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Georgia Department of Agriculture offers fresh resources to grow state's farmers markets

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In celebration of National Farmers Market Week, the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) announced two new initiatives aimed at strengthening and supporting farmers markets and their vendors across the state.

Georgia Agriculture Commissioner Tyler J. Harper announced the initiatives in conjunction with the annual observance of National Farmers Market Week from

Local farmers markets, like this one in Marietta, offer fresh goods and a vibrant community atmosphere. Two initiatives recently announced by the Georgia Department of Agriculture aim to help local farmers markets with technical assistance and marketing support. (Special Photo/Jack Kennard)



Aug. 3-9, which aims to provide new resources for markets to succeed and support Georgia's rural entrepreneurs and local food economy.

The initiatives include:

- A publicly accessible and interactive online map highlighting Georgia Grown partnering farmers markets in the state.
- The launching of a new technical assistance and marketing support program developed in partnership with GDA's Georgia Grown program and Sagdrina Jalal, a longtime advocate in food equity and farmers market development.

"Farmers markets are economic engines for our local communities, especially in

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New initiative supports Ag teachers with *Market Bulletin* subscription



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Recognizing the crucial role agricultural educators play in supporting the future of Georgia's No. 1 industry, Georgia Agriculture Commissioner Tyler J. Harper announced a new initiative to provide a complimentary one-year subscription to the *Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin* for all agriculture education teachers statewide.

"As a small token of our appreciation, I'm proud to offer this subscription to those who are shaping the next generation of farmers, ag leaders, and innovators," Harper said in his announcement.

Issues of the *Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin* roll off the press, soon to be delivered to subscribers across Georgia, including agricultural educators who will now receive complimentary one-year subscriptions through a new state initiative. (GDA/File Photo)

er said in his announcement. "The *Market Bulletin* is more than just a publication – it's a connection to Georgia's ag community, and we hope it serves as a valuable resource in the classroom."

The initiative is supported by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Georgia Grown program.

To receive the free one-year subscription, ag educators must have at least five students in their classroom and submit the online request form at <https://bit.ly/4jo0I6B> by Friday, Aug. 29. All subscriptions will be mailed to the teacher's classroom address, and educators are asked to use their school-issued email rather than a personal email when submitting the form. The first free issue will be the Sept. 17 edition of the *Market Bulletin*.

The *Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin* has served as a cornerstone of Georgia agriculture since 1917,

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Protect your body and mind from extreme heat in Georgia agriculture

By Emily Cabrera
The University of Georgia

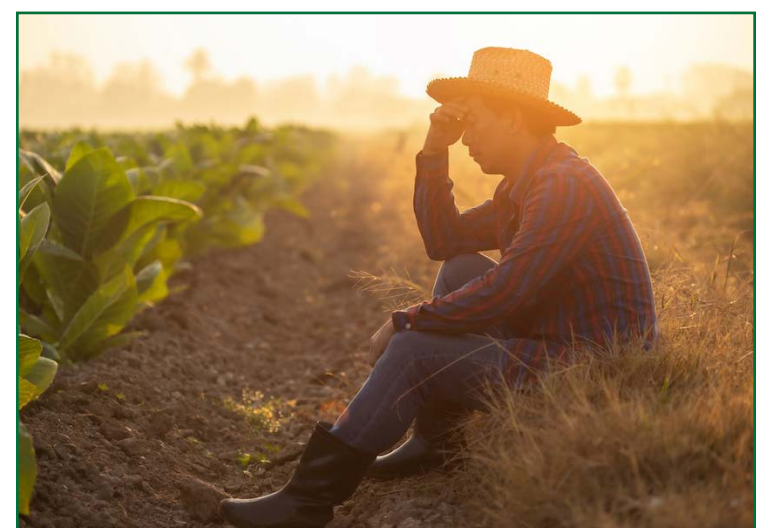
When outdoor temperatures climb into triple digits and the humidity becomes suffocating, most people head inside. But for Georgia's farmers, farmworkers and landscape professionals, the work doesn't stop when the heat index rises to dangerous levels.

As the hottest weeks of the year stretch ahead, the physical, mental and emotional risks of working outdoors increase. Extreme heat doesn't just threaten crops, turfgrass and livestock – it wears down the people who grow our food and maintain our green spaces.

To help agricultural and green industry workers prepare for and manage extreme heat, three University of Georgia Cooperative Extension specialists are raising awareness: Pam Knox, agricultural climatologist; Rolando Orellana, urban water management agent focused on the landscape and ornamental industry; and Anna Scheyett, rural stress and behavioral health specialist.

Heat index drives danger

When it comes to heat advisories, temperature is only part of the equation.



With heat index values reaching dangerous levels, Georgia farmers and landscape professionals face increased risk of heat-related illness. UGA Extension specialists urge both workers and supervisors to prioritize hydration, rest and mental well-being – and to watch for signs of physical and emotional heat stress. (UGA-CAES/ Special Photo)

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TRACTORS

1935 John Deere, good condition: \$50,000. S. Wright **Fairmount** 706-629-0406

1952 8N Ford tractor. New radiator, starter, water pump, oil & filter. Tires good, runs good, 12V: \$2700. Jim Page **Brunswick** 912-266-1189

1952 Farmall Cub. Selling as parts. Tractor is complete, not running, engine not stuck, and has rear wheel weights: \$500. Gene Camp **Locust Grove** 770-294-3077

1952 Ford 8N w/ Covington planters, plates galore, stobs-bars, 4ft. mower, 2disc bottom plow, mule-plow, harrow, 4row International planter, old Farmall parts: Come look, make an offer. Art Johns **Dawson** 229-343-3627

1987 John Deere 1050 utility tractor, 1286hrs, 2nd owner. Includes 6ft Bush Hog finishing mower. Always sheltered: \$4300. The perfect gardening tractor. Jerry Black **Royston** 706-540-8508

1994 TAFE D35 tractor, 3 cylinder diesel engine, 1600hr, good food plot tractor. Asking: \$3200. P. Smith **Tennille** 478-718-3112

1997 John Deere 4440. Green engine rebuilt within the last year. Hydraulics work, lift arms work. 4 good tires. Weights on the front: \$9000 OBO. Stuart Kelley **Bainbridge** 229-205-2950

2003 Kubota L3000 tractor, 350hrs: \$8000; scrape blade: \$300; Bush Hog, 4ft: \$300; also have wood shaper for sale. Samantha **Blue Ridge** 706-838-5232

2004 35 horse Mahindra w/front-end loader. Set up for 6ft bush hog. New battery. Fowler **Sharpsburg** 678-416-8799

2012 John Deere 3038E tractor. 37HP, diesel, 4x4, hydro-static transmission, power steering, 685hrs. Includes front loader, quick hitch, pallet forks, canopy/roll bar. Garage kept: \$18,500 OBO. Call. Dean **Pine Mountain** 678-739-7409

2013 Kubota tractor L6060, HST, A/C, cab, w/loader and rotary mower. Great condition. S. Thomas **Baxley** 912-278-4069

4400 Ford Industrial tractor, gas, 8speed, power steering, 6ft front blade, great oil pressure, shelter kept: \$6975. Emily Kenney **Vidalia** 912-293-2890

5520 John Deere cab tractor 4-wheel drive with loader; 5045 John Deere 4-wheel drive with loader; 1953 Ford Jubilee. Benny Lassetter **Franklin** 678-378-1884

9N Ford tractor for sale. Turns over, does not crank. Leave message. David Phillips **Elberton** 470-364-9065

Ford 555B loader backhoe, works well, good tires and buckets: \$7000. Ray Thompson **Vidalia** 912-281-3030

Ford 9N tractor w/iron wheels front & back, running: \$2100; spare parts for 9N and 8N: \$200. John **Canton** 770-241-1091

J.D. 5075E tractor, cab, loader, 4WD, heat & air, 150hrs: \$55,000. CE McCallie **Chickamauga** 706-581-1499

Hurricane Helene damage and in need of contractors in both land clearing & logging. Grant received from FSA to clear up storm damage. Minimum vegetation. Paul **Warner Robins** 478-960-1610

John Deere 5085E, 4-wheel-drive, cab, no loader, 280hrs, new condition, garage kept. Hubert Lewis **Buchanan** 770-883-6004

Kubota M5-111HDC. Cab, AC, 2 hydraulic remotes, self leveling front loader LA1854S, 1800hrs, great working condition. Rick **Walton County** 678-522-6560

Kubota M6800, cab, AC, bucket, hay spike, 70HP. Runs great, sheltered, 1370hrs. All maintenance done recently: \$32,500. George Brown **Chattahoochee Hills** 770-841-2014

Mahindra 2015 4x4 w/loader in good cond w/240hrs: \$10,000. Can possibly deliver if needed. Can send pics. Wendell **Eatonton** 478-952-1552

Mahindra E350-DI 35hp, 650hrs. Clean & good tires, 5ft bush hog, 5ft box scrape. Call before 7PM, no texting. James McClain **Dahlonega** 706-864-5977

MF 265 tractor with canopy, two sets hydraulic hook ups, in good condition: Asking price \$6500. Danny Hogan **Dexter** 478-984-6415

MF 5711 Deluxe, diesel, only 250hrs w/front end loader, & 3 remotes; MF 2604, no DEF, w/canopy, like new; also Rayne Plane 6yd dirt pan. Ronald **Ashburn** 229-567-2709

NH TM155, 4x4, cab, 1417 hrs: \$60,000; Krause center fold harrow: \$4,000; NH 353 grinder mixer: \$4,000. All in excellent condition. Hubert Owen **Baldwin** 706-499-3606

Market Bulletin's Educational Series

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FARM MACHINERY CHECKLIST

Exempt

Chainsaws and other handheld tools used over 50% in an agricultural operation

Employee safety equipment

All equipment used in the storage, packaging, and processing of agricultural products

Welding equipment (excluding shield glasses) used for farm/agricultural processing applications or repairs on exempt property/poultry houses

All repair and replacement parts for agricultural production and processing machinery and equipment

Grain bins

Not Exempt

Clothes, boots, and other apparel

Energy, cell phones, or supplies used for residential or administrative purposes

Replacement parts for on-road motor vehicles

Concrete pads, barns, greenhouses, stand-alone metal buildings, and other buildings (excluding grain bins)

Property fixtures attached to barns, greenhouses, and other metal buildings (e.g., electrical wiring, HVAC, windows, doors)

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- Cutters and Mowers
- Planting and Tillage
- Graders and Blades
- Pickers and Harvesters
- Hay and Forage
- Sprayers and Spreaders
- 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

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
- Poultry Litter/Compost
- Plants, Trees and Flowers
- Hemp
- Herbs
- Seeds
- Timber
- Firewood
- Farmers Markets
- Pick Your Own
- Things to Eat
- Oddities
- Handicrafts and Supplies

Farm Antiques

- Canning Supplies
- Other
- Christmas Trees

Real Estate

- Farmland for Sale
- Farmland Rent/Lease
- Garden Space Rent/Lease

Services

- Stud Services
- Boarding Facilities
- Farm Services

Employment

- Farm Help Needed
- Seeking Farm Employment

Wanted

- Items wanted in all categories will be advertised here.

