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Georgia farmers fill local fungi gap for state's restaurant industry



Georgia's niche varieties of mushrooms are primarily grown for use in restaurants and for sale at farmers markets, as seen here. Photo courtesy Sparta Imperial Mushrooms

By Dallas Duncan

The Peach State's capital boasts a burgeoning food and restaurant scene - and the secondhighest consumption of mushrooms in the country

That's what threw Suzy Currey and company "over the line" and into fungi farming.

Currey and her husband are co-owners of Sparta Imperial Mushrooms in Sparta, Ga. Their involvement in mushroom farming began when they were approached by a friend at Georgia Organics who was looking to start a for-profit agriculture business.

"We all looked and studied on what angle of the food business we could get into, and we ended up with deciding mushrooms," Currey said.

The Curreys converted a nineteenth-century cotton warehouse into a mushroom laboratory and greenhouse, and now grow three fungi shiitake, lion's mane and oyster.

"You've got all those big mushroom producers in the Northeast who do the button mushrooms, portobellos, and we decided to do mushroom varieties that were more interesting medicinally and for health reasons," Currey said. "We thought they offered a more interesting product to our customers."

Most of Sparta's mushrooms are sold in

Atlanta restaurants, grocery stores and farmers markets, Currey said. So are the fungi grown by 5th Kingdom in Atlanta.

"We're in a highly urban environment," said Steven Bell, director of operations for 5th Kingdom. "I think that's the most important aspect of what I do. We're able to grow a tremendous amount of food in a warehouse, within a stone's throw of the State Capitol and the Braves stadium."

Bell, who has experience in landscape architecture, biology and agriculture, wasn't satisfied with job opportunities available to him in 2010. He began looking into Atlanta's food scene and discovered a gap that he could fill.

"We have all of these incredible chefs, arguably one of the most up-and-coming food scenes in the nation, but no one had been supplying mushrooms to the market," he said. "After a year of preparation, I received a loan and jumped in headfirst."

Bell likens mushroom cultivation to cattle farming rather than corn.

'You have mushrooms that physically eat a material. They don't move, but they consume the straw and wood and other products that we feed them, and then you get a harvestable mushroom," he said.

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New loan program offers low interest, flexible options for beginning farmers

By Dallas Duncan

Beginning farmers only account for 22 percent of America's producers, according to the US Department of Agri-

culture's Economic Research Service. Now, thanks to a new loan program from Georgia Development Authority, Josh Thompson of Moultrie, Ga., is upping those percentage points. Thompson was the first recipient of the Securing Tomorrow's Agricultural Resources Today loan program, which debuted at the Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition in October 2014.

Thompson first became involved in agriculture as a middle school FFA livestock showman.

"My family and I got into the cattle business back in 2000 to 2001, and since then we've grown from 10 to 15 head of mama cows to 60-plus head of

mama cows and 100-plus acres of Bermuda hay," he said.

Now Thompson is starting his own operation, focusing on cattle, hay and horses. His parents went through GDA back in the 1990s to purchase their land, and they advised him to do the same. He found Assistant Director Donald Wilder.

"I didn't really know about the [START] program and just went to ask a few questions," Thompson said. "He started informing me about the programs that the Development Authority had. He told me he'd help me any which-way he could, and he's been a big help to me."

Though it is a beginning farmer program, producers don't have to be youngsters to apply for the loan. A beginning farmer is anyone who's been See LOAN, page 12



Joshua Thompson, left, accepts the state's first Securing Tomorrow's Agricultural Resources Today, or START, loan from Georgia Development Authority's Assistant Director Donald Wilder. Photo courtesy Georgia Development Authority

GEORGIA GROWN PROFILE: Georgia Seed Development Corporation bridges gap between breeders, seed suppliers

By Beth Mohler, fall intern

helping Georgia agriculturalists by producing Foundation seed and pro- beans, blueberries, turfgrasses and pecans. By offering services for so moting varieties developed and released from the University of Geor- many crops, GSD focuses on helping the state's agricultural strength its

gia. GSD, which started off as an agency of the Departmene, is now a, nonprofit public corporation working to shorten the time required to bring new varieties to the marketplace.

"We provide the bridge between the University of Georgia plant breeders and the commercial companies by producing genetically pure Foundation seed and plants of new vari-

eties, supply quality services that support the commercialization of new varieties and act as a catalyst to enhance plant breeding efforts," Executive Director Roger Boerma said.

GSD is Headquartered in Athens, Ga., and ha another location in Plains tha, houseg the peanut prograD. It serves a magnitude of crops Since its inception in 1959, Georgia Seed Development has been important to Georgia agriculture, such as peanuts, small grains, soy-

diversity, Boerma said.

GSD decided to become a part of the Georgia Grown program to join other Georgia-centric businesses. It plans tm include the Georgia Grown logo on seed bags, plant materials and on its website and hopes to participate in Georgia Grown educational programs. GSD encourages anyone interested to stop by

for a first-hand look at the progress of the past several years. "We would be honored to provide you a guided tour and share with you our vision for the future," Boerma said.

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clearing, topsoil, dirt, bulk mulch,

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paddocks, residential grading, track-

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lition; insured. Bill Butler Braselton

All types of grading, clearing,

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tems; dirt, sand and gravel available.

Paul Lavengood Madison 770-318

Any farm fence built with wood or

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Bush Hog, drives scraped, post

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Bush Hog, rotary mow, garden and

food plot, harrow and plow; cut, rake,

bale square hay; Monroe County area.

Jimmy Waldrep Forsyth 478-994-

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Custom bermuda grass sprigging,

24 years experience; no-till grain drill-

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Garden preparation: plowing, subsoiling, tilling, hilling, mounding for small acreage; discounts for community organizations. Steven Humfleet Lilburn 770-696-9218

Land clearing, Bobcat and dump truck work, Bush Hogging; Henry County. Larry Keigley **Stockbridge** 770-474-3897

Mud and water no problem; beaver dam removal, creek channel cleaning, drainage ditching, silt removal, lake rimming. Jim Moon **Oakfield** 229-535-6562 229-881-0048

One call for all farm needs: fencing, three-four board, woven wire fence, high tensile, electric, painting, staining; barn, stall, run-in construction, remodeling, repair; light tractor work. Casey Kent **Monroe** 678-446-8520 678-446-8520

Professional farm sitting services; covering Clarke, Oconee, Barrow, Jackson and Walton counties; local references available. Daniel Walker **Bogart** daniel@athenspetsitter.com 706-224-1259

Sawmilling service with Wood-Mizer; will come to your site to cut lumber from your timber. Gary Batts **Juliette** 478-960-9960

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Will raise your calves; includes pasture, feed, fuel and labor; \$1.10 per pound of weight gain; vaccines additional if required. Todd Smith Lexington 770-757-3248 770-757-3248

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Farm needs live-in caretaker for six to eight horses; in exchange for apartment, pay for additional chores. Glenn Smoot **Social Circle** glennsmoot@ yahoo.com 470-207-4030

Looking for experienced poultry farm worker; living space provided, serious inquiries only. Pam Duckworth **Calhoun** 706-346-0217

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'52 Ford 8N, completely rebuilt, new paint, new rear tires; \$3,500 firm. MJ Hemphill **Toccoa** 706-886-3437

1586 International tractor, runs well, new tires, front new seat, new exhaust; \$4,500. Bill Earnest **Folkston** billearnest@myway.com 912-276-4142

1940s A model Farmall tractor with belly mower, used in summer; can send pictures; \$2,300 OBO. Jerry Jarrell **Unadilla** 478-867-3824

1947 John Deere M, restored, and a new three point hitch, nice tractor; \$5,000 firm. Randy Kitchens **Coving**ton 404-213-7186

1948 Ferguson tractor, new tires, power take-off, three-point hitch; make offer, call any time. Bobby Barber **Statham** 678-726-7186

1952 Ford 8N, 12-volt, new radiator, starter, alternator, gauges, \$2,500; five-foot Rotovator, eight-foot frontmounted Walton Bladew cylinder, seven hoses, \$1,200. J.R. Sullivan **Vidalia** 912-537-4944

1954 WD Allis Chalmers, runs, threepoint hitch; leave a message please. Danny Farmer **Danielsvillle** 706-789-3294

1955 Farmall 100, a lot of equipment for planting; Pavo calls only. Lanny Cooper **Pavo** 229-224-4992 1959 Allis Chalmers, model D-14 tractor; stored under shed, good

restoration project, second owner; \$1,200. Claudette Griffin **Guyton** 912-772-3377 1962 Dexta Perkins rebuilt engine,

three-point hitch, 95 percent complete new battery; \$2,500. Don Plumley **Dallas** 770-974-4772

1967 John Deere 3020 restored, excellent condition, field-ready; \$13,000. Kerry Tomlinson **Homerville** 912-487-6451

1974 Cub tractor, yellow and white with cultivators, extra set of rear tires. Everett Panter **Blue Ridge** 706-455-7227 1974 Sears ST-16 lawn and garden tractor; complete for parts or repair; \$60. Ted Dixon **Gordon** 478-628-5445

1983 white GMC tractor with a 15ton trailer. J. T Austin **Douglasville** 770-652-2164 770-652-3383

1986 Case IH485 farm tractor, 53 horsepower, power steering, good rubber, solid tractor, 1,386 hours, quit working last year. Wesley Johnson **Rutledge** 678-614-2043 678-373-7016

1988 F E 7 Volvo S/A tractor with 48-foot flatbed rebel trailer; \$7,000. Larry A Hattaway **Macon** 478-396-5448

1997 John Deere 9965 cotton picker mud hog, duals less than 2,000 hours on new engine; \$22,500. Mike Waters **Statesboro** watersfarms@bulloch.net 912-682-7249

2-M Farmall, 1-H Farmall for sale; 2-M Farmall and 1-H Farmall parts, tractors. D. Oliver **Lula** 770-983-7783 770-287-4816

2001 John Deere 9750 STS combine, four-wheel drive. Lon Higgins **Douglas** 912-592-8455

2001 Mahindra 4110 (39 horsepower) four-wheel drive tractor, loader, five-foot Bush Hog; \$14,000 OBO. Christopher Bauch **Molena** southernman51@hotmail.com 678-326-2853

2004 Kubota; 4x4 GST cab with A/C and radio; front end loader with 980 hours; \$24,500; one owner. Ken Martin **Jefferson** 706-215-1063

2004 Massey Ferguson 431 tractor, 52 horsepower diesel, 200 hours, bucket mower, auger box blade; \$15,000. Pat Waldrop **Carrollton** 678-378-2930

2010 John Deere 8270R tractor, 1,560 hours, excellent condition. Wayne Hobbs **Vienna** 229-805-0712

2011 John Deere 5045; two-wheel drive with loader, like new, 108 hours, sheltered. W H Hortman **Roberta** 478-714-3210 478-345-1699

235 Massey Ferguson with 2345 QT Bush Hog, front end loader and spear; power steering; \$5,500. Charles Reynolds **Oxford** 770-548-3785

240 IHC tractor, 240 model, New Holland, rake, fluffer, baler, box scrape. Lynne Rhinehart **Ringgold** 706-338-7176

240 Massey Ferguson tractor, diesel, power steering, good condition; set smooth harrow; \$4,700 for both. Wesley Milford **Lula** 770-983-3155 Please note there are two different mailing addresses for the Market Bulletin: a PO Box for subscriptions and a street address for ads and all other communications.

28-foot East aluminum dump trailers; steel frame, 1997 model; \$17,000, two available. Roger McAvoy **Washington** 706-678-1745_

311 New Holland square baler and GMD-55 Kuhn disk mower, both stored in barn, good condition. Lamar Long **Chatsworth** 706-695-5906

35 Ferguson tractor and mower; \$5,900. Craig Selph **McRae** tammyselph@yahoo.com 229-315-8909

5300 John Deere 4x4 with loader, 1,400 hours, \$19,000, no cab; Ford 4600 with loader, great condition, \$5,800. Buck Dills **Blairsville** 706-897-1235

5488 International tractor, new paint, new interior, cold, A/C with duals. Wesley Taylor **Fitzgerald** 229-425-0870

66-inch box blade with teeth, good condition; \$300. Jesse Littlejohn Yatesville 770-468-8607

690B John Deere excavator, good condition, job-ready; \$12,000 OBO. L. H. English **Douglas** 912-592-6555 855 New Holland baler; \$2,000. Jimmy Lanier **Portal** 912-865-2638

8N Ford 1952 tractor, six-volt; homemade trailer; \$2,500. Albert Norris **Ellijay** pat30536@etcmail.com 706-273-4171

Adams 20-foot litter spreader, like new. Joe Moore **Union Point** 706-338-2747

Allis Chalmers 160, 40 horsepower, Perkins diesel; 2,500 hours, excellent condition; \$5,750. Billy Cagle **Cart**ersville 770-382-9391 770-796-1942

Allis Chalmers G engine, apart, have hood, air cleaner; \$350 OBO. Tommy Butler **Dawsonville** 770-887-4064 678-901-6073

Allis Chalmers HD6B dozer, engine, drive train, rebuilt, 150 hours, excellent condition, under roof; \$9,750. Carl Kelley **Madison** 706-246-0715

Amadas 2100 six-row peanut combine, six-row, 36-inch KMC peanut plow hydraulic, six-row AMDAS reshaker, six-row Buffalo cultivator. Tracy Williams **Swainsboro** 478-237-3237

Belly disk plow for Cub tractor, likenew condition; \$250. James E Cantrell **Clermont** 770-519-2936

Boom pole, nine-foot, extra heavy duty with hook on end; \$150. Bobby Grant **Dalton** 706-226-9389

Box blade, five-foot, no rippers, \$200; scrape blade, Bush Hog brand, five-foot, \$200. Jim Bishop **Franklin** 706-675-3943

Bush Hog, cultivator, good condition; \$600. James Babb **Waynesboro** 706-360-8299

Case 3220 tractor with loader, ready to go to work; recently serviced; \$10.500. Kurt Sutherland **Calhoun** 678-986-7221

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CAT D6 C bulldozer with root rake and blade; good undercarriage, irrigation pipe. James Kinnett McRae 478-285-3486 229-868-2542

Chipper-shredder; Troy-Bilt, five horsepower, two extra screens in boxes, like new; \$550. Ron Wolfe Albany 229-291-4207

Ditch Witch 4010, A420 backhoe with trailer, works well; \$5,000 OBO. Alan Noon Hampton anoonpac@ gmail.com 404-234-0212

Eight-disk Taylor-Way B&B harrow new 24-inch disks (spring); \$850 cash or trade five-foot finish mower. William Mack Maysville 770-294-4994

Eight-foot scrape blade, Rhino, like new; New Idea Manever spreader; 16foot Gooseneck dump trailer, metal, two-ton self feeders, three-axle, Julius Dozier Appling 706-447-1630

