Consider These 10 Garden Resolutions for 2018

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The brand-new year is the perfect time to make gardening resolutions.

My job at Mississippi State University’s Coastal Research and Extension Center in Biloxi gives me the opportunity to answer a lot of questions and solve many garden problems. Based on this experience, here’s my list of resolutions Mississippi gardeners can make to be more successful in the new year.

1) Planting: Competitive gardeners -- and this includes me -- want to have the first tomato in the neighborhood. This usually means putting transplants out in the garden a full month before the last frost date. Don’t do it. Plant according to the frost dates for your area. You may not have the first tomato, but you won’t have to replant, either.

2) Starting: Transplants are thought to be expensive, so many gardeners start their own seeds. This can result in disappointment and no transplants. Seedlings get leggy when grown inside without sufficient light. Unless you use grow lights, buy transplants from your favorite garden center.

3) Rotating: Every year, I get calls from gardeners asking why their tomatoes looked good one day and the next they have wilted to nothing. Mississippi has a high incidence of bacterial wilts that result from planting in the same spots year after year. Grow your tomatoes in a new spot in the garden each year to help this situation.

4) Discarding: This idea is for those gardeners who grow their own seedlings and often have extras. We don't have the heart to just throw them away, so we end up planting them. This results in more work on hot summer days and takes a lot of the fun out of the garden. Consider making new friends by giving the extras to your neighbors.

5) Weeding: Weeds compete with garden plants for light, water, and fertilizer. Once established, they are a lot of work to remove. Try to weed your garden on a regular basis. I like using a hula hoe to easily remove small weed seedlings.

6) Feeding: You have to fertilize your plants to have a good harvest. Get your soil tested and follow the recommendations. You will not be sorry.

7) Watering: You can’t rely on Mother Nature to supply enough water for your garden. Get in the habit of watering on a daily basis, preferably in the morning. If you don’t want to stand out there with a hose, there are inexpensive irrigation kits available at home improvement centers.

8) Preserving: Enjoying fresh vegetables is a gardener’s dream, but there are times when the harvest is just too much. Extend the harvest into the cold winter months by preserving your bounty. The MSU Extension Service offers advice on how to do so safely.

9) Sharing: If you don’t want to preserve your bountiful harvest, take the excess to your local soup kitchen or food pantry to share with the less fortunate. You may be able to make a little money by selling the extras at a local farmers’ market. Either way, always call ahead to see if there are any restrictions on what you can offer.

10) Recycling: Build a compost pile and always put used plant material and other organic wastes on the pile. Next year, add this black gold to your garden and start the cycle all over again.

If you follow these resolutions, I can almost -- notice I said almost -- guarantee you’ll have more fun in the garden this year.
New Year's Day Menu Ideas

**Crock Pot Red Beans and Rice with Andouille Sausage**

1 pound dried small red bean or kidney beans
1 1/2 quarts water
3 ribs celery, diced or sliced, about 1 heaping cup
1 large onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 bay leaves
1/2 teaspoon (or more) crushed red pepper flakes
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 pound spicy andouille sausage, diced
1/2 cup diced green bell pepper
2 cups long-grain rice

Put the dried beans in a bowl of cold water and swish them around to rinse. Discard floating beans. Drain the beans in a colander and pick them over, looking for any small stones or malformed beans. Put the beans in the crockery insert of a slow cooker. Add 1 1/2 quarts of water to the beans along with the celery, onion, garlic, bay leaves and crushed red pepper flakes. Cover slow cooker and cook the beans on low for about six to seven hours, or until the beans are tender. Or cook them for about three and a half to five hours on high. Heat the vegetable oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add the diced andouille sausage and cook, stirring, until the sausage is nicely browned. Add the sausage and bell pepper to the beans. Taste and add two to three teaspoons kosher salt, or to taste. Cover and continue cooking on low for one to two hours. Meanwhile, cook the rice in a rice cooker or on the stovetop following package directions. Mound the rice on a plate or in a bowl. Ladle the beans over the rice. Serve red beans and rice with freshly baked cornbread.