LIVESTOCK HANDLING AND HAULING

For trade - 20ft gooseneck cattle trailer for dump trailer. Can send pictures of cattle trailer. New floor, have had for 20 years. Roy Garrett **Bowdon** rgluke418@aol.com 770-301-1673 or 770-258-5627

EQUIPMENT TRAILERS AND CARTS

16ft flatbed trailer with +2ft dovetail. Steel removable ramps, new floor, new tires. Spare included: \$1800. Pictures available upon request. Fielding **Ila** 770-778-9639

16ft Hooper pull behind trailer with removable high sides, electric brakes, ramps, dual axle, good condition, one owner: \$1900. Please text. Luca G. **Milton** 770-826-4738

2024 Hooper 22ft flatbed 2 axle 7k trailer, new cond: \$3900; Hooper 18ft 2 axle 7k trailer, excellent condition, new floor & tires: \$3200. Mac **Commerce** 706-658-6081

20ftX8ft trailer 20,000 GVW, single axle, dual wheels, 10X22 tires, military hitch w/air brakes, no ramps, wood & aluminum floor, tag & title: \$3000. Lawson Hooper **Covington** 770-354-0406

24ft dual tandem Gooseneck brand gooseneck trailer w/ramps & 10,000lb axles: \$7000. Lyndon Mize **Royston** 706-498-4686

32 foot 2012 gooseneck enclosed cargo trailer. White with ramp side door. Great condition: \$13,000 OBO. Felton Graham **Eastman** 478-231-2515

7x16 never been used landscaping trailer. Dual axle, spare tire included, 2-5/16in ball. Please call. Charles Stewart **Siloam** 706-817-1862

8.5x20 14k GVWR & 7x16 Enclosed trailer for sale. No leaks. Chance Kelley **Haddock** 478-319-7678

Custom, 12-ton, pintle hitch, 16ft deck w/4ft oak D/T ramps, 8 tires, spare w/2 extra wheels, 96in wide, 3 winches, 2 ratchet binders & chains. Ken **Forsyth** 478-954-3126

VEHICLES

Please specify if vehicles are in running condition.

TRUCKS

2003 GMC W-3500 w/landscape body, 92k miles, nearly new tires. AC, power steering and brakes, extra clean. David **Cedartown** 770-748-8929

2003 Ranger P/U, extended cab, red, not running: \$890. Bea Mixon **Watkinsville** 706-202-5179

Chevy Kodiak dump truck, 1990, single axle. Good running truck: \$7,500. Dan Jones **Statesboro** 912-682-3531

S series IH single axle truck single axle low boy, good condition: \$7500; Cushman Turf truck hydraulic dump bed, runs good: \$750. Dean Adamson **Sharpsburg** 678-416-0325

TRUCK ACCESSORIES AND PARTS

10ftX50ft truck scales in good condition, 200,000lbs capacity: \$7500. Call for more details. James Abney **LaFayette** AL 706-590-3624

Banks Derringer tuner and Pedal Monster. Upgrades for a 2020-2021 Chevy or GM Duramax L5P. Works with 2020 and 2021 6.6l lp5: \$350. Ask for Matt. C. Deloach **Gibson** 706-726-3469

UTVs/ATVs

2016 Bad Boy Onslaught 503cc 4 wheeler w/5x10 trailer to haul 4 wheeler and other equipment: \$5,500/both OBO or \$4,500/4 wheeler & \$1,500/trailer. Both like new. 4 wheeler can pull trailer. Rozier **Warner Robins** 478-396-0726

2017 Suzuki King Quad 400 atc, 4 wheel drive, fuel injected, 2430mi, adult farm used, never abused, excellent condition: \$4500. Anthony **Jefferson** 706-658-6081

Coleman 200x off road mini bike. Perfect for checking fencelines. 196CC engine, front suspension, 4-stroke OHV engine. One owner, garage kept, excellent condition: \$450. David Brown **Cochran** 478-230-7893

Polaris Ranger ATVNTT HD 800 series. 4X4, 14" aluminum wheels, GVW 2940, XM bluetooth radio, ROPS structure, drop windshield, excellent condition: \$8,950. Ron Hulett **Milan** 229-315-2733

GOLF CARS

2020 Club Car Precedent Villager, 4 passenger, gas, extra, 80hrs, garaged. Asking: \$7250. Peter Taylor **Cleveland** 706-348-7954

Club Car, new batteries w/charger, good condition: \$2500; YarMar gas powered cart, runs & rides good: \$3000; 250gal propane tank: \$250. William Sparrow **Pinehurst** 478-954-5903

LAWN AND GARDEN

Please specify if machinery is in running condition or not.

GARDEN TRACTORS

1960s garden tractor w/mower deck and turning plow. Stopped running 2 years ago: \$650. Leave message, will return call. Jean **Newborn** 706-468-1167

2 Craftsman SS-16 garden tractors. 1 restore & 1 parts; also 3 Craftsman mower decks. Call for pt#s or more information. Garland **Oxford** 770-841-0909



DR Power wagon. Like new, 1/2 price: \$1500. Dump and wagon beds, electric ignition, gas engine, self-propelled, power lift. Patrea Pabst **Hartwell** 404-217-8471

For sale - Troy-Bilt rear-tine tiller, Horse Big Red, 20inches. Excellent condition. Used very little and kept inside garage. Serviced and maintained well. C. Brooks **Roswell** 770-993-2315

LANDSCAPE TOOLS AND MATERIALS

(2) 1956 Ford Jubilees. Gas 641s: \$1750 each or \$3000 for both; (1) 5ft Woods Finishing Mower: \$450; (1) DR Pull behind Lawn & Leaf Vac: \$400. Pete **Batesville** 706-949-1567

Craftsman mower, like new condition, 2 years old: \$500. T. Oneal **Greensboro** 706-817-9179

Dixie Chopper lawn mower, 52in classic, motor has 30hrs. Needs gearbox. Well maintained: \$1200. Mike **Gay** 954-650-6107

Fresh pine straw installed. 20+ years experience: \$5.00-\$6.00/bale, no additional fees, (50) bale minimum. American owned/operated. Serves north metro Atlanta and surrounding areas. Gloria Williamson **Bu-ford** ysrvc@hotmail.com 770-912-6671

FARM SUPPLIES

IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT

John Deere 466diesel motor w/Berkley pump. Rainbow hard hose. Lee Whitaker **Harlem** 706-829-2684

John Deere 606 motor w/Berkeley B4EY 1200gal pump on trailer: \$18,000. Don **Dawson** 229-886-9850

TOOLS AND HARDWARE

100 gallon fuel tank, no pump: \$150. Scott Carey **Madison** 706-474-0738

14ft aluminum extension ladder: \$150; 28ft aluminum extension ladder: \$300; stabilizer: \$40. Bond **Blue Ridge** 706-258-7856

2 bow saws for sale. Haven't been cranked in a while: \$100 each. E. Marshall **Lizella** 478-737-0201

Craftsman radial arm saw, with base. Used, like new: \$125. Michael Magrum **Rydal** 706-509-8576

Warner 28ft aluminum extension ladder, 225lb capacity, like new: \$198; nurse tank, 220gal w/support frame, only water used: \$188. David Slonaker **Columbus** 706-569-6105

GENERATORS AND COMPRESSORS

125kW generator, 8.3L C Series Cummins diesel, 125kW alternator, Detector 12 genset control, 525hrs, new water pump, thermostat & belt, single phase, 120/240. Video on request. Jerry Fender **Jasper** 864-918-3633

7hp portable gas air compressor w/hose & reel: \$500; 5hp gas pressure washer w/hose: \$150; 1000gal water wagon w/pump & hose: \$1000. William Sparrow **Pinehurst** 478-954-5903

Taylor generator, Volvo diesel engine, 200kW alternator & Dynagen control, 435hrs, set up for 120/240. Video of unit running on request. Jerry Fender **Jasper** 864-918-3633

BUILDINGS AND MATERIALS

Cement blocks. Approx. 100-150, various sizes: \$0.55/ea or all for \$0.40/ea. Mostly unused. Leave message. Jerry **Stockbridge** 678-565-4796

Heavy duty metal and wood tables, pipe racks, ductile pipe, galvanized angle and flat iron 2-4 feet long. Call for more info and pictures. Bill St. John **Americus** 229-928-5451

House built in 1920 from WW1 US Army surplus lumber obtained from Camp Gordon. Most windows are original. Must be dissembled and removed. Larry Stevenson, 4416 Carswell St, **Hephzibah** 706-373-4347

New and used tin roof sheets, 3ft wide, assorted 9ft and 12 ft long; Used fence posts; Rough-sawed lumber. Curtis **Dahlonega** 770-231-1677