Eight-row KMC disk bedder and eight-row red ball hooded sprayer. Pat West Pinehurst 229-928-7427

Eight-wheel hay rake, three-point excellent, \$900; also four-wheel rake, three-point, both, \$1,100. David Odom Thomaston 706-646-9693 770-715-5761

Farmall 140 Super A front end loader for Shibaura SD4000AD-0. Clvde Parker Chatsworth 706-847-8517

Fertilizer spreader 400 pounds power take-off driven, \$300; 5x16 bumer, pintle hitch wagon, lights, parade-ready, \$650 OBO. Roy Watson Senoia 706-538-1185 404-642-6766

Finishing mower, Woods, six-foot, heavy duty, like new; \$1,250, sells new \$2,750. Eddie Watson Waco 770-574-7020

Ford 3000 tractor, gas and five-foot Bush Hog; good rubber and sheet metal; \$3,800. Mike Crane Bremen 770-363-4378

Ford 4000 with Bush Hog brand Bush Hog; 1969 model diesel, good condition, with remote hydraulics; \$5,500. James Bryant LaGrange 706-302-7300

Ford 600 tractor, \$3,195; 8N Ford, \$2,200; all-purpose plow, \$350; scrape blade, \$300; harrow, \$450; boom pole, \$100. Norris Houze Hiram 404-791-6523

Ford 7610 with Q/C loader, 90-plus horsepower, dual remotes, good tires, new paint, good condition; \$16,800. Kevin Campbell McDonough 770-274-9093

Ford 8N, \$1,650; runs well with good tires, some three-point equipment. Nelson Massey Conyers 770-483-2639

Ford sickle mower, seven-foot cut; King Kutter finish mower, six-foot cut; \$200 each OBO. Stanley M Daniel Thomaston 706-975-1427

Four 9N Ford tractors. Robert Collins Resaca 706-602-9027

Four- or five-bottom plow; \$500; ready to plow. Danny Williams Kite danbo@pineland.net 478-278-6320 Four-foot pull-type side winder Bush Hog, some rust cuts, good manual height adjustable; \$250 OBO. Chris North Carrollton 770-842-4198

Galion motor grader, T-500-E, selling for parts; \$2,000. Everett Dubose Carrollton 404-406-7411

Harrell five-bottom switch plow, KMC Ripper Spider; 1086 International tractor, engine, transmission rebuilt, new clutch, pressure plate, steering pump. Larry Hart Glenwood 478-463-3140

Heavy-duty Case backhoe, 36-inch bucket, \$400; five-foot side winder mower, fair condition, \$300. L. Hanley Hull 706-433-1043

Heavy-duty dirt scoop for threepoint hitch; \$250. Russ Berry La-Grange 706-302-4619

Hi-Low hay tacker; \$300. George Harper Palmetto 770-463-3702

I have a FM60Y five-foot finishing mower in great condition; asking \$650. John McCombs Rockmart 770-301-1843

John Deere 06 9970 cotton picker, 1,255 hours, excellent condition; \$125,000; harrow four-row stalk puller. Hugh Hosch Waynesboro 770-789-3258

John Deere 110 lawn mower with round fenders, not running; \$500. John Itson **Pelham** 229-294-0486 John Deere 1700 air planters, excellent condition, \$7,500; John Deere, 26-foot, 235 harrow, good disk bearings, field-ready, \$4,000. Bobby Akridge **Ocilla** 229-686-0140 John Deere 1972 4320 fully restored, new tires, with loader model 158. Lynn Schultz Louisville 706-526-7262 John Deere 3020, excellent condition, 90 percent, Kobbar; \$6,800. Randy Thrash Ocilla 229-347-2368 John Deere 6359 F pumping unit, high pressure 550 GPA per minute, 1,850 hours, sheltered, good condi-

0409 229-362-4855 John Deere 7000, four-row bean planter; 12-foot rotary tiller with brackets for John Deere 71 planters. James Martin Waynesboro 706-558-5005

tion. Floyd Knowles McRae 229-315-

John Deere 7810, MFWD, P/S, cab. 8,032 hours, three SCVs, very good condition; \$49,000 OBO. Ted Milliron Shellman 229-317-3795

John Deere 913 F grain platform, good condition, field-ready; asking \$4,750 OBO. Dylan Kirkley Covington 678-725-4744

John Deere deer plot drill, seven or eight feet wide, works on threepoint hitch; \$2,100. Royce Hulett Hazlehurst 912-253-0161 912-375-3008

John Deere model WH 53, offset harrow, 14-disk, pull-type with cylinder: \$1.100. Shirley Harrison Carlton 706-743-5787

John Deere MRX six-foot Bush Hog, like new; \$1,900. Harry Hughes Warm Springs 706-655-2475

John Deere sickle mower, nine-foot, \$600; John Deere round bale mover, hauls four rolls, \$3,000; livestock bumper-pull, four-foot, \$900. J. W. Adkins Vienna 229-805-0255 John Deere, hand start older, restored, \$3,500; flywheel engine, running, Maytag, \$275. Kermit Simmons Jefferson 770-867-7550

KMC peanut reshaker, hydraulic fold, new chains, spockets and D drive bearings. John Hagan Dixie 229-263-2358

KMC six-row cultivator, 300-gallon tank and front mount; 125 Case IH flip plow with drag. Donnie Keene Abbeville 229-425-8055

Kubota 7200 BST; 17 horsepower, all fluids changed, new seat, in family since new, everything works; \$4,500. Larry Barnes Cumming 678-360-

L-3000 Kubota, four-wheel drive, power steering, diesel, 30 horsepower, Bush Hog, harrow, blade, cultivator, planter; priced seperately. David Phillips Carnesville 706-498-5165

Late model 85 horsepower John Deere/Rainbow four-sixth-inch irrigation pump with three-phase generator, runs great. Danny Crumley Tifton

Lawson pasture aerator, \$15,000; Massey Ferguson 43 grain drill, 12 feet, \$3,750; New Holland 256 hay Dangaflat@yahoo.com 706-214

Lt40E15 Wood-Mizer; cuts 21-foot logs, winch log turner, 480- or 220volt, three-phase. Tommy Jackson

Mahindra, 65 horsepower tractor, 4x4, front end loader, 210 hours, sixfoot box scrape; \$24,600. Daniel Holcombe Adairsville 770-608-2260

Massey Ferguson 230; clean tractor; everything works, no leaks, full engine rebuild with 99 hours. Philip Hengler Snellville philbrt4all@gmail.com 770-608-4790 770-972-2175

Massey Ferguson 245 tractor, 46 horsepower, diesel power, good conduction. Emory Thomas Jefferson 404-402-3824

Mini compost spreader, made in Canada, ground driven, can be pulled by ATV; 4x9x6 feet; \$475. H.M Greene Tallapoosa 770-833-1035

MR1442 Hardee, hydraulic boom mower, 13-foot reach; two, four joysticks, no remotes needed, new; \$10,000. Joe Hood LaFayette 706-638-8644

New 66-inch box scrape; \$400. Wayne Morris Dallas 770-445-5347 New Holland 1049 bale wagon, 160 bales, Ford gas V-8, downsizing hay operation; \$12,000 OBO. Frank Fleming Athens 706-202-0533

New Holland 640 baler, auto, tie wide pick-up, good conditon. Bob Hill Griffin 770-227-2383

New Holland hay rake, six-foot Bush Hog, 18-disk section harrow, 60 horsepower gear box, all good condition. Clay Pentecost Winder 770-601-3855

One Farmall Cub tractor with cultivators; with equipment. Jerry Taylor Tyrone 770-632-1278 770-632-1278

One John Deere 320 skid steer loader, good price; one Case CPX .610/ pkr, \$60,000. Ralph Nutt Cordele 229-276-5336

Peanut wagon, \$100; one-row cultivator, \$100. Tillie J Harris Preston 228-939-0214

Planters, cultivators, John Deere and Cole planters; subsoilers, Bush Hogs, 16-disk harrows, bottom plows; cash. Carl Crosby Blackshear 912-449-6573

Savage pecan cleaner, elevator, nut sizer; great condition; all for \$12,000 OBO. Thomas Clements Rutledge 770-335-6315

Sawmill under shelter with 48- and 54-inch blades; edger and large deisel motor. Melvin Thomas Gainesville 770-534-7163

Sitrex eight-wheel rake; \$1,000. Vaughn Forsyth 478-256-Tommy 6395

Sitrex eight-wheel v-rake, \$1,500; New Holland BR7050 roller, 4x4 rolls. \$10,500. Ross Holcomb Lexington 706-540-1002

Six-foot box scrape with rippers, excellent condition; \$350. Raymond Harrison Flowery Branch 770-965-6287

Six-foot John Deere Bush Hog, \$600; six-foot Mowey John Deere, \$300; 14-foot John Deere tilt trailer, \$1,100. Ben McGreggor Macon 478-935-2700

Six-foot scrape blade, will offset if needed, Mohawk, \$425; five-foot scrape blade, Frontier, \$325. W.A. Allen **Commerce** 706-677-3300

Taylor-Way 28-foot harrow, like new disk with drag; in good condition. field-ready. Donnie Hopkins Fitzgerald 229-424-3261

Taylor-Way backhoe, 6.5, 18-inch bucks, green, red ball, six- or four-row hooder, sprayer, green. Lora Hosch Buford 770-945-3971

Three-point hitch, offset with power take-off tills, DPOPS seed and covers, good condition; \$2,500. Bob Brady Augusta 706-373-8397

Tractor: Massey Ferguson 245; good condition; 1984, '85; owned by same family entire life, garage-kept. Steve Graham Powder Springs 770-757-6197

Troy-Bilt horse garden tiller and attachments. Kohler engine: \$700: excellent condition. Shawn Davis Marietta 404-202-2599

Troy-Bilt walk-behind jet sweeper, leaf blower; 6.5 horsepower, good condition. Drucilla Stowers Dawsonville, 770-789-4052

Two 1960 Dexta diesel tractors, one good with bad transmission, other good transmission; \$3,500. Morris C Gilreath Gainesville 770-532-1424

Two five-foot Bush Hogs with power take-off shafts, \$400 each; dirt scoop, \$150; all in good condition. Kenny Crumley Oxford 770-787-5499

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Alice Johnson of Elko, Ga., sent in this photo of cosmos flowers she grew. They were planted in February and bloomed until the frost. She said they were very pretty all year long.

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Juliette 478-986-9446

Garrett **Bowden** 777-258-5627

Hein **Dunwoody** 404-803-9433

Cultivators for Farmall Cub, mid

1950s, red, call with what you have.

David G Holley Harlem 706-556-6984

Ford 309 corn planters; in good

condition, or planters with useable

parts. Marvin Pritchett Ellijay 706-

Ford 4000 row crop tractor, want die-

sel engine with wide front end. Chuck

Ford 7109 loader, fits Ford 2120

WD tractor. Brian Moffett Senoia

Fuel tank for 3930 New Holland Ford

Tractor. Harvey Myers Social Circle

John Deere 3940 silage chopper, for

parts. Pete Miller Attapulgus 229-

Log tongs, large size for lifting and

skididng. John Edmonson Midland

Pecan sweeper; Weiss McNair, Flory

or Weiss; tractor-mounted. Cason An-

Propane-powered tractor, at least

45 horsepower, in good condition. T

Reynolds dirt pan, five-yard. Vinh Ta

FARM SUPPLIES

If you have questions regarding ads

1,000 feet lumber and turning

blocks; tiger maple, ambrosia maple,

basswood, oak, poplar, cherry, pine.

14x25-foot greenhouse, metal frame

and metal louver vent; \$350. Terry M

15-, 20-, 30-gallon plastic, bung

plugs, 55-gallon lock ring metal,

55-gallon burn barrel, 55-gallon stain-

less, etc. Jimmy Cannon Canton 770-

150-bushel gravity grain wagon;

\$800. Clark Powell Wrightsville 478-

16-foot long, seven-foot wide trailer

with sides, pull-out ramps, two ax-

les, trailer box model; \$800. Kenneth

Funderburk Waverly Hall 706-582-

20 aluminum pallets, skids; 24 by 36

by 3 inches; \$15 each. Josh Daniels

20-foot bumper pull heavy-duty

trailer with dove tail, ramps, dual ax-

les; \$2,500. Lamar Bryant Cleveland

2005 Delta Gooseneck trailer, over

the top tool box, sheltered, like new;

\$3,500. Kenneth Corbin Chickamau-

2014 Gooseneck enclosed trailer,

ga 706-539-1208 423-260-6602

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David Gray **Bowdon** 770-655-4674

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Phillips Cumming 678-414-2313

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770-464-2039

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Livestock Sales and Events Calendar

APPLING COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays: S&D Goat Sales, Baxley Fairgrounds; begins at 12:30 p.m.; goats, pigs, poultry, calves. Call Steve Smith, 912-367-9268 or 912-278-1460

ATKINSON COUNTY

- 2nd & 4th Saturdays: Livestock auc-
- tion at Pearson Livestock; sale at 1 p.m.; goats, sheep, poultry, small
- animals; 1168 Highway 441 N,
- Pearson:
- Call 229-798-0271 or 912-422-3211

BLECKLEY COUNTY

- 2nd & 4th Saturdays: Farm miscellaneous at 10 a.m.; goats, chickens at 1 p.m.; Buggy Town Auction, 290 Ash Street, Cochran; GAL #3177.
- Call Jimmy Burnette, 770-584-0388 or 678-972-4599

COOK COUNTY

- 1st & 3rd Saturdays: Small animal
- sale; goats, sheep and poultry, 1
- p.m.; miscellaneous merchandise,
- 6 p.m.; Deer Run Auction; Highway 76, Adel-Nashville Highway, Adel;
- GAL 001800.
- Call 229-560-2898 or 229-896-4553

DECATUR COUNTY

- 2nd & 4th Saturdays: Livestock auction, Waddell Auction Barn; Climax;
- goats, sheep, poultry, small animals
- at 1 p.m.; miscellaneous at 10 a.m.;
- GAL AU003249. Call 229-246-4955 or 229-416-7217

EMANUEL COUNTY

- I 2nd & 4th Saturdays: R&R Goat and Livestock Auction: goats, 12 p.m.: chickens, caged animals to follow;
- 526 Georgia Highway 56 N, Swainsboro; Ron Claxton, GAL #3485.
- Call 478-237-8825 (days)

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY

- 1st & 3rd Fridays: Horse sale, 7:30
- p.m.; Circle Double S, 102 Lumber City Highway, Hazlehurst.
- Call Steve Underwood, 912-594-6200 (night) or 912-375-5543 (day)

JONES COUNTY

- Every Saturday: Spring selling hours: hatching eggs, biddies at 5:30 p.m.; goats and sheep, 7 p.m.; poultry, small animals follow; merchandise, 4 p.m.; 1035 Monticello Highway, gray; GAL AU-C002992;
- www.bradleywaysideauction.com.
- Call Nancy Wilson, 478-986-4413
- Email bradleywaysideauction@ gmail.com

LAMAR COUNTY

- Every Friday: Farm miscellaneous at 5
- p.m.; baby chickens, eggs at 6 p.m.;
- goats and poultry at 7 p.m.; Buggy
- Town Auction, 1315 Highway 341 S,
- Barnesville; GAL #3177. Call 770-358-0872/1786

Notices for auctions selling farm-related items other than livestock must be accompanied by the auction license number of the principal auctioneer or auction firm conduction the auction, per regulations from the Georgia Secretary

of State. Auctions without this information will not be published. Have an auction to put on our calendar? Contact Dallas Duncan at 404-656-

3722 or dallas.duncan@agr.georgia.gov.