**Spicy Southern Black-Eyed Peas**

1 pound dried black-eyed peas
4 ounces salt pork, rind removed, diced, or thick bacon, diced
1 cup chopped onion
1/2 teaspoon (or more) crushed red pepper flakes
2 ribs celery, diced
3 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup chopped green bell pepper
1 large onion, chopped
4 ounces salt pork, rind removed, diced, or thick bacon, diced
1 1/2 quarts water
3 tablespoons melted shortening plus more for the skillet

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Position the rack in the center of the oven. Put about one tablespoon of shortening in a 9-to-10-inch cast iron skillet and place the skillet in the oven. In a large bowl, combine the cornmeal, flour, baking powder, soda and salt. Whisk to blend thoroughly. In another bowl, whisk together the buttermilk, egg and shortening. Add the buttermilk mixture to the dry mixture and stir just until blended. Carefully remove the hot cast iron pan from the oven and set it on a metal rack. Pour the batter into the sizzling shortening in the hot skillet. Return the skillet to the oven, reduce the temperature to 375 degrees F, and bake for about 20 to 24 minutes, until golden brown. Cut the cornbread into wedges and serve hot.

**Turnip Greens with Ham Shanks**

1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 cup chopped onion
2 to 3 smoked ham shanks
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 cups chicken broth
1 pound well-washed and chopped greens
1 teaspoon sugar
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
Dash cayenne pepper
Salt, to taste

Heat oil in a large Dutch oven or kettle over medium heat. Add onion and cook, stirring, until softened and translucent. Add the ham shanks and cook for about six minutes, turning the shanks a few times. Add garlic and chicken broth. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to medium-low, cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Remove ham shanks with a slotted spoon. Pour the washed turnip greens in the liquid, a few handfuls at a time, until all are in the pot. The simmering liquid will wilt them as you add them to the pot. Add the sugar and peppers. Remove the bones from the ham and dice or shred the meat; return the ham pieces to the pot. Bring the greens to a boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer, uncovered, for 10 minutes. Cover and simmer for about 30 minutes longer, or until the greens are very tender. The broth will cook down a bit, so it might be salty enough; taste and add salt if needed.

**Classic Southern Buttermilk Cornbread**

2 cups white or yellow cornmeal
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 cup buttermilk
1 large egg
3 tablespoons melted shortening plus more for the skillet

Following package directions, soak the black-eyed peas overnight or cover with water, boil for two minutes, then let stand for one hour; drain. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, sauté the diced salt pork with onion until onion is browned. Combine salt pork and onions with the drained peas and remaining ingredients; add water just to cover. Simmer for about one and a half to two and a half hours, or until tender, checking and adding a little more water if necessary. Taste and adjust seasonings.

Source: thespruce.com

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**
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96.7 acres with Hwy. 35 frontage, 28 year old pine timber, 3 ponds, additional access from CR 3113, $2,100 per acre. Hesterville, 601-672-9065.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY
192 acres farmland, some timber, worked in sweet potatoes & soybeans, hunting, 5 working pens, 2 lakes with pier, 2 lakes with pier, $2,500 per acre. Carrolton, 662-638-3373.

HINDS COUNTY
220 acres Davis & Springbridge, will split as small as 20 acres, starting $5,250 per acre & up; 24 acres Owens Road, partially wooded, will divide, $120,000, Jackson, 601-573-2754.

GRENADA COUNTY
680 acres, 267 acres cultivation plus 88 acres CRP - rent $43,375, red zone for ducks, trophy deer/turkey, close to 4 Delta’s top Delta clubs, $3,500 per acre. Holcomb, 601-937-4654.

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210 acres off beautiful Bowling Green Road, fabulous cattle ranch, fenced, working pens, 2 lakes with pier, deer/ turkey galore, family retreat, $2,350 per acre. Jackson, 601-946-1366.

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120 +/- acres of newly fenced pasture land, 40x60 barn, 24x40 lean-to, high and dry, $2,000 per acre. Leland, 601-522-1086.

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232 acres 1 hour from Jackson, good road system, deer/turkey, 5 year old soybeans, 20 acres of road frontage, $1,600 per acre. Newton, 601-692-6620.

