

Harper reflects on productive 2023, celebrating 150 years

By Tyler Harper

Georgia Agriculture Commissioner

As Christmas and New Year's fade into the rearview, I hope that each of you had the opportunity to spend the holiday season with your families, friends, and loved ones. While we all know well that the work on the farm never stops, the holidays are an important time to reflect on the past year, our successes, our shortcomings, and the "farm values" that serve as the backbone of Georgia's agricultural community – hard work, integrity, resilience, faith, and family. It's hard to believe that my first year serving as your Agriculture Commissioner has already come and passed, but with the new year comes new opportunities to work together to continue moving our industry forward.

In 2022, we campaigned on a promise that my background as a 7th generation South Georgia farmer with a



Tyler Harper, Agriculture Commissioner. GDA/File photo

decade of experience and leadership in the State Senate would allow us to hit the ground running, and I'm proud to say we kept that promise. While our industry faced more than its share of challenges in 2023, from record high inflation and Hurricane Idalia to the ongoing labor shortage and drought in many parts of the state, the future of Georgia agriculture remains bright. I'm incredibly proud of what we've been able to accomplish in our first year, and I'm beyond grateful for the opportunity to continue to serve this industry and each of you.

During the 2023 legislative session, I was proud to work with my former colleagues in the General Assembly to help pass SB 220 – the Georgia Farmland Conservation Fund – which Governor Kemp signed into law last spring. The Farmland Conservation Fund gives Georgia farmers another way to protect their most valu-

able resource – their land – by creating a program in which farmers can apply for matching funds from the state to purchase an easement, protecting it from development into perpetuity. We worked hard to help secure much-needed disaster relief for producers impacted by the March freezes, Hurricane Idalia, hail and tornado damage, and the ongoing drought across a large part of our state; we restored the Department of Agriculture's status as a Law Enforcement Agency – a critical function of the agency; and we secured additional funding for numerous Department programs.

Through the Georgia Grown Program, we've partnered with our hometown Atlanta Braves to market Georgia Grown products to new audiences, and we made a significant investment in a new Georgia Grown ad campaign – "The Georgia Grown Challenge" – featuring our great Governor and First Lady. We welcomed hundreds of agribusinesses as new members of Georgia Grown – bringing membership to an all-time high, and our team continues to leave no stone unturned as we search for new markets for

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Georgia Grown unites with 2024 AmericasMart Atlanta



Sixty-seven Georgia Grown members attended the January AmericasMart tradeshow last month through the Domestic Marketing Program, a cost-sharing program that helps small businesses in Georgia find a larger market for their products. (GDA/Jay Jones)

By Jay Jones

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ATLANTA – Diane Pfeifer and Alan Carr are different but also the same. They are attending the wholesale January Atlanta Market at AmericasMart in downtown Atlanta. Both are Georgia Grown members looking to expand their customer base but are coming to the event with different perspectives.

One is a veteran of the wholesale trade shows, while the other is a first-time newbie. Both said they benefit from their experience through Georgia Grown's Domestic Marketing Program, a cost-sharing effort that allows Georgia-based businesses to partner with the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Georgia Grown marketing brand at national trade shows.

Pfeifer has attended tradeshow for 36 years. In recent years, she sells her Grits Bits brand of crispy cheese wafers and cookies baked with

grits. She signed up for the program a few years ago when she got an order from Buc-ee's, the mega convenience store chain. "The subsidy was the only reason I was here two years ago when she came by," she said.

"You meet stores from all over the country, but with my case, I'm relegated to the Southeast with grits," Pfeifer said. "I meet all of these great stores. I'm in 45 stores with Buc-ee's now because of the show."

The Georgia Grown's Domestic Marketing Program is a partnership with AmericasMart's operator ANDMORE, which has championed Georgia Grown products at trade shows held each January and June. The Atlanta shows are among the largest wholesale trade shows in the world. Each show hosts over 50 floors of vendor booth space across three buildings and attracts retailers and designers from every state and over

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Bruce Redmond named 2024 Georgia Farmer of the Year

By Jay Jones

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Bruce Redmond of Shiloh Farms in Effingham County was named the 2024 Georgia Farmer of the Year by the University of Georgia Extension Service in Tifton during the university's annual Ag Forecast on Jan. 26.

Redmond was nominated by his county agriculture and natural resource agent, Blake Carter, with the UGA Extension office in Springfield. In October, he will represent Georgia at the Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition to run for Southeastern Farmer of the Year and compete against a field of other farmers from 10 states. He is the 33rd Farmer of the Year for Georgia.

UGA Assistant Dean for Extension Mark McCann explained in announcing Redmond that county agents across Georgia nominate farmers for the award, which recognizes outstanding and innovative work in agriculture.

Redmond was emotional in accepting the award. "Farming is all I've ever known. It's all I've ever done. Everything in my life comes from hard work, long hours that farmers all know too well," he said. "I'm blessed beyond measure to have a family that supports me,



Bruce Redmond of Shiloh Farms in Effingham County was named the 2024 Georgia Farmer of the Year by the University of Georgia Extension Service in Tifton. He was recognized for outstanding work in agriculture and innovative farming techniques. From left to right: Nick Place, dean of the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences; Blake Carter, Effingham County UGA Extension agent; Redmond; and Mark McCann, UGA assistant dean for Extension. (GDA/Lee Lancaster)

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AC tractors, 3-B's & 1-CA,
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more: \$1800. Wesley Carlan
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Massey Ferguson 760hr diesel,
runs great: \$4000; 1085
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Int. Cub 154 Lo-Boy, good
running condition, belly mow-
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Bacon **Dudley** 478-697-0485

Kubota 2015 B3350 4x4 with
outboard hydraulics, 5ft belly
mower, 3pt hitch, 33HP. Small
dents in hood but looks good,
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Fairmount 770-876-4352

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tiller, boxblade, auger and
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4,872hrs. Call for more infor-
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Paden **Locust Grove** 770-827-
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Michael Kelly **Monticello** 478-
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PLANTING AND
TILLAGE

10ft John Deere grain drill,
great shape, easy to operate:
\$2500. Michael Kelly **Monti-
cello** 478-662-1523

2-row cultivator w/Cole, Cov-
ington planters; 4-7ft scrape
blades; 23ft sprayer; 1-4 bot-
tom plows, 1-2 & 4-row culti-
vator; 1-2 & 4-row rolling culti-
vator; dirt scoop; booms. Carl
Blackshear 912-337-3739

22 blade disc harrow, round
bale 2 spear forks, scrape
blade, rollover scraper, 12ft
cattle trough, stock tanks 150-
70 gal. Call after 7:00pm. John
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5ft Behlen Country power
drive tiller. Used once, 5hrs,
perfect condition: \$1,500 cash,
you transport. Joel Navarro
Covington 404-520-0260

6 row KMC strip till with 1700
JD planters plus assist wheels.
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- Ag Parts and Tires
- Other Machinery and Implements

Heavy Equipment

- Forestry and Logging Equipment
- Construction Equipment

Trailers

- Livestock Handling and Hauling
- Equipment Trailers and Carts
- Crop Trailers, Carts and Bins

Vehicles

- Trucks
- Truck Accessories and Parts
- UTVs/ATVs
- Golf Cars
- Boats

Lawn and Garden

- Garden Tractors
- Landscape Tools/Materials

Farm Supplies

- Irrigation Equipment
- Tools and Hardware

Farm Animals

- Cattle
- Swine
- Goats
- Sheep
- Equine
- Stock Dogs
- Barn Cats
- Rabbits
- Poultry/Fowl
- Poultry/Fowl Requiring Permit or License
- Non-Traditional Livestock

Animal Supplies

- Cattle Supplies
- Swine Supplies
- Goat Supplies

Generators and Compressors

- Buildings and Materials
- Lumber
- Posts and Fencing

Farm Animals

- Sheep Supplies
- Tack and Supplies
- Dog Supplies
- Rabbit Supplies
- Poultry Supplies

Miscellaneous

- Bees, Honey and Supplies
- Aquaculture and Supplies
- Feed, Hay and Grain
- Mulch and Fertilizers
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- Plants, Trees and Flowers
- Hemp
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- Stud Services
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- Farm Services

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- Farm Help Needed
- Seeking Farm Employment


Wanted

- Items wanted in all categories will be advertised here.

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Please specify if vehicles are in running condition.

TRUCKS



1981 Ford Courier rebuilt 4-cylinder, 4-speed. New clutch, radiator and battery. Needs paint, runs great: \$3400. Leave message. Johnson **Stockbridge** 770-474-8965

1987 F-150 302 V8 long bed. Running when parked. E. Kennedy **Cochran** 478-230-5721

1988 Suburban, 6.2 diesel, 4WD: call for pricing; John Deere ripper, off of 650 dozer: \$10,000 OBO. Todd Grogan **Montgomery, AL** 334-320-7315

1996 Chevrolet Tahoe 4x4, 1 owner, 162k miles, loaded: \$5,990. Steve Moore **Carrollton** 404-374-3322

1999 Dodge Ram 2500 stripped for parts – engine trans, fenders, bumpers, hood, seats, windshield & (4) new tires on wheels. Call for details. Larry Houston **Covington** 770-235-3082

TRUCK ACCESSORIES AND PARTS

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GARDEN TRACTORS

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Small 8x8 storage building; \$500, you move; (1) mineral (portable) box: \$50; (3) electric fences: \$30/ea. D. Jones **Flowery Branch** 770-718-7253

LUMBER


(65) Pine boards tongue & groove w/beveled edge, 3/4x5.5x14ft, no knots, clear grade, excellent condition, air dried. Can send photos. Robert **Saint Marys** 912-322-9287

Band-sawn lumber. Pine or hardwood, siding or framing and beams, oak trailer decking or blocking, T&G shiplap. Text or call. Larry Moore **Grantville** 678-278-5709

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Sawmill lumber. Rough, finished, kiln-dried, air-dried or green. Pine, red/white oak, poplar, cherry, black walnut, slabs available for counter tops. Can cut up to 24ft. AA Farms **Hartwell** 706-376-8968




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Animals that are not cattle, hogs, sheep, other livestock, poultry, or bees




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TOOLS AND HARDWARE

Bosch heavy duty hammer drill and jack hammer, great for anchor bolts or concrete break up: \$200. Scott **Covington** 770-367-3281

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CATTLE

(1) Angus/Hereford bull calf, 8m/o: \$850; (1) Hereford heifer calf, 8m/o: \$700. Steve Briggs **Temple** 678-215-6537

(1) SimAngus bull, born Feb, 2023; (2) Black Baldy bulls, born June, 2023. Contact for prices. Can text pics. Scott Price **Grantville** 404-326-6189

(2) purebred red Angus bulls, 24m/o. Hubert Lewis **Buchanan** 770-883-6004

(20) black heifers, 13m/o, sired by Angus and Beefmaster bulls, open: \$1600. You pick. Robert Wright **Woodbury** 706-601-9124

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19 Red Angus heifers 14plus months old all out of reg cows. ready to breed. Photos available. Michael Smith **Newnan** 770-301-1945

30 black Angus cow and calf pairs. Lovell Camp **Brooks** 770-294-5970


2 Reg'd SimAngus and 1 Reg'd Simmental bulls. AI sired, DNA tested. Passed BSE; 15 months old: \$3000 each. Jessie Driggers **Glennville** 912-237-0608

20 fancy commercial heifers mostly black angus with a few red Angus. Sale in groups of 5 or larger. Asking \$1600 each. James **Maysville** 678-614-1737

20 pure bred open polled Hereford heifers, (1) 3-year-old bulls ready for service, top bloodlines since 1963. James Jeanes **Macon** 478-972-0912 or 478-363-0915

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4 commercial Angus heifers, 10-11 months; also coming 2 year old black Angus bull. All farm raised, gentle, vaccinated. Deanna Purther **Ellijay** 530-263-3638



5-year-old black Angus bull. Small birth weights. Very, very gentle. See offspring on site: \$3000. William Chambers **Fairburn** 678-409-0704

5-year-old Brahman bull. Black/white face. Very gentle: \$3000. Radebaugh Ranch **Reynolds** 772-828-0620

8 Reg. black Angus heifers 12-15 months. One reg Angus cow due in May. Call/text for breeding and price. Delivery available. Cloud Cattle. Sam Cloud **Canton** 678-294-4475

Akushi bulls, ready to work, registered and gentle, add quality to your beef, easy calving. Roy Strickland **Villa Rica** 404-975-8200

Angus bulls. DNA, BSE, vaccinated, AHIR, Dam's Production records available. Webstie: www.hagenfarms-angus.-com. Kim Hagen **Carrollton** 404-386-9918 Kim Hagen

Angus heifers, av. wt. 600Lbs, gentle, moderate size, pictures available: \$1300/ea. David Brown **Senoia** 678-378-6202

Beefmaster bulls, registerable. Good bloodlines, disposition, & conformation. Photos available. BBU member since 1982. Cary Bittick Jr. **Forsyth** 478-957-0095

Black Angus heifers bred back to Angus; also Angus heifer/calf pairs. Call for pricing. Grady Ranch, Bill West **Whigham** 229-378-7673