Old hand-hewn log cabin. Delivery & set up available. Kerry Hix **Ranger** 706-217-5550

Plastic pallets - black, large heavy duty, over-sized, 43.5in (W) x 55in (L) x 6in (H). Good condition, durable: \$16/ea. Alexander **Brooks** 678-723-9265

Two buildings to be torn down. Lots of 12ft near new tin, (8) 4x6 post, lots of 2x6 & 2x4 lumber. Tear down & keep materials. Bob **Bryon** 478-960-9181

Used 5V Galvalume panels 24-inch coverage. 23 sheets 16.5ft, 23 sheets 18.2ft, 22 sheets 9.6ft. Make an offer. D.W. Knight **Dexter** 478-484-6044

Used tin 20x3, lots of it; wood trusses; feed bins, 14 tons. Thomas Haddock **Craw-ford County** 770-468-0411

LUMBER

Custom cut band saw lumber cut to order with a Wood-Mizer LT15. Call or text for more information. Johnny Simmons **Monroe** 678-201-5473

Pressure treated. 2X4x8: \$3; 5x5x8: \$15; 2x6x12: \$9; landscape timbers: \$3. Call. Harold McLain **Stockbridge** 770-474-2044

We have inventory of hard/soft woods. Rough cut, planed, kiln dried, t&g. Can custom mill and custom mould trim/flooring. Justin Boutwell **Thomson** 706-699-2067

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Wood-Mizer custom-cut lumber, milled, air-dried, restorations, timber frames, flooring, barns, fencing, tables, mantles, live-edge, reclaimed lumber, and trailer flooring. John Sell **Milner** 770-480-2326 sellj@bellsouth.net www.sell-andassociatesinc.com

POSTS AND FENCING

Fence posts – priced to move. (16) fence posts, cut lengths are 7-8ft long, and 6-10in diameter. Call for details. Ronald Folk **Jeff Davis County** 912-209-0526

FARM ANIMALS

Livestock listed must be for specific animals. Ads for free or unwanted livestock will not be published. All animals offered for sale in the *Market Bulletin* must be healthy and apparently free of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease. Out-of-state animals offered for sale in the *Market Bulletin* must meet all Interstate Animal Health Movement Requirements, including appropriate testing for the species and a current official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection or NPIP 9-3 for poultry. Individuals may sell their own animals; however, livestock dealers are required to have a Livestock Dealer License from GDA. For more information, please call the GDA Livestock and Poultry Division at 404.656.3665.

CATTLE

(3) Black Baldy cows, 4y/o: \$2500/ea. Bill Sims **Commerce** 706-614-1255

19 Mos old registered black Angus bulls. Forage-raised, docile, low birth weight calves, BSE tested: \$3500/ea. Lucio **Monroe** 678-982-9544

2 year+ black Angus bulls ready for service: \$2850 each. Please leave a message. Rodney Brooks **Glenwood** 912-423-0389

46 Head of brood cows, mostly black, exposed to black Angus bulls. Stacey Heard **Colquitt** 229-205-0864

Beefmaster bulls - red, polled, 14-16 months old. Jon Hutson **Blairsville** Oakhill-FarmsBeefmasters.com 404-723-6570

Brahman bulls, purebred, ages weaning-5y/o; red, speckled & white. Pictures by request. Dennis Miles **Carrollton** 404-403-6849

Bulls for sale. Reg Hereford yearling bulls and registered Brahman yearling bulls. James Proctor **Hawkinsville** 478-636-3101

Female, 5 year old black Angus cow for sale: \$1500. Patrick Brown **Dahlonega** 404-661-2033

Purebred red Angus bulls, 2 years old. Hubert Lewis **Buchanan** 770-883-6004

Reg'd black Angus bulls, 19-30m/o, BSE/DNA tested, top EPDs. Veracious, Top Cut, Hometown, Foretold, Growth Fund; also reg'd bred cows, 5-8y/o. McMichael Angus Farm, Ken **Monticello** 706-819-9295

Reg'd Charolais bulls & heifers for sale. Heifers are bred back and will calve Jan. Franklin **Cartersville** 678-520-0026

Reg'd Polled Hereford bulls for sale. Call. Jordan **Tunnel Hill** 678-988-5683, 678-520-0026

Registered gray Brahman bull. Good breeding bull; also two red Brahman weaning age bulls. Debra Patterson **Dahlonega** 706-973-9196

Registered Miniature Herefords - 2 heifers & 1 bull, 6-7 months. Beautiful animals, pictures available. Charles Allen **Evans** 706-306-8872

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*.

Purebred Kunekune piglets, 5 week old, white and black. Can be registered: \$150/boar, \$200/sow. Crowley **Milner** 678-468-1051

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.

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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

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 & 5th Saturday, 1 p.m.: Goats, sheep, calves, rabbits, poultry. **Every Saturday miscellaneous, 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. Feeder calf sale 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m.** Northeast Georgia Livestock, 1200 Winterville Road, Athens. **Call** Todd Stephens, 706.549.4790

COOK COUNTY

1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays, 10 a.m.: Caged animals, **1 p.m. 5th Saturday hooved animals only, 6 p.m.:** Cows, goats, sheep, chickens, small animals; Deer Run Auction, 1158 Parrish Road, Adel. **Call** Matthew Culpepper, 229.560.0595

DECATUR COUNTY

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

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 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.: Sheep and goats at 9:30 a.m., Cattle at 12:30 p.m.; Calhoun Stockyard Hwy. 53, 2270 Rome Road SW, Calhoun. **Call** Gene Williams & Adam 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

Katahdin lambs and sheep for sale. Bruce Billue **McIntyre** 478-979-0138

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LAMAR COUNTY

Every Friday & 1st Saturday 6 p.m.: Chickens, caged animals, **6 p.m.:** Goats and sheep, **7 p.m.:** farm miscellaneous at **5 p.m.**, 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

MARION COUNTY

1st, 3rd & 5th 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, Donalsonville. **Call** Jerald Mock 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

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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

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UPSON COUNTY

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WILKES COUNTY

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1 Shorty Bullock grey cock, 2 grey Kelso Claret cocks, 1 white Claret hen: \$100 for all. Rusty Hamner **Waynesboro** 706-871-9373

18-week-old pullets, Buff Orps (3), (1) rooster, Gold-Laced Wyandottes (6), (1) rooster, Barred Rocks (10). Pullets ready to lay: \$30; Roosters: \$25 each. Bob Wal-dorf **Braselton** 706-983-1072

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Assorted chickens – baby to adult; ducks, guineas, rabbits, goats, sheep also. Sherry Amerson-White **Augusta** blackberrycreekminifarm@g-mail.com 706-833-5535

Baby guineas and young game stags, starting @: \$5.00 and up. Call. Wayne Beard **Royston** 706-498-5527

Beautiful, healthy Lavender Orpington pullets. Hatched Feb. 1, 2025. Almost ready to lay: \$30 each. Larry Kelley, 1172 Melville Brown Rd, **Williamson** 30292 404-858-9884

Black Jersey Giants. 1 rooster, 3 hens, 1y/o: \$100; English Orpington chicks, 3w/o-2m/o: \$5-\$10. Poss **Stapleton** 706-466-5369 706-914-7109

Bourbon Red turkey poult, 2 to 4 months old: \$35/ea. Bill Pursell **Ellaville** 256-558-4441

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Guinea keets available: \$10 each. Colors: grey and white with brown streaks. Tonya Martin **Marianna, FL** 850-372-2847

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Lacy & Cowan Roundhead. Pure & crossed. Singles, pairs or trios available; also Ruble Hatch/Peruvian cocks, stags, and hens. Bill Dobbs **Paulding County** 770-947-0552

Midget turkeys 3 months old white: \$15/each or \$13/each if multiples are taken. I have 7 that need to go. Pictures on request. Sherry **Hall County** 770-853-6672

One month old bronze turkeys & one month old peachicks for sale. Tim Brooks **Maysville** 706-983-0457

Peacock chicks for sale. Indi-an blue and straight run: \$60/ea cash; also have older guinea chicks that have never left our barn, straight run: \$6/ea. **Elberton** 706-498-5277

Peacocks for sale: \$200-\$400 each. Indian blue, black should-ered and white. Candi Whit-man **Opelika, AL** 706-326-2812

Pigeons - white homers, white rollers, turner rollers & colored rollers: \$22/pair. Wyatt Johnson **Midville** 478-494-3240

Precious peacock chicks. Looking for great home: \$75 each, would like to sell pair \$150. I have 4 in all. Denise Dallas **Gibson** 706-832-0237

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ANIMAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

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Cattle working systems: 11ftX5ft8in XHD cattle panels (175#), 7-bar, 1.5-inch sch40 frame: \$250/ea; 11x7 bow gates: \$600/ea; 6-piece 180-degree cornerless-sweep: \$4500; 28x7 alley gates: \$450/ea. Animal/worker safe. Gary **Piedmont, AL** 256-390-3940

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Pioneer forecart Haflinger size. Very good condition. Also have harness, collars, etc. Herbert Green **Pine Mountain** 706-594-6431

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POULTRY SUPPLIES

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Celebrate tradition and creativity at 17th Annual Folk Pottery & Arts Festival

Staff Reports

The 17th Annual Folk Pottery & Arts Festival will showcase Northeast Georgia's rich artistic traditions with a free, day-long celebration of art, heritage, music, and community on Saturday, Aug. 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Folk Pottery Museum of Northeast Georgia will host the event on the grounds of the Sautee Nacoochee Center, inviting visitors of all ages to explore the region's vibrant culture.

The festival offers a unique opportunity to interact with local and regional folk potters in the Historic Gym, where attendees can view and vote for their favorite one-of-a-kind pieces. Hands-on pottery experiences will be available in the John Burrison Pottery Studio with "Face Vase" sessions, requiring online sign-up.

Throughout the day, live pottery demonstrations will take place at the museum. A special exhibit, "Ferguson Family: Clay and Kin," will highlight generations of craftsmanship from the renowned Ferguson family of Northeast Georgia.