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700 acres, 2 mobile homes, horse & cattle barns, shed, lakes, great road system, ready for cows or horses, fabu-
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Red Spider Lily bulbs, $1; Yellow Spider Lily bulbs, $4; Crinum bulbs, $8 plus S&H; plant now summer & fall blooms. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-914-0107. Email: retirdpots@aol.com.

TREES, VINES & SHRUBS

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“Nature’s Best” honey just in, dark & rich, $7 per pint, $12 per quart, plenty of light, honey also available. Madison Co., Madison, 601-896-4258.

Bees, $200 per hive. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-953-7389, call before 8 p.m.

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100 hives with bees, $290 each, moving & need to downsize, no phone, contact Levi Hostetler, 3970 Salmon
GRASS SEEDS & CUSTOM SPRIGGING

Custom sprigging, Sumrall 007 (registered trademark), Tifton 44, Tifton 85 also available, $125/acre (10 acre minimum). Limed, cured without rain, only $25/bale. Bushel, Slim Sumrall & Gerald Sumrall, Lawrence Co., Monticello, 601-587-7122.

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Custom sprigging, Dixie Bermuda Grass (registered trademark), Tifton 44, Tifton 85 & more, have conventional or no-till, prices start $100 up per acre. Leake Co., Carthage, 601-780-0781.

HAY & GRAIN

2017 crop bahiagrass, 5x5 rolls, well fertilized, cured without rain, $35 per roll, delivery, Lamar Co., Sumrall, 601-606-0076.

5x5 rolls mixed grass hay, fertilized to soil sample, second cutting, no rain, 200 rolls, $25 each or make offer on all. Panola Co., Pope, 662-2916.

Fertilized bahiagrass hay in bale, 4x5 rolls, $35 per roll. Lincoln Co., Tulipole, 601-833-0287.

2017 crop mixed hay, 5x5 rolls, $35 each. Lincoln Co., Ruth, 601-833-0287.

2017 crop mixed hay, 5x5 rolls, $25 each. Pontotoc/Leo C. Tupelo, 662-255-4684.

4x5 round bales bermudagrass/mixed grass hay, cut and cured without rain & stored in barn, $35; 4x5 round bales mixed pasture grass, stored outside, $25 each, delivery available on all bales. Clay Co., West Point, 662-617-4948.


5x5 round bales of bermudagrass/bahiagrass hay, baled without rain, fertilized according to soil samples, $30 per bale. Lincoln Co., Ruth, 601-967-3048.

4x5 round bales of bahiagrass hay, well fertilized, weed free, $45. Tuscaloosa Co.,ampton, 601-366-5017.

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4x5 round bales of mixed grass hay, $45. Tuscaloosa Co.,ampton, 601-366-5017.

4x5 round bales of bahiagrass hay, $45. Tuscaloosa Co.,ampton, 601-366-5017.

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5x6 round bales of hay, net wrapped, $35 per bale. Stone Co., Wig- nells, 601-337-3082.

4x5 round bales of mudagrass hay, $40 per bale. Pearl River Co., Poplarville, 601-764-2705.

Mud-grass hay, weed control & litter, White Oak, 601-269-3247.

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Antique marble top bedside table, $100; Antique pleated back chair, $50. Twin bed, $175. Antique single seat rocker $100; Medium to large fireplace, with trim, $400. Attala Co., Ethel, 662-205-6986.

Antique chair repair & restoration, movements serviced & repaired, dials restored, glass replaced, cases refurbished, also buy & sell antique clocks. Forrest Co., Pelia, 661-320-4736.

Lennox China, Old Tuxedo pattern, 12 plates, cups & saucers, 4 salad, 5 bread & butter, sugar, creamer, never used, $1,500. Lee Co., Tupelo, 662-824-6502.

Several old wooden wagon parts, axles along with frame parts, $200, call or test for pictures, can deliver to the Coahoma County area. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-540-0388.

**ANTIQUES & FURNITURE**

Cedar chifforobe, 2 doors, 40” wide x 87” high, 2 drawers, 2 doors, 24” wide x 87” high, 2 drawers, $250. Buyback, 662-428-3136.