Black polled Limousin and Limflex bulls, gentle, raised on grass, 32-40 mouths old, ready to work. Jimbo Crumley **Statham** 678-409-3572

Livestock Sales and Events Calendar

APPLING COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays, 12:30 p.m. at the Baxley Fairgrounds Goats, sheep, feeder pigs, hogs, calves, poultry and rabbits; A&A Goat Sales, 187 Industrial Drive, Baxley. **Call** Allen Ahl, 912.590.2096

ATKINSON COUNTY

2nd & 4th Saturdays, Goats, Sheep, Chickens, other livestock; Pearson Livestock, 1168 Hwy 441 N, Pearson. **Call** Jorge Caycay 912-253-1247

BEN HILL COUNTY

Every Monday, 1 p.m.: Cattle; South Central Livestock, 146 Broad Road, Fitzgerald. **Call** Thomas Stripling, 229.423.4400 or 229.423.4436

BLECKLEY COUNTY

2nd & 4th Saturday, 1 p.m.: Goats, sheep, calves, rabbits, poultry. Every Saturday miscellaneous at 10 a.m. Col. Wayne's Auction Co., Bleckley County Barn, 293 Ash St., Cochran. **Call** Wayne Chambley, 678.544.3105. Lic# AU004496

BUTTS COUNTY

Every Wednesday, 12:30 p.m.: Beef cattle; 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.: Dairy cattle; Jackson Regional Stockyard, 467 Fairfield Church Road/Hwy. 16 W, Jackson. **Call** Barry Robinson, 770.775.7314

CAROLL COUNTY

Every Monday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Carroll County Livestock Sales Barn, 225 Salebarn Road, Carrollton. **Call** Eric Thompson, 678.372.3776

CLARKE COUNTY

Every Wednesday, 11 a.m.: Goats and sheep; noon, cattle. Northeast Georgia Livestock, 1200 Winterville Road, Athens. **Call** Todd Stephens, 706.549.4790

Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024, 12 p.m.: University of Georgia 31st Edition Focus on Genomic Enhanced EPDs Sale. 30 Angus and Hereford bulls, 3 reg'd Angus open heifers, 25 Angus-cross heifers. UGA Livestock Instructional Arena, 2600 S. Milledge Ave, Athens. **Call** Carroll T. Cannon, 229.881.0721 or 229.881.2705. CannonMarketingCompany@gmail.com.

Black Wagyu premium incredible beef. 100 to 130 pounds of FDA inspected boneless vacuum sealed beef. Whole, half's, quarters: \$1350 per quarter. James Purvis **Perry** 229-291-1069

Bulls, 2 y/o. Black Angus, registered. BSE tested. Docile, low birthweight calves. Forage fed only. Lucio Ruiz **Monroe** 678-9892-9544

Cow pairs (heifer & calf): \$1800; heifers: \$1400; bulls, 2-3y/o: \$2500; 3-4y/o: \$2800. Farm-raised, vaccinated, good health. Jorge Caycay **Hazlehurst** 912-253-1247

Dexters; registered, polled; 1 bull (DOB 4/21); 1 cow; 1 heifer. Both should calve in October; 4 new heifers (born 10/23) ready in March. Ed Bailey **Hiawassee** 706-970-3502

Gelbvieh bull, 3.5y/o. Bred him to Angus cows producing Balancer calves. Retained heifers on are site. Mark **Jefferson** 706-983-0101

Gentle 2.5 years old purebred gray Brahman bulls for sale. Dwane Anderson **Jesup** 912-294-4926 or 912-427-6430

Heifers, 18m/o-2y/o: \$1600; 2-3y/o: \$2000. Farm-raised, vaccinated, good health. Angie Wooten **Hazlehurst** 912-375-3366, ext 307

COLQUITT COUNTY

Every Wednesday, 1 p.m.: Cattle; Moultrie Livestock Co., 1200 1st Street NE, Moultrie. **Call** Randy Bannister, 229.985.1019

COOK COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays, 1 p.m.: Cows, goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Deer Run Auction, 1158 Parrish Road, Adel. **Call** John Strickland, 229.896.4553

DECATUR COUNTY

2nd Saturdays, 1 p.m.: Goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Waddell Auction Co., 979 Old Pelham Road, Climax. **Call** John Waddell, 229.246.4955

EMANUEL COUNTY

Every Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.: Cattle; Southern Livestock, 131 Old Hwy 46, Oak Park. **Call** Clay Floyd, Dustin Miller and Cody Copelan, 912.578.3263.

2nd & 4th Saturdays, noon: Goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; R&R Goat & Livestock Auction, 560 GA Hwy. 56 N, Swainsboro. **Call** Ron & Karen Claxton, 478.455.4765

FORSYTH COUNTY

Every Tuesday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Lanier Farm's Livestock Corp., 8325 Jot-Em Down Road, Gainesville. **Call** Tyler Bagwell, 770.844.9223 or 770.844.9231

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Every Tuesday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Franklin County Livestock Sales, 6461 Stone Bridge Road, Carnesville. **Call** Chad Ellison, 706.384.2975 or 706.384.2105

GORDON COUNTY

Every Thursday, 12:30 p.m.: Cattle, goats, sheep, slaughter hogs; Calhoun Stockyard Hwy. 53, 2270 Rome Road SW, Calhoun. **Call** Dennis Little & Gene Williams, 706.629.1900

GREENE COUNTY

Every Monday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Duvall Livestock Market, 101 Apalachee Ave., Greensboro. **Call** Jim Malcom, 706.342.5655; JD Hidgon, 706.817.6829; or main office, 706.453.7368

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY

1st 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)

Livestock Sales and Events Calendar

LAMAR COUNTY

Every Friday, 6 p.m.: Goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; 5 p.m., farm miscellaneous, Ga. Lic. #4213; Buggy Town Auction Market, 1315 Highway 341 S, Barnesville. **Call** Krystal Burnett 678.972.4599

LAURENS COUNTY

2nd & 4th Thursday, 6 p.m.: Goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Horse Creek Auction Co., 5971 Hwy. 441 S, Dublin. **Call** Daniel Harrelson, 478.595.5418

MADISON COUNTY

Every Friday, 6 p.m.: Chickens, small animals; Gray Bell Animal Auction, Hwy. 281, Royston. **Call** Billy Bell, 706.795.9361

MARION COUNTY

1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.: Goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Auction 41, 4275 GA Hwy. 41 N, Buena Vista. **Call** Jim Rush, 706.326.3549. **Email** rushfam4275@windstream.net

PULASKI COUNTY

Every Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.: Cattle, goats, sheep; Pulaski County Stockyard, 1 Houston Street, Hawkinsville. **Call** John Walker, 478.892.9071

SEMINOLE COUNTY

Every Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., 3rd Saturday Special Sale, 1:30 p.m.: Cattle, goats, sheep; Seminole Livestock Exchange, 5061 Hwy. 91, Donaldsonville. **Call** Luke Spooner, 229.524.2305

STEPHENS COUNTY

2nd Saturdays, 5 p.m.: W&W Livestock, Eastanollee Livestock Auction, Eastanollee. **Call** Brad Wood, 864.903.0296

3rd Saturdays, noon: Goats, sheep; 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

Every Monday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Eastanollee Livestock, 40 Cattle Drive, Eastanollee. **Call** Mark Smith, 706.779.5944

SUMTER COUNTY

Every Monday, 1 p.m.: Cattle; Sumter County Stockyard, 505 Southerfield Road, Americus. **Call** Aaron and Anna White, 229.380.4901 or 864.704.2487

Reg'd red Angus bulls, breeding age & yearly heifers. Andras New Direction bloodline. Great EPD, good prices. Jorge Haber **Midland** 706-323-2405

Reg. black Angus bulls. 2 y/o. B.E tested. Forage raised docile. Easy calving. High weening weights: \$2800. Lalla Tanner **Monroe** 770-267-7179

Registered Angus bull DOB 10/04/2021 for sale. AAA 20154716 +7 CED and 1.8 BW \$B 196 top 10% in breed. Easy to handle: \$4500. Nelson Rhinehart **Calhoun** 770-548-2219

Registered Black angus bulls for sale. 16 months old. Have passed breeding soundness exam. Visit our website for more information: www.deanangusfarm.com. Tim Dean **Chickamauga** 706-639-3077

Selling purebred Aberdeen Angus heifer and bull calves born Jan-May 2023 (bull calves castrated). Available gorgeous Brahman bull and Brangus bull, over 1000lbs each. Hoofin' Around Ranch **Mauk** 229-649-5581

SimAngus bull 14 months old EPD's CE 12.6,BW 0.1, WW85.4, YW 134.4 API 127.6, TI 83.4. Call of text. Gary Minyard **Royston** 706-201-5619

TAYLOR COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays, 6:30 p.m.: Feeder pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, small animals. Receiving: 8 a.m.; Animals sale 2 p.m. Taylor County Livestock Auction, 1357 Tommy Purvis Jr. Road, Reynolds. **Call** 678.914.7333

THOMAS COUNTY

Every Tuesday, 1 p.m.: Cattle. Thomas County Stockyards, 20975 Hwy. 19 N, Thomasville. **Call** Danny Burkhardt, 229.228.6960

TOOMBS COUNTY

1st & 3rd Saturdays, 11 a.m.: Feeder pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Metter Livestock Auction, 621 Hwy. 1 S, Lyons. **Call** Lewie Fortner, 478.553.6066

TURNER COUNTY

Every Wednesday, 1 p.m.: Cattle; Turner County Stockyards, 1315 Hwy. 41 S, Ashburn. **Call** Alan Wiggins, 229.567.3371

UPSON COUNTY

Every Tuesday, 12 p.m.: Cattle, goats, sheep, horses. Upson County Livestock, 2626 Yatesville Hwy., Thomaston. **Call** Aaron and Anna White, 864.704.2487 or 770.713.5045

WILKES COUNTY

Every Tuesday, noon: Cattle, goats, sheep; Wilkes County Stockyard, Hwy. 78 Bypass/302 Third Street, Washington. **Call** Josh Saggus, J.F. Hansford, Mason Cronic and Walker Moore, 706.678.2632

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 conducting 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 Jay Jones at 404.656.3722 or jay.jones@agr.georgia.gov.

SWINE

Advertisers submitting swine ads must submit proof of a negative brucellosis and pseudorabies test from within the past 30 days. Exceptions are swine from a validated brucellosis-free herd and/or qualified pseudorabies-free herd; these operations must submit proof of those certifications. Buyers are urged to request proof of a negative brucellosis pseudorabies test prior to purchase. Feral hogs may not be offered for sale or advertised in the *Market Bulletin*.

Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire, Duroc boars weaned to service age, validated herd #211. Performance info. Lawton Kemp **Dudley** 478-697-2521

Young pigs, male and female, and cut hogs. Tasha Gratham **Villa Rica** 770-313-0088

Bulletin Calendar

Ongoing thru Feb. 9

Online Fruit Tree Sale
Food Well Alliance
Online ordering and in-person pick-up
<https://www.fruittreesale.com/>
970 Jefferson St. N.W.
Atlanta Ga. 30318
fruittreesale@foodwellalliance.org

Feb. 8

Beekeeper Short Course: Hive Assembly
Three-part workshop for beginners
Register at <https://bit.ly/3v7sj7T>
UGA Extension Clayton County
1262 Government Circle
Jonesboro, Ga. 30236
770.473.3945
<https://bit.ly/3Tz4dwU>

Feb. 9-11

2024 Fisharama/Turkeyrama
Georgia Wildlife Federation
Georgia National Fairgrounds
Heritage Hall
401 Larry Walker Parkway
Perry, Ga. 31069
470.660.3880
www.gwf.org

Feb. 13

Beekeeper Short Course: Nucs, packages & swarms
Three-part workshop for beginners
UGA Extension Clayton County
1262 Government Circle
Jonesboro, Ga. 30236
770.473.3945
<https://bit.ly/3Tz4dwU>

Lunch and Learn: Basics of Pruning
UGA Extension Henry County
97 Lake Dow Rd
McDonough, Ga. 30252
770.288.8421
tdaly@uga.edu

Feb. 14

Georgia 4-H Day at the Capitol
206 Washington St. S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30303
706.542.4444
bjand626@uga.edu

Feb. 15

Commercial IPM Workshop
HPC certification and registration hours
UGA Entomology and Structural Pests
UGA Griffin Campus
Student Learning Center
1109 Experiment St
Griffin, Ga.
dsuiter@uga.edu
770.233.6114
<https://bit.ly/47JZtIs>

Beekeeper Short Course: Extracting honey
Three-part workshop for beginners
UGA Extension Clayton County
1262 Government Circle
Jonesboro, Ga. 30236
770.473.3945
<https://bit.ly/3Tz4dwU>

Feb. 16-17

Georgia Beekeepers Association Conference
Middle GA State University,
Robert F. Hatcher, Sr. Conference Center
100 University Parkway
Macon, GA 31206
www.gabeekeeping.com

Feb. 17

Wild Edible Plants of Southern Appalachia
Georgia Native Plant Society
North Metro Atlanta Chapter
Alpharetta Library
10 Park Plaza
Alpharetta, Ga. 30009
northmetroatlanta@gnps.org
<https://bit.ly/4aiJN1a>