Stepping into the past, the Heritage Site will feature a restored 1850s cabin and a working blacksmith at an open forge. Demonstrations from Hardman Farm State Historic Site and Foxfire will further showcase traditional Appalachian skills.

The Sautee Nacoochee Center lawn will host heritage art vendors selling handmade goods, and a festival raffle will offer chances to win art crafted by participating artists. Inside the Cultural Center, two gallery shops will feature regional artists, alongside an exhibit by award-winning watercolorist Elizabeth Carr.

The Outdoor Stage will provide live music from local musicians, and on-site food trucks and concessions will offer a variety of tasty bites. The event promises a day of creativity and cultural immersion for both longtime fans and first-time visitors, rain or shine.

Free parking will be available on-site. The Folk Pottery Museum of Northeast Georgia is located at 283 Highway 255



Face vases or face jugs will be a part of the 17th Annual Folk Pottery & Arts Festival at the Sautee Nacoochee Center in north Georgia. Face jugs have a tradition in the American South that dates back to 19th-century African American pottery. Enslaved potters made early jugs that often carried deep cultural and spiritual meanings, such as wide eyes and bared teeth to ward off evil spirits or denote specific uses for the contents. Later, the style was adopted by white potters and evolved into a broader folk art tradition. (Folk Pottery Museum of Northeast Georgia /Special Photo)

North, a quarter-mile north of the intersection with Georgia Highway 17, and four miles southeast of Alpine Helen. Additional information can be found at FolkPotteryMuseum.com or by calling 706-878-3300.

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Ag teachers adapt to evolving industry

By Jay Jones

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At the Georgia Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association (GVATA)'s mid-year conference last month, over 600 Ag educators gathered to prepare for the new school year. Although they share the same profession, their classroom always seem to be changing and moving in different directions.

"In our particular position, we are rich and deeply rooted in tradition, yet we're in an industry that's incredibly innovative, and so I think that we're experiencing a lot of hands-on stuff in our professional development," said Marcus Pollard, a Newton County Ag teacher and a past GVATA president.

Pollard discussed how GVATA has worked to bring people from the agricultural business sector to help teachers with their professional development and introduce new, relevant materials to their students. Agriculture covers a lot.

"In agriculture, it's gigantic. There's everything from horticulture to animal science to forestry, along with the whole STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathemat-

ics) stuff. Those things are certainly high on people's lists, but really hands-on more so than in the past."

The professional development breakout sessions held during the conference reflect that diversity. There were sessions you would expect, such as "How to Prepare for the State Livestock Show" and "Getting the Most Out of Your Greenhouse." Others reflected the signs of the times, including "Crop and Soil Science Drone Demonstrations" and "Driving the Future: AGCO Equipment and Workforce Development."

Argene Claxton, who works for GVATA on teacher development and retention after a 37-year career as an ag teacher, has seen a lot of change in agriculture, and he said that is not a bad thing. He explained it shows how vibrant the sector is and that there are opportunities for young people to find a career in agriculture.

Also, Claxton noted that the GVATA conference serves as a venue where teachers can prepare for the upcoming school year and explore new developments that will enhance their teaching.

"AI (Artificial Intelligence) is something you've seen

in society in general," Claxton said. "When I was in high school, AI was artificial insemination, and that was a big deal. Now, it's artificial intelligence and how we can use artificial intelligence in the ag sector, like in drones and robots."

Claxton also noted the diversity of the state and how that is reflected in the agricultural curriculum from school to school. He said that students come from all walks of life, including urban, rural, and suburban areas, and live in regions where different commodities dominate the local economy, such as poultry in northeast Georgia, row crops in southwest Georgia, and so on. He said the challenge for agricultural teachers is keeping up with the latest developments in agriculture.

"Animal livestock is still a big deal. The school gardens are still a big deal, but there's a lot more into research, mechanics, wildlife and natural resources, forestry, all aspects of plant and animal life and environmental are all a big deal depending on where you live in the state," Claxton said. "Every ag teacher doesn't teach the same thing."

For more information and resources, visit www.georgia-fa.org/gvata.

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evolving from its origins as a vital marketplace for farmers into a comprehensive source of news and a reliable hub for agricultural exchange. As Georgia's agricultural sector diversified and adopted new technologies, the *Bulletin* consistently provided current information on a range of topics, including crop diversification, domestic and global marketing, and advancements in farm technology.

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al leaders through education is its latest and logical step to serve Georgia's agricultural community.

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Ag Labor Forum returns to Tifton for key discussions

Staff Reports

Agricultural employers grappling with an ever-changing regulatory landscape will gather in Tifton next month for the annual Georgia Ag Labor Relations Forum, hosted by the Georgia Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association.

The two-day event, scheduled for Sept. 16-17, at the University of Georgia Tifton Conference Center, aims to provide updates and foster discussions tailored to the challenges of securing and sustaining a reliable workforce.

This year's forum will address a range of critical topics, including regulatory changes and reversals, preparedness for Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids, insights on technology to streamline labor processes, and strategies for maintaining mental well-being amidst industry pressures.

The forum brings together regulators and experts in agricultural labor to encourage active engagement among agricultural employers, human resources managers and administrators.

Owners, operators, office managers, personnel managers and service providers from various agricultural sectors, including produce, nursery, landscape, dairy and cotton, are encouraged to attend.

For more information and to register, visit www.georgiaaglaborforum.com. The UGA Tifton Conference Center is located at 15 R D C Road, Tifton, GA 31794.

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Georgia Grown chef wins Food Network’s “Chopped”

Staff Reports

Chelsia Green-Ogletree, a 2025 Georgia Grown Executive Chef, won the top prize on Food Network’s “Chopped” last month.

The “Superhero Chef” episode, which aired July 8, highlighted chefs making community differences. Green-Ogletree was recognized for her Southern-inspired cuisine and her work in feeding students through a healthy lunch program.

“Chef Chelsia did an incredible job representing Georgia Grown and the entire State of Georgia,” said Georgia Agriculture Commissioner Tyler J. Harper. “We were thrilled to see her take home the top-prize as the Chopped Champion.”

Green-Ogletree owns Her Majesty’s Kitchen & Catering in Forsyth and is the executive chef at St. Joseph’s Catholic School in Macon. The Georgia Grown Executive Chef Program partners with the Georgia Restaurant Association to strengthen awareness of Georgia Grown products around the state. The program also acknowledges culinary professionals prioritizing Georgia Grown food in their restaurants, schools and communities.

The 2025 Executive Chefs are Joey Ward, Georgia Boy & Southern Belle, Atlanta; Carlos Granderson, Southern National, Atlanta; Alan Byers, The Deer and the Dove, Decatur; Jamie Keating, EPIC Restaurants, Columbus; Woolery “Woody” Beck, Table & Main, Roswell; and Joshua Sweeney, Sincere Fare, Atlanta. To learn more about the Georgia Grown Executive Chefs program, visit www.garestaurants.org.

Chelsia Green-Ogletree, a 2025 Georgia Grown Executive Chef, won the top prize on Food Network’s “Chopped” last month. You can learn more about Her Majesty Kitchen + Catering by visiting their website, www.hermajestykitchen.com. (GFB/Special Photo)



Course offers vital skills for large animal crisis response

Staff Reports

When disaster strikes, knowing how to handle large animals like horses safely can be critical. That’s the idea behind the Large Animal Emergency Response Course, an intensive program designed to equip horse owners, first responders, and agricultural professionals with essential skills for critical incidents.

The course, scheduled for Sept. 8-9 at the Georgia International Horse Park (GIHP) in Conyers, is a collaboration between the Athens Area Horse Community (AAHC), GIHP, and Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue (TLAER). The course will cover a wide array of scenarios from barn fires to trailer accidents.

Participants will learn practical techniques for managing unpredictable animals under stress, with topics including safe handling during emergencies, proper restraint methods, and basic first aid. The course is designed for diverse attendees; firefighters can earn Continuous Education (CE) credits for training on large animal extractions, law enforcement officers can obtain POST credits for responding to loose animal incidents, and veterinarians can gain GVMA CE credits for providing medical support in high-pressure rescue situations. Horse owners will also benefit from learning how to create emergency plans, prevent barn fires, and effectively communicate with first responders.

By attending, participants will gain critical skills in equine handling, emergency response techniques, and tactical rescue strategies, ensuring safer outcomes for both humans and animals. Scholarships are available for Georgia’s first responders, underscoring the course’s commitment to community safety and preparedness.

The two-day course, which includes lunch, costs \$185, with a discounted rate for AAHC members. For more information, contact Ryan Hitchcock at ryan@athenshorse.com. Additional information and online registration are available at athensareahorsecommunity.com.

The GHIP, the former equestrian events venue of the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, is located at 1996 Centennial Olympic Parkway, Conyers, 30013. For more information, visit georghorsepark.com.

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GEORGIA COOKING: Crispy Italian Baked Eggplant

As we head into peak summer, Georgia’s farms are overflowing with an abundance of fresh, delicious produce! This month, we’re celebrating one of summer’s versatile stars: eggplant. Our friends at Georgia Grown have shared this recipe that is a simple yet flavorful way to enjoy eggplant. Get ready to add this crispy, cheesy dish to your summer meal rotation!

Ingredients

- 1 large eggplant, washed, skin on, cut in ½ inch slices
- Kosher salt
- 1 cup Italian seasoned breadcrumbs
- ½ cup fresh grated parmesan cheese or ¼ cup store-bought
- ¼ tsp smoked or regular paprika
- ½ tsp oregano

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 400 F.
- Sprinkle both sides of eggplant slices lightly with salt. Place slices on a rack or on paper towels and let rest for 30 minutes. While eggplant is resting, combine breadcrumbs, cheese and spices in a bowl. In a separate bowl, combine melted butter and olive oil.
- Dip eggplant slices in butter/olive oil mixture then into breadcrumb mixture, coating both sides. Place on parchment-lined baking sheet.
- Bake 15 minutes then flip eggplant slices and cook an additional 5–10 minutes or until crispy.