Vermeer two-piece Traveler, pea bean sheller; three-point hitch pallet mover, three-point quick hitch for fast-hitching wagons. Dave McKim Montezuma 478-472-8096

Wahlberg smoothing harrow, 20disk, adjustable angle, like new; \$650. Harvel Hamm Carrollton 770-854-6675

Wood-Mizer LT15, 13 horsepower, Kohler, manual start, 10-foot six bed, can be extended; \$4,500 cash. Leonard Draper Cedartown 770-748-2042

MARION COUNTY Every Thursday: Auction 41 Goat

- Sale, miscellaneous equipment; 6 p.m. goat sale; 7 p.m. poultry and small animals; 4275 Georgia Highway 41 N, Buena Vista. Call Jim Rush, 706-326-3549 or 229-649-9940.
- Email auction41@windstream.net

NEWTON COUNTY

2nd & 4th Saturdays: Pony Express Stockvard Horse & Tack Auction. 5 p.m.; GAL AUNR002843; 1852 Highway 11 S, Covington. Call Scott Bridges, 704-434-6389 or 704-473-8715

STEPHENS COUNTY

- Every Thursday: Chickens, rabbits, related small animal sale; Northeast Georgia Sale; 6 p.m.; GAL #3478; Eastanollee Livestock Market, Highway 17 between Toccoa and Lavonia Call 706-779-5944 or 706-599-7606
- 2nd Saturdays: W and W Livestock, LLC Horse Sales, Eastanollee Livestock Auction, Eastanollee. Call Brad Wood, 864-903-0296
- 3rd Saturdays: Goat and sheep sale, 12 p.m.; Agri Auction Sales at Eastanollee Livestock Market; Highway 17 between Toccoa and Lavonia. Call Ricky Chatham, 706-491-2812 or Jason Wilson, 706-491-8840

TAYLOR COUNTY

1st & 3rd Tuesdays: Poultry, goat and feeder-breeder pig sale; poultry, 6 p.m.; hogs and goats, 7 p.m. Rock-Ridge Livestock Auction, off SR 128, south of Reynolds. Call 478-847-3664 or 706-975-5732

TELFAIR COUNTY

2nd & 4th Thursdays: Chickens, fowl, goats and sheep; check-in at 1 p.m. sale at 6:30 p.m. Horse Creek Auction, between Dublin and McRae off Highway 441. Call 478-595-5418

TOOMBS COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays: Livestock sale starts at 10 a.m.; tack, horses; pigs at 11:30; cows at 12; goats at 1 p.m.; poultry sale follows; Metter Livestock Market, Lyons; GAL 3415. Call Lewie Fortner, 478-553-6066

WHITE COUNTY

478-847-3387

770-328-2110

Every Saturday: Small animals, chickens, rabbits, sheep, goats and horse sale; 4 p.m.; Coker Sale Barn, Duncan Bridge Road at Old Chattahoochee Livestock Barn. Call Wayne Coker, 706-540-8418

Farm Machinery Wanted

1972 Massey Ferguson parts tractor,

seven-foot rotary mower; leave phone

number. John Gunn Jr. Reynolds

8N Ford and Farmall Cub tractors for

parts, running or not. Thomas Tucker

Lithia Springs 770-941-2354

used, 7,000-pound torsion never axles, remote control hydralic jack, extras: \$18.000 OBO. Dave Harris Gainesville 678-617-2074 21 feet, eight-inch wide steel beam; can used for cattle gate, stablizing barn, etc. Bobby Robinson Bartow

706-878-8509

- 678-767-8731 225 five-foot iron posts in Clarkesville, Ga.; to be used on farm pasture, fencing, etc. Al Thornton Cumming 678-357-5432
- 30-foot, seven-ton Gooseneck trailer with dovetail; \$3,800. Jeremy Garrett **Kite** 478-521-2340

300-gallon elliptical tank and bracket; \$900. Derrick Irby Montezuma 478-217-0004

300-plus gallon plastic tank (tote) in metal cages, five-inch caps on top, valve in bottom; \$50 each. C. Stovall Dahlonega 678-491-9838

Deborah Shand Loganville 770-294-Backhoe, 2000 year or newer, prefer Komatsu or Volvo cab air, e-mail with 3418 500-gallon LP gas tank; \$450, will load. Dewayne Thompson Statespicture. Roy Garrett Bowdon RG-LUKE418@AOL.COM 770-258-5627 boro 912-531-3490

Backhoe, year 2000 or newer, Kom-55-gallon food grade metal drums, atsu or name brand with cab heat/air. lids; 55-gallon plastic drums, food would like with extended hoe. Roy grade, two plastic bung plugs in top; \$20 each. Windle Sneed Ellijay 706-Belt-driven grain grist mill. David 276-7027

> 6.5x16 flatbed trailer, dual wheels; needs tires, wiring; \$1,500 OBO. Henry Cooper Conyers 404-520-3546

65 heavy rough-side block fence posts, \$2 each. E. Sims Carnesville 706-384-5279

Antique (1800s or older) Georgia grain bins from farm. Glenn Eskew Madison gteskew@gsu.edu 706-818-8815

Barrels, plastic heavy-duty, 55-gallon, 20-inch screw top, air tight, food grade; \$35, while supplies last. Bill Sewell Brunswick 912-270-8278

Blue 55-gallon plastic drums, closed tops, two twist-off caps, food grade, other types sometimes available. Eugene Needham Loganville 770-466 4284

Cedar paneling, aeromatic Eastern red hardwood, dry storage, 31 years, approximately 400 feet; \$700. E. Hood Cleveland 706-878-6040

Chore-Time feed lines, all pans flood, used less than five years, excellent condition. Lynda Hackney Rocky Face 706-673-9548

Clean 55-gallon metal drums with lids. Leonard Crane Dawsonville 678-947-6744 404-210-1516

Custom cut lumber, Wood-Mizer sawn lumber; air, kiln-dried milled; barns, fences, flooring, paneling, houses, cabinetry, horse shavings. John Sell Milner 770-480-2326

Dual tank air compressor, electric start, gas, Honda motor, new; \$600. Loretta McClure Carrollton 770-490-3149

Duerr 20-ton log splitter, five horsepower, Briggs, vertical, horizontal, sheltered, original owner, ready to work; \$675 OBO. Sam Saliba Jr. Marietta 770-514-1431

Five fluted steel poles with base, 28 feet long, top four inches wide, bottom eight inches wide; \$200 each Billy Greer Hampton 404-444-2436 Flooring oak and pine; tongue and groove; various widths, also beadboard and wood shavings; call for prices. William Briggs Union City/Atlanta 404-349-2315

Four stainless steel gasoline tanks, four-gallon, with straps; \$10 each. Carl Dobson Atlanta 404-247-7343 Generator: Honda EM5000S, with GEM/TRAN house hookup; never used; \$1,700. Judy Wallace Jackson 770-775-0876 404-427-0960

Greenhouse: Turner 8x14 with Galvalume frame and fiberglass covering; pictures available; asking \$350. Lee Rusk Woodstock leerusk@bellsouth net 770-928-1195 770-928-1195

Heavy-duty four-shank subsoiler; 200-gallon round steel fuel tank, \$200; Gill roll over, \$400; and other items. Dennis Christopher Mansfield 770-385-0714 404-558-1637



Hit-and-miss five horsepower, economy with belt pulley, Plessville, running. W C Quarles Dawsonville 706-265-3732

Horton 2007 24-inch, six-ton equipment trailer, treated floor, two fivesixteenths coupler, good condition; \$3,500. Debbie Breazeale Washington 706-678-2003

John Deere, HD battery, SWCOM-30H, 700 CCA, new with warranty; \$140. James T Archer Dacula 770-963-6036

L.B. white chicken house, furnaces. Helen Davis Waleska 770-796-5981 Large greenhouse heaters, four heaters total: kerosene or diesel fuel: \$1,250 each. Mike Rhodes Dexter 478-875-3630

Lick tank, two-wheel, 285-gallon tank; great condition; \$150. Mark Woodham Madison 706-752-0077

Miller Dialare 250 AC/DC welder, 220-volt. Charles Benton Newnan 770-251-5628

Money-making ice cream factory: two 1931 John Deere hit-and-miss engines, three old fashioned ice cream churns, three trailers; \$10,000. Jess Arnett Tifton 229-382-6517

No. 15 cooking-grade wash pot;

blacksmith tools, anvils, tongs,

Hardees, broad ax (horseshoe) ham-

mer. Ben Hendrick Austell 770-948-

Refrigeration equipment from Kol-

pac: walk-in cooler, freezer and cooler

three-phase; \$200. John Carter Tig-

Round hay hauler, forks with hand-

operated wrench; \$100. William

Hutchings Sandersville 478-552-

Sawmill lumber: pine, poplar, oak,

cedar, walnut, etc.; boards, beams,

slabs, portable sawing; starting at 25

cents. Todd Chaney Cartersville 404-

Sears comb. heat, A/C unit, 230 vac,

natural, LP gas, outdoor installation,

never used, for farm and barn; \$1,800.

Shop Smith model 5 with attach-

ments and accessories, hardly used;

\$1,650. M Bailey Redan 770-482-

Six rolls 2x4 welded wire, 12.5

gauge,100 feet; never used; \$75 each

or all for \$400. Roger Dalton Winder

Six to eight used utility poles, excel-

lent condition; can be used for fences,

barn upkeep, etc. Allen Smith Pow-

Six-inch, 20-foot blue PVC pipe,

\$30; six-inch, 22-foot suction pipe

with strainer, \$250. Mark Carroll

Plainville 706-234-5344 706-266-

Three new trailer tires and wheels,

235-30-16 on white spoked, six-lug

wheels; \$325 for all. J. L. Petty Su-

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Tractor tire, 14x9x28, \$75; two tractor tires, 8x16, \$50; hay fork spear, three-point hitch, \$100. Joe Neill Newnan 770-253-4261 Tractor tire, size 9.5; 15S; tri-rib,

great condition; \$60. Harold Jones LaFayette 706-639-3982

Trusses; \$4 and up; call for sizes and prices. Scott Clark Nashville bclark7@windstream.net 229-686-2778

Two 13.6x28 tires, repairable, free; one carryall, three-point hitch, 23x48, \$250. Carl Smith Jonesboro 770-478-2742

Two 34-inch Massey spin-out rims, \$100 each: John Deere 60 - inch commerical mower deck for 750 tractor, \$700; good condition. James Wilhite Jefferson 706-870-4470

bulls, show heifers, steers, excellent Two four-foot Hired Hand curtain quality, Club Calf member. Ken Bridgvent machines, new in box; \$600 es **Commerce** 706-768-3480 each OBO. Bob Orton Buena Vista 229-815-7927 great bulls, see to believe. Danny

Two greenhouses; 20x96 feet, heaters, fans, drippers, 2x8-foot tables and some supplies. Ronald Rakestraw **Dallas** 404-216-6859

Two large concrete water troughs; never used; \$300 for both; 1,000-gallon, you move. Don Sellers Athens 706-424-5365 706-548-7660

Two used tires; 16.9x38 with 75 percent tread; mounted on Ford; 10.00x16 tri-rib tires on wheels. Mark McWhorter Whitesburg 706-302-6733

Two-plus 18-4-38 snap-on duals, 50 tread with clamp; \$1,000. Hubert Lewis Beecham 770-883-6004

Used chicken house; galvalume metal roofing tin. \$24: 3x24.5 feet. good shape with very little rust. Gary Taft Pearson 912-422-7768

Used materials for 40x60 pole barn 2x6 trusses, tin, lathing and ridgecap, \$2,950; delivery available. Bill Durham Summerville 706-252-1084

Ziggity drinkers, Chore-Time feeders and other miscellaneous poultry house equipment; used building materials, cement blocks, boards, lumber. Joshua Martin Clarkesville 678-897-7072

LIVESTOCK

All livestock must have been in the

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Livestock listed must be for specific

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es, any amount" will not be published.

Ads for free or unwanted livestock will

not be published. Ads for cats, dogs,

reptiles, rodents and other animals not

specifically bred for on-farm use will

Cattle

ing ads in this category, call 404-656-

13 pairs, October calves; one Si-

mAngus bull; \$39,000. Billy Goldman

190 pairs Angus-cross cows, calves

sire by registered Angus bulls; \$3,000

per pair. Janet Studstill Nashville

2-year-old fullblood black Senepol

3.5-year-old registered miniature

Jersey bull; proven breeder; \$2,000.

Belinda Schell Warner Robins 478-

Angus heifers: one purebred, two

Angus-cross: all three are 13 to 18

months old, solid black; \$4,500. Mark

Angus semen, Special Focus, 10

straws; \$175. Calvin Minchew Macon

Balancer bull, black, proven ET sire,

Upward bloodline, easy calving, gen-

tle, 3 years old March 2015; \$3,500,

nice bull. Shane Burnett Covington

Black Angus registered bulls, Bis-

mark bloodline, 12 to 14 months old.

Earl Williams Hawkinsville 478-230-

Woodham Madison 404-379-8037

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bull. Bobby Griffin Elko 478-230-

Lincolnton 706-359-3607

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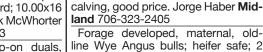
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to 3 years old; \$3,500 to \$4,500. Dan Glenn Fitzgerald 229-457-1136 Four black bulls and one white

Black polled registered Beefmas-

ter bulls: 18 to 22 months old, gentle

vet breeding, soundness tested and

passed. David Flood Tunnel Hill 706-

Black registered polled Beefmaster

bulls, 16 to 24 months; gentle, se-

men-tested, wormed, shots; Synergy,

Sir Kaffan, Black Magic bloodlines

Vernon Turner Dalton 706-278-7814

Bred Angus-Hereford cross cows

also exposed heifers, six bred Angus-

Hereford cross heifers, due Dec. 15.

