate the formative/summative evaluation process. The Food Bank’s food hub operation, the Farm Food Collaborative, will serve as the liaison between local farms and the Alabama Department of Education and will assist with local purchases for statewide distribution, recruit clusters of farmers to work cooperatively to meet volume requirements, coordinate succession planting, harvest schedules and deliveries, conduct farm site visits and assist with the various training programs.

The USDA Farm to School Grants range from \$20,000 to \$100,000 and are distributed in four different grant categories: planning, implementation, support service and training.

Upcoming Ag Events

• **December 2**—The Capital City Master Gardener Association sponsors a free monthly Lunch and Learn. Gardening topics are highlighted during the noon to 1 p.m. sessions at the Armory Learning Arts Center at 1018 Madison Ave., Montgomery. The December topic is Succulents Are Addictive. For more information, call 334-270-4133 or visit www.capcitymga.org.

• **December 4, 11, 18 & 25**—Chickens and small animals sale will be held at 7 p.m. at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call 256-839-6824.

• **December 5**—Are you interested in growing cane and making syrup? Do you have syrup-making equipment for sale? The Alabama Syrup-Makers Association meets at 8 a.m. at Ryan's Steakhouse in Enterprise. If interested in joining, call Earl Stokes at 334-494-3037.

• **December 5**—Horse and tack sale will be held at 5 p.m. at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call 256-839-6824.

• **December 5, 12, 19 & 26**—Brewton Choo-choo Farmers' Market offers free vendor space to all registered growers at the market. The weekly market, which is open through December, sets up at 8 a.m. and opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m. For more information, call Connie Baggett, with the City of Brewton, at 251-809-1777 or 251-604-4256.

• **December 5 & 19**—The East Alabama Goat & Poultry Auction will be held at noon at 1006 Co Rd 474, Woodland, AL 36380. The auction will sell goats, sheep, hogs, cattle and poultry. For more information, call 256-419-8527.

• **December 9 & 10**—Alabama Forage and Grassland Conference will be held at Lakepoint State Park in Eufaula. Registration is \$75 per person and includes a meal. To register, visit www.aces.edu/anr/forages or www.bamabeef.org/al_forage.html. For more information, see article on page 6 of this issue.

• **December 12**—The Central Alabama Goat & Poultry Auction will be held at noon at 1403 Kincheon Road in Clanton. Additional livestock and poultry, etc. welcome. For more information, call Joseph Holley at 205-258-8805 or Jada Myrick at 205-258-8307.

• **December 12 & 26**—Goats, sheep and cattle sale will be held at noon at Clay County Goat and Poultry Auction at 748 County Rd. 91, Goodwater. For more information, call 256-839-6824.

• **December 14 & 15**—Alabama Corn and Wheat Short Course will be held at the Auburn University Hotel and Dixon Conference Center. Registration closes December 4. To register, visit www.aces.edu. For more information, see article on page 5 of this issue.

• **January 30**—The Queen's Castle Beekeeping Association meets the last Saturday of each month from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at 21980 US Highway 29 in Andalusia. Hive demonstrations will be held, weather permitting. Bring a covered dish, meat is furnished. For more information, email OJBees@gmail.com.

New Soil Measurement Could Boost Production, Conservation



Auburn University's new Soil Quality Index (SQI), developed by agronomy professor Charles Mitchell and other researchers, could help the state's farmers increase production and conserve natural resources.

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What's your SQI? Researchers at Auburn University are hoping this soon will become a common question among the state's farmers.

Charles Mitchell, a professor in the College of Agriculture Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences Department and an Alabama Extension agronomist, explained that the Alabama Soil Quality Index, or SQI — the first of its kind in the South — is a new measurement of soil health that should help Alabama farmers improve production and conserve natural resources.

“For 60 or 70 years now, we've been throwing fertilizer and lime on the soil, trying to help farmers get by on some pretty darn poor soils,” Mitchell said. “We thought we needed to do something to change that, so we came up with the Alabama Soil Quality Index.”

A previous survey of central Alabama cotton fields revealed that organic matter in the state's soils was almost nonexistent.

“In other parts of the world, our soils wouldn't even be considered soils; they'd be considered simply 'dirt,’” Mitchell said. “By definition,

soil must have organic matter.”

The survey — conducted in 2001 — indicated that 55 percent of fields had soil organic matter of less than 0.4 percent, and 67 percent of the fields surveyed had a hardpan within a few inches of the surface, even though farmers were doing in-row subsoiling. At the time, 85 percent of the producers were not using a cover crop, which exposed the bare soil to erosion for six months during the year. On the other hand, most growers were soil testing and then liming and fertilizing based on the results of those tests.

“The ‘Old Rotation’ (circa 1896) experimental field on the Auburn University campus has shown that soils with less than 2 percent of organic matter don't have a high yield potential,” said Mitchell. And while the Old Rotation has been the impetus behind the development of the SQI, soil samples were taken from 300 other locations throughout the state to help form a basis for the index.

“We feel confident the index reflects the quality and the health of the soil being tested,” Mitchell said. “This also would be useful for soils in Georgia and Mississippi, but not in the Midwest.”

“Some states have already done this, including Cornell University, but our index is unique to the South, and it's less expensive to run than others.”

The SQI was developed with the following objectives: 1) make producers aware of soil quality/soil health; 2) suggest ways of improving soil quality/soil health; 3) use existing, low-cost, soil test methodologies; 4) use existing, routine, composite soil samples from producers; and 5) provide information in a simple, easy-to-understand manner. Also, best management practices will be recommended to help producers improve their SQI value.

The SQI tests for soil group, soil pH, phosphorus and potassium rating, base

saturation, soil organic matter, nitrogen mineralized, soil respiration, aggregate stability and metals.

“We wanted to have specific recommendations for users of the index, so we linked the SQI to Natural Resources Conservation Service best management practices,” Mitchell said.

The SQI score is based on a scale of 0 to 100, and each category is color-coded. A total SQI of 80-plus is green and indicates a high soil quality, with a recommendation to maintain current practices. Fifty to 80 is yellow and indicates moderate soil quality. Growers who fall in this range are advised to continue current practices but to consider implementing more best management practices. Less than 50 is red, indicating poor soil quality, with a recommendation to implement one or more of the best management practices.

“We want our soils to be healthy enough to grow row crops, fruits and vegetables and forages,” said Mitchell. “This index can be reviewed every few years to ensure that your soils are improving.”

Taking a sample for a SQI is no different from taking a routine soil sample for nutrient management, Mitchell said.

“Considering the cost of the sample, you can't afford to take it from every 10 acres of land. Select a field you want to evaluate, and take a sample from that field — from any small part of the field or from the entire field. Be sure to take a composite sample. When submitting it, ask specifically for the Soil Quality Index test. It will take a little longer to complete than routine soil samples. While fall is the best time of the year to take a sample, you can take it anytime.”

The cost of the index is \$50. For more information, contact Mitchell at 334-844-5489 or mitchel@auburn.edu, or go to the Auburn University Soil Testing Laboratory website at www.aces.edu/anr/soillab/.

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