Camellia Waxing Workshop
Massee Lane Camellia Garden
100 Massee Lane
Fort Valley, Ga. 31030
478.396.6548
www.americancamellias.com

Feb. 17-18

WinterFest Arts Tour
Helen Arts & Heritage Center and Sautee Nacoochee Center
283 Ga. Highway 255 North
Sautee Nacoochee, Ga. 30571
706.878.3330
www.winterfestartstour.com

Feb. 21-25

Georgia Junior National Livestock Show
Georgia National Fairgrounds
401 Larry Walker Parkway
Perry, Ga. 31069
706.542.8892
hkalino@uga.edu

Feb. 22-24

Georgia National Rodeo
Georgia National Fairgrounds
401 Larry Walker Parkway
Perry, Ga. 31069
1.800.987.3247
www.georgianationalrodeo.com

Feb. 23

Category 24 Ornamental and Turf Exam review
UGA Extension Henry County
Online Course
<http://tinyurl.com/ery9ymmz>
770.288.8421
tdaly@uga.edu

Feb. 23-24

2023 Southeastern Pecan Growers Association Convention
Beau Rivage Resort & Casino
875 Beach Blvd
Biloxi, Miss. 39530
<https://sepga.com/>

Feb. 23-25

Biennial Flower Show: Primavera
Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30309
404.876.5859
dcowens@atlantabg.org
<https://atlantabg.org/calendar/>

Feb. 24

Learn & Burn Workshop
North Georgia Technical College
1500 Hwy 197 N
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523
info.ccrd@gmail.com
706.894.1591

Youth Ocean Conservation Summit
UGA Marine Education Center And Aquarium
30 Ocean Science Circle
Savannah, Ga. 31411
fish@uga.edu
912.598.2496
<https://bit.ly/3ViZbC5>

Feb. 28

150th Anniversary Celebration
Georgia Department of Agriculture
Georgia State Capitol
206 Washington St., S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30334
<https://agr.georgia.gov/>

Feb. 28-Mar 1

Equine Welfare Assessment Skills Certification
Three-day course
UGA Instructional Livestock Arena
2600 S. Milledge Ave.
Athens, Ga. 30606
706.359.3233
rlstew2@uga.edu
<https://bit.ly/47qZsZH>

March 2

Cows Come Home Celebration
Hardman Farm Historic Site
143 Highway 17
Sautee Nacoochee, Ga. 30571
706.878.1077
<https://fb.me/e/58fB4jmjq>

March 3-4

Winter Chautauqua travel and tourism conference
Northwest Georgia Travel Association
Berry College
2277 Martha Berry Hwy NW,
Mt. Berry, Ga. 30149
info@georgiamountains.org
www.winterchautauqua.com

March 4

Equine Exchange: Types of Equine Behaviors
Online Webinar series
Register at <https://bit.ly/3Rjmlja>
706.359.3233
rlstew2@uga.edu

March 6

Structural Pest Management 2024 Webinar Series
The Role of Sales and Use of Technology to Effective Pest Management
ONLINE WEBINAR
Register at <https://bit.ly/4b7kYWp>
770.228.7214
bhome@uga.edu

March 7

10 Reasons Why Snakes are Great for the Ecosystem
UGA Extension Gwinnett County
Virtual Event
Email for registration
678.377.4026
lisa.klein@gwinnettcounty.com
<https://bit.ly/47vJoGj>

March 7-8

Termite Control Workshop 1
UGA Entomology and Structural Pests
UGA Griffin Campus
Student Learning Center
1109 Experiment St
Griffin, Ga.
dsuiter@uga.edu
770.233.6114
<https://bit.ly/47JZtIs>

March 8

UGA Extension Southeastern Green Industry Update
Pesticide and Arborist Credits
Online course
<http://tinyurl.com/2w9pbhhy>
770.288.8421
tdaly@uga.edu

March 9

Georgia Iris Society Meeting
Introduction to Irises
St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church
1790 LaVista Rd, N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30329
770.414.4766
www.gairis.org

March 12

Spring Gardening workshop
Speaker: UGA Extension Specialist Bob Westerfield
UGA Extension Clayton County
1262 Government Circle
Jonesboro, Ga. 30236
770.473.3945
<https://bit.ly/3Tz4dwU>

March 13

Lunch and Learn: Spring Gardening
UGA Extension Pike County
Virtual Event
Email for registration
770.567.2010
brooklyne.wassel@uga.edu
<https://bit.ly/41Q0qNQ>

March 14

Lunch & Learn: Frogs of Georgia
UGA Extension Gwinnett County
Virtual Event
Email for registration
912.576.3219
eg43271@uga.edu
<https://bit.ly/48ryyIQ>

March 13-15

62nd Annual Convention
Georgia Cattlemen's Association
Columbus Convention and Trade Center
801 Front Ave
Columbus, Ga. 31901
478.474.6560
www.georgiacattlemen.org

March 15-24

International Cherry Blossom Festival
Carolyn Crayton Park
115 Willie Smokie Glover Dr.
Macon, Ga. 31201
478.330.7050
www.cherryblossom.com

March 16

Learn & Burn Workshop
Chestatee Chattahoochee RC&D Council
Rock Eagle 4-H Center
350 Rock Eagle Rd
Eatonton, Ga. 31024
info.ccrd@gmail.com
706.894.1591
www.chestchattrcd.org

March 18-22

National Ag Week
Georgia Department of Agriculture
Various locations
<http://georgiaagweek.com/>
<https://www.agday.org/>

March 19-21

Georgia Pecan Growers Association Annual Conference and Trade Show
Georgia National Fairgrounds
401 Larry Walker Parkway
Perry, Ga. 31069
229.382.2187
mary@georgiapecan.org
<https://georgiapecan.org/>

March 21

Where Do I Start? Planning a Vegetable Garden 101
Virtual Series
UGA Extension Gwinnett County
Register at <https://bit.ly/48NetpW>
678.377.4026
lisa.klein@gwinnettcounty.com

March 21-22

Termite Control Workshop 2
UGA Entomology and Structural Pests
UGA Griffin Campus
Student Learning Center
1109 Experiment St
Griffin, Ga.
dsuiter@uga.edu
770.233.6114
<https://bit.ly/47JZtIs>

March 22-23

Turner County Fire Ant Festival
Downtown Ashburn
www.fireantfestival.com

March 23-24

Conyers Cherry Blossom Festival
Georgia International Horse Park
1996 Centennial Olympic Parkway
Conyers, Ga. 30013
770.860.4190
www.conyerscherryblossomfest.com

March 23-24

Clover Jam 4-H Conference
Camp Jekyll
550 South Beachview Dr
Jekyll Island, Ga. 31527
Contact your local UGA Cooperative Extension office
<https://bit.ly/3RK1azC>

March 27

Egg candling class
Georgia Department of Agriculture
Berry College (Floyd County)
Lamar Westscott Building
Viking Way
Mount Berry, Ga. 30149
tina.maples@agr.georgia.gov
404.656.3627
<https://bit.ly/3OcVNlO>

April 1

Equine Exchange: How Horses Learn
Online Webinar series
Register at <https://bit.ly/3Rjmlja>
706.359.3233
rlstew2@uga.edu

April 4

Flavor of Georgia Contest
The Classic Center
300 N Thomas St
Athens, Ga. 30601
flavorofga@uga.edu
<https://flavorofgeorgia.caes.uga.edu/>

April 5-6

Spring Garden Expo
Hall County Master Gardeners
Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center
1855 Calvary Church Rd
Gainesville, Ga. 30507
770.535.8293
www.hallmastergardeners.com

Have an event to put on our calendar? Contact Jay Jones at 404.656.3722 or jay.jones@agr.georgia.gov

We accept calendar submissions for food, craft and agriculture festivals and events. Submissions for festivals that do not specifically promote those industries will not be printed.

Additional pesticide recertification training notices are available on the department website under the Plant Industry Division tab.

GOATS

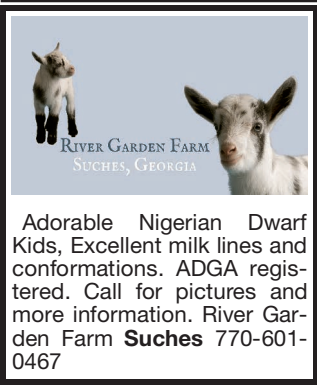
All goats offered for sale must be individually identified in compliance with the USDA Scrapie Program. For more information, please call the GDA Animal Health Division at 404.656.3667.

1 solid black Nigerian dwarf doeling, 1 black and white Nigerian dwarf doeling. Both are 7 month old: \$150 each. Call or text. Richard McWhorter **Carrollton** 770-301-5912

10m/o Savanna-Boer cross wethers. Hearty, born on farm, well-fed & cared for: \$3/pound. Daniel Hill **Wrightsville** 843-709-7195

2 Dwarf Nigerian bucks. One wethered, both polled, 8 months old, had second shots, friendly: \$300/both. Gary **Greenville** 706-977-4392

3 male Nigerian Dwarf goats, 2 years old, white blue eyes. 10 months, black and tan, one 8 weeks, solid black, beautiful blue eyes. Virginia Lee **Danville** 478-319-5461



Adorable Nigerian Dwarf Kids, Excellent milk lines and conformations. ADGA registered. Call for pictures and more information. River Garden Farm **Suches** 770-601-0467

Boer cross bucks 6-9 months of age pictures available upon request: \$150 each. Debbie **Hampton** 678-283-4364

Boer goats 1 1/2 y/o black Dapple herd sire: \$700; 6 m/o bucks: \$400-\$500; 4 y/o nannies possible bred: \$350 up. Steve Gore **Tallapoosa** 470-241-0483

Full blood Savanna buck. 10 months old. Gentle and tame: \$450. Emma **Hartwell** 706-391-7267

Goats for sale. Male & female: \$50-\$75/ea. Donald Dyches **Savannah** 912-429-0720

Kiko goats. Yearling 100% New Zealand doelings: \$600; Purebred and New Zealand yearling bucks: \$250. G. Slappey **Carrollton** 678-773-4093 oakgrovekikos@gmail.com

Nigerian Dwarf kids born 11/22/23. All disbudded or polled, multiple colors to choose from: doelings, bucklings, wethers available. Cobly Davis **Lake Park** 229-561-1467

Registered Tennessee fainting. 10m/o buck, horned; 1y/o wethered, polled; 9m/o doe, horned; Twins born 1/22/24 male & female. Males \$300; females: \$500. Text for pictures. B. Flahardy **Kingston** 678-901-5797 bethelflahardy@yahoo.com

Savannah/Kiko billies, 7m/o-2y/o: \$200-\$500. Call or text for pics & prices. Joel Myers **Pembroke** 912-657-0410

SHEEP

(80) hair sheep, part Dorper, Katahdin and St Croix. Very strong heard, all sexes, all sizes. Wayne Vinson **Gray** 478-457- 5587

Bred Katahdin ewes. Excellent health (no foot rot, bred for parasite resistance for 17 yrs). Will be lambing in spring: \$325 to \$400. Scott Hancock **Sautee Nacoochee** 404-310-2558

Cotswold ram, registered. Selling to prevent in breeding, amazing fleece: \$300. Philip Busman **Milton** 770-714-2523.

Katahdin herd: \$1900.; 3 bred ewes 2.5 y/o, 4 ewe lambs 9 months, 1 ram 2 y/o, 1 wether 9 months. Jason Rabun **Buchanan** 770-910-3548

Katahdin rams, 11 months old, good stock, healthy, easily handled. Ed Davis **Wrens** 706-513-0526

Katahdin. Registered breeding age ram. Nationally acclaimed genetics. Mike Jones **West Point** 706-773-3612

Reg'd American Tunis RR rams, heritage breed, born spring 2023: \$500/each. Go to www.sharpfamilyfarm316.com or call/text for more info. Melissa Sharp **Pembroke** 912-483-8587

Registered St. Croix lambs. Will be available around April. Also have a St. Croix ram approximately 1 year old for sale. Rachel **Forsyth** 770-468-9767

EQUINE

Advertisers in the Equine category must submit a current negative Coggins test for each equine advertised. This includes horses, ponies and donkeys. Buyers are urged to request verification of a negative Coggins from the advertiser before purchasing any equine. Generalized ads such as those selling “many horses,” “variety to choose from” or “free” animals will not be published. For more information, please call the GDA Equine Health Division at 404.656.3713.

Gorgeous and oh so sweet mini jack donkey, 6 months old. Jax is out of a spotted mommy and spotted daddy. Pics available on request. Debbie **Blythe** 706-829-6116

Standard donkey, Jenny, gray, 8y/o, good guard donkey. Wynn Copeland **Greensboro** 706-453-7687

STOCK DOGS

Ads in this category are limited to breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club as herding and/or working dogs (in an agricultural context). Ads for breeds that do not meet those definitions will not be published.

Advertisers must submit a copy of a current Rabies Vaccination Certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian for dogs 12 weeks and older and include the ages of all dogs being advertised. Ads submitted without this information will not be published.