Recipe courtesy of Georgia Grown.

(Photo by Georgia Grown Test Kitchen)

Georgia Grown in Season

Apples

Beans

Blueberries

Cantaloupes

Corn - sweet

Cucumbers

Eggplant

Grapes -

Muscadine

Mushrooms

Okra

Peaches

Peppers

Peppers - bell

Potatoes - Irish

Potatoes - Sweet

Squash - summer

Squash - winter

Tomatoes

Watermelon

Zucchini

MISCELLANEOUS

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

BEES, HONEY AND SUPPLIES

10, 8, and 5 frame equipment, 5-frame nucs, 3# packages. Beekeeping supplies, insulated hives, HivelQ hives, beekeeping classes, honey (wildflower, sourwood). Swarm capture: Banks, Jackson counties. Harold Lanier **Commerce** 678-471-7758

Adult 10-frame single hives, full of bees w/working queen; also artificial swarm w/mated queen. You pick up. Henry R. Parker **Dawsonville** 706-265-2644

Bee removal Valdosta and Southwest Georgia (100-mile radius). Structural bee removal for a fee, swarms free. Licensed and insured. Blossom Bee Removal, S. Peterson **Valdosta** 229-563-3050



Gallberry honey - Voted Best-Tasting & Flavor of GA winner: \$68 (cash, check, money order)/gallon including shipping. B. Bruce PO Box 88 **Homerville, GA** 31634 912-487-5001 www.brucesnuthoney.com

Remove honey bees from a structure for a fee, licensed and insured; remove a swarm for free. Also, wanted bee equipment. Leonard Day **Macon** 478-719-5588

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.

2025 Bahia square bales for sale. Fertilized and sprayed for weeds. Never rained on and stored in a shelter: \$6 per bale. Robert Fagnan **Lyons** 404-368-2352

3-12inch+ grass carp, large-mouth/bass, threadfin/shad, coppernose/bluegill, shellcracker, other species when available, pvc holding/catfish cages. inquire about our unique genetics and "live" delivery guarantee. David Beall **Greenville** 706-289-1874

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

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

Koi and goldfish for sale, all sizes and colors. Also, fish food and supplies. Call or text. Glenn Kicklighter **Sandersville** 478-232-7704

FEED, HAY AND GRAIN

100 acre hay field near I-20 in Social Circle. Looking for someone to cut on shares. Call. Mary Pelton **Covington** 770-787-2987

2024 and 2025 Russell & Alicia Bermudagrass, 4x5, fertilized, net-wrapped. In-barn: \$75-\$85/roll; tarped on pallets: \$60-70/roll (Quantity discounts available); squares: \$8/bale. Delivery negotiable. VM/text. W. Pruitt **Statesboro** 912-682-4481

2024 square bales, fertilized, barn-stored. Horse hay: \$10 per bale; cow hay: \$8 per bale; mulch hay: \$6 per bale. Fran Masters **Buford** 770-945-6433

2024 square bales. Best hay at best price. Coastal Bermuda or Tift85, fertilized, weed-free, UGA inspected, RFQ 99: \$5/square or \$4/square 25+. 1500 available, bulk discounts available. Pierce **Screven Co** 912-659-9726 mack-pierce61@comcast.net

2025 4'x5' rolls, good tight rolls, plastic twine. Well fertilized mixed hay. 13 rolls inside and 5 outside: \$70 each or \$65 each to take all. Joe Cronan **McDonough** 770-235-3586

2025 Alicia Bermuda hay, fertilized, horse quality: \$8/sq bale. Jim Grant **Elko** 478-217-0626

2025 Bermuda hay, well fertilized, rain and weed free: \$7 per square bale; 4x5 rolls: \$60-65 per roll when available. Curtis Durden **Lyons** 912-245-1081

2025 Bermuda Rye mix, well fertilized, weed free, net wrapped, 4x5, rain free, very clean: \$50-\$55/roll. Tye Hamilton **Monticello** 678-614-3697

2025 Bermuda/Rye mix, 4x5 rolls, dry stored in barn: \$90. Tim Hunter **Conyers** 770-331-7749 or 770-483-8712

2025 fescue and rye mixed, 4x5 rolls, net-wrapped, sprayed, fertilized, rain free, barn stored: \$50 per roll. Carl Henson **Ellijay** 706-264 4477

2025 fescue mix, 4x5 round bales, cattle hay: \$40. Text. Mark **Cartersville** 678-575-2103

2025 horse quality hay for sale. Barn-stored rd/sq Alicia & Russell Bermuda grass. Delivery available. PBI Farms **Vi-dalia** 912-293-2535 or 912-537-9721

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2025 Rye, oats, Bahia mixed hay, 4x5, net wrapped bales, stored outside: \$65; 2025 Russell Bermuda, 4x5, net wrapped bales, stored in the barn: \$80. Raymond Bailey **Louisville** 404-379-9802

2025 rye/clover mix 5x4 rolls. Cow quality: \$40/ea; horse quality: \$65/ea. Devin Dockery **Leesburg** 229-343-7789

2025 Spring cut, fertilized & sheltered, Tift 78 & Coastal Bermuda. 4x5 bales: \$65; 5x5 bales: \$75; square bales: \$8. Jimmy **Mitchell** 706-699-2923

2025 Switch Grass cow hay, 4x5 net-wrapped, in barn: \$30; 2025 Crab Grass 4x5 net-wrapped, excellent quality: \$40. Charles Mathis **Jefferson** 404-317-6173

250 rolls of last season mixed grass hay, fertilized and sheltered: \$30 per roll. Mickey Brown **Royston** 404-697-8584

4x5 rolls mixed grass, cow hay, 200+ rolls available, net-wrapped, stored in and outside: \$25-\$35 per roll. Roger Yates **Attalla, AL** 256-295-1049

4x5 round bales, cow and goat hay: \$65/ea; 4x5 round bales, crabgrass bahia, horse quality: \$80/ea; bahia square bales: \$9/ea. Bob Steele **Zebulon** 770-468-6425

50 rolls of 4x5 2024 hay at: \$35/roll. Text. Daniel Crognale **Collins** 912-403-9516

50-60 4x5 rolls, 2025 2nd cutting, rain-free mixed pasture grasses: \$45; 75 4x5 rolls 1st cutting, same grasses: \$35. Net wrapped, I can load. Joel Schofield **Athens** 706-202-0358

Bermuda, mixed hay. Fertilized and rain free, horse quality: \$10/square; \$80/\$60 round (cattle \$50) Net wrapped in barn. Large quantity delivery available. S. Stana **Carrollton** 770-241-3201

Cow hay for sale. 4X5 rolls, barn kept & dry: \$20/roll. Pick-up weekends only. Johnny Ledford **Mount Airy** 706-499-0437

Hay for sale - 50 bales Bermuda grass, 50 bales fescue grass: \$55/ea or \$50/ea when buy all. John Crowder **Williamson** 770-584-5278

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Horse quality, Bermuda hay bales and fescue hay bales for sale. Available in square and 4x5 round. Call for pricing. Taylor Catalano **Toccoa** 706-391-3560

Just cut 2025 Bahia/Bermuda mix, round bales: \$70 in the field or \$75 in the barn. Delivery available for a fee. Please call. Brad MacDonald **Waverly Hall** 706-575-6490

Lush five acres pasture of weed-free fescue, yielded 28 round bales last year and looks thicker this year: free. Near Bold Springs. Tom **Barrow County** 678-907-5536

MULCH AND FERTILIZERS

(80+) 4x6 rolls of Bahia/Bermuda mixed hay: \$25/roll. Delivery within 50 miles, stored in the barn. Call, leave message. Fred Rockenhaus **Elaville** 229-938-9930

2025 wheat straw: \$4/bale at barn. Delivery available. Call. Gary Brinson **Tarrytown** 912-286-3191

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2025 Georgia Belle peach trees: \$15 w/instructions; eatable fruit banana trees: \$15; muscadine: \$15; Sago palms: \$15; Luffa sponge w/seed: \$10. Whispering Pines Farm. Davis Yaun **Soperton** aikenyau@gmail.com 678-283-7592

Bare-root Pachysandra plants, hardy evergreen ground cover, deer & rabbit resistant, thrives in the shade, doesn't climb: 50 for \$12. Olson **East Cobb** 770-490-5685

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Louisiana Evergreen Shallot bulbs for sale: 10 bulbs for \$4, plus shipping. Call or text. Rogie Roberson, Roberson Farms, LLC **Eastman** 478-231-3297

Thornless blackberries, beautyberries, burning bushes: \$4/ea; Nandinas, forsythia, crate myrtle, red hot pokers, crocosmias, arum: \$3/ea; variegated monkey grass: free. Other native plants available. Linda **Calhoun** 470-398-9863

Variegated Liriope & mondo grass, 1gal pots: \$2/each; Nandina, 1gal pots: \$5/ea; Ginkgo trees, 1gal pots: \$10/ea. K. Patman **Athens** 706-549-4487

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.