Breeding age (15 months and old-

er) Simmental, SimAngus, Charolais

bulls, semen-tested, low birth EPDs

Scott Carey Madison 706-474-0738

Calving ease, milking ability, gentle-

ness, registered polled Shorthorn

Charolais-Angus, young bulls, cross,

CMC Limousin, Lim-Flex bulls, lead-

ing AI sires; performance ultrasound,

all black, polled, 12 to 24 months old.

Jerry Bradley Covington 678-201

Five registered Red Angus yearling

bulls, excellent bloodline, EPDs, easy

Brady **Hephzibah** 706-231-8563

B. Hall Pavo 229-859-2764

537-3633

steer, approximate weight 650 to 800 pounds; \$7,000 for all five. Sam Stephens Clermont 770-287-270 Four bred Black Angus; three bred black, white face, one Black Angus bull; \$15,500. William Reynolds Ma-

con 478-550-0629 Gelbvieh bulls; cow-calf pairs; bred cows; all registered purebred; bred for easy calving, fast growth. John Kiss

Gainesville 770-531-1126 Good selection of 2-year-old Hereford and F1 Braford bulls. Jonny Harris Odum 912-586-6585

Hereford bull, 24 months on Nov. 30; grandson DR World Class; sementested. Ennis Ryals Dublin 478-676-3127

Hereford bulls, 15 months old, Alsired, low birth weights, open heifers, cow-calf pairs. Taylor Neighbors Americus 229-337-0038

Hereford bulls, 18 to 24 months old, Domino bloodline; \$2,500. Jimmy Drake Roswell 864-933-2790

Hereford bulls, great bloodlines and performance, tested carcass data available, semen-tested, low birth red necked. Lowry Hunt III Madison 706-342-0264

Limousin bulls, 2 to 4 years old, top A-1 homozygous black, homozygous polled, best in Georgia. Steve Revell Jacksonville 904-482-7197

Performance-tested black full-blood Simmental, SimAngus bulls, cow-calf pairs, heifers; AI, embryo bred, easy calving, high milk, satisfaction guar anteed. Milton Martin Jr. Clarkesville 770-519-0008

Polled Hereford bulls, 11 to 15 months old, top bloodlines. James Jeanes Gray 478-972-0912

Red Angus bulls; 14 months old, ready for breeding; Leachman, 5L, Buffalo Creek bloodlines. Michael Smith Newnan 770-301-1945 770-253-7099

Registered Al Black Angus bulls; four 2-year-olds and eight 1-year-olds; 27 cows with calves. Alvin Mashburn **Ringgold** 423-421-1007

Registered Angus bull coming, 2-year-olds; \$2,500. Allen Ellicott Ab**beville** 229-401-8590

Registered Angus bull, 2 years old, 878 son, gentle; \$2,500. Vance Gafnea Whitesburg 678-446-1829 Registered Angus bulls, 14 to 16 months old, semen-tested, docile and many Al-sired. John Stuedemann Comer 706-202-2371

Registered Angus bulls, 15 months, excellent bloodlines, docile, sementested, good frames without free choice feeding. Rucker McDonald Calhoun 770-313-7080 Registered Angus calves, two bulls,

two heifers, 7 to 10 months; excellent bloodlines: GAR Fusion, Traveler; calving ease. David Strawn Clermont 678-617-9717

Registered Beefmaster polled bulls, red or black, good builds. Cary Bittick Forsyth 478-957-0095

Registered Black Angus bull, 3 years old, good bloodline. John Davis Mc-Donough 770-603-2368

Registered Black Angus bull, Traveler 71, Bando Emulous, New Design; 32 months; registered Gelbvieh cows. Dennis Hinton Covington 770-786-2014

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GUEST COLUMN: Preserving Georgia's agricultural history



A story that goes undocumented or an extraordinary individual who goes unrecognized is like a tiny bit of Georgia's history lost forever. Over the past 18 years, as executive director of the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, I have had the privilege of hearing the stories of some of the most

influential people in the history of agriculture in Georgia. Thankfully, because of the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, these stories and their lead character will not be lost to time, but preserved for the generations to come. I'm captivated by the innovated spirit of the members of the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame. Like the agricultural pioneer Naomi Woodroof, one

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of the first women to receive a degree in agriculture in the United States, and the first woman scientist at the Georgia Experiment Station in Griffin and the Coastal Plain Experiment Station in Tifton. She was born in 1900 and her story

was captured and preserved in the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame 97 years later. Do you know the name Alvin Newton? Maybe not, but I'm sure you know the things he is credited with creating that changed the face of Georgia agriculture forever. Alvin Newton of Colquitt, Ga., installed the first center-pivot irrigation system in Georgia in 1967 and led the way for the adoption of center-pivot irrigation through his tractor and farm equipment business, Newton-Hamrick Co. He also built southwest Georgia's first hydro-cooler for sweet corn, which allowed the shipment of sweet corn throughout North America and opened up the vegetable industry to Georgia.

These are just two of the 76 extraordinary individuals whose stories are preserved in the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, each one weaving a thread of ingenuity with the next to create a rich tapestry that is Georgia's agricultural history.

It's vitally important that we preserve our history and pay tribute to the individuals who shaped our state and laid the path for a prosperous agricultural future. The University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Alumni Association is asking for your help in identifying nominations for its most distinguished award, the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame.

If you know a story that needs to be told and the story's lead character that deserves recognition for his or her outstanding contributions to Georgia agriculture, the CAES Alumni Association invites you to make a nomination. Recipients will be honored in Athens on Friday, Sept. 25, 2015.

Juli Fields is the director of alumni relations for UGA CAES. She can be reached at 706-542-3390. To obtain guidelines and a nomination form for the 2015 induction into the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, please visit www.caes.uga.edu/alumni. Applications must be submitted by March 15, 2015.

Winter fuel tips



Courtesy Department Press Office

As cold weather hits and temperatures continue to drop, Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture Gary W. Black reminds *Market Bulletin* readers to properly handle and store fuel during the winter:

- Purchase recommended fuel. Lawn mowers and other small engine equipment are designed to run on gasoline blended with no more than 10 percent ethanol, or E10.
- Store fuel in proper containers. Never store fuel in containers with open or leaking spouts. Leaking spouts are a fire safety hazard and promote the absorption of moisture, which can cause fuel to turn stale quicker.
- Shake the fuel container for 30 seconds just prior to filling your equipment. This practice
- ensures the fuel is mixed properly.
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- the fuel container. Fuel should never be stored in houses or by open flames.
 Drain fuel from equipment's tank, or use a fuel stabilizer. When preparing to put your equipment into winter storage, drain all of the fuel from your equipment's tank or add a fuel stabilizer. Fuel stabilizers are effective only if they are mixed with fresh fuel and properly stored. Remember, nothing can restore old, stale fuel.

For more tips and information regarding proper fuel use and storage, contact the Department's Fuel and Measures Division at 404-656-3605 or visit www.agr.georgia.gov/fuel-measures-division.aspx.



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Letter from the editor



Happy 2015, folks!

One of my favorite sayings ever is "party like it's 1999." If you're reading this issue and are under the age of 15, chances are you have no idea where that saying originated from. Let me indoctrinate you (from what I remember, being the tender age of 10 at the time).

In 1999, people thought that technology was going to implode on itself because whoever invented computers *may not have* built the year 2000 into the calendar, so people wouldn't be able to save files, make changes to files or live life in general come Jan. 1. Hence, in addition to being the dawn of a new millennium, which in itself was a fabulous reason to stay up 'til midnight, it was also what people thought would be the last day to send emails, instant messages or open Microsoft Word.

As I said, I was 10, so my memories of the millennium are as follows:

- It was the first night I remember being allowed to stay up until midnight
 I was so excited to dress up my American Girl of Today doll in a special
- I was so excited to dress up my function on for fordy don in a specific "Celebrate 2000" outfit that involved lots of lavender glitter
 My brother and I argued over who got to play with Ty 2K, the com-
- memorative Beanie Baby
- We started watching fireworks at breakfast on New Year's Eve and it continued until New Year's Day
- There was a boat that went around the world and crossed each time zone at exactly midnight

I was fascinated by the fact that in Australia, it was New Year's Day when we were still celebrating New Year's Eve. I will never forget watching "Good Morning America" that morning and seeing reporters show highlights of the fireworks show at the Sydney Opera House. As the day went on, we saw highlights of London, Moscow, Hong Kong and pretty much every other major city ring in the 21st century with a spectacular light show.

Anticlimactically, the extended Duncan family lit sparklers in our backyard. Once the new year was rung in and we all got approximately six hours of sleep, it was time to wake up, get to cooking and start the New Year's traditions that require us to gather around the table. For those of you who may not be from the South, a typical Southern New Year's Day menu includes blackeyed peas, combread, ham and collards, each of which signify different blessings for the coming 365 days.

The peas mean prosperity, cornbread and collards are money and pork stands for progress.

Reflecting on my own food traditions, and the myriad of celebrations worldwide, got me thinking: What do people elsewhere eat on Jan. 1?

With a little help from Martha Stewart and Epicurious, I bring you five celebratory dishes. Sorry these came a little late for 2015, but hey, there's always next year!

- ♦ Grapes: Yeah, just plain grapes! In Spain (and Colombia, if you watch Gloria on the show "Modern Family"), people eat 12 grapes at midnight to signify what the coming year will bring. For example, if the second grape is a bit sour, February might be a rough month.
- ◆ Sauerkraut: In America, we eat collard greens to symbolize money. In Germany, they do sauerkraut. Hmm ... wonder if I ate a pork bratwurst topped with sauerkraut, if it meant I'd make more money this year ...
- Fishy dishes: According to what I found on Epicurious, lots of countries include fish in their new year menus. But Japan's fish traditions take the cake. The Japanese eat herring roe (fish eggs) for fertility, shrimp for long lives and dried sardines for a good harvest. I wonder how many Georgia farmers are going to go out and buy sardines after reading this bullet point.
- Cake: It's customary in many countries to enjoy a usually round cake or pastry of some sort. In Mexico, it's the rosca de reyes, a ring-shaped cake with candied fruit; the Greeks have round vasilopita; and of course, doughnuts are popular. In addition to eating the cakes, many bakers hide trinkets and coins inside to symbolize luck and prosperity.

And farmers, I think I just found y'all an agritourism draw for New Year's Day. In Belarus, unmarried women sit in a circle, place a pile of hay in front of them and wait as a rooster is let loose. The first girl to be visited by the rooster will be the first to get married that year.

Dallas Duncan is the editor of the Market Bulletin. Originally from Evans, Ga., she graduated in May 2011 with a double major in animal science and agricultural communication from the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. She previously worked for The Red & Black, The Times newspaper in Gainesville, Ga., and Georgia Cattlemen's Association.

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ARTY'S GARDEN: Winter flowers are a special lot

We have been conditioned to think winter is supposed to be bleak and plants are supposed to be barren or brown between November and March. In Georgia, however, our gardens can be as beautiful in winter as in any other season. With a little planning, we can even have flowers in bloom.

Some flowers in the winter garden are primarily autumn bloomers that escaped freezing blasts. Some are primarily spring bloomers, but have light dormancies and tease us with a few flowers during warm spells in January or February. Some fully belong to the season and display not a petal before December and hide their faces from the blistering heat of April.

I love the lot of them.

A few of the winter-flowering plants you can include in your landscape are pansies, violas, paperwhites, Algerian iris (Iris unguicularis), snowdrops, Bowles' Mauve wallflower, snow crocus, wintersweet, winter honeysuckle

(Lonicera fragrantissima), mahonias, camellias, winter jasmine, *Clematis cirrhosa*, winter-flowering Higan cherry (Prunus x subhirtella 'Autumnalis'), rosemary, Daphne odora, witch-hazels, hellebores, laurustinus (Viburnum tinus), flowering quinces (Chaenomeles japonica and C. speciosa) and Prunus mume. Thrift (Phlox subulata) has its main period of bloom in the spring, but some varieties will produce a few flowers throughout winter if planted in sunny, protected spots. Some candytuft varieties behave the same way.

Many winter flowers are small, concentrating their energies on pollinator-luring fragrances rather than large petals that may be lost to sudden blasts of frigid weather. Notable exceptions are camellias, which produce some of the largest flowers of any garden shrubs.

I remember placing deep red blooms of 'Professor Charles S. Sargent' on my grandmother's grave the January she died. A happier memory is a Christmas Eve spent



FLOWERS blooming in the author's garden on the first day of winter included wintersweet, laurustinus, 'Yuletide' sasanqua camellia, rosemary and paperwhites.

with a family friend in Charlotte, NC., with cut crystal vases of 'Debutante' pink camellias decorating her home. How fortunate we are to live in camellia country!

Although I love flowering cherries, I wish more gardeners would plant Prunus mume (pronounced PROO-nus MEW-may), another flowering tree that is just as beautiful. It is sometimes called mume or Japanese flowering apricot, but you are more likely to hear it called by its botanical name. Depending on weather and variety, it will bloom from January to March. Some blooms may get killed by the cold, but more will open. It is sweetly fragrant.

Some winter-flowering plants such as Algerian iris and Clematis cirrhosa are available from only a few sources. Some garden centers do not carry winter-flowering plants because most customers shop in the spring and purchase only what looks best at the mo-

If you are unfamiliar with winter-flowering plants and how beautiful gardens can be in winter, visit a public garden in January. A few Georgia gardens with winter flowers include the State Botanical Garden of Georgia in Athens, Atlanta Botanical Garden, Massee Lane Gardens in Fort Valley (home to the camellia collection of American Camellia Society) and Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery.

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Some people are surprised, even shocked, when I come bearing winter flowers. I enjoy providing a surprise and telling others about winter flowers. They're special, and I wish I had room for a lot more.

Arty Schronce is the Department's resident gardening expert. He is a lifelong gardener and a horticulture graduate of North Carolina State University. Blooming in his garden on the first day of winter this year were paperwhites, rosemary, violas, laurustinus, gray-leaved conradina, old-fashioned Korean chrysanthemums, wintersweet and 'Yuletide' sasanqua camellia.

FEATURE RECIPE: Grits with mushroom ragout



Editor's Note: You read on page 1 that Atlanta consumes more mushrooms than almost anywhere else in the country. Whether you purchase yours from a supermarket, farmers market or neighbor's backyard farm, we think they'd work well in this recipe from Georgia Grown Senior Executive Chef Holly Chute. She recommends a blend of lion's mane, shiitake and oyster mushrooms. This recipe is rich and hearty enough to be eaten as an entrée with a side salad.

Ingredients:

- 1 pound assorted mushrooms,
- chopped
- 1 shallot, diced
- 8 tablespoons butter

1.5 cups stone-ground grits 2 cloves garlic, minced Salt and pepper, to taste

2 cups cream, divided

4 cups chicken broth

Instructions.