2.5y/o male reg'd ABCA Border Collie. Long hair, black & white, quick learner, herding instinct, working bloodlines: \$100. Eaves **Elbertoin** 706-201-7267 (Frank) 706-988-4854 (Emily)

AKC reg'd Australian Shepherd puppies, vet-checked, tails docked and dew claws removed. Red and white tri and red merle. M. Duke **Whitesburg** 770-707-6924

AKC registered labs and Malinois puppies, 7w/o, vaccinated. Black & yellow labs: \$500; Belgian Malinois: \$800. Andrew Frantz **Cleveland** 706-969-0334

Border Collie puppies for sale. Born around 12/20/23: \$600. Call to reserve yours. Weston Wadel **Waynesboro** 478-299-8690

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Bourbon Red and Narragansett turkeys, 8-9m/o. Males and females. They will start to breed in spring. Edward Sezonov **Snellville** 770-361-1871

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Fertile Emu hatching eggs for sale. chicks will be possible White, Blondes, or Standards: \$200. Heath Biggers **Cleveland** 706-573-9177

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Laying hens available. 4 months old. Splash-laced Red Wyandottes and Speckled Sussex: \$25/each. Call or text Cale Kimmons **Canton** 470-448-8078

Laying hens: \$20; Roosters: \$15; Silkies-Polish: \$25; Leghorn, Marans, American, game, multiple breeds. Peg Hill **Shiloh** 706-577-5801

Live Emu chicks for sale. We have White, Blondes, and Standards hatching this season. Please call or text. Heath Biggers **Cleveland** 706-573-9177

North Briton Whitehacksles. Ronald Shepard **Fortson** 706-358-5601

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ANIMAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

CATTLE SUPPLIES

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Saddle, made by Billy Cook saddle maker, fifteen inch, oxbow stirrups, new fleece, new girth, new halter comes with pads, leggings and stand: Asking \$400. Roger Keebaugh **Gainesville** 770-869-7941

Stainless steel hames, new singletrees, evenner sets, bio lines, trace chains field harness, bio holdbacks, Other misc. tack. Joe Watkins **Winder** 770-307-6979

POULTRY SUPPLIES

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Only agriculture-related items may be advertised in this Category.

BEEES, HONEY AND SUPPLIES

10-, 8-, & 5-frame equipment, 5-frame nucs, 3# packages, beekeeping supplies, insulated hives, HivelQ hives, beekeeping classes, honey (wildflower, sourwood, gallberry), swarm capture, Banks, Jackson counties. Harold@LanierBeeBarn.com Harold **Commerce** 678-471-7758

200 5-frame nucs and all equipment for rearing queens and selling package bees; also 30 pollen traps. BJ **Ball Ground** 770-855-1698 weeksworks@gmail.com

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Nucs, queens, packages & beekeeping classes. Melissa **Monticello** www.gsbeez.com. 312-909-3050

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Swarms removed: free; removed from structures: fee. Call for quote. Honey Bee Rescue, Derry Oliver **Hoschton** 762-347-8732

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Georgia Agriculture Commodity Commission for Citrus (Georgia Citrus Commission) will hold a public hearing pertaining to the proposed Market Order for Citrus to be voted on March 1st – March 30, 2024, by Georgia Citrus producers. The hearing will be held at:

Tuesday February 20, 2024
NESPAL Building, Seminar Room
(enter from rear of building)
UGA Tifton
2356 Rainwater Dr
Tifton, GA
1:00 PM

If a person desires to comment, they can register at a sign up table at the hearing to make comments. Only those registering to speak will be allowed to

comment. We ask that comments be kept to the point and brief.

The proposed market order will allow for the assessment at a rate of not more than two tenths cent (\$0.002) per pound on Citrus Fruits produced and marketed from this state. Growers who annually produce or have the potential to produce and market 50,000 pounds or more are eligible to vote. For passage, there must be an affirmative vote on 66% of eligible ballots returned. If passed the market order is in effect for three years and it must be voted on again to be continued.

Funds collected from assessments can only be used for the purpose of research, education, and promotion.

For more information contact: Andy Harrison
Georgia Department of Agriculture
Manager, Commodity Commissions
Andy.Harrison@agr.georgia.gov | 404-710-1196

New UGA Poultry Science Building welcomes its first students

By Jordan Powers
The University of Georgia

As students return to campus fresh from holiday break, one building is welcoming students for the very first time.

Situated on University of Georgia's South Campus, the 70,000-plus square-foot Poultry Science Building is the new home of the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CAES) Department of Poultry Science.

"At UGA, we have been conducting transformational poultry research, instruction and Extension outreach for decades — research that has changed the way the poultry industry operates, instruction that equips the next generation of leaders, and outreach that supports industry and producers at all levels, from the individual to the corporation," said Nick T. Place, CAES dean and director. "I look forward to continuing to show the world that here in Athens, Georgia, UGA and the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences are leading the way in poultry science."

Designing a building with the future in mind

The new building provides nearly double the space per student in each classroom, growing from roughly 17 square feet to 28 to 30 square feet per student. Two-person tables replace individual wooden desks and mobile, 40-inch whiteboards for each group of six students tie into UGA's active learning efforts.

"A big thing for students will be the sheer sense of space," said Todd Applegate, poultry science department head and R. Harold and Patsy Harrison Chair in Poultry Science. "Nearly half of the poultry science faculty participated in active learning sessions within the last year — we are excited to combine these efforts with this new collaborative space to train the next generation of poultry science leaders."

Industry leaders, following a commitment by the UGA Office of the President and the UGA Foundation, came together to fund the Abit Massey Classroom, named after a longstanding powerhouse in the poultry industry who has been influential to countless students and industry profes-

sionals across the state. Although the large classroom holds more than 100 students, multi-tiered seating enables students to easily collaborate and work together.

Students will not be the only ones to benefit from a more collaborative space.

The new research labs group four to five faculty around various themes to balance more complex research and UGA Cooperative Extension work, covering basic to applied research. "With thematic areas and collaborative spaces, I'm excited for what this model can spur just based on proximity," Applegate said.

One unique space within the Poultry Science Building is the addition of a food safety intervention space, where researchers can run validations of certain poultry processing methods to reduce common foodborne pathogens.

Infrastructure updates, while not as glamorous, bring the building to modern-day standards. Air turnover rates and additional safety features within labs have been implemented, along with a generator connected to the building

to provide emergency power to freezers to prevent the loss of samples. Noisy and heat-generating equipment has been moved out of lab spaces and into "freezer farms" so labs stay quieter and cooler.

"All of the labs are trying to accommodate some future in mind," Applegate said. "Increased electrical capacity and free-standing benches will allow for more flexibility in arranging spaces and more teaching lab spaces will reduce issues in scheduling."

Supporting research and future industry leaders

The Poultry Science Building has been made a reality through a \$54.1 million public-private partnership, with half of the funding goal allocated by the Georgia legislature for planning and design, phase I construction, and equipment, plus AV and equipment assistance from a federal grant. Additional private and industry support combine with public funding to uphold UGA as the global epicenter of poultry science.

The Luther and Susie Harrison Foundation, R. Harold and Patsy Harrison Foundation, Pilgrim's, Wayne Sanderson Farms and dozens of companies and individuals joined the effort to open the Poultry Science Building. Donor naming opportunities are still available as fundraising continues for the building.

"Through our campaigns we've solidified and built new partnerships with a many in the private sector. We've had conversations on how we can establish long-term relationships, including working with our students," Applegate said. "The students are the future employees of these companies; the research coming out of the labs in the new building will not only benefit students, but also chicken meat and egg commodity bases. We're not only meeting student needs while they are here but introducing them to the future."

To learn more about the Poultry Science Building project, visit poultrybuilding.caes.uga.edu. To make a gift to the CAES Department of Poultry Science, visit the CAES giving page.

Jordan Powers is the public relations coordinator and writer for UGA's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.



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For more about financing a vehicle, visit: <https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/financing-or-leasing-car>.

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GOOD TO GROW: February is the time for backyard onions

By Lori Thomas
Hall County Master Gardeners

During these dark, cold winter days, vegetable gardening seems months away. That is true for summer vegetables like squash, corn, and peppers that need the warming soil and brighter sunlight of May to emerge and thrive. However, this is the time to start planning for cool-season vegetables.

My Favorite Cool-Season Crop? Onions!

Onions are the only cool-season crop I grow with abundant success, though it wasn't that way initially. My first few attempts resulted in beautiful green onion tops but no onion bulbs. "How can that be?" I thought to myself. Onions are the state vegetable of Georgia. Vidalia Onions are shipped all over the country and the world. Surely, I can grow onions in north Georgia. I researched onions and discovered the tricks to getting a good crop. Now, I am like

Pointers for how to grow onion transplants

Detailed information about soil preparation, fertilizing, watering, and harvesting can be found at [DixondaleFarms.com](https://dixondalefarms.com/). (<https://dixondalefarms.com/>).

- Select a site with full sun and good drainage.
- Soil should be loose; if growing in containers, at least 10 inches of soil.
- Plant outdoors mid to late February
- Plant the transplant 1 inch deep into the soft soil, firming soil around the transplant so that it stands up. During the following days, check that transplants are still upright.
- Plant 4 inches apart.
- Do NOT plant too deep, or the onion will not bulb up.
- Water, fertilize, and weed during growing season.
- In May/June, plant will bulb up. Can be eaten anytime.
- Harvest in June when leaves start to brown and fall over.
- To store, allow leaves to shrink around neck after harvesting, and paper skin form around bulb, then cut off the dried leaves at the neck just above the bulb.
- Store in cool dark place; refrigeration will extend storage time.



(Hall County Master Gardeners/Special Photo)

an evangelical prophet, preaching the good news of onions far and wide so gardeners across north Georgia can enjoy home-grown onions.

Why should I grow onions?

They are cheap and plentiful in the grocery store. The answer to that question is the same as the answer to "Why should I grow tomatoes?" Freshly harvested onions taste better than store-bought onions, at least, that is my opinion. Then there is the pride of growing your food and sharing it with family and friends. You will have plenty to share if you grow a row of onions.

Because onions are a cold-season crop, you can extend your growing season and your garden's productivity by growing onions. In Hall County (north Georgia), you put onion transplants in the ground in mid-to-late February and harvest them in late May through June. Onions can be planted into the same rows as later-planted summer crops. Last year, I harvested my onions on June 27, added compost to the row, and planted my okra seeds into the same row on the same day. By August, I was picking okra pods, and by October, I begged my husband to pull up the okra because I already had a freezer full of gumbo made from the onions and okra harvested from the same row. You can plant onions between the spaces where you will put peppers or tomatoes. The onions will grow and be harvested before the tomato plants start growing wild. School children can plant onions

in February and harvest an onion bulb to take home before the end of the school year.

What's the key to a good onion harvest?

Onions are photoperiodic, meaning their growth depends upon the length of daylight hours. In Hall County, you can grow short-day onions or intermediate-day onions. Onions can be grown from seed, sets, or transplants. If you want to grow onions from seed, you plant the seed in the fall (September or October) and hope for favorable winter weather (not too hot or dry, not too cold or wet). Onion sets, however, are small, hard onion bulblets that you may have seen in the big box stores. The problem with growing onions from bulblets is that you must live north of the Mason-Dixon Line. Only long-day onions form sets and our summer hours of daylight do not meet the minimum 14-16 hours each day required for long-day onions to form bulbs.

The easiest way to get a good onion crop is to plant onion transplants. An onion transplant is a seedling about the size of a pencil that resembles a green onion. The transplants are grown commercially in south Texas and shipped to onion growers in late winter.

For more information, visit the Hall County Master Gardeners website, www.hallmastergardeners.com. The Master Gardeners is a program of the University of Georgia Extension Service. To learn more, visit <https://extension.uga.edu/programs-services.html>.

GEORGIA COOKING: Shiitake mushroom blended burger

This innovative burger combines the robust umami flavor of Shiitake mushrooms with premium Georgia-grown beef, resulting in a savory taste that elevates the classic burger experience. Shiitake mushrooms are a good source of B vitamins and are known for their mineral content, such as copper, selenium, zinc and magnesium.

Ingredients

- 1½ pounds ground beef
- 2½ cups finely chopped shiitake mushrooms, 6-8 ounces
- ½ cup finely diced onions
- 1 Tbsp minced garlic
- Salt and pepper
- 2 Tbsps soy sauce
- 1 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp hot sauce

Instructions

- Preheat grill to 400 degrees.
- Heat olive oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add onions to hot skillet, cook for 1-2 minutes or until just beginning to soften. Add garlic to pan and cook additional minute. Add mushrooms, salt and pepper, Worcestershire sauce, soy sauce and hot sauce, stirring to combine. Cook, stirring until mushrooms soften, 2-3 minutes.
- Let cool then refrigerate until cold. Combine chilled mushroom mixture and ground beef in a bowl. Season mixture with additional salt and pepper. Mix well with hands or wooden spoon until mushrooms are well distributed. Form six patties, flattening to about ½ inch.



(Photo by Georgia Grown Test Kitchen)

Grill patties on a hot grill 2-3 minutes per side or until desired doneness. Be careful flipping burgers as they are somewhat delicate. Serve on toasted Ciabatta buns with desired toppings.