**COOKBOOKS & RECIPES**

“Cooking with Friends,” over 850 reci- ples collected for over 50 years from ladies in our community, send $18 to Shirley Brown, 230 Morgan Road, Al- ligator, MS 38720, Coahoma Co., 662- 827-5750.

**CRAFTS & WOODWORK**

Cypress wood swings with chairs & cup holders, 4”, $140; 5”, $150; 6”, $160; 6’”, $210; 4”, $140; 5”, $150; 6”, $250; Rockers & chairs, $145. Humphreys Co., Isola, 662-862-8701.

Cypress swings, $150 & up; Cypress chair swing, $100; Cypress chair glider, $200; Bird/cat birdhouse, $10 & up. Jones Co., Ellisville, 601-543-5997.

6’ swing with metal frame, new chairs, can be moved anywhere, kept under shed, in great cond., $150. Smith Co., Morton, 601-337-3501.

Bluebird houses made from treated western cedar fence boards, won’t rot, shipping available, $6 each or $30; Wood duck nest houses, $40. Hinds Co., Raymond, 601-857-5654.

Cedar porch swings, $130; Glider rockers, $135; Swivel glider, $160; Ad- ironock swivel glider, $190; Child’s rocker, $80, no phone, Joe Mast, 10520 Hwy. 9, South Pontotoc, MS 38864, Pontotoc County.

Cypress swings starting at $149; Gliders starting at $249; Cypress, cedar & oak rockers starting at $159, cypress tables made on order. Pike Co., McComb, 661-249-2966.

Cypress swings, rocking chairs & glid- ers with cup holders, small tables, quality made with glass, screws & bolts, chairs included, prices start at $140. Rankin Co., Florence, 661-845-0767.

Quality cypress swings assembled with screws & bolts, 4’ $180, 5’ $215, 6’ $255; Rocking chairs $295 & up; Farm tables, $395 & up. Hinds Co., Terry, 661-937-6645.

Woodwork: Christmas, Santa’s, elves, murlals, angels, reindeer, some not finished, about small truck load, all for $500 or $5 each & up. Simpson Co., Magee, 661-849-2299.

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Seven grade 40,000 BTU propane heater, $299-6499. Martin gas logs fireplace insert, fits medium to large fireplace, with trim, like new, $400. Atala Co., Ethel, 662-674-5418.

Buck fireplace insert, big doors, good for hunting camp or shop, good cond., $300. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 661-485-7210.

125,000 BTU forced air heater, diesel fueled, AKA Salamander, like new, $200, Amite Co., Magnolia, 225-278-2362.

Century wood heater/stove, glass door, with blower, heats up to 2,200 sq. ft., very good cond., $400. Lamar Co., Purvis, 661-724-5602.

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TRACTORS

Case IH MX180, MFWD, cab/air, great running tractor, has 10,800 hrs., but looks like it has 5,000 hrs., solid 180 HP tractor, $23,500. Tallahatchie Co., Charleston, 662-647-1456.


Case IH 383, with 2,500 hrs., 38 HP, in good cond., owned 15 years, shielded, $3,600. Jackson Co., Vancleave, 228-826-2890, nights.

Case IH Magnum 7120, cab/air, 18 speed power shift, 4 reverse, 2WD, 150 HP, 3,227 hrs., 3 hydraulic valves with 540/1000 PTO shafts, $30,000. DeSoto Co., Hernando, 901-490-7044.

Case IH 3000, 35 HP, gas eng., PTO/loft work well, runs great, $2,300 cash. Case 3600, 45 HP diesel eng., PTO/loft work, $3,500 cash. Wallah Co., Tyertown, 985-867-0719.


IH 886, 4-post canopy with windshields, all tires in good cond., tractor used this last hay season, clutch & transmission bearings installed in Aug., $9,200. Wallah Co., Tyertown, 661-670-7544.

IH Cub, completely restored, with all implements, $4,200. Coviington Co., Hwy 40-A, 661-408-1461.

For in ‘parts, 40 HP, 1,200 OBO. Lawrence Co., Wesson, 617-715-7743.

IH Cub, ’74 model, with belly mower, new rear tires, everything works good, $2,100. Hinds Co., Clinton, 617-528-8510.

JD 574, with IH 