1/3 cup white wine

- 1. Melt four tablespoons butter in a saucepan. Add garlic and cook until fragrant. Pour in chicken broth and one cup cream and bring to a boil.
- 2. Whisk the grits into the boiling liquid. Bring it back to a boil, then lower it to a simmer. Add salt and pepper to taste.
- 3. Cook grits, stirring periodically, for 40 to 60 minutes, depending on the coarseness of the grits.
- 4. While grits are cooking, melt the remaining four tablespoons in a skillet. Add shallots and cook until soft.
- 5. Add mushrooms to skillet and continue cooking over medium heat until soft.
- 6. Pour wine into mushroom mixture and cook until wine is reduced by
- half. Add remaining cup of cream and salt and pepper. Cook five to 10 minutes, or until thickened.
- 7. Serve ragout poured over grits.

Valdosta farmer sets new record for highest corn yield



Randy Dowdy of Valdosta, Ga., produced the alltime high yield in the 2014 National Corn Growers Association contest. His 503 bushels per acre were a world record. Photo courtesy Randy Dowdy

By Dallas Duncan

Randy Dowdy is now a world record holder. The Valdosta, Ga., corn grower set an alltime high yield record in the 2014 National Corn Yield Contest with 503 bushels per acre.

"You're going to have a certain amount of folks that don't believe it's true because they're not seeing it," Dowdy said. "But then you've got a lot of people who want to figure out what they can do differently. That's what it's about, having that open mind that the potential is greater than what they're seeing.'

Dowdy is a first-generation farmer who planted his initial corn crop in 2008. He said he didn't know anything about growing corn, so he leaned on experienced producers and researchers.

"I tried things outside the box. I try to be a student of the crop, understand how it grows and try some unconventional things,"

Dowdy said.

Some of these methods included experimenting with fungicides, herbicides, lime sources and trying to plant populations higher than normal.

Dowdy gives credit to "God's favor" for his 2014 crop. He said he tries to have an open mind and understand what stresses affect yield production, so he can be a step ahead.

He first competed in the contest in 2010.

"We won the contest that year in Georgia and since then I've been a national winner on some scale, sometimes in multiple categories. This year we won six times nationally," Dowdy said. "God blessed us to have a new world record, and it's great that it came from Georgia."

The contest began 50 years ago with 20 entrants, said Rachel Jungerman-Orf, contest manager with National Corn Growers Association.

"It was basically just a friendly competition with your local neighbors to see how your corn was doing compared to your neighbor's corn," she said. "We try to keep it that way now that it's grown to 9,000 entries."

Farmers fill out an entry form detailing their hybrids and cultivation practices as well as a harvest form, Jungerman-Orf said.

Dowdy planted hybrids of DeKalb and Pioneer corn this year. He said there's no one answer to what varieties farmers should plant.

"I believe in diversification to spread risk across hybrids and across relative maturity

dates and population," Dowdy said. His 2014 crop, which goes into fuel and

livestock feed, started out wet conditions and adverse weather.

"That tried my faith," Dowdy said. "But at the end of the day, God's grace was more than sufficient and he gave us great weather in the latter part of the season."

MUSHROOM: Indoor growth allows for cultivation statewide

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To grow mushrooms, farmers must take mycelium, which is the mushroom tissue not usually visible aboveground, culture it in laboratory conditions and put it in their bag of growing medium. Bell uses pressure-cooked grain for his medium.

"You then transfer your pure culture into the material that it's going to eat. For our oyster mushrooms, we use straw and cottonseed hull," he said. "Most of those materials are from the state of Georgia. Ninety percent of our mushrooms are Georgia-grown on Georgia straw and Georgia cotton."

Sparta starts out by inoculating organic rye grain – the farm is certified organic – with mushroom cultures grown on the farm. The grain is put in bags of sterilized hardwood sawdust, which are then put into greenhouses. After approximately eight weeks in the first greenhouse, the bags are moved to a grow house to fruit. Harvest is about a week later, Currev said.

Unlike Northeastern varieties of mushrooms, the varieties Bell and Currey grow re-

quire shaded light to mimic the fungi's native in south Georgia." forest environments.

And though both Sparta and 5th Kingdom are located above the state's fall line, it is possible to grow mushrooms anywhere in the state.

"Because they are grown indoors, it can be done north or south, there are just some differences in energy costs," Bell said. "North Georgia is going to be more conducive to mushroom growing because of the cooler temperatures. You have a more mild climate, whereas you have a month or two more of heat

Bell, who grows oyster and shiitake mushrooms at the moment, said it's his personal mission to expand the market and introduce Georgia's chefs and citizens to mushrooms and their flavors.

"We're constantly trying out new strains and innovating in our ability to control the environment," Bell said. "The chefs appreciate good food, especially when they can have something they haven't had in the past that will make them stand out."

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Dressage saddle, 17.5 inches, leather, no known maker, very comfortable, good shape, medium tree; \$200, Ellen Wright Grantville 678-929-7040

Four-passenger wagnette, burgundy and black, fifth wheel cut under, shafts for single draft horse: \$3,600. Douglas Collins Blairsville 706-897-5220

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this category, call 404-656-3722 Advertisers must submit a current staple license in order to advertise boarding and breeding facilities. Ads submitted without this information will not be published. For questions regarding licenses and applications, call 404-656-3713.

Home for retired horses; pasture,

Opening for one to two horses, pri-1999 Colt two-horse slant-load vate farm; north Forsyth; 12 x16-foot Gooseneck trailer; new wood floor, stalls, mats, fan, custom feeding; owner's residence; adults only. Reena Yonkosky Cumming 770-889-4561

Poultry/Fowl For Sale

If you have any questions regarding ads n this category, call 404-656-3722. Mallard ducks must be at least three generations removed from the wild before they can be advertised. Advertisers must include this information in ads, or they will not be published. 15 Rhode Island Red hens, \$10 each: must take six: ask for Melvin Thomas M Freeman Milledgeville 478-234-0302 478-968-5332 15 varieties of peafowl, 1 year and

up, cocks and hen. Ray Watts Macon 478-361-3468

2014 hatch black copper Marans, Welsummers, Americanas. Delawares, New Hampsher Reds, Buckeyes; \$15 each. Jimmy Young Metter 912-682-2917

Baby chicks: American Dominique, Buff Orpington, Rhode Island Red, pure breeds; reasonable prices. Monte Poitevint Lakeland 229-482-3854 Black shoulder peacocks, 9 months old; \$75 each. Shirley Causey Albany 229-395-6300

Breeder pheasants; 2011 to 2014 red gold, \$45 to \$70 per pair; Amhearst, \$90 per pair. Leon Simmons Cleveland 706-865-7603

Buff Cochin rooster; 7 months old, beautiful and huge; \$35. Joan Kiser Commerce 706-247-0976 Flight-conditioned Ringneck pheas-

ants, ready to go. Ron Guthrie Nashville 229-300-0284 Game fowl: jimm yeast green leg

hatch, law grays and leipers, call before 9. Daniel Vickery Royston 706-436-6567

Gamefowl: Sid Taylor, YL hatch, Sweater hatch, Sweater grey, White Hackel and Mug, Gilmore; hens, pullets, crosses. Tom Lilley Jeffersonville 478-945-6139

Games: chickens, hens, pullets, stags, hatch and Kelso-hatch cross. Allen Culverhouse Thomaston 706-646-3781

Grown guineas, \$9 each; Mallard ducks, \$13 each; Three generations from the wild as required. Eugene Johns **Waycross** 912-283-3332

Guineas, 6 months old, very healthy; \$12 each. James Lawrence Alto 706-778-3447

India Blue peacocks, 1 year old, no hens; \$75 each. Bill Shipp Winston 770-949-5516 770-949-5516 Laying hens, Golden Comet; 1 year old, \$15 each; 18 months, \$10 each. Kenneth Cook **Dallas,** spreadingoaksfarm@att.net 770-231-4632 Laying hens; \$10 each; also young chicks. David Dye Rockmart david-

More than hundreds of white doves. Lee Adams **Macon** 478-228-1782

Willis Cochran 478-308-9045 Naragansett turkeys: four hens, two toms, pets, sold as trios; one tom and two hens only; raised from incubators. S. Stephens Hoschton 706-654-2867 Old English Bantams, show stock: BB reds, Old English quail, Blue Splash, blacks, blues, Brassy Backs, blue Brassy Backs, Opals. Mack Mc-

en Duckwing, brown red, lemon blue. Mitch Pohlel Loganville 770-464-

Pea fowl: three India Blue pea chicks, hatched Aug. 27, 2014; \$45 each. Leigh Hamilton **Dahlonega**

Rhode Island Red pullets, also New Hampshire Red pullets, healthy, wellgrown birds. Brian Sturdy **Dahlonega** 706-865-9201

Ringneck doves, all young to breeding age; call for more information. Sandra Smith Covington 770-337 0160

Seven Bantam chickens, one rooster, six hens; \$25 for all. Dale Jones Flowery Branch 770-967-6948

Show type Rhode Island Reds, wheaten Marans, large fowl. Mike Brown LaGrange 706-884-8217 Show-quality; Old English, Colum-

bian, splash, quail, blue quail, Fawn, blue brassy back, B.B. red, others. Randy Shoemake Carrollton 678-796-9222

Two Buff Orpington roosters, 8 months old; \$2. Mary Beachman Newborn 706-468-5840

Poultry/Fowl Requiring **Permit/License**

If you have questions regarding this category, call 404-656-3722.

Advertisers selling wood ducks must submit a USDA permit with their ad. Ads for wood ducks that do not have this permit will not be published. For information on these permits, call the US Fish & Wildlife Service Atlanta office at 404-679-7319. Advertisers selling quail must be accompanied by a copy of the commercial quail breeder's license. Ads for quail that do not have this license will not be published. For information on these licenses, call the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Resources Division at 770-918-6401. If you are faxing or mailing in an ad, the permit/license needs to be sent along with it. For ads submitted online, the permit/license can be attached using the attachments button.

4-week-old quail available and more on the way; quantity determines pricing; \$3 and under. James Williams Statesboro 803-466-0629 912-690-1495

Bobwhite quail available for the 2014 season, call for pricing. Ralph Holley Temple 770-562-3820

Bobwhite quail, flight conditioned, now available for the 2014 and 2015 season, call for pricing. Rembert Hancock Fairmount 404-376-0550 706-337-5711

Bobwhite, Coturnix quail eggs: \$70 for 100, \$140 for 500, \$270 for 1,000. Willie Strickland Pooler stricklandgamebird.com 912-748-5769

Jumbo Wisconsin Bobwhite quail eggs; \$48 for 100, \$168 for 600, \$260 for 1,000; year-round. Raymond Meadows Wadley mead5345@wadleyquailfarm.com 478-252-5345

Poultry/Fowl Wanted

.Pure Java peacocks, a gentleman at an auction had four pairs, if you see this ad, contact me. Harrell Whitener Coosa friendsfor lifeinc@yahoo.com 256-422-5224

Adult Mallard, Rouen, Indian Runner ducks for lake on farm: Greene Oneal County. Ed Greenboro ed.rockbottomfarm@gmail.com 770-363-4750

Blue or black Sumatra bantams. Jimmy Ray **Dalton** 706-483-0053

Female guineas in Clarkesville area. Vickie Hogan Clarkesville 706-768-5441

Pigeons, any type, will trap pigeons free, will pick up pigeons free. Gregg Leonard Roswell 404-580-6268 Pure Madigan grey game rooster,

must be pure; north Georgia area. Don Long Ellijay 706-889-2106

ALTERNATIVE LIVESTOCK

If you have questions regarding this category, call 404-656-3722.

Alpaca herd: Huacaya; five females, three are proven, four males, one is gelded; \$5,000. Brenda Gruwell Milledgeville brenda.gruwell@yahoo.

com 478-251-5174 Alpaca males: out of Magical Farm's champion herdsire or junior herdsire quality; \$100 and up. Carolyn Crafts Madison 770-519-5731

Two alpacas; selling together, white female, quality fiber, bred or open; \$1,500 OBO. L L Whitlock Baldwin 706-677-2131

Alternative Livestock Requiring Permit/License

If you have questions regarding ads

in this category, call 404-656-3722. Advertisers selling fallow deer, axis deer, sika deer, elk, red deer, reindeer and caribou must submit a current deer farming license with their ads. Ads submitted without this license will not be published. If you are faxing or mailing in an ad, the license needs to be sent along with it. For ads submitted online, the license can be attached using the attachments button. For information about the deer farming license, contact the Georgia Department of Agriculture at 404-656-3667. For information on other hoofed stock, excluding llamas and buffalo, contact the Georgia **Department of Natural Resources** at 770-761-3044.

LIVESTOCK WANTED

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722. 20 to 25 young cows, 3 to 6 years old with calves or bred, nice beef type. Gerald Scott Twin City 478-494-2880 Donkey, standard jenny, very tame, northeast Georgia area. Arnold Kaye Jr Danielsville 706-795-2064

LIVESTOCK HANDLING

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722. 16-foot Neckover livestock trailer; 6,000-pound axles, eight-lug wheels; \$3,200; leave message. Mark Boyles Dawson 229-995-4694

16-foot Ponderosa bumper-pull stock trailer, rubber mats, new tires, excellent condition; \$3,000. Richard Mocko Lilburn 706-207-4886

Big Valley 16-foot Gooseneck livestock trailer, good condition, sell or trade; on 20-foot flatbed Gooseneck trailer. Al Garner Soperton 912-529-3921

Gooseneck two-horse slant load with living quarters and cowboy bathroom; good condition; \$7,000. Robert Harris Patterson 912-670-1133

RABBITS

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722.

English Angora rabbits; beautiful wool, different colors; \$50 each. Sonya Babcock Royston 770-853-4806 New Zealand Whites and multi-colored babies; ready for pick up. John Howell Covington dhowell466@bellsouth.net 770-786-0514

Selling out: Dutch breeding stock, ages 9 months to 2 years, several registered, also 5-month-olds. Katie Hufford Cleveland 706-219-4766 706-969-1953

FEED, HAY AND GRAIN

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722.