Georgia Grown
in Season



Brussel
Sprouts
Collards
Carrots
Citrus
Collards
Kale
Lettuce

Mushrooms
Sweet
Potatoes
Spinach
Turnips

Serves 6.
Recipe courtesy of Georgia Grown.

Spring Vegetable Planting Chart					
Vegetable	Days to Maturity	Planting Dates	Seeds/ Plants per 100 ft.	Spacing Rows per plants	Depth to Plant
Asparagus	2nd year	Jan. 15-Mar. 15	50 roots	36" x 18"-24"	6"
Beans, bush pole lima pole lima	50-60	Mar. 15-May 1	½ pound	36" x 2"-4"	1"-1 ½"
	65-75	Mar. 15-May 10	½ pound	36" x 4"-12"	1"-1 ½"
	65-75	Mar. 15-June 1	½ pound	36" x 3"-4"	1"-1 ½"
	80-85	Mar. 15-June 1	½ pound	36" x 6"-8"	1"-1 ½"
Beets	55-65	Feb. 15-April 1	1 ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"
Broccoli	60-80	Feb. 15-March 15	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Butterpea	70	April 1-May 1	½ pound	36" x 3"-4"	1"-1 ½"
Cabbage	70-120	Jan. 15-Mar. 15	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Cantaloupe	80-90	Mar. 20-June 20	1 ounce	60" x 36"	1"
Carrot	70-95	Jan. 15-March 20	½ ounce	18-36" x 2"-3"	¼"
Cauliflower	60-75	Mar. 1-April 1	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Collards	55-85	Feb. 1-March 15	½ ounce	36" x 8"-16"	½"
Corn, yellow white bi-color	65-90	Mar. 15-June 1	¼ pound	36" x 12"-18"	1"-1 ½"
	65-90	Mar. 15-June 1	¼ pound	36" x 12"-18"	1"-1 ½"
	65-90	Mar. 15-June 1	¼ pound	36" x 12"-18"	1"-1 ½"
Cucumber: slicing pickling gynoecious	50-65	April 1-May 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
	50-65	April 1-May 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
	50-65	April 1-May 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
Eggplant	75-90	April 1-May 15	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
Kale	50-70	Feb. 1-Mar. 10	½ ounce	36" x 8"-16"	½"
Lettuce	60-85	Jan. 15-Mar. 1	¼ ounce	18"-36" x 8-12"	⅛"
Mustard	40-50	Jan. 15-April 1	½ ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"
Okra	55-65	April 1-June 1	1 ounce	36" x 12"	1"
Onion, green dry bulb	60-90	Jan. 1-Mar. 15	300 plants	18"-36" x 3"	————
	100-120	Jan. 1-Mar. 15	300 plants	18"-36" x 3"-4"	————
Peas: garden (English) edible pod Southern	60-70	Jan. 15-Feb. 15	1 pound	36" x 2"	1"-2"
	60-70	Jan. 15-Feb. 15	1 pound	36" x 2"	1"-2"
	60-70	April-Aug. 10	½ pound	36" x 3"-4"	1"-2"
Peppers, bell hot hot-sweet	65-80	April 1-June 1	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
	65-95	April 1-June 1	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
		April 1-June 1	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
Potatoes, Irish Sweet	70-90	Jan.15-Mar. 1	12 pounds	36" x 12"	4"-5"
	90-120	April 15-June 15	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Pumpkin, tiny pie type small large giant	85-120	May 15-July 1 (Depending on maturity date)	1 ounce	72" x 48"	1"
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Radish	25-30	Jan. 15-April 1	1 ounce	24" x 1"	½"
Spinach	40-45	Jan. 15-Mar. 15	1 ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"-¾"
Squash: summer (zucchini) winter	40-55	April 1-May 15	½ ounce	36" x 24"	1"-2"
	85-120	April 1-July 1	½ ounce	60" x 36"	1"-2"
Tomato: cherry grape determinate indeterminate	70-90	Mar. 25-May 1	50 plants	48" x 24"	————
	70-90	Mar. 25-May 1	50 plants	48" x 24"	————
	70-90	Mar. 25-May 1	50 plants	48" x 24"	————
	70-90	Mar. 25-May 1	50 plants	48" x 24"	————
Turnip	40-60	Jan. 15-April 1	½ ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"
Watermelon: lg. round small	80-90	Mar. 20-May 1	1 ounce	72" x 36-48"	1"-2"
	80-90	Mar. 20-May 1	1 ounce	72" x 36-48"	
	80-90	Mar. 20-May 1	1 ounce	72" x 36-48"	

Adapted from the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service

BEES, HONEY AND SUPPLIES



SOWEGA Beekeepers Club
Beekeeping School for Beginners: \$50/person. Saturday, February 24, 9am-3pm, ASU Allied Health Building J133, 2400 Gillionville Rd, Albany, GA 31705. Sign up www.sowegabeekeeper-sclub.com/beeschool. SOWEGA Beekeepers Club **Albany** 229-308-1551

AQUACULTURE AND SUPPLIES

Advertisers selling sterile triploid grass carp must submit a current Wild Animal License from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Ads without this license will not be published. Entities producing and selling or reselling domestic fish in Georgia are required to obtain a free Aquaculture Registration Permit. For more information on aquaculture rules and licensing in Georgia, including a listing of domestic fish and other fish species requiring a Wild Animal License, visit <https://georgiawildlife.com/aquaculture> or call 770.761.3044.

10-12inch sterile grass carp, all size bluegills, largemouth bass, shellcracker, catfish, crappie, fathead minnows, shiners, fish feeders, aeration. Keith Edge **Soperton** 478-697-8994

A-1 quality, farm-grown channel catfish priced by size. Ask about other species & availability. Flynt Gilbert **Zebulon** 770-567-1223 or 770-468-0725

All sizes - Bass, Bluegill, Channel Catfish, Threadfin, Gizzard Shad, Shellcracker and more. Free delivery or pick up. Danny Austin **Roberta** 478-391-9068

Bass, bluegill, hybrid bream, shellcracker, sterile grass carp, channel catfish, koi. Lake management. David Cochran **Ellijay** 706-889-8113

Crappie, Grass carp, Bluegill, Threadfin shad, Shellcracker and Catfish. Delivery available at: \$2.50/mile, one way. Brian Simmons **Hawkinsville** 478-892-3144

Koi and Goldfish for sale. All sizes and colors. Call for more info. Glenn Kicklighter **Sandersville** 478-232-7704

FEED, HAY AND GRAIN

(65) 4x5 Rolls of winter rye/mixed grass hay. Net-wrapped, baled 6-2023. Outside: \$40/roll, take all. Roger Yates **Attalla, AL** 256-295-1049

2023 4x5 round bales, mixed grass, twine tied, not horse hay: \$40 per bale. Delivery within 40 miles available, you unload. Ray Gilbert **Bishop** 706-296-4360

2023 Alicia Bermuda hay, 4x5 net wrapped rolls, RFQ ranging from 83-138, 340 bales available: \$55-75/bale, according to quality. Danny Var-nadore **Alma** 912-282-5330

2023 4X6 net-wrapped round Bermuda hay, sheltered, sprayed, fertilized, excellent quality: \$50/bale or \$60/bale. Delivered within 30 miles in bulk quantities. Ronnie Johnson **Millen** 706-214-3710

2023 Alicia Bermuda square bale hay. Fertilized, limed & sprayed for weeds. Hay has been kept under covered barn, free from weather damage: \$7/bale. Rickey Ricketson **Broxton** 912-592-7122

2023 Bahia hay for sale. Square bales: \$6. Minimum 25 bales. David Jordan. **Talbot-ton** 706-575-2294.

2023 Bermuda fescue mix, 4x5 rolls, string-tied, rain-free in barn: \$35/roll. James Bram-lett **Greensboro** 706-347-0190

2023 Bermuda hay, horse quality, fertilized, weed-free, rain-free, barn-stored. 4x5 rolls: \$90; square bales: \$10. James Vinson **Rutledge** 478-360-3931

2023 Bermuda hay. 2000+ square bales, fertilized, weed-and rain-free: \$7 per bale. Curtis Durden **Lyons** 912-245-1081

2023 coastal Bermuda Bahia mix, 4x5 rolls, fertilized & limed, triple net-wrapped: \$55/roll, delivery available, 3 bale minimum. Jim Rogers **Cochran** 386-416-9901

2023 coastal bermuda hay, 5x5, cover-edge net-wrap, UGA-tested RFQ 137, sheltered: \$80/ea. Terry Rogers **Dudley** 478-595-9846

2023 coastal Bermuda, some Fescue, x-large sq bales: \$7.50/ea. Horse hay in barn. N. Harris **Winder** 770-867-0733

2023 cutting large round bales Bermuda, crabgrass some weeds. Fertilized. Cow quality only, stored outside. You haul: \$29. C. Gray **Craw-ford** 706-743-3692

2023 fall mixed grasses (mostly fescue), firm full squares: \$4.00 at the barn. John Petrel **Walker County** 706-313-6628

2023 fertilized Bermuda hay, 4x5.5 rolls, net wrapped. Call for pricing. Rahn Milligan **Lyons** 912-245-0950

2023 fertilized/UGA forage quality tested, 240 bales, under cover, 4x5 net-wrapped, Alicia Bermuda: \$70/bale; mixed grass: \$60/bale. \$5/roll extra if picking up less than 5. Steve Echols **Tignall** 706-401-0350

2023 Fescue hay, 4X4 rolls. Limed, fertilized, rain-free, weed-free and barn stored: \$55 each. Delivery Available. Text or call. Cloud Cattle. Sam Cloud **Canton** 678-294-4475

2023 fescue mix hay for sale. Round: \$55; Square: \$8. Sprayed and fertilized, barn kept. Kenny Sargent **Rock-mart** 770-490-1227

2023 Fescue mix, horse quality, net-wrapped. Inside & outside. Call for prices. Coy Baker **Loganville** 770-466-4609

2023 Fescue, 4x5 round bales, twine-wrapped, baled June 3, was overseeded w/Rye grass, fertilized w/10-10-10, no chicken liter, good quality. Jim **Martin** 706-244-3915

2023 Fescue/Bermuda mix 4x5 rolls horse hay: \$65. Delivery for a fee. Tim Garmon **Jef-ferson** 706-367-4775

2023 Fescue/orchard grass mix hay, 4x5 rolls, fertilized, stored in barn: \$50/ea. Grady Sutton **Clarkesville** 706-499-6761

FEED, HAY AND GRAIN

2023 Fescue/Orchid/Bermuda mix hay, fertilized & barn-kept, horse quality. Square bales: \$6/ea; round 4x5 bales: \$50/ea. Ron Teams **Cartersville** 770-715-1368

2023 Foxtail millet hay 4x5 net wrapped in the barn top quality: \$35 per roll. Charles Mathis **Nicholson** 404-317-6173

2023 hay Tif44 Bermuda/Tif9 Bahia mix. 5x6 round rolls, cattle quality, limed, fertilized, twine wrap: \$60/bale. Jim **Parrott** 229-347-2514

2023 High protein UGA tested hay for sale - barn-stored rd/sq Alicia & Russell, Bermuda grass. Delivery Available. Heath Pittman **Vidalia** 912-293-2535 or 912-537-9721

2023 horse quality coastal bermuda, large quantity, semi trailers welcome. Square bales: \$8/ea; 4x6 round bales: \$80/ea; 4x5 cow hay, round bales: \$40/ea. Daniel Dollar **Dublin** 478-278-7352

2023 horse quality Fescue square bales: \$6.00/bale. Glen Edmonds **Mount Airy** 706-599-3673

2023 horse quality square bales of Bermuda hay, 4x5 net wrapped rolls ryegrass mix, inside horse hay. All sprayed and fertilized. Jimbo Crumley **Statham** 678-409-3572

2023 mixed-grass hay, 4x5 rolls, fertilized, rain-free, in barn: \$50/roll. Mike Keesee **Monroe** 470-899-9668

2023 net wrapped 4x5.5 rolls of Coastal Bermuda hay. Well fertilized and sprayed for weeds: \$65.00 per roll with 330 available. No delivery but load assist. Terrill **Comer** 850-519-0441

2023 Russell and Alicia Bermudagrass, 4x5 fertilized, net-wrapped, in-barn: \$70-\$80/bale; square: \$8/bale. Delivery negotiable. VM/text. W. Pruitt **Statesboro** 912-682-4481

2023 Russell Bermuda fertilized, 4x5 rolls. Good horse or cattle hay: \$65/bale. George Temples & Steve Albritton **Mauk** 678-591-4916

2023 sheltered peanut hay: \$50.00/roll at barn. Delivery available. Glenn Brinson **Tarrytown** 912-288-5960

2023 spring cut, fertilized, sheltered, Tift 78 and Coastal Bermuda hay. Tift 78 round & square bales: Round \$65/ea, square \$8/ea. Coastal Bermuda round bales \$65/ea. Jimmy Whyte **Mitchell** 706-699-2923

2023 Tift 44 Bermuda hay for sale, +-360 square bales: \$7.00/bale. RFQ 111, crude protein 12.2%, TDN 54.5%. Fertilized, weed and rain free. psmith3556@gmail.com. Phill Smith **Royston** 770-363-4530