2024 White or Lime with blush ZINNIA seeds 50+ \$3 cash + SASE Please specify color. D Miltimore 1766 Pleasant Hill Road, NE **Ranger,GA** 30734

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Downed 80 year old pecan tree available to be cut up for lumber or for wood to grill or can be split for firewood: best offer. Myrtle **Houston County** 478-923-1951

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Firewood for sale. Please text. Pat Waldrop **Polk County** 678-232-1077

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Fourteen old farmhouse interior doors, some vertical, some horizontal panel. Forest (heart) pine: taking offers. Leave message, no texts please. Mike **Suwanee** 404-273-1081

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OTHER

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REAL ESTATE

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FARMLAND FOR SALE

101 acres south Houston, 4636ft paved road frontage, Turkey Creek, 65 open irrigated acres, 1100 GPM well, pond, deer, turkey. Leo Perfect **Houston County** 478-955-2362

129 acres divided: House and 12 acres with hay barn: \$825,000; 107 acres mostly pasture with some timber: \$1.1 million. Kip Jones **Lafayette** 423-413-4416

Fall Vegetable Planting Guide					
Vegetable	Days to Maturity	Planting Dates	Seeds/Plants per 100 ft.	Spacing Rows per plants	Depth to Plant
Asparagus	2nd year	Nov. & Dec.	50 roots	36" x 18"-24"	6"
Beans, bush	50-60	July 5-Aug. 10	½ pound	36" x 2"-4"	1"-1 ½"
	65-75	July 1-Aug. 1	½ pound	36" x 4"-12"	1"-1 ½"
	65-75	July 1-Aug. 1	½ pound	36" x 3"-4"	1"-1 ½"
	80-85	July 1-Aug. 1	½ pound	36" x 6"-8"	1"-1 ½"
Beets	55-65	Aug. 1-Sept. 20	1 ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"
Broccoli	60-80	Aug. 1-Sept. 20	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Butterpea	70	July 1-Aug. 1	½ pound	36" x 3"-4"	1"-1 ½"
Cabbage	70-120	Aug. 1-Oct 1	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Carrot	70-95	Aug. 20-Sept. 15	½ ounce	18-36" x 2"-3"	¼"
Cauliflower	60-75	July 15-Aug. 15	100 plants	36" x 12"	————
Collards	55-85	Aug. 1-Sept. 1	½ ounce	36" x 8"-16"	½"
Cucumber:	50-65	July 15-Aug. 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
	50-65	July 15-Aug. 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
	50-65	July 15-Aug. 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
	50-65	July 15-Aug. 15	1 ounce	60" x 12"	½"-¾"
Eggplant	75-90	July 10-July 30	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
Kale	50-70	Aug. 1-Sept. 1	½ ounce	36" x 8"-16"	½"
Lettuce	60-85	Sept. 1-Oct. 1	¼ ounce	18"-36" x 8-12"	⅛"
Mustard	40-50	Aug. 15-Sept. 15	½ ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"
Okra	55-65	June 15-July 10	1 ounce	36" x 12"	1"
Onion, green	60-90	Sept. 1-Dec. 31	300 plants	18"-36" x 3"	————
	100-120	Oct. 10-Nov. 10	300 plants	18"-36" x 3"-4"	————
Peppers, bell	65-80	July 25-Aug. 10	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
	65-95	————	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
	65-95	————	50 plants	36" x 24"	————
Radish	25-30	Sept. 1-Oct. 15	1 ounce	24" x 1"	½"
Spinach	40-45	Sept. 1-Oct. 15	1 ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"-¾"
Squash:	40-55	Aug. 1-Aug. 25	½ ounce	36" x 24"	1"-2"
	85-120	————	½ ounce	60" x 36"	1"-2"
	85-120	————	½ ounce	60" x 36"	1"-2"
Tomato: cherry	70-90	June 15-July 15	50 plants	48" x 24"	————
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Turnip	40-60	Aug. 10-Sept. 15	½ ounce	18"-36" x 2"	½"

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I need a roofer to install a metal roof; also looking to purchase a small 25-35lb pig for BBQ-ing. Billy **Waynesboro** 917-414-6202

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ISO home-grown/field-grown tomatoes and corn for personal use/canning purposes. A. Stanley **Atlanta** 404-271-9596

John Deere 466 or 467 round hay baler. Twine-tied only, in good shape. Ryan Baerne **Nicholson** 706-247-6240

John Deere 8 or 8A backhoe for 970 tractor. Must have complete mounting frame with it. Richard **Canton** 404-234-5954

Krone AM 2835 & Kverneland Group DRP 2800 mowers for parts or repair. R. Veal **Wrightsville** 478-864-3754

Looking for cuttings of yellow angel trumpets in the Columbus, Ga. area. Doug Dorough **Seale, AL** 678-618-0352

Looking for land in NE GA for hunting for a small group of seniors. Bill Duryea **Sautee Nacoochee** 770-815-4988

Looking to buy 400-500 bushels of Abruzzi rye. Bulk or bagged, combine cleaned. Call. McKnight **Senoia** 770-328-6810

Need a person that can Bush hog field in Jefferson about 10 acres. Text me, if interested. Douglas Harris **Jefferson** 706-338-3165

Need a tailgate for a Ford 100, 1973-1977 truck. Charles Sawyer **Mount Airy** 706-768-4776

Qty 2 plate seed boxes for John Deere 7100 planter. Matt **Newnan** 404-788-4624

Need old gas powered golf cart that runs, for towing small garden cart, under \$1,000 please. Text only. DJ Sanders **Hawkinsville** 478-335-9379

Pasture land for cattle wanted. Good fence or bad, we rent it all. 50ac minimum in Greene, Glascock, Taliaferro, Hancock, Washington, Jefferson, Emanuel, Johnson counties. Albert **Vidalia** 912-667-0118 4clandag@gmail.com

Searching for 1 service age billy goat. Small breed. Underbrushing. Donald Dyches **Savannah** 912-429-0720

Snapper rider zero turn mower, 61in, single handle, running or not. John Gunn **Reynolds** 478-391-0330

Want New Holland 451 sickle mower, 7ft blade, in good condition. Todd **Mitchell** 478-232-1040

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The Hog Down Awards Program rewards significant hog control efforts and arms individuals with better tools.

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GEORGIA WILDLIFE RESOURCES DIVISION

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LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS

Average prices for July 2025 at Georgia Auction Markets, Georgia Department of Agriculture an 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.....	165.48
Boners 80-85% Lean	162.93
Lean 85-90% Lean	146.15
BULLS:	
Yield Grade 1	
1000-2100 lbs.....	188.12

FEEDER CLASSES:	
WEIGHTED AVG PRICES	
STEERS: MEDIUM AND LARGE	
1	2
300-350 lbs.....	465.17.....435.93
350-400 lbs.....	435.83.....402.68
400-450 lbs.....	414.70.....380.10
450-500 lbs.....	388.96.....364.94
500-550 lbs.....	376.08.....353.00
550-600 lbs.....	355.51.....338.41
600-650 lbs.....	341.67.....328.67
650-700 lbs.....	324.67.....311.22

HEIFERS: MEDIUM AND LARGE	
1	2
300-350 lbs.....	405.57.....382.44
350-400 lbs.....	382.66.....355.58
400-450 lbs.....	368.13.....344.01
450-500 lbs	350.47.....329.84
500-550 lbs.....	335.99.....320.51
550-600 lbs.....	327.44.....309.17
600-650 lbs.....	311.23.....263.62
650-700 lbs.....	295.45.....255.00

BULLS: MEDIUM AND LARGE	
1	2
300-350 lbs.....	432.93.....396.23
350-400 lbs.....	410.81.....376.90
400-450 lbs.....	391.91.....364.85
450-500 lbs	365.52.....343.51
500-550 lbs.....	344.30.....326.05
550-600 lbs.....	327.48.....310.08
600-650 lbs.....	307.73.....291.88
650-700 lbs.....	297.08.....283.40

GOATS (priced per head)	
SLAUGHTER CLASSES	
SELECTION 2 ACTUAL WEIGHT	
BILLIES/BUCKS	
70-75 lbs.....	168.53
80-85 lbs.....	169.86
90-95 lbs.....	204.68
100-145 lbs.....	200.16
150-180 lbs.....	324.69
NANNIES/DOES	
60-65 lbs.....	86.67
70-75 lbs.....	116.67
80-85 lbs.....	110.00
90-95 lbs.....	113.33
100-130 lbs.....	146.67
KIDS & YEARLINGS	
20-25 lbs.....	39.03
30-35 lbs.....	57.64
40-45 lbs.....	106.75
50-55 lbs.....	125.46
60-65 lbs.....	137.63
70-75 lbs.....	—

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.

Want side dressing attachment for 2 row cultivator in south Ga. Useable/repairable condition. I. Howard **Cordele** 229-815-0135

Wanted - 40-80HP tractor with or w/out equipment. Any make. 20-disc offset harrow with cylinder. Nelson Massey **Greensboro** 404-273-3777

Wanted for petunia seeds that come back every year. M. Davis **Lawrenceville** 770-963-9970

Wanted - two 12.4 or 13.6 x 28 tires and or 28in rims for 35 Massey Ferguson. Call. If no answer, leave your number. I will call you back. Ronnie Lot **Nicholls** 912-533-3551

Wanted. Want to buy used tractor implements. Implements for 3 point hitch or for quick connect for loader arms. Please call or text what you have. David **Bremen** 678-215-5681

Wanting 2 game Spangled hens. Kathy Russell **Comer** 706-783-5297



PRESERVING HISTORY: Georgia honors 15 farms with Centennial Farm Awards

Staff Reports

Fifteen farms were named 2025 Centennial Farms Award recipients by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and will be recognized at a reception and awards presentation. during the Georgia National Fair on Oct. 8.

The Georgia Centennial Farm program was established in 1993 by the Georgia Department of Agriculture to draw attention to historic farms and to encourage the preservation of the state's agricultural heritage.

The program offers two award categories: The Centennial Family Farm Award recognizes farms owned by members of the same family for 100 years or more that are not listed in the National Register and the Centennial Heritage Farm



Award that honors farms owned by members of the same family for 100 years or more and are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Ash Farms in Effingham County received the Family Farm Award in 2023. They will receive the Heritage Farm Award after the farm was added to the National Register of Historic Places last year.