All feed, hay and grain ads must include the variety offered for sale. Ads for mulch hay will not be accepted in this category; they will be published in the Fertilizers & Mulches category. \$40; 48 4x5 rolled hay bermuda, stored in barn. Allen Hunter Watkins-

ville 706-769-1120 706-340-3334 '14 alicia hay, square bales, 15.4 percent protein, horse quality, \$7.25; wheat straw, clean, bright, square \$4. Neil Wingfield

229-407-0371 '14 Bermuda hay; center-pivot irrigated; 5x6, approximately

1,600-pound rolls; stored under barn; \$55 per roll; in Cuthbert, Ga. Will Harris Bluffton 229-317-0203

'14 bermudagrass; horse quality hay, square bales in 21-bale bundles; we load, excellent quality; can deliver. Mike Council Cordele 229-406-1321 '14 coastal bermuda, horse quality,

fertilized, UGA soil specs, square; 4x5 round bales in barn; delivery, stack available. Olin Trammell Forsyth 478-994-6463 478-960-7239



Karla Bradley of Locust Grove, Ga., submitted this photo of Levi and Mollie Mitch-

ell. They helped grow these enormous sweet potatoes and thought the resemblance

to their duck was neat. They grew a wheelbarrow full and enjoyed digging them up,

and can't wait for this year's crop.

barn, free choice hay; daily feeding, care; stable license 11940. Joe Douglas Villa Rica 770-402-6590 Opening for one to two horses, private farm; north Forsyth; 12 x16-foot stalls, mats, fan, custom feeding; owner's residence; adults only. Reena Yon kosky Cumming 770-889-4561

dye110@live.com 470-336-9849 Muscovy ducks; \$10 each. Laura

Burnett **Tyrone** 770-487-2233 Old English bantams; BB red, gold-

5052

706-531-6211

'14 Tifton 44 bermuda hay, excellent horse quality, fresh cut and dry in barn; \$6 each. Paige Bullock Dallas 770-402-2421

2012 fescue hay, in barn, dry, 4x5; \$25 per roll. Harry McCord **Carrollton** harrymccord@att.net 770-830-0005 404-213-1190

2014 bermuda hay, 4x5 netwrapped, rain- and weed-free, limed and fertilized to UGA specs; analysis available. William Page Wrightsville 478-864-2942

2014 bermuda hay, horse quality, barn-stored, you load; \$5 per bale; about 200 available. W. Abrams Milner 770-228-3865

2014 bermuda, fescue fertilized hav; 4x4 rolls, \$35, squares \$5; all in barn. Burton Eichel Thomson 706-421-4945 2014 coastal bermuda hay, 4x5 net-

wrapped rolls, stored in barn, horse quality. Fred Sackett Butler 478-952-5399

2014 coastal bermuda hay, fertilized, rain-free, under shelter, round bales. net-wrapped; \$50. Morris Lively Collins 912-213-8249

2014 coastal bermuda hay, horse quality; \$5 per bale at barn; delivery available. Glenn Brinson Tarrytown 912-288-5960

2014 coastal bermuda hay, wellfertilized, weed- and rain-free, horse quality, approximately 2,100 bales; \$4.50 per bale. Curtis Durden Lyons 912-526-3189 912-245-1081

2014 coastal bermuda hay; 4x5 round, square and mulch hay. Larry Morgan Lizella 478-781-1990 478-972-5977

2014 coastal bermuda, horse quality, fertilized, limed, rain-free, 4x5 netwrapped; \$60. Grace Brady Hephzi**bah** 706-231-0985

2014 coastal bermuda, horse quality, square bales; \$5.50 per bale. Winford Jackson Newnan 770-463-3739 2014 coastal, fescue mix, cow hay; \$35 per roll (outside); 4x4 bales, limed and fertilized; delivery avail. Lowinston Jackson Grantville 770-583-2385

2014 corn stalks, 4x6, net-wrap corn, blown down; full of grain. Trey Smith Clermont 770-519-9230

2014 fescue and orchardgrass 4x4 rolls in barn; \$25. Lonce Hulsey Cleveland 706-865-5247

2014 fescue hay, round bales, 4x5; \$35; Ramsey Hill. Keith Harper Gainesville 770-519-5017

2014 fescue hay, square bales; \$4. Ricky Wehunt Hoschton 706-254-2639

2014 fescue mixed hay, 4x5 rolls or square bales, barn-stored, delivery available. Jimmy Payne Rockmart 404-557-8448

2014 fescue, orchard; RFQ tested, 108.9 sqs., \$4.25; 4x4, \$30; all horse quality, under roof on pallets. Jon Anderson Sautee 770-402-9867

2014 good quality peanut hay; net wrap, 4x5 bales; \$40 per roll; Bulloch. Dwayne Conner Statesboro 912-536-1381

2014 hay; fescue, rye square bale, \$4 each; rolled bales, 6x5, \$50 in barn, \$45 outside. Jim Robinson Good Hope 770-207-4700

2014 russell bermuda hay; 4x5, netwrapped bale; \$45, delivered. Tommy Rider Waynesboro 706-554-9785

2014 Tift 44 and 85; high quality horse hay, squares and rolls; delivery available. Durand Deal Tifton 229-388-5054

2014 Tift bermuda hay; square and round bales, horse quality, stored in barn, delivery available. Dick Stratton Locust Grove 770-842-9317 770-914-6153

2014 Tifton 85 bermuda; horse quality hay, limed, fertilized; \$6 per square bale delivered. Charlie Jackson Lawrenceville jackson_c19@yahoo.com 678-910-0561

2014, 4x5, net-wrapped bermuda hay, Tifton 78, cow quality; \$35, delivery available. V Felkel Millen 912-682-5813

35 square bales, fescue 2013 cut, barn dry; \$3 per bale. Michelle Weeks Colbert petpalswinder@yahoo.com 770-363-2948

4x5 -wrapped 2014 first and second cut; alicia, Tift 85 mix; fertilized, no rain, excellent condition. Walker Blitch Statesboro 912-687-6960

Alfalfa: square bales, \$8 to \$12; fescue square bales, \$3.50; hay is high quality, fertilized well. Dale Hall Calhoun 706-506-0351

Bermuda, fescue; 4x5 round bales. horse quality, \$45; bermuda square bales, \$6. Sherrel Astin Villa Rica 678-794-0880

Coastal, bahia mix; 800to 1,000-pound bales, baled with Claas baler; \$60 inside, \$35 to \$45 outside, \$25 mulch. Coy Baker Loganville 770-466-4609

Fescue mixed; square bale, not horse quality. Lamar Cox Fayetteville 404-824-7569

Fescue: square bales, good clean horse quality, fertilized, rain-free, under cover; \$4 per bale; deliver locally,

\$6 per bale. Kim Kosciusko Monroe 603-608-5905 Hay: bermuda, fescue mix, large

rolls, in barn; \$45 each. Dan Tant Barnesville, Ga 404-772-3262 Horse quality bermuda hay in barn,

4x5 rolls, fertilized, rain- and weedfree; \$60 each. Bo Rohrabaugh Stockbridge 770-238-8773

Horse quality bermuda hay; 20,000 square bales; 200 round rolls; 300 rolls peanut hay. Paul Harris Odum 912-294-2470

Horse quality hay, well fertilized, hybrid bermuda, large square bales; \$5.50 in barn; delivery available. Woody Johnson Locust Grove 678 588-0777

Large bales of bermuda, bahia, mix hay; tested very good; approximately 150 bales, barn-stored; in Sasser, Ga. Jerry Melton Albany 229-603-2208

Mulch hay; 1,000-pound round bales, \$30 per bale. Jeff Deen Milledgeville 478-452-2889

Oats cleaned and bagged, 32 pounds; \$8. Tommy Rice Ray City 229-455-5812

Perennial peanut hay, 2014 crop, square bales, average 50 to 55 pounds; delivery available; \$9 picked up. Zach Shanklin Albany 229-881-6383

Rolled hay, 4x5; \$25 to \$30. Reese Barnard Adairville 706-629-2490 706-629-9019

Round bales, orchard, fescue grass, rain-free, 4x4; \$18 per roll; delivery available. Ron Smith LaFayette jpetrel@floorsoft.com 706-537-8841

Shelled yellow corn; \$6 for 40-pound bag. Janie Willis Dahlonega 706-867-5177

Top quality hay, 4x6 rolls, 1,000 pounds; alicia, Tift 9; wrapped, fertilized; 2014 peanut hay; wrapped, will deliver. Josh Yawn Milan 229-315-7339

Feed, Hay and Grain Wanted 150 square bales of good hay for my

goats and sheep, may need delivered Patsy Brown Jackson 770-504-9507 Bermuda square bales, 100 to 150 bales delivered to Grayson, 30017; must be horse quality. Terry Russell Grayson petparty1@aol.com 770-682-8670

Round bales of cow hay in Martin and Lavonia area. Charles Alexander Martin 706-779-3581

LUNCH AND DINNER.



AG SEED FOR SALE If you have questions regarding this

category, call 404-656-3722 Advertisers must submit a current state laboratory report, fewer than nine months old, for purity, noxious weeds and germination for each seed lot advertised. Ads submitted without this information will not be published. If you are faxing or mailing in an ad, this report needs to be sent along with it. For ads submitted online, the report can be attached using the attachments button. Seed lots must be uniform and cannot exceed 400 50-pound bags. Certain varieties of seed are protected from propagation unless they are grown as a class of certified seed. These include Florida 304, Coker 9152, Coker 9835, 6738 soybean, Haskell, Bennings and others. For questions regarding certified seed. call the Department's Seed Division at 404-656-3635.

2014 combine-run oats; Morgan County, near Madison. Frank Eaton Buckhead 706-342-0727 706-474 0689

Georgia 230 certified cotton seed; \$150 for 50 pounds. Stacy L Heard Colquitt 229-205-0864

Ag Plants for Sale

Chandler strawberry Bare-root plants; disease-free, naturally grown to organic standards; call for prices. bulk available. Julia Asherman Jeffersonville jasher@saic.edu 617-777-0117 617-777-0117

Best-ever yellow meat watermelon; for 25 seeds, send SASE and \$20 to address shown. Jack Jones 353 Jones Road Climax 39834 229-327-5353

Blueberry plants, \$2 each; four to six feet tall, taking orders for Februarv shipment. Sidney Roland Demorest 706-754-6700

Figs, three varieties, mulberries, \$5; self-pollinating Issai, kiwi, \$6; sweet shrub, \$3; dewberries, raspberries, \$2; much more. Carla Houghton Marietta 770-428-2227

Fruit trees, \$5; berry bushes, \$1.50; wildlife trees, \$2; Leylands, \$2; shipping available, volume discounts. Kellv Blizman Perry blueberrygirl2@ windstream.net 478-955-6025 Japanese maples; many varieties and sizes, weeping red and green; weeping Serpentine Blue cedar available. Jim Veccie Fayetteville jvec-

cie@gmail.com 770-652-6127 Pecan trees: grafted, bare root; call to place you order for January 2015. Andy Smith Hawkinsville browndalepecanfarms@gmail.com 478-225-

8433 Privacy trees; middle Georgia tree farm now taking orders for winter delivery and planting; Leylands, Thujas, more. John Cowherd Monticello 770-862-7442

Red sugar cane: 55 ents per stalk, ready to cut. Hubert Keller Pooler 912-925-0868 912-658-3260 Several varieties of sugar cane; for sale by stalk, row or field. D.W. Wright Moultrie 229-891-7632 229-324-

3133 Ag Seed/Plants Wanted

Corn in bulk or barrel. Ben Cunning-

ham Fitzgerald bbcunning@hughes. net 229-831-7190 Paw paw trees, will come to your place and dig them. Marvin Garner

FLOWERS FOR SALE

If you have questions about this category, call 404-656-3722. \$1 per packet seeds with SASE: purple cone, black-eyed Susan, tiger lily, giant lily, amaryla. Hans Gruetzenbach 978 County Farm Road Dalton 30721 MuscadinesAndMore@Gmail.

25 single hollyhock seeds, \$3; 10 Texas Star hibiscus seeds, \$2 plus SASE. Donna Miltimore 1396 Kiley Lane Dalton 30721

Angel trumpets, banana trees, black magic elephant ears, ginger lillies, lotus, pond plants and more. Patrice Cook Covington 770-787-6141

Azaleas, Japanese maples, gardenia, hosta, hydrangeas, roses. Linda Waites Fairburn 770-964-6414

Bee balm, mole plant, iris, columbine, pink varrow, money plants; \$2 per tablespoon, SASE. F. Brooks 674 New Rosedale Rd. Armuchee 30105 Black bamboo, golden bamboo, beauty berry, cannas, others. David Pelton Covington 678-654-0571

Crape myrtle trees: pink and white in 20-gallon pots; \$35 each, no shipping. Myrtle Russell Bonaire 478-923-1951

Daffodils: White Mount Hood, old time yellow, old time double bloomers, white narcissis, blue bells, mole bean seed. E. Beach Duluth 770-476-1163

Four-oclocks, different colors, large sunflower seeds; 1 tablespoon, \$1 plus SASE. M V Pursley 253 Ryan Road Winder 30680 770-540-1567 770-307-5645

Giant cosmos seeds, six to eight feet not unusual, 60-plus seeds; \$1 plus SASE. Ira Bray 70 Wilkes Ct. Newnan 30263 770-253-0392

Grancey Greybeard seeds, yellow four-o-clock seeds, red four-o-clock seeds; \$1 per package with SASE. L H Norton Metter 912-885-7067

Lenten roses, Hellebores plants; \$1 to \$4 each, depending on size. Tom Johnson Atlanta 404-234-8427

Old timey zinnias, \$3 per half-cup, \$5 per cup; marigolds, \$1 per tablespoon; cash, two stamps, SASE Mildred Bryan 916 Elm Dr. Monroe 30655 770-267-3098

Red castor bean or loofah sponge seeds; 25 for \$3, 100 for \$10; send SASE. Joy Shelnutt P.O. Box 1212 Loganville 30052

Red spider lilies, \$5 per dozen; Indian paint brush plants, \$5 each. June Hurst Whigham 229-762-4476

Seeds: mullein pink, touch-me-nots, four-o-clocks, money plant, morning glory, hibiscus, devil's trumpet, Siberian iris; \$1 teaspoon, SASE, cash. G. Robertson 2966 Cardinal Lake Cir.

Swamp hibiscus, Texas star seed (25); roughed up for germination; SASE plus \$1. Sgt. Douglas S Capps Comer 770-490-5537

Duluth 30096

frame bee hives, \$60; also make supers and inner cover. Eliseo Delia Mineral Bluff 706-492-5119 **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Association and

building in Macon, Ga.

name and the checkoff deducted.

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246-8297.