2023 Tift 44 hay, square bales, fertilized and sprayed: \$7.50 per bale at barn. K. Wood **Hoschton** 770-867-4332

4x5 rolls Fescue hay in dry: \$45/bale. C. L. Grizzle **Dahlonega** 706-867-5209

4x5 round bales, dry, clean, net wrapped, fescue/clover mix, dry, clean, horse or cow quality: \$45. Larry Spruill **Roopville** 770-328-6472

4x5.5 JD netwrap rolls, some inside and outside, horse and cow quality, starting at: \$60. Delivery available for mileage. Josh Pennino **Sparta** 706-340-3146

Alicia hay, fertilized, horse quality: \$8 per square bale. Jim Grant **Elko** 478-217-0626

Bermuda, Fescue, 4x5, net-wrapped hay, outside, 120 bales: \$45/bale; 60 bales rain-free in barn: \$55/bale, fertilized, sprayed. Tom **Commerce** 762-305-1339

Bermuda, mixed hay. Fertilized and rain free, horse quality: \$9/square; \$60-\$80 round bales in barn. Large quantity delivery available. S. Stana **Carrollton** 770-241-3201

Fescue and Bermuda grass mixed. Horse and cow quality, in barn: \$65; Fescue and Bermuda grass mixed. Cow quality, stored outside: \$45. Steve Arnold **Nicholson** 706-207-4356

Hay for sale - 5x5.5, net-wrapped, inside & outside: \$45 & up. Todd Grogan **Montgomery, AL** 334-320-7315

Hay for sale. Horse & cow quality, rolls & square bales. Call for pick up. Donald, 4540 Three Bridge RD **Gillsville** 770-540-8599

Hay, mixed grass, 4x5, net-wrapped, rain-free. Pretty grass. John Bullington **Cordelle** 229-322-8480 or 229-273-3597

Hay. Round bales: \$40-\$50 per bale. Brett Burke **Millen** 706-871-5785

Lespedeza square bales: \$12/ea, (10 bale min). AA Farms **Hartwell** 706-376-8968

Lespedeza square bales: \$12/ea, 10 bale min. AA Farms **Hartwell** 706-376-8968

New crop oats, combine run. Cleaned, bright, pretty oats. John **Cordele** 229-322-8480 or 229-273-3597

Perennial peanut hay for sale. Square bales only: \$12 per bale. Jay Eckles **Chauncey** 478-231-8641

MULCH AND FERTILIZERS

2023 wheat straw: \$3.50/bale at barn. Delivery available. Gary Brinson **Tarrytown** 912-286-3191

Goat litter available at no cost to pick up. Good, dry litter. Also, poultry equipment: egg tables, nesting pads. I'm getting out of the chicken business. Gilleland Farms **North Hall** 770-605-2750

Mulch hay square bales for sale and straw: \$6 per bale. Shawn Cox **Covington** 678-409-6233

PLANTS, TREES AND FLOWERS

Advertisements selling officially protected plants must include a permit to sell such plants. Ads submitted without this permit will not be published. For information on the sale or shipment of protected plants, visit www.fws.org/Endangered/permits/index.html or call the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 404.679.7097. For questions about ginseng, visit <https://www.fws.gov/Endangered/permits/index.html> or call the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 404.679.7097.

Camellia Waxing Workshop, Saturday, Feb 17, 11:00 a.m., Massee Lane Camellia garden, 100 Massee Lane, **Ft Valley**, Ga. Jonanne Beckman 478-396-6548

Fruit trees, 4-6ft, 3gal: \$29/ea; blueberries & pink/blue hydrangeas, 1gal: \$11/ea; camellias, 1gal: \$13/ea; red Japanese maples, 1gal: \$19/ea; red Japanese maples dictum, 3gal: \$69/ea. 9mi south of Columbus. Doug **Seale, AL** 678-618-0352

Pachysandra: \$10/50 bare-root plants. Large supply, great ground cover for shade, deer and rabbit resistant, evergreen. Short text message video showing plants, etc. sent on request. **Marietta** 770-490-5685



Privacy trees - Thuja Green Giants, Leyland Cypress. We grow, sell, deliver and plant for you. Serving all of Georgia. John Cowherd **Monticello** 770-862-7442

Sawtooth oaks, 3-gallon pots, 5ft: \$15; Crape myrtles, 3-gallon pots: \$10; Chinese chestnuts, 5-gallon pots: \$15; also Japanese maples, Shumard oaks, Gardenia, Amarylis in 1-gallon pots. Mark **Wrightsville** 478-455-2981

Trees. maples, Japanese maples, oaks, white pines, tulip, poplars, pecans etc. Rhonda **Gainesville** 706-400-2888

SEEDS

Advertisements selling seeds must include 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. For more information regarding certified seed, call the GDA Seed Division, 229.386.3557.

Old time orange rattlesnake watermelon seeds: \$5/20 seeds + SASE. G. Anthony 567 Bennett Cemetery RD **Jefferson** 30549, 706-605-0201

Old-timey cayenne, rooster spur: \$3/pk, send a SASE. Terry Madaris 2017 Cloud Springs Rd **Rossville** GA 30741

Old-timey white field corn seed 2023 crop. Family kept seed. 10-12 foot stalks with 2-3 cobs per stalk: \$4/lb plus shipping or local pickup. J. Smith **Auburn** 770-826-0266

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.

Fat lighter sticks for sale: \$10 per bundle. Bob Lewis **Fayetteville** 770-461-4083

Fat lighter: \$0.25/lb, by the stump or large truck load; also three point hitch wood splitter: \$250. Leave Message. Henry Beckworth **Mitchell** 706-699-9288

Seasoned firewood, cut to length, stacked, ready for pickup: free. Mclain **Stockbridge** 770-474-2044

Seasoned or green oak firewood - 1/2 cord: \$150. Truckload or any quantity available. Delivery available. Text/call. Larry Moore **Grantville** 678-278-5709

Seasoned split firewood, all hardwood, different sizes available. Half cord: \$100 including local delivery and stacking. Will deliver further at extra charge. Ron Teams **Cartersville** 770-715-1368

2024 Advertising Deadlines

Publication date:	Ad due date:
Jan. 10, 2024	Dec. 29, 2023
Jan. 24, 2024	Jan. 12, 2024
Feb. 7, 2024	Jan. 26, 2024
Feb. 21, 2024	Feb. 9, 2024
March 6, 2024	Feb. 23, 2024
March 20, 2024	March 8, 2024
April 3, 2024	March 22, 2024
April 17, 2024	April 5, 2024
May 1, 2024	April 19, 2024
May 15, 2024	May 3, 2024
May 29, 2024	May 17, 2024
June 12, 2024	May 31, 2024
June 26, 2024	June 14, 2024
July 10, 2024	June 28, 2024
July 24, 2024	July 12, 2024
Aug. 7, 2024	July 26, 2024
Aug. 21, 2024	Aug. 9, 2024
Sept. 4, 2024	Aug. 23, 2024
Sept. 18, 2024	Sept. 6, 2024
Oct. 2, 2024	Sept. 20, 2024
Oct. 16, 2024	Oct. 4, 2024
Oct. 30, 2024	Oct. 18, 2024
Nov. 13, 2024	Oct. 31, 2024
Nov. 27, 2024	Nov. 15, 2024
Dec. 11, 2024	Nov. 29, 2024
Dec. 25, 2024	Dec. 13, 2024
Jan. 8, 2025	Dec. 27, 2024

If ad due date falls on a holiday, please submit on the first available business day before the holiday. Call 404.656.3722 with questions.

FARMERS MARKETS

New farmers market coming to North Brookhaven, one of the wealthiest communities in Atlanta – vendor spaces available. Located in front of established restaurants. Call for details. www.oldfivepoints.com **Atlanta** 404-936-1818

Rooster's Market offers Old-fashioned, pure, north Georgia, Young Harris sorghum cane syrup, pints. Rooster's Market 54 Rooster Way **Jasper** 706-301-8176

THINGS TO EAT

Advertisers producing and offering for sale shell eggs at retail to the end consumer must obtain an egg candling certificate from the Georgia Department of Agriculture. The department offers training in egg candling. Email candling@agr.georgia.gov or call 404.656.3627 for more information.

2023 Desirable pecans ready to eat: \$12 per lb +postage. Will crack, shell, separate your whole pecans: 75 cents per lb. Russell Eaton **Stockbridge** 770-506-2727

2023 pecans for sale: Shelled and cleaned. Ready for freezer: \$11 per lb. Peggy Griffin **Clarksville** 706-768-8417

2023 shelled Elliott pecans, ready to eat-bake-freeze-enjoy: \$12/lb. +shipping. Call/text Mark Parker 229-726-4238 Tressie Parker 229-400-3304 **Moultrie** Facebook: Parker Pecans

Angus freezer beef. Grain finished, raised locally, USDA already processed shrink-wrapped custom cuts: \$8/lb, min quarter cow, approx 100lbs meat. Call for more info. Wilson Family Farms, Gary **Woodville** 678-468-8257

Farm fresh eggs for sale by the dozen. Beautiful assorted colors: \$5 per dozen. Rebecca Little **Monroe** 678-535-8417

For sale – 2023 pecans, shelled and cleaned, ready to eat or freeze, mostly halves: \$10/pound. Leon Cheek **East-anollee** 706-491-3447

Freezer beef, raised on farm, USDA inspected. Halves or whole: \$4.50/lb, hanging weight. Custom cut, wrapped & ready for freezer. James Shelton **Cleveland, TN** 423-650-1497

Locally-grown beef, USDA inspected, half/whole available, custom cuts: \$5.25/lb hanging weight. We offer ground beef, sausage, steaks, jerky & slaughter your cattle. Potts Family Meats **Jefferson** 706-367-5823

This years crop of Stuart pecans in the shell. No chemicals used. 10lb minimum: \$2/lb. Andrew Kinder **Royston** 706-386-0895

Water-ground meal, whole wheat flour & grits: \$5/5lbs + postage. Will grind your grain. Mike Buckner **Junction City** GA 706-269-3630

ODDITIES

Martin gourds for sale. Larry Heard **Chula** 229-402-0375

Martin gourds for sale: \$4/ea. Andy **Talking Rock/Jasper** 706-346-3142

Visit our farm or call for gourds. The Gourd Pile, 874 Morrison Road, **Barney** 229-775-2123

HANDICRAFTS AND SUPPLIES

4-Leaf clovers are lucky. Real 4-Leaf clovers laminated with decorations added. Beautiful gifts. Good price. Please call before 8pm. Chris **Loganville** 770-466-5173

All types of chair caning, re-finishing & repairs. James Lewis **Perry** 478-987-4243 or 478-456-5122

Beautify emerald green emu eggs. Cleaned out and empty. Can be used for decorating, painting or carving. Jackie Paul **Oxford** 770-597-1510

FARM SERVICES



Dump truck and tractor service. Gravel, sands, soils, hourly truck service, grading, clearing, pond construction, arena grading, site work, mulching. Serves Northeast and middle GA. northeastga-hauling.com Justin Bailey Loganville 678-618-0071

Farm 911® Signs – farm safety and emergency signage. An information source for greater peace of mind. Website: www.farm911signs.com Daren Sue Truex Cumming 678-628-6767

Fence specialist - installation, paint, pressure-wash & repair. All fences come with low prices. Free gate installment with pasture fence. Serving NE Georgia. Dan Gilbert Cumming 229-325-3163

Hauling horses or horse transportation, new 2022 two-horse trailer. Any distance, anytime. Call for more info. AM Horsemanship Atlanta 678-308-4002

ISO tenant for 1BR home. 17acres, light yard maintenance required for low monthly rent of \$700. All utilities installed. James Townsend Sandersville 770-867-1693

Lakes/ponds built, repaired, new pipe systems, and clearing, swamps drained, creeks rerouted, drainage problems wetlands restoration, bush hogging home sites. Tim Harper Peachtree City 770-527-1565

Landscaping, brush clearing, bush hogging, new gravel driveways and pads, or repair of existing gravel, stubborn burn piles restacked, light demolition. Cody Barnett Bremen 678-315-7946

Loader/backhoe, grading, bush hogging, aeration, tree cutting, branch trimming, pruning, lawn mowing, leaf mulching, chain saw & blade sharpening. Rockdale and surrounding counties. G. Kelecheck Conyers 770-597-4878

Metal buildings & carport covers. Great for storing hay, tractors, trucks, etc. Free deliver & installation. Tonya Cumming www.maxsteel-buildings.com 770-757-4226

Mobile professional horse training, 30+ years of experience. Working initiate colts, horse behavior issues, etc. For more info, call. AM Horsemanship Atlanta 678-308-4002

Mobile welding service – all types of welding, certified, 45 years of experience. Call for details. Within 60mi. Campbell's Welding, Randy Campbell Griffin 678-603-0175

Stumps ground neatly below ground level, free estimate and reasonably priced. Glen Whitely Bethlehem 770-307-7098

Sawmill blade resharpen, set, and oil: \$10 each; Woodmizer expert. 30 years experience, advanced sharpening equipment, satisfaction guaranteed. 10 blade minimum. Daniel Williams Athens 706-224-6830

Skid steer services - mulching, grapple, root raking, small load hauling. Call or text and let us know how we can help you with your next project. Matthew Bulloch & surrounding counties 706-741-6497



State wide brush cutting. Underbrush clearing, small tree clearing, brush cleanup, bush hogging, property and fence lines, overgrown areas. Thomas Bowlin 678-972-4647

Tree removal, tree trimming, bush hogging and mowing, land clearing, laser grading, roads/driveways, erosion control, hauling, garden and food plot plowing/installation. Ira Richter Locust Grove and surrounding areas 404-516-3153



We remove hogs, beavers, coyotes, and much more in central Georgia. Wildlife problems? Weaver's is at your service. Weaver's Wildlife Services, Anthony, East Dublin 478-200-8292

EMPLOYMENT

Farm Help Needed and Seeking Farm Employment ads must be related to agricultural farm work. Ads submitted for domestic help, companions, baby sitters, housekeepers, etc. will not be published.