This year's Centennial Award recipients are the following:

- Ash Farms, Effingham County
- Beck Farm, Madison County
- Pendergast Hay Farm, Grady County
- Lil' Slice o' Paradise, Dade and Walker counties
- Striplin Lands, LLC, Gordon County

- Carl J. Ray Farm, Tifton County
 - Jordan Farm, Washington County
 - P.K. Moore Farm, Lowndes County
 - Home Place Farms, Hancock County
 - HD Bailey Family Partnership, Dawson County
 - Hays Farm, Jackson County
 - Jenkins Family Historic Farm, Talbot County
 - Stanford Farm at the Martin Homeplace, Coweta County
 - Fielding Tall Pines, Thomas County
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MERCER MEDICAL: August is National Immunization Awareness Month



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August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM), which aims to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages, from the early shots during infancy to those in older adulthood. NIAM raises awareness, provides accurate information about the importance of vaccination, and encourages people to talk to their healthcare providers.

Why does immunization matter?

Vaccines are one of medicine’s most remarkable breakthroughs. They prevent the spread and severity of numerous infectious diseases and protect at-risk populations. They are highly effective at lowering “vaccine-preventable death,” with an estimated 4 million deaths prevented by childhood vaccination every year. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that approximately 50 million deaths or more can be prevented through immunization between 2021 and 2030.

The recent measles outbreaks within the United States are a good example of why immunization matters. According to the CDC, as of July 15, 2025, there have been 1,309 confirmed measles cases so far this year. So, what are some factors that have resulted in this increase? The CDC reports that:

- The U.S. Measles Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination rate is now below the 95 percent coverage target and is continually decreasing.
- In 2024, 20.6 million children missed the first life-saving measles vaccine dose.
- Global measles activity is increasing, meaning there are more chances for an unvaccinated person to become infected with measles.

Other vaccine preventable diseases include polio, tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, chickenpox, hepatitis A and B, influenza, pneumococcal disease, human papillomavirus (HPV), and many others.

How do vaccines protect those in your community?

Vaccines work by training your immune system to recognize and defend your body against dangerous germs, like bacteria and viruses. Vaccines don’t make you sick; instead, they help your body respond faster and more strongly against disease, often stopping serious illness.

Vaccines don’t just protect the person who receives them, but they also help protect the entire community, a concept known as “herd immunity”. Herd immunity is a result of living in a community where many people (> 95%) are vaccinated against a disease. This is especially important for those who cannot receive vaccines themselves, such as newborns, immunocompromised individuals, or those who may be allergic to certain vaccine components.

Are vaccines safe?

Yes. Vaccines undergo many years of research, clinical development stages, and require approval from the U.S Food and Drug Administration (FDA). After FDA approval, vaccines are continuously monitored by trusted agencies like the CDC and the FDA.

Like any medicine, vaccines can cause side effects. However, these are usually very minor and short-lived, such as a sore arm or a mild fever.

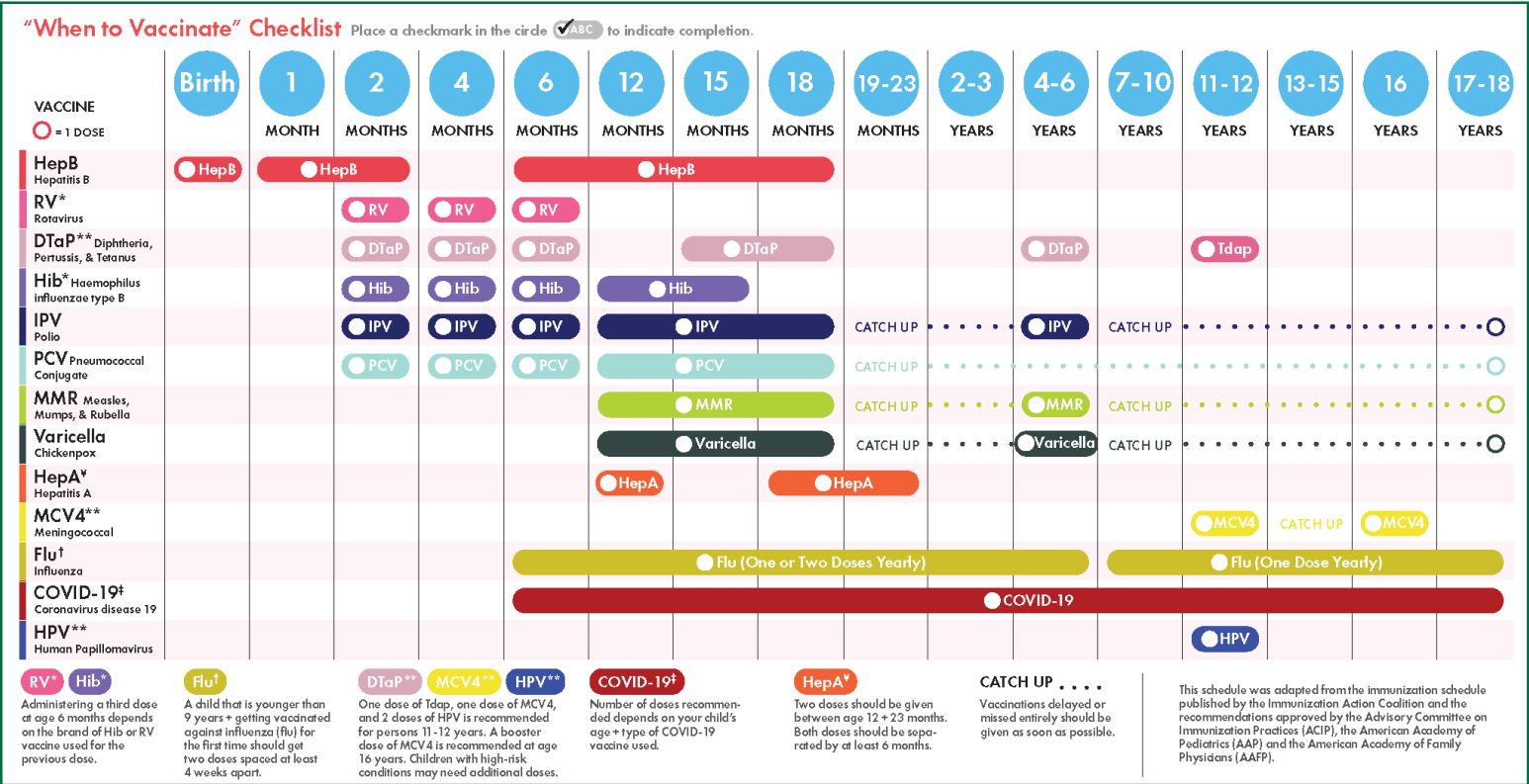
A person is far more likely to be seriously harmed by the disease than by the vaccine itself. According to the World

- Teens and young adults may need booster shots for childhood vaccines, and additional protection from HPV and meningitis.
- Adults 50 and older are advised to get vaccinated for shingles and pneumonia.
- Those who are pregnant should be vaccinated against flu, Tdap, COVID-19, and RSV, as recommended by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.
- Encourage others to seek information about vaccination from trusted resources like the CDC, FDA and WHO.

You can get vaccinated at your primary care provider’s office, a local pharmacy such as CVS, Walgreens, or Walmart, or your County Health Department.

For more information about safety or common concerns about vaccines, please go to cdc.gov/vaccines or fda.gov/vaccines.

This article was reviewed by Mercer University School of Medicine faculty members.



Health Organization (WHO), some possible complications of vaccine-preventable diseases can include blindness, deafness, brain damage, cancer, birth defects, and even death.

What you can do during National Immunization Awareness Month? Talk to your primary care provider (PCP) to ensure you are up to date with age recommended vaccines. You can request your vaccine record through your PCP or the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transaction and Services (GRITS). Other steps to take include:

- Ensure that infants and children are up to date with recommended vaccines.

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Georgie's Drive: Dowdell's Knob

Hello! I'm Georgie, the Georgia Grown mascot. I travel the state of Georgia promoting our #1 industry, agriculture! Everybody knows that Jimmy Carter was our first president born in Georgia, but he wasn't the only one to live here! Franklin Delano Roosevelt (FDR) built a home in Warm Springs, known as the "Little White House," during his first term as president. He sought comfort and healing from polio in the

spring filled pools in town.

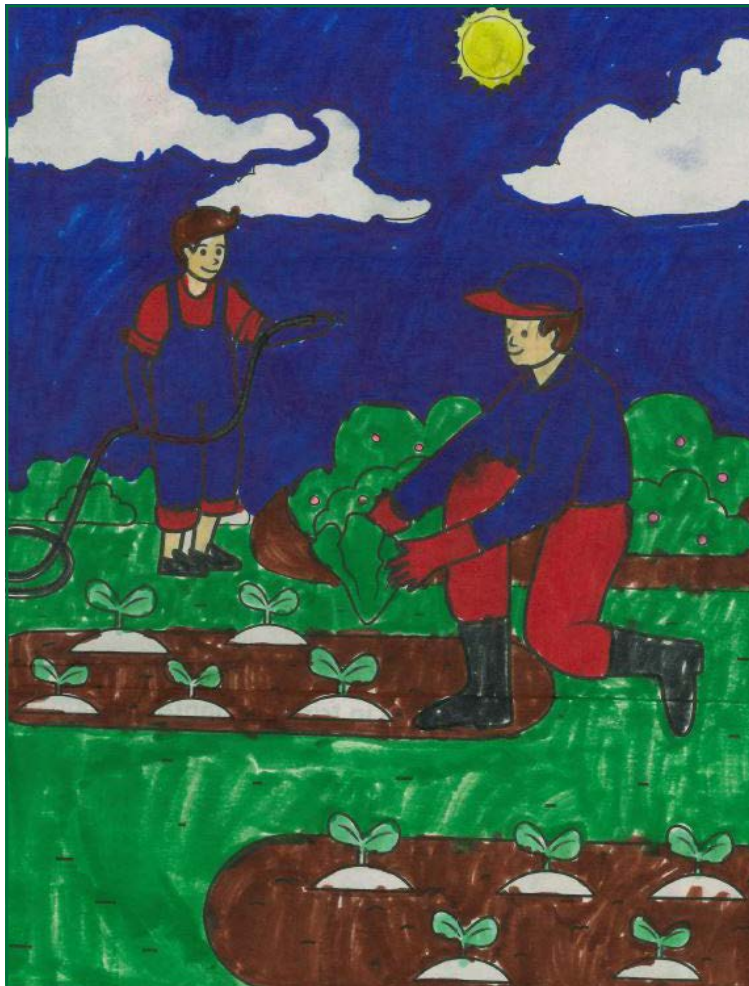
West of town is Pine Mountain, where FDR loved to spend time away from the pressures of his job and the war that raged only yards from our shoreline. One of his favorite spots was Dowdell's Knob, an outcrop on Pine Mountain's southern slope where his family would often picnic with guests. A stone grill that FDR had made can still be found there along with a bronze sculpture of him sitting under an American flag with 48 stars. FDR directed the construction of what is known as Georgia Highway 190 that covers the length of Pine Mountain with a spur to Dowdell's Knob and also runs through the state park that bears his name. FDR took his last breath on April 12, 1945 in Warm Springs, only two days after his final visit to "the Knob."