National Pork Board

Georgia Pork Producers

The election of pork producer delegate candidates for

the 2016 National Pork Producers (Pork Act) Delegate

Body will take place at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015,

in conjunction with a meeting of Georgia Pork Producers

Association in the auditorium of the Georgia Farm Bureau

This meeting will immediately follow the 2015 Georgia

Pork Congress. All Georgia pork producers are invited to

Any producer age 18 or older, who is a resident of the

state and has paid all assessments due, may be consid-

ered as a delegate candidate or participate in the elec-

tion. All eligible producers are encouraged to bring with

them a sales receipt proving that hogs were sold in their

For more information, contact Georgia Pork Producers

Association, PO Box 1566, Bainbridge, GA, or call 229-

FLOWERS REQUIRING PERMITS

If you have questions regarding this category, call 404-656-3722

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Flowers Wanted

500-plus red spider lily bulbs; will travel and dig up; south Georgia area; call me with details. John Culpepper Quitman 229-292-0869

Rooster comb seeds. Pauline Spence **Cleveland** 706-809-1714

MISCELLANEOUS

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722. 50- to 60-gallon cast iron kettle. Su-

preme Comfort wood burning cook stove. Bennie Robinson Reynolds 478-472-9427 Ashley wood-burning heater, good

condition, three feet high, 21 inches wide. Benny Epps Tunnel Hill 706-673-9442

Fat lighter stumps; large truck load, 25 cents per pound. Henry Beckworth Gibson henshi9913@att.net 706-598-2106 Large dog houses for sale, well-built,

well-designed, strong, make your

farm dog happy with a new home.

Wayne Knight **Auburn** 678-425-4550

Old hand-hewn log cabin, excellent

condition; delivery and set up avail-

able anywhere. Kerry Hix Chatsworth

Two gas circle heaters, excellent

condition, \$50 each; two old timey

wheat cradles, \$50 each. Doris Gar-

Wild hog traps, 4x4x8, continuous

catch spring-loaded door, remove-

able top, large and small hogs. J. D

Conger Norman Park 229-769-3253

Bees, Honey & Supplies

10-frame bee hives, \$75 and five-

rett Cumming 770-887-4116

706-695-6431

229-339-0104

Jan. 8 – 11

Center Savannah, Ga.

Jan. 9 – 10

Pig Classic

& Agricenter

229-254-3886

Heifer Show

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Tucker, Ga.

& Agricenter

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Eatonton, Ga

706-542-8926

Perry, Ga.

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Savannah, Ga

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Ellijay, Ga.

Macon, Ga.

770-542-2351

Gainesville, Ga.

706-583-0347

McDonough, Ga.

770-288-8421

Annual Meeting

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770-307-7178

Cartersville, Ga.

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Ellijay, Ga.

Conference

Tifton, Ga.

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Commission Meeting

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Jan. 10

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4-H Counselor Selection

GJSB Sunglo Feeds Throw-down

Georgia National Fairgrounds

Georgia Dairy Conference

Savannah Riverfront Marriott

Gilmer County Extension Office

Georgia Soybean Commodity

Georgia Farm Bureau Office

Georgia Ag Forecast Meeting

Manager ServSafe Training

Henry County Extension Office

Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation

Brenau Georgia Mountain Center

Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Aids Workshop for Dairymen

Aids Workshop for Dairymen

Putnam County Extension Office

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Financial and Management Decision

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Brooks County Extension Office

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Georgia Young Farmer Convention

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Southeast Junior, Senior Project

Dixie Reining Horse Association

Georgia National Fairgrounds

Annual Meeting King and Prince Golf Resort

Meeting & UGA Cotton Production

Oglethorpe, Ga.

478-474-7588

Eatonton, Ga.

706-485-4151

Atlanta. Ga.

678-514-1971

Carrollton, Ga.

770-535-5955

Workshop

Tifton, Ga.

Jan. 29

Jan. 30

478-988-4235

Quitman, Ga.

229-263-4103

Ashburn, Ga.

Jan. 30 – 31

Jan. 30 - Feb. 1

706-845-8575

Achievement

Eatonton, Ga.

912-681-0179

Horse Show

1-800-344-9808

Stone Mountain, Ga.

St. Simons Island, Ga.

Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Breeder Cattle Sale

Egg Candling Class

UGA-Tifton Campus

Carroll County Ag Center

Jan. 27 – 29

Expo

Jan. 28

Jan. 26

Jan. 27

Bulletin Calendar

Jan. 16 Georgia Ag Forecast Meeting Cloud Livestock Facility Bainbridge, Ga. 706-583-0347

Jan. 17 Farmer Steer and Heifer Show White County Agri-Science Center Cleveland, Ga. 706-988-0018

Jan. 17 – 18 Georgia 4-H Communications and Technology Team Retreat Rock Eagle 4-H Center Eatonton, Ga. 706-542-9237

Jan. 20 – 21 41st Annual Southern Dairy Conference Hilton Garden Inn Millennium Center Atlanta, Ga. 573-882-3861

Jan. 21 Georgia Ag Forecast Meeting Toombs County Agricenter Lyons, Ga. 706-583-0347

Georgia Certified Landscape and Plant Professional Written Exams **Gwinnett Center** Lawrenceville, Ga. 770-229-3251

Jan. 22 Georgia Ag Forecast Meeting UGA-Tifton Campus Conference Center Tifton, Ga.

Jan. 23 Georgia Ag Forecast Meeting Georgia Farm Bureau Building Macon, Ga.

Jan. 23 – 24 Georgia Young Farmers Cattle Show Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Perry, Ga. 478-697-3207 Inaugural ABAC Young Farmers Steer and Heifer Show Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Perry, Ga.

Jan. 23 – 25 Callaway Gardens Pine Mountain, Ga. 1-844-227-9085

Fruit Tree, Vine & Berry Bush Sale Georgia Organics Office Atlanta, Ga. 678-702-0400

Banquet The Classic Center Athens, Ga. 770-307-7178

Jan. 24 – 25 HQHA Winter Circuit Horse Show Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Perry, Ga. 770-227-2159

Jan. 25 Middle Georgia Equestrian Teams Winter Wonderland High Point IEA Show Georgia International Horse Park Conyers, Ga. www.rideiea.org

229-386-3470 Additional pesticide recertification training notices are available on the Department website under the Plant Industry Division tab.

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Carrollton, Ga. 770-836-8546

2015 five-frame nucs; \$105 plus \$20 deposit for nuc box; ready early April. Gary Gailey Cleveland gailey.gary@ yahoo.com 678-316-9791 Bee removal, metro Atlanta and west Financial and Management Decision Georgia areas, work guaranteed. W.O. Macon County Extension Office

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Carpenter bee traps; \$10 each, extra for shipping. Billy Middlebrooks Monroe 770-267-7084

Carpenter bee traps; \$13.50 each, shipped in lots of five for \$85; postage ncluded. William Timmerman Harlem 803-640-6265

Carpenter bee traps; mason jar attachment, 4x4x5, one solid piece; \$12 plus \$5 shipping; call for info. Chris Wilkerson **Nashville** 229-316-0522

Package bees and nucs; for sale January through March. Alan Odom Rebecca 229-387-1718

Pick up swarms for free, removal from structures for a fee; will pick up, purchase unwanted beekeeping equipment. Dave Larson Mitchell 770-542-9546

Taking orders: 10-frame bee hives with supers and queen excluders; for spring delivery. Sam Thompson Cadwell 478-278-6274

Will remove unwanted bee equipment, swarms and removal from structure: 2014 all-natural wildflower honey for sale. Derry Oliver Commerce 706-335-7226 706-621-1781

Things To Eat

Advertisers submitting ads using the term "organic" require Certified Organic registration with the Geor-gia Department of Agriculture. Ads submitted without this registration will not be published. If you are faxing or mailing in an ad, the registration needs to be sent along with it. For ads submitted online, the registration can be attached using the attachments button. For information on this registration, call the Organic Program Manager at 706-595-3408.

'14 pecans, \$11 per pound plus postage; will crack, shell, separate your pecans, 50 cents per pound. Russell Eaton Stockbridge 770-506-2727

2014 black walnuts cleaned; \$23 per quart; I pay shipping. Odell Cripps Harlem 706-556-9130

2014 black walnuts, shelled, large, extra clean meats; \$22 per quart, postage paid. Hoyt Payne Mc-Caysville 706-492-7781

2014 clean black walnuts; \$20 per quart plus \$6 shipping, postage. Roy Caine **Cumming** 770-887-4114

2014 pecan; \$8 per pound, nine pounds left. Michelle Copeland Clarkesville 706-499-8611

2014 shelled pecans, mostly halves; \$8 per pound plus postage; Horizon Orchards. Phil Williams Jesup 912-270-4676

All-natural Black Angus beef; no steroids, antibiotics or hormones; call for information. David Sharpton Commerce 706-367-0876

Citrons for making preserves; free; Alpharetta and Milton area. George Cook Milton 770-789-8554 770-475-5909

Collards, turnip greens, kale, mustard greens. C. Brooks Roswell 770-993-2315

Cracked pecans, \$3 per pound, but volume discounts available; ask for Ray and Candi. Pete Middleton Roswell 706-476-7154 678-646-4066

Fresh 2014 Stuart pecans, shelled; \$8 per pound, plus shipping; get your order in while supplies last. James Allen Thomaston 478-955-7106

Marview Farms provides grassfed, organically raised beef, lamb, pork, goat; organic materials available, visit marviewfarms.com for information. Fernando Mendez Arabi 229-401-8722

Naturally grown Jerusalem artichoke, as low as \$6 per pound plus shipping. Buddy Hutto Warner Robins buddy260@cox.net 478-960-1329

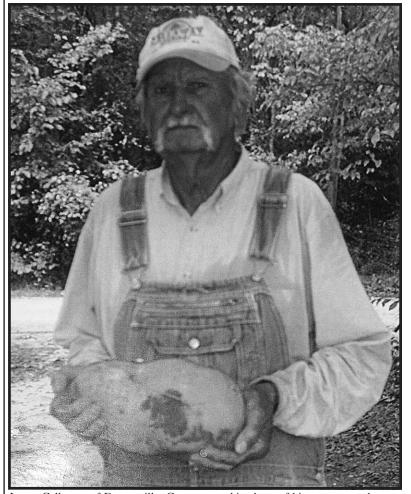
North Georgia; collards, accepting orders, now through Dec. 31, 2014; large quantities available. Lamar Presley Maysville 770-654-3262

One quart shelled black walnuts, \$20; you pay shipping. Herman Robinson Bremen 770-537-3729

Pecan halves, 2014, naturally grown, our pounds; \$45, post paid. Mary Lynn Mobley Union Point 706-817-1152

Pecans, hand-shelled, \$8; in shell, \$2.50 plus shipping. Eli Kauffman Montezuma 478-472-8842

Pure cane syrup, no additives. Lynn Reeves Dearing 706-825-6274 706-595-1798



James Callaway of Fayetteville, Ga., sent us this photo of his seven-pound sweet potato.

Perry, Ga. 813-426-5708 Jan. 31 **Cloverleaf Project Achievement** Rome. Ga. lpurcell@uga.edu Feb. 3 Egg Candling Class Washington County Farm Bureau Agricultural Center

Financial and Management Decision

Vermeer Regional Service School Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Perry, Ga. 641-621-7562

Feb. 4 Egg Candling Class Houston County Government Bl Perry, Ga. 478-987-2028 Landscape Design for Homeowners, Class 1

& Agricenter Jan. 24

Georgia Angus Annual Meeting and

Georgia 4-H State Horse Quiz Bowl

706-542-1165

Carroll County Ag Center

Tennille, Ga. 478-552-2011 Waynesboro, Ga.

Aids Workshop for Dairymen Burke County Extension Office

Feb. 3 – 6

706-554-2119

Stoneground grits, cornmeal, whole wheat flour; white and yellow grits and cornmeal; two-pound bags; will ship. Stacey Freeman **Statesboro** 912-852-9381

Water-ground meal, whole wheat flour, grits; \$5 for five pounds plus postage; also, grind your grain. Mike Buckner **Junction City** 706-269-3630

We machine-shell your pecans while you wait for 30 cents per pound. Jody Glidewell **Jackson** 770-775-6592

Fish & Supplies

Advertisers selling sterile triploid grass carp must submit a current Wild Animal License from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Ads submitted without this license will not be published. If you are faxing or mailing in an ad, the license needs to be sent along with it. For ads submitted online, the license can be attached using the attachments button. For license information, call 770-761-3044.

A.I. quality farm-grown channel catfish fingerlings graded, priced by size, accurate weights and counts; guaranteed live, healthy. J.F. Gilbert **Thomaston** 770-648-2062

All sizes catfish, minnows, bluegill, shellcracker, redbreast, sterile carp, electrofishing, feeders, shad, aeration and consulting services. Keith and Kim Edge **Soperton** 478-697-8994

Any size bass, bluegill, crappie, channel cat, shellcracker, shad, minnows; free delivery or pick up; best prices. Danny Austin, Sr. **Roberta** 478-836-4938

Bass, bluegill, shellcrackers, hybrid bream, channel catfish fingerlings, sterile grass carp; delivery available. Tony Chew **Manchester** 706-846-3657

Red Wigglers; \$2 cup, \$35 five-gallon bucket, \$100 25-gallon tub. Bruce Self **Byron** 478-538-6167

Fertilizers & Mulches

2014 square bale mulch hay, in barn. Jerry Cox **Fayetteville** 770-461-7938 2014 wheat straw; \$3 per bale, at barn; delivery available. Gary Brinson **Tarrytown** 912-286-3191

Aged horse manure, you load any time; I load, call for appointment; \$10 truck, \$20 trailer, \$30 tandem. Raymond Dunnigan **Smyrna** 678-683-2624 404-421-1775

Free aged horse manure, mixed with shavings, can load with tractor. Monti Hight **Macon** 478-960-2008

Free horse manure, mixed with shavings. Danny West **Fayetteville** 404-771-4041

Mulch hay, 4x5 net-wrapped rolls, \$10 per roll; delivery available; discounts for large quantities. Jack Jenkins **Athens** 706-286-4438

Mulch hay; approximately 200 bales, will load; \$20 each. Eugene Lovett **Tennille** gene@lovettspeedshop.com 478-552-7819

Red long leaf pine straw; delivered and installed, all Georgia. Josh Bulloch **Manchester** 404-925-1076

Red Wigglers and castings by the pound or bed run. Reed Adair Loganville 770-527-6064

Square bales in barn, easy access; 75 to 100 bales, not rained on. Jim Wylie **Calhoun** 770-596-4388

Poultry Litter/Compost

Red Wigglers for composting, worm castings, worm farm starter kits, worm farming workshops, gawigglers.com D. Holman **Covington** 678-977-7944 Red Wigglers, worm castings, worm compost tea, composting kits, worm farming workshops; gawigglers.com K. Holman **Newnan** 770-713-5781

Oddities

Gourds: martin, crooked handle, craft, bottleneck and more; shop any time. Thelma Moon **Royston** 706-245-4218

Gourds: martin, serval to choose from. Hoyt Howard **Cumming** 770-887-2039

Martin gourds, plain or fixed, ready to hang, other varieties at farm or ship. Crystal Lang **Cordele** 229-322-1321

Miscellaneous Wanted 10-, 12- or 16-foot gates, also Tposts, wooden fence posts and tin. Linda Duke Good Hope 770-267-1520 770-549-5383

40- or 50-gallon syrup kettle with wide lip, in good condition. Charles Milford **Hartwell** 705-371-1404

Dish rag gourds, martin gourds, bushel gourds; also seeds for the above; 110 and cross-pollinated. Donavon Jones **Carrollton** 770-574-4937

Goat Master working chute with ramp stand; must include headgate and ramp. Vanessa Story **Waleska** MissPrissyHen@aol.com 770-796-2338

Horse or cow manure for my garden; pick-up or deliver. Robbert Culbertson **Thomson** pageculbertson@ gmail.com 706-595-7552

Large meat grinder, three-point hitch or single-point hitch. Jerry Lee **Alma** 912-288-5727

Metal pipe, six inches or larger, any length or thickness; irrigation well casing is preferred. Sam Manous **Ranger**

sam@ngturf.com 770-548-0489 Mountain laurel wood; branches two-plus inches in diameter. Sandra Parker **Newnan** 678-596-6892

Old barn, building to tear down; Pike or surrounding counties; will pay reasonable price. Nelson Hollingsworth **Molena** 404-805-4156

Old chicken house to tear down; will clean it all up. Brian Anderson **Royston** 706-498-7532

Quantities of 20-pound used propane tanks (grill size), must have current OPD-type valves. William Croft

Dawsonville 706-344-9691 Set of "suitcase" type weights for front of John Deere 4640. Jeff Davis Dublin 478-272-6530

Solar-powered fence chargers and posts. Jeff Pasternak **Adairsville** 678-918-6130

Three 12-foot panels for round pen. Jane Berlin **Nicholson** 678-640-8952

Three recipes: old fashioned turnip greens, white turnips and corn pudding. Fosteene Griggs **Rock Spring** 706-764-1873

Used concrete or steel pipe; 30 inches up to 60 inches; minimum length 20 inches. Shane Holt **Whitesburg** 404-535-1248

Used six-foot metal T-post, also six-foot tall used chain link fencing. Darren Wilkes **Demorest** 706-768-2683

Will pay \$7.50 each for old bonnets. Billy C Horne **Macon** 478-731-6209 Notices Register now for Equine Championship Youth Day: qualifiers for national world shows, state champions, first-place winners at federation state show eligible for invitation; please send name, address. John Clements Atlanta 478-298-0347 404-863-2173 Out-Of-State Wanted

Brushmaster, three-point forestry disk; preferably nine feet wide. Norwood Blanchard **Wallace** NC norwood1310@gmail.com 910-289-1310 Cattle creep feeder, in good condition, ready to use; two-ton or larger. Lamar Simmons **Gainesville** GA 352-317-2869

Flowers, plant seeds: hyacinth, bean, sugar cane, black bamboo, any exotic; starter plants, seed. Carolyn Jones **Signal Mountain** TN methec11@yahoo.com 423-290-5018 423-290-5018

Firewood

Firewood must be cut from the advertiser's personal property. Ads for firewood must use the cord when specifying the amount of firewood for sale.

100 percent hardwood, cut 16 to 18 inches and split; \$160 per cord; smaller quantities available; delivery extra. Alan Sanders **Blairsville** 706-745-3884

Firewood: \$160 per cord, \$70 per half-cord; delivery available, free local delivery. Robert Todd **Greenville** 706-594-2147

Hardwood, cut 12 to 23 inches and split; \$180 per cord; \$95 half-cord; delivery free within 30 miles. Tommy Vincent **Riverdale** 770-996-5368 404-293-8009

Light wood stumps; chopped to use for fire; \$300. Edgar Gornto **Adel** 229-896-3645

Oak firewood, \$150 per cord; mixed hardwoods, \$85 per cord; will sell in smaller quantities. Brad Stephens **Hogansville** 706-594-3136

Oak firewood, seasoned, split; \$200 per cord, \$100 per half-cord. Charles Crawley **Unadilla** 229-942-0243 Oak firewood: seasoned, split, de-

livered; \$90 third-cord; free delivery, south Atlanta, Palmetto. Mitchell North **Franklin** 770-755-5716

Seasoned and split oak, mixed hardwoods, approximately two cords available; \$125 per cord. Dot Hempler **Greenville** 706-672-4635

Seasoned split firewood, oak, hickory; delivery avialable; \$180 full cord; \$100 half-cord. Richard Burr **Coving**ton 404-771-1391

Seasoned, split delivery or pick up; \$100 per half-cord; oak, hickory, cherry, pecan; ask for Tommy. Cynthia Mcrae **Jefferson** 706-362-4874

Split oak firewood; half-cord \$85; delivery extra. Larry Moore **Newnan** 678-278-5709

Split seasonal red oak; 14 to 16 inches; \$160 per cord, \$80 half-cord; delivery extra. Larry Houston **Coving**ton 770-786-4015

Split seasoned hardwood; \$90 for half-cord and \$180 for full cord; pick up only; Between, Monroe area. Craig Cown **Grayson** 770-317-1604 770-689-9769

Christmas Trees

Leyland cypress five- to six-foot trees. Bob Brookshire **Hoschton** bbrooks3140@bellsouth.net 770-932-5795

Handicrafts

If you have questions regarding ads in this category, call 404-656-3722. Handicraft ads are limited to 30 words.

All types of chair caning, refinishing and repairs. James J Lewis **Perry** 478-987-4243

Bluebird nestbox with glass viewing window, as seen at "Bluebirds Over Georgia" show; all cedar, easy clean out; \$20 plus \$7:50 shipping. John

Chaney Winder 770-867-8263 Chair and rocker caning of all kinds; also wicker and rattan repair; 34 years experience. Duke Dufresne **Statham** 770-725-2554

Crochet items: all handmade; repair work on crochet items done at reasonable prices. Marcia H Brookins 219 Sheila Circle **Thomaston** 30286 706-647-0593

Custom handmade T-shirt quilts, memory quilts, memory bears; great gifts for birthdays, graduation or just because. Margaret Watson **Newnan** mew542000@yahoo.com 770-251-6951

Hand-quilting, 50 years experience. Betty Hyman **Norwood** 706-466-2116 Homemade quilts: custom and premade, all sizes; \$75 to \$450; beautiful patterns and colors, think gifts and holidays. Doris Brown **McDonough** FDBrownJ@charter.net 770-898-8701

Knives with deer antler handles; three sizes; comes with leather sheaf; great for Christmas; great for slinking; can be personalized Darrel Youngblood **Millwood** 912-282-0167

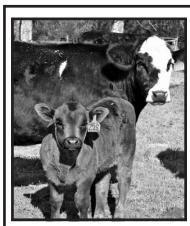
Porch swings: four feet, \$40; five feet, \$50. Bill Speer **Summerville** 706-857-4189

Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls, 25 inches; all handmade, no paints or plastics, beautifully dressed, original 1970 pattern. B. Hopkins 914 28th St E **Tifton** 31794 229-382-2310

Walker bags, adult bibs, sunbonnets, aprons; \$7 each or three for \$15, includes postage. Margaret Hottle **College Park** 404-344-0568



Maggie and Dixie helped their "Pa" grow this 56-pound pumpkin in their garden in Talking Rock, Ga. *Photo submitted by Phillip Godfrey*.



LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS Average prices for December 2014 Auction Market at Georgia Auction Markets, Georgia Department of Agriculture and U.S.D.A. Cooperative Federal-State Livestock Market News and Grading Service. For daily quotations, call (229) 226-1641 (7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

(Cattle prices expressed in price/hundredweight)

SLAUGHTER
CLASSES AVERAGES
COWS:
Breakers 75-80% lean. 113.82
Boners 80-85% Lean. 115.19
Lean 85-90% Lean 107.58
BULLS: Vield Crede 1
Yield Grade 1 1000-1500 lbs 135.77
1500-2100 lbs 136.65
FEEDER CLASSES:
WEIGHTED AVG PRICES
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UGA, Armstrong Atlantic research growing edible, ornamental bananas in the South

By Dallas Duncan

Move over, peaches – Georgia is going bananas.

2015 marks more than a decade of scientists at the University of Georgia-Tifton Campus researching varieties of the fruit that could prosper in the state's climate.

"The US is a big importer. We spend at least \$1.5 billion each year to bring bananas to the US. If you add the plantain, it's \$1.9 billion that the US spends to bring bananas here," said Esendugue Fonsah, professor and Extension economist at UGA-Tifton.

The only places bananas are grown commercially in America is Hawaii. Florida is starting to host a small banana industry, and since Georgia's right next door, it makes sense to try them here, he said.

"We're not trying to grow the same bananas as Central America," Fonsah said. "[We can grow] Ethnic bananas, which is perfect for niche markets. If you go to the Atlanta supermarkets, you find Ethnic banana sales price ranges from \$1.27 to \$2 per pound, compared to the regular banana, which is 45 cents to 65 cents."

Georgia's banana project has been in the works since the early 2000s. Fonsah said more farmers are trying to cultivate them, but he's urging them to not get too far ahead – not enough research has been done yet for proper application and label usage on some chemical fertilizers, for example.

"We want to do it not just for the big guys, but for the little guys. The guys who want to do one acre of strawberries and one acre of bananas," Fonsah said.

But where the "big guys" come in is alternative energy. A portion of the banana plant is not eaten, but it can be crushed and turned into a biofuel. In addition, the entirety of the plant could proof an economic incentive. Banana blossoms, which are eaten as vegetables all over the world, can sell for between \$3 and \$5 each. The leaves can also be marketed, Fonsah said.



Researchers at the University of Georgia-Tifton Campus and Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah, Ga., have been cultivating new edible and ornamental banana varieties for more than a decade. Though not ready for commercial production yet, both industries hold promise for a variety of cultivars, including these pink Musa veutina ornamentals. *Photo courtesy Richard Wallace, Armstrong Atlantic State University*

There are possibilities for landscaping as well.

"Our ornamental industry is a \$500 million industry, so if we add bananas to the collection, that is a huge addition," Fonsah said.

That's where Georgia's second banana project comes into play, headed up by Richard Wallace, professor of chemistry at Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah. Wallace also focuses on ornamental bananas, which produce fruit that's not traditionally grown for consumption.

"They tend to be small, highly seeded, but they're very beautifully colored," he said. "They seem to be very well-suited for a variety of climates including those in south Georgia and Florida. They grow much faster than the edible varieties."

Wallace, an organic chemist by training, dabbled in backyard agriculture, specifically

tropical fruits. As he became more interested in growing bananas, he came across Fonsah's project. The two worked together for several years and now Wallace has his own banana breeding research, too.

"Just like everything else in science, there's so many aspects of it to be explored," Wallace said. "We found this one variety that has a very short fruiting cycle. It grows very rapidly; it produces fruit very rapidly. What I'm interested in doing is trying to bring some cold tolerance through selective breeding."

The reason bananas grow so well in the tropics is because there's no frost and consistent temperatures year-round, Wallace said.

"There are some bananas that are cold tolerant, but nothing that is cold proof. Every variety I've seen will die if it gets cold enough, which is within the winter tem-

peratures that we have here. Nobody lives through the winter as a green plant, even in south Georgia," he said.

That got Wallace thinking – what if there was a banana variety that was an annual, which could be planted, harvested and die back, like tomato plants?

"After we realized there was a variety out there that grew fast enough that allowed us to do everything in one season, I became interested in how can we make this better, maybe extend the season a little bit better," Wallace said.

Most varieties take 18 months to two years to put on fruit, so in areas like Georgia where the temperature drops too low for optimum production, a banana with an eight- to ninemonth growth cycle would work best, said Katie Chafin, owner-manager of Going Bananas in Homestead, Fla.

"Florida and places in Georgia do get them to fruit pretty good if they want to protect them from the weather," she said. "As far as commercial [production], I really wouldn't advise it until we get something that can come to fruit a little faster."

Chafin's banana business began after Hurricane Andrew hit in 1992 and wiped out much of her tropical fruit trees – except for a few bananas. Her farm is now the only dedicated banana nursery in the country, with customers everywhere from the Keys to Alaska. She said her customers are determined to grow what they've been told is impossible in their area, including bananas.

Fonsah and Wallace's projects are far from over, developing cultivars that can be sold through nurseries like Chafins, now for smallscale production and possibly commercial sales in the future.

"I don't think we're ever going to compete with Chiquita and Dole for banana production, but I think it'll give people who do smaller farming an opportunity for a different crop," Wallace said. "Plus it's a beautiful plant. There's not a lot prettier than a banana plant if it's healthy and happy."

LOAN: Development Authority's START program offers low interest rates

farming five years or fewer, said Thomas Carter, executive director of GDA.

"Everyone is concerned with the age of farmers in America. The average age is over 60 years old. In order to continue a good, reliable source of food for the nation, we need to do things to help the younger generation step into the footprints of the one's that's going out," Carter said. "We thought that probably the best use of funds would be for a beginning farmer program to get people farming to replace ones that are on the retiring side."

The START loan is available to beginning farmers, ranchers, agribusiness operators and those with limited financial resources or assets. According to the program website, applicants must meet other requirements, including having no prior ownership in a substantial amount of farmland and possessing an individual net worth of less than \$750,000.

The need for loans comes in part due to the rise in farm real estate cost, which "exacerbated" the challenges of acquiring farmland, according to USDA-ERS. The per-acre value in 2012 averaged more than \$2,600, up nearly 11 percent from

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the previous year. Beginning farmer loans are also available from the USDA Farm Service Agency and the Farm Credit System. GDA also offers other loan options for producers, including loans for agribusiness, land and equipment.

"This program lends the money out at the prime interest rate, which is 3.25 [percent]," Carter said. "The maximum loan amount is \$400,000. The loan has to be 80 percent of the appraised value of the property or the purchase price, whichever is lowest."

He said the interest rate is the biggest difference between START and GDA's other loans.

"They're going to be up in the 4 to 6 percent range depending on the term of the loan," Carter said. "We're going to not be quite as lenient on the credit standards with the regular loans. With the beginning farmer, we give them kind of the benefit of the doubt to help them out."

Thompson checked into some of the other beginning farmer options, but none fit quite right.

"I needed to have three years of paper history as being a

farmer myself for the USDA, and being that I just graduated from college two years ago this December, I didn't have three full years of history on paper where I'd been on my own," he said.

Carter said GDA set up a \$10 million revolving fund specifically for START, and added they'd love to lend all the money out.

"I think it's one of the best opportunities for a person trying to begin a farming operation. You can't beat the interest rate," Carter said. "They're getting an interest rate that's exclusive for the very best customers in the country. That's very hard to beat especially when you can lock it in for long-term."

Though it was the interest rates that initially intrigued him to the START loan, Thompson said it was GDA's support system that hooked him.

"This is a big undertaking: think of somebody 26 years old, and somebody standing there with me and saying, 'I believe in you and we can make this work together," he said. "It just gives you a little comfort to say they're putting their faith in you that you can do this, just get up every day and work hard."

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