FARM HELP NEEDED

Farm manager needed. Looking for a full time farm manager having experience w/hay operation/general farm duties. Pay based on experience. Email resume. Waverly Hall info@woodcraftbymacdonald.com

Honest, mature person to maintain property and equipment. Salary based on experience. 1BR furnished house included. Drug and background check required. Good driving record. No pets. Conyers 770-605-6107

Immediate opening for Spanish-speaking male or couple needed to work on bird farm. Live-in position, 5hr/day, 5 days/week: \$200/weekly inc. small apartment. Serious inquiries only. Tere Lopez Oxford 770-787-2955

Need 2-4 acres of muscadines set out in Burke County. Billy Holmes Waynesboro 917-414-6202

Need two and half acres cleared in Burke County near Hwy 24 and Raccoon Road. Billy Holmes Waynesboro 917-414-6202

Seeking retired couple to live/work on 80acre cattle farm. 1BR/1BA farmhouse in exchange for easy work & small rent. Call for details. Credit/background check required. C. Moon Paulding County 404-372-1350

SEEKING FARM EMPLOYMENT

Looking for part-time jobs. Live in Rome. Have truck to haul away clutter from barn or outbuilding, etc. Can do odd jobs. Brian D. Rome 706-766-9989

Responsible adult male looking for local farm work. Years of experience in tractor work, bush hogging, carpentry & fencing. Michael Martin Thomaston 678-416-1424

WANTED

Items wanted in all Classified Categories will be advertised here.

I am in need of an someone to come and connect my satellite dish and program my receiver. John Henry Stockbridge 770-483-8453

Looking for a 12ft leveling harrow in good condition. Phillip Jowers Douglas 912-389-6389

Looking for a 931C Caterpillar engine. Engine model 3204PC. Also, looking to sell 931C Caterpillar parts if engine is unobtainable. You pull parts. Parts negotiable. Conyers 770-605-6107

Looking for a Hoelscher 110 bale fork. D. Simmons Commerce 706-255-7292

Looking for a sickle mower for any kind of tractor reasonably priced. Call or text. Jim Young Gainesville 770-540-0858

Looking for any unwanted guinea. Susan Albany 229-364-1892

Looking for grist mill in operating condition. All models considered. Kenneth Fitzgerald 229-345-9118

Looking for John Deere square baler in good condition. Kermit Jefferson 770-867-7550

Looking for old dozer and semi/lowboy for yard art. Also an old spreader truck. More patina the better. Connor Power Monroe 404-989-2306

Looking for Richard Kelly hens; also looking for hennies chickens – white, brown, black. Terry Riverdale 478-390-2847 or 770-210-0475

Looking for unwanted chicken houses, barns, or old homes to take down for materials. Site clean up. Willing to pay for some. 45-50 miles radius. Call/text. Matthew Cantrell Jackson County 706-296-0620

Need chicken manure to be delivered and spread on 30 acres in Ball Ground on an established pasture sometime in the spring. Steve Weatherly Ball Ground 404-932-6918

Needing parts for a Sidewinder rotary cutter, Model B-D90. Need spindles, hubs and any other parts you might have. Rudy Wehnt Jasper 770-894-3072

Old Chevrolet GMC tailgate from 1950's or 1960's. Perry Ridgeway Jackson 678-614-4335

LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS

Average prices for January 2024 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 102.91
Boners 80-85% Lean 102.76
Lean 85-90% Lean 87.24

BULLS:

Yield Grade 1

1000-2100 lbs 120.19

FEEDER CLASSES: WEIGHTED AVG PRICES STEERS: MEDIUM AND LARGE

	1	2
300-350 lbs	320.70	303.87
350-400 lbs	301.06	286.36
400-450 lbs	292.77	276.57
450-500 lbs	270.40	260.49
500-550 lbs	257.45	251.17
550-600 lbs	247.11	242.96
600-650 lbs	238.95	229.74
650-700 lbs	223.41	224.40

HEIFERS: MEDIUM AND LARGE

	1	2
300-350 lbs	260.88	251.18
350-400 lbs	254.92	241.33
400-450 lbs	249.11	232.55
450-500 lbs	238.43	221.84
500-550 lbs	230.93	217.61
550-600 lbs	222.04	203.95
600-650 lbs	214.53	198.01
650-700 lbs	200.73	190.47

Producers can obtain daily cattle prices by Internet at the following website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov>
Once at the site, select Market News and Transportation Data in the left column. Click on Livestock, Meats, Grain and Hay under the heading Market News Reports by Program. Next, click on Cattle under the heading Browse by Commodity. Then click on Feeder and Replacement Cattle Auctions and select Georgia.



BULLS: MEDIUM AND LARGE

	1	2
300-350 lbs	307.75	287.62
350-400 lbs	299.68	280.33
400-450 lbs	284.95	264.55
450-500 lbs	261.33	248.79
500-550 lbs	246.15	232.06
550-600 lbs	231.72	220.21
600-650 lbs	211.87	198.40
650-700 lbs	201.19	192.52

GOATS (priced per head)

SLAUGHTER CLASSES

SELECTION 2 ACTUAL WEIGHT

BILLIES/BUCKS

70-75 lbs	154.51
80-85 lbs	144.91
90-95 lbs	153.84
100-145 lbs	216.77
150-180 lbs	323.45

NANNIES/DOES

60-65 lbs	87.66
70-75 lbs	111.35
80-85 lbs	121.74
90-95 lbs	138.11
100-130 lbs	150.04

KIDS & YEARLINGS

20-25 lbs	81.21
30-35 lbs	89.89
40-45 lbs	99.17
50-55 lbs	105.24
60-65 lbs	112.66
70-75 lbs	—

Rope-making machines. I plan on using these to make rope, so they would need to be somewhat complete and/or operational. Call or text. Jeff Adairville 770-548-8279

Used 3ft or 4ft painted or galvanized farm gate wanted. Good condition (rusted is fine). Randall Temples NE Georgia 678-485-4303

Want front axle (tube only ok) for Farmall Cub tractor or complete tractor for parts. Thomas Tucker Lithia Springs 770-941-2354

Want to buy some Brown-Leghorn chickens. Call me if you have them. Johnnie Collins 912-693-5625

Wanted 160+- acres undeveloped land from Elbert to Warren counties down to Twiggs-Wilkerson counties and counties in between. Property owner only. No agents or brokers please. Mark Oxford 404-702-3977

Wanted – International truck, late 1970s or early 80s, ½-Ton through 1-ton, flatbed or pickup, for garden use and haul wood, not for show. Must run good. Brown McDonough 770-898-8701

Wanted – square bales of Bahia hay, reasonably priced. Libby Parham Newnan 678-480-1384

Wanting 5 to 10 acres of open and somewhat level land to purchase for gardens in Polk, Haralson, Carroll, Paulding or Bartow County. Alan Holcombe Dallas 404-977-6143

Wanting to obtain a hit and miss farm engine. Patrick McGee Carnesville 470-655-9565

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FORESTRY MATTERS: 7 Forestry facts for February

By Stasia Kelly
Georgia Forestry Commission

February is a big month for trees in Georgia. It's an ideal time to plant them, celebrate them for Arbor Day, and appreciate the unique values they provide us all. Georgia is the #1 Forestry state in the nation and here are some highlights to learn about this month.

Georgia Arbor Day falls on the third Friday in February every year, though it is marked in different ways throughout the month. Join the State Arbor Day celebration on Tuesday, Feb. 20, in Madison, by the Georgia Tree Council, and check with your community tree board or city clerk for local plans.

Planting trees: This is the ideal time to put seedlings in the ground in Georgia. Sapling roots are dormant in winter, and planting now gives them time to get used to their surroundings before the hot months ahead. Need seedlings? The Georgia Forestry Commission has an online seedling store. Check it out at gaseedlings.org.

Valentine's Day: What better way to celebrate everlasting love than by planting a tree that will grow for decades? Some romantic species to consider include redbud, white dogwood, and camellia. Find helpful tips on planting trees at <https://gatrees.org/>.



February is the best time to plant a tree. Georgia Arbor Day falls on the third Friday in February every year and is marked in different ways throughout the month. In many communities, residents will mark the occasion with a tree planting. (GFC/Special Photo)

Support Georgia's economy: The forest industry in Georgia provides numerous economic benefits. In 2022,

the industry's total economic impact was \$42 billion. Forestry provides great jobs throughout the state and thousands of daily-life products, from boxes that carry our food to two-by-fours that build our houses.

Ideal birding month: Winter is a great time to get out in the woods with your binoculars. Native birds flourish in Georgia's forests; the bare branches in February make them easier to spot. Find out more at <https://www.birdsgeorgia.org/>.

Georgia has a 2023 Outstanding Tree Farm winner. Berrien County forest landowner Heather Brasell has earned the American Tree Farm System's national award for sustainable forest management. She is noted for sound techniques, including prescribed burning and thinning, which keeps her property along the Altamaha River ideal for trees, wildlife, and enjoyment by her family and students of all ages.

Forests support New Year's Resolutions: Getting healthy and losing weight is easier when we get out amongst the trees. Scientific proof shows that being around trees boosts our immune systems, helps blood flow and breathing, and even contributes positively to mental health. Learn more at <https://healthytreeshealthyvives.org/>.

LOOKING BACK, PUSHING FORWARD: Farm wages, foreign land ownership are top issues in 2024

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Georgia Grown goods in our state, across the country, and around the world.

As a Department, our team of over 500 dedicated professionals work every day to promote and protect Georgia's Agriculture industry, our farm families, and consumers across the state, and we had a busy year in 2023. Our staff conducted over 125,000 inspections across multiple programs and divisions, our Laboratory Division tested more than 38,000 samples, our Licensing Division issued or renewed more than 78,000 licenses, and we hosted dozens of outreach, training, and networking events across the state. As your Commissioner, I believe it is incumbent upon me to maintain an open line of communication with producers in every corner of the state, and in 2023, I visited 55 counties, more than 60 cities, and attended over 120 total events.

With the General Assembly back in Atlanta for the 2024 legislative session, we're working together to pass new legislation that will empower Georgia farmers and protect our state's #1 industry. While our team is monitoring dozens of

bills that could impact our industry or our mission at the Department, as Commissioner, I've put my full support behind legislation to restrict adversarial foreign nations, like China, from buying Georgia farmland. Agriculture plays a vital role in our National Security infrastructure, and as China continues to increase their holding of U.S. farmland and U.S. based food production, it is critical that we keep our farmland where it belongs – in the hands of Georgia farmers. On the Federal level, we're pushing hard for a roll-back of the H2-A AEW wage increases mandated by the Biden Administration and continuing the conversation with Georgia's delegation and Congressional leadership about the upcoming Farm Bill.

This year, 2024, marks a significant milestone for the Department – our 150th anniversary. In celebration of 150 years of service to the people of Georgia, we are looking forward to hosting several events highlighting the history of the Department and Georgia agriculture. We hope many of you will join us at one or more of those events as we

celebrate 150 years of Georgia agriculture.

I am honored and humbled to serve Georgia's farmers, producers, and consumers as the state's 17th Commissioner of Agriculture, and I look forward to our continued work together to empower Georgia farmers and protect Georgia's #1 industry.

God Bless & Keep Plowin'!

Tyler J. Harper
Commissioner, Georgia Department of Agriculture

2024 GEORGIA FARMER OF THE YEAR: Redmond says 'farming is all I've ever known'

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employees that work hard and resources to keep me going."

Redmond also thanked the Extension Service, saying he remembered watching his father work closely with his local agent, Bill Tyson and reflected on his work with Carter.

"It's humbling to get to represent Georgia and the rest of the farmers of our great state. There's so many deserving folks out there that makes this recognition much more special," Redmond said. "To all the agents listening: Find a farmer and nominate them for next year. To all the farmers: Find an agent and talk to them to nominate you. Again, I am truly honored to have this award. I'm excited to see what the future holds. Thank y'all so much. God bless."

A farmer for 19 years, Redmond returned to his family farm after graduating college and took over ownership of Shiloh Farms in 2018 following the passing of his father. He operates 2,800 acres of rented and owned farmland growing cotton, peanuts and Bahia grass seed.

McCann said the Shiloh Farms began producing grass seed in the 1990s and has become the largest certified Bahia grass seed producer in the Southeast. In 2005, the Georgia Seed Development Commission chose the farm to produce the first large-scale TifQuik Foundation seed,

a variety released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service and UGA.

Shiloh Farms is one of only three certified TifQuik growers worldwide with 600 acres in seed production, producing 40-50 tons of Bahia grass seed annually.

"Bruce has also emphasized conservation farm practices that are focused on improving the sustainability of his farming enterprise, minimizing environmental impacts, and increasing the efficiency of purchased inputs," McCann said. "These practices include crop scouting, grid sampling, converting to low-pressure irrigation tips, and the inclusion of Bahia grass in his peanut rotation."

McCann also noted Redmond's efforts in soil conservation. He built and maintained terraces and grass waterways to reduce soil erosion and installed moisture sensors to use his irrigation more efficiently. In 2021, his local Soil and Water Conservation District recognized Redmond as Conservationist of the Year. His father received the same award in 1993.

Redmond is active with his local Extension office, and his farm has been the site of several crop variety and fertility trials over the years. Recently, the farm participated in

soil moisture sensor research, McCann said.

Redmond serves on his local Farm Service Agency committee and supports 4-H and Effingham Young Farmers. He received the Effingham County Friend of 4-H award last year. He was recognized as a Georgia Outstanding Young Farmer by the Georgia Agricultural County Agents Association in 2022. Redmond and his wife, Jillian, have three daughters, Lainey, Ellie and Shiloh.

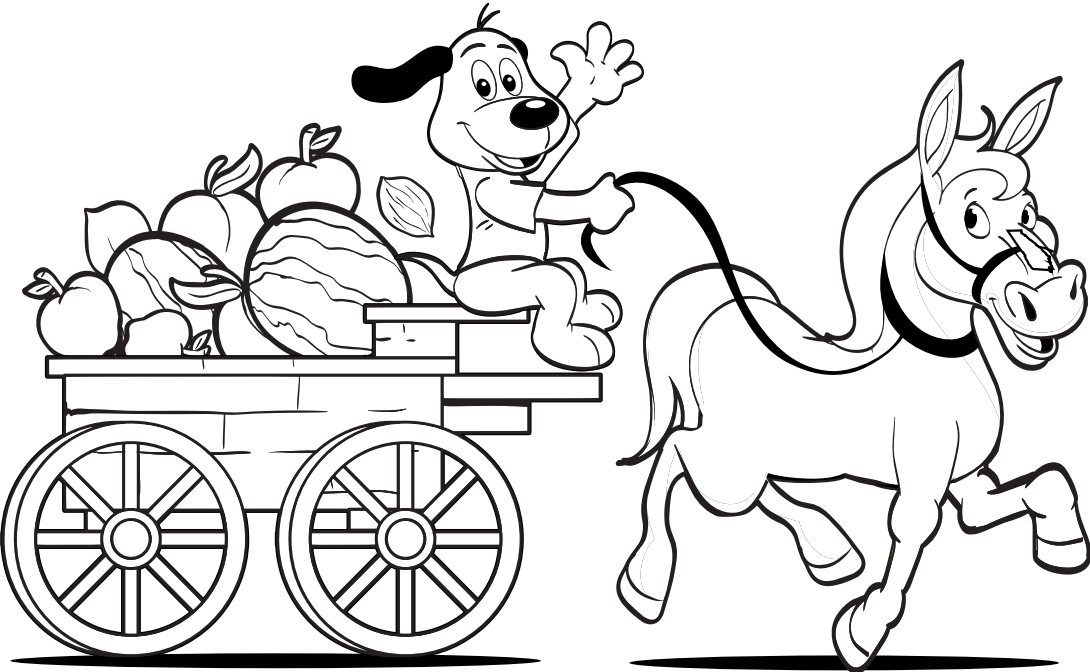
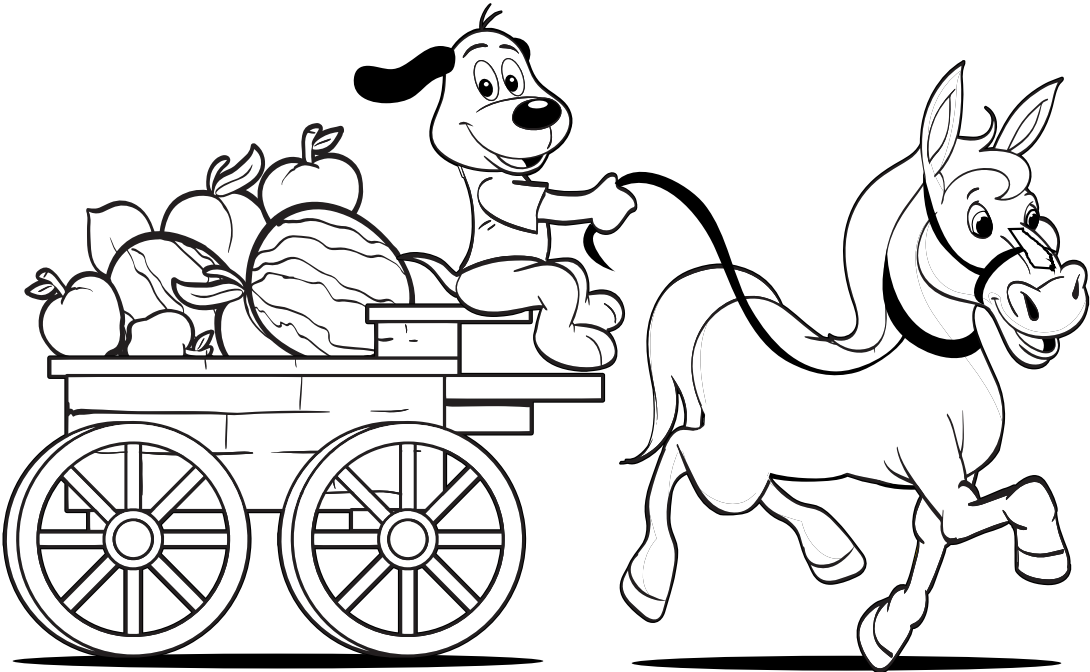
It was the second time the Georgia Farmer of the Year was announced during the UGA Ag Forecast at the University of Georgia Tifton Conference Center. Before introducing Redmond onto the stage, McCann reminded the audience that even as large a role as agriculture plays in the state, someone has to be there on the ground to make it work.

"We focus on so many nuts and bolts about agriculture that I think we always need to pause, and this is a great moment to remember the greatest asset of Georgia agriculture, and that is a Georgia farmer. Never forget that," McCann said. "I'm a nutritionist. I worry about a lot of nuts and bolts and numbers, but it's that resource on the farm that really makes it go."

Fun on the Farm!

An acre of activities for young people.

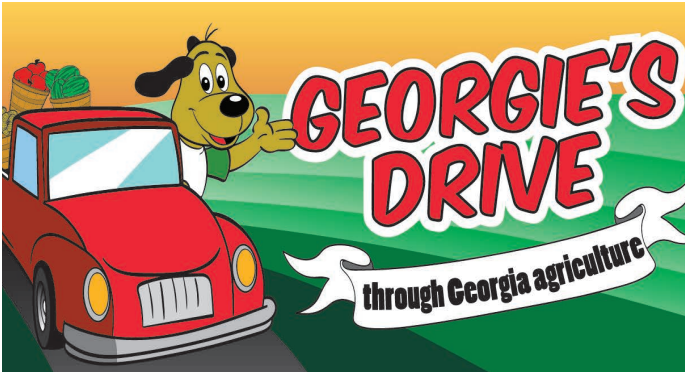
Horses had many jobs on early farms!



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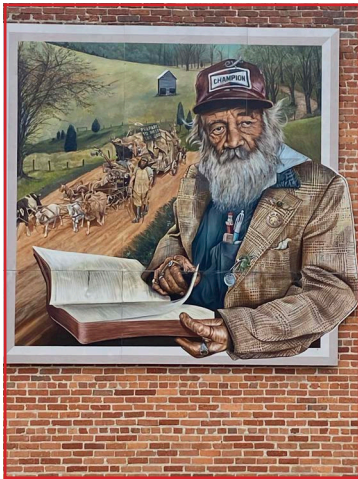
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Georgie's Drive Thru Jonesboro

Hello! I'm Georgie, the Georgia Grown mascot. I travel the state of Georgia promoting our #1 industry, agriculture! I've been told you can travel the entire length of the United States on the interstate and not see a thing! There is no better example of this than in Jonesboro, which was bypassed by I-75 when it was built. On the side of the Arts Clayton Gallery in downtown Jonesboro are four paintings depicting scenes from the book *Separate Fountains* by Jonesboro's Patti Wilson Byars.



The Goat Man

One of those paintings features the Goat Man, Ches McCartney, who was famous for causing traffic jams all along the highway between Florida and Iowa with his 30-plus goat-powered wagon. He began his travels after losing everything during the Great Depression, wearing an eye-catching goat skin suit and covering a blistering 7 miles a day. When the interstates started expanding and folks getting more and more in a hurry to go nowhere, Ches reluctantly retired from the road in the late 1980s to a modest life in Twiggs County. When he died at the age of somewhere between 97 and 106, he claimed to have visited 49 states, probably because he couldn't find a road to Hawaii with suitable grazing pasture.



Outdoor paintings featured on the side of the Arts Clayton Gallery in downtown Jonesboro. (GDA/Lee Lancaster)

Recipes for Tiny Tasters!



Cranberry almond chicken salad

Submitted by Aubrey Swearengen, a sixth grade student from Columbia County

This chicken salad is budget friendly at \$1.51 per serving. It uses healthy ingredients that are not always found in chicken salad.

Makes: 4 servings
Prep time: 30 minutes

Ingredients

- 12.5 oz. canned chicken
- 1/4 cup celery
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

- Mix all the ingredients in a large bowl.
- Serve on whole wheat crackers or as a sandwich on whole wheat bread.

Courtesy of Georgia 4-H Pantry Pride of 2017

DOMESTIC MARKETING PROGRAM: Georgia Grown members share cost to attend trade shows

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60 countries.

The trade show was held Jan. 17-21, with the largest contingent of Georgia Grown members ever attending, representing 67 diverse small businesses.

Elizabeth Danforth, a Georgia Grown marketing specialist, explained the Domestic Marketing Program helps offset the cost of booth space at the show. She said the program targets members ready to make that next step in selling their products.

That is why Alan and Tisha Carr signed up and attended the trade show for the first time. The couple owns Bone Creek Farms and sells bath and body products made with goat milk from dairy goats raised on their Jones County farm. “I milk the goats, and my wife makes the soaps. I’ll help her, too. We’re just a small business,” Alan said.

They have sold their products in the Georgia Grown building during the Georgia National Fair for the last nine years and built a strong online retail business. Alan Carr

explained Sarah Cook, another Georgia Grown marketing specialist, suggested it was time to expand his business.

“Wholesale enables you to reach out a lot further,” Carr said. “We sell all over the country with our website, but you don’t get your name out there as much as you would if a company took your product and put it in their store in California, or some other state like that, and reaches out to more people.”

Alan said they had a good experience at the tradeshow. “We’ve talked to some mom-and-pop bouquets, and we got an order from somebody in Vermont yesterday,” he said. “It’s a good part of the country where we’ve never sold in, so it might work out into something good.”

The tradeshow was divided into sections: Gourmet, Body & Soul, High Design, Tabletop, Housewares, and Made in America. As a wholesale show, there was no individual purchasing of items from the vendors. It was strictly about making deals.

“It’s definitely different,” Carr said. “There’s a lot more standing around and talking to people.”

Pfeifer said she puts her game face on to meet as many people as possible.

“You meet so many different people. The caveat is you have to say hi to them, greet them, and have your act together,” Pfeifer said. You can’t just sit there and watch everybody walk by and say, ‘Oh, gee, nobody is stopping.’ I work it.”

The Domestic Marketing Program offers opportunities to 11 tradeshow annually. Upcoming shows include the Southeast Produce Council in Tampa, FL, and the National Products Expo West in Anaheim, CA, in March.

Applications for participation in the Domestic Marketing Program for 2025 will be accepted beginning on Aug. 1 and due by Oct. 1. For more information, contact Cook at sarah.cook@agr.georgia.gov or Danforth at elizabeth.danforth@agr.georgia.gov.

Learn more about Georgia Grown by visiting www.georgiagrown.com.



Olivia Rader, a Georgia Grown marketing specialist, visits Diane Pfeifer at her booth during the AmericasMart trade show in Atlanta. Pfeifer markets her Grits Bits brand of snacks and gift sets. (GDA/Jay Jones)



The AmericasMart show is among the largest wholesale trade shows in the world. The show hosts over 50 floors of vendor booth space across three buildings and attracts retailers and designers from every state and over 60 countries looking for home and food products. (GDA/Jay Jones)



Monica Sunny, owner of The Chai Box, attended the AmericasMart tradeshow and offered samples of her loose-leaf teas, chai spices, and tea accessories made in small batches in Georgia and based on her family recipes. (GDA/Jay Jones)

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