Find historic and scenic beauty at Dowdell's Knob, where a sculpture honors Franklin D. Roosevelt's time near Warm Springs. Dowdell's Knob is located on a spur off Georgia Highway 190 near Pine Mountain, within F.D. Roosevelt State Park. (GDA/Lee Lancaster)



Fun on the Farm! An acre of activities for young people.

Young artists shine on the Kids Page!



Cultivating creativity! Take a look at these wonderful submissions from our young readers, who put their unique spin on the “Two Farmers Planting Crops” coloring sheet from the April 2nd issue. Featured are (clockwise from top

left) Ansley Walsh, 6, Blackshear; Gracie Southerland, 10, Eastman; Chastyn Belford, 8, Cornelia; and Carolyn Allen, 5, Carrollton. Their vibrant interpretations truly brighten our pages! Check out a new coloring sheet in the next is-

sue! Share your child’s artistry with us – we’d love to see it! Please provide us with your artist’s name, age, hometown and any other information. Submit your Fun on the Farm artwork to marketbulletin@agr.georgia.gov.

Join in the fun and get published!

We invite you to share your colorful creations to be published in the Market Bulletin. Submit your artwork to marketbulletin@agr.georgia.gov or mail to Georgia Department of Agriculture, Attn: Market Bulletin, 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive S.W., Atlanta, GA 30334-4250

LOCAL HARVEST: New state programs help Georgia farmers markets cultivate growth

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rural Georgia,” Harper said. “They provide vital opportunities for small growers and food businesses to reach customers directly, and they’ve faced real challenges in recent years. These new tools and partnerships are part of our mission to help these markets not just survive – but thrive.”

The online map is a continuation of GDA’s marketing efforts to support Georgia agriculture and follows similar maps for U Pick farms and Christmas tree farms. The *Market Bulletin* offers its support in adding farmers markets to its publishing schedule of listings: U-Pick farms in the spring and fall, Christmas tree farms in the fall and early winter, and coming soon, farmers markets in the summer and early fall.

Matthew Kulinski, GDA’s Georgia Grown program director, said these initiatives were the first steps in building stronger ties among all who have an interest in local farmers’ markets.

“Our goal is to make it easier for every Georgian to find and support their local farmers market, and simultaneously empower the incredible entrepreneurs who make them possible,” Kulinski said. “This is a significant step towards a more robust and accessible local food system.”

Jalal will work with GDA to centralize technical marketing resources for community-based farmers markets, a task that has not been done before. In the GDA’s announcement of the programs, the Department noted that many farmers

markets continue to face challenges in recovering from the Covid-19 pandemic including lower vendor participation, marketing gaps and logistical hurdles.

“Farmers markets are more than just places to buy produce. They are platforms for community resilience, economic mobility, and local culture,” Jala said. “I’m excited to partner with the Department of Agriculture to help ensure that markets across Georgia have the tools they need to grow and sustain themselves.”

The farmers markets spoken to for this story agreed their strongest asset is the sense of community they have with their customers.

Daphne Kincaid manages the Nashville Farmers Market in Berrien County, and she sees what a farmers market can do for a community. Nashville’s market is open Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and features locally grown food and raised meats, along with a spotlight on products from small businesses in the area.

Kincaid explained that the market’s success lies in the fact that there are no strangers who come to the market.

“My motto here is that when the door opens, your mouth opens because you want people to have an easy feeling when they come in. I don’t like walking into a place and feeling abandoned at the door,” Kincaid said. “I like people to come in and say they feel comfortable here, even if they

don’t purchase anything. It doesn’t mean that their mouth will open to someone else, and word of mouth is one of the best advertising skills that you can have.”

Julia Asherman, manager of the Poplar Street Farmers Market in Macon, explained that their focus is on attracting and retaining farmers to sell their products, which is just as important to their customers.

A farmers’ cooperative operates the market, and they require that all vendors be producers. “It is very difficult to have a successful farmers market without the farmers,” Asherman said.

The market is open year-round, from 3 to 6 p.m. each Wednesday, which allows farmers to sell there and elsewhere on Saturdays and Sundays. And while that helps retain farmers, Asherman said the work continues in selling the market to the community and making it worthwhile for customers to come.

“There has to be a base that wants it, but it’s almost easier to build it, and they will come and teach people about (the market) and let the products sell themselves by being so desirable,” Asherman said. “Peaches, for example. People will go out of their way to find those in season, whereas for the flexibility of the peach farmer, they may want to sell all their peaches, and they just literally can’t be everywhere every time.”

EXTREME HEAT: How rising temperatures impact outdoor workers, livestock, crops

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“Temperature measures how hot the air is. But heat index tells us how hot it feels to the human body, which is a more accurate measure of heat stress, especially in Georgia’s humid climate,” said Knox.

The heat index combines air temperature and relative humidity. High humidity makes it harder for the body to cool itself by evaporating sweat. Even if the temperature doesn’t change, the air can feel much hotter when humidity is high, pushing the body closer to dangerous conditions.

That’s why the National Weather Service issues heat alerts based on the heat index, and why monitoring both temperature and humidity is essential for anyone working outdoors.

More heat, less recovery time

Georgia’s weather may be famously unpredictable, but long-term trends show a steady increase in average temperatures and longer stretches of hot, humid days. Knox, who monitors weather trends across the state, says overnight temperatures are rising too, giving people, plants and animals less time to recover.

“We’re seeing more days above 90 F and more nights that don’t cool off,” she said. “When humidity stays high, the body, and livestock, can’t cool down. It just doesn’t let up.”

This adds to the strain of outdoor labor, making it more taxing. But in farming and landscaping, there’s often little room in the schedule to slow down.

Heat increases physical and mental risk

Orellana works closely with Georgia’s landscape and green industry workers, who often spend long hours in full sun.

“Hotter temperatures increase discomfort, but they also increase other risks like heat rash, dehydration and heat-stroke,” he said. “Dehydration doesn’t just slow you down. It can kill you.”

And heat stress isn’t just physical, it impairs decision-making and mental clarity. “Heat dulls your cognition,” said Scheyett. “You’re not as alert, you don’t make the best decisions. And farming is already a dangerous job, so that mental fog just makes it worse.”

She encourages farmers to consider clear thinking as a

safety tool. “Mental clarity is the new competitive edge,” she said. “It can prevent costly mistakes and accidents.”

She said the ripple effects of heat can stretch beyond the field.

Supervisors and farm owners often shoulder added pressure as they monitor the well-being of employees, livestock and crops. “You’re not just farming,” she said. “You’re constantly managing risk – checking on your team, your animals, your equipment. That hypervigilance adds another layer of mental strain.”

Simple strategies that save lives

Scheyett, Knox and Orellana all emphasize the same point: Prevention matters.

One of the most effective tools is the buddy system. “You need someone watching your back,” Orellana said. “If you start to overheat or collapse, your partner can help move you to shade or call for help. Working alone in this heat is especially dangerous.”

“Heat safety education shouldn’t wait until someone’s in trouble,” Orellana said. “These are life-and-death issues.”

Knox added, “The best thing you can do is plan ahead. Use forecasts, track the heat index and adjust your schedule when conditions are risky.”

“There’s this belief that stopping is weakness. It’s not – it’s smart,” Scheyett said. “You’re protecting your team, your business and yourself when you manage risk wisely.”

Check in on others and yourself

In the rush of the season, it’s easy to overlook signs of stress in yourself or those around you. But early recognition can prevent serious outcomes.

“If someone’s acting differently — not talking as much, more irritable, not thinking clearly — those can be signs of heat strain or emotional exhaustion,” said Scheyett. “It’s not always the obvious stuff.”

She encourages informal check-ins between farmers, landscapers and their crews.

“You don’t always have to ask, ‘How are you doing?’” she said. “Sometimes it’s easier to ask, ‘How’s your crew holding up?’ or ‘How’s your son managing out in the field?’ It opens the door for more honest conversation.”

Resources for heat safety and mental health

For local resources and support, find your UGA Extension county office, and visit the Rural Georgia: Growing Stronger website. Other resources include:

- 988: Call or text the 24/7 national crisis and mental health line.
- Southeastern Coastal Center for Agricultural Health and Safety: Free tools for agricultural workers throughout the Southeast.
- OSHA: Industry-specific heat safety guidance and compliance tools.

As Georgia pushes through its hottest weeks, UGA Extension experts urge those working in agriculture and landscaping to protect their most important asset: themselves.

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Additional heat safety tips:

- **Wear light-colored, breathable clothing, and consider sun-protective gear with built-in SPF.**
- **Use wide-brimmed hats to shield your face, ears and neck from direct sun exposure.**
- **If possible, schedule physically demanding tasks for early morning hours when temperatures are lower and workers are more alert.**
- **Take more frequent breaks in shaded or cooler areas to allow the body to recover.**
- **Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of fluids; consider electrolyte-rich drinks to replenish what’s lost through sweat.**
- **Supervisors should take five minutes at the start of each shift to review heat safety protocols with their teams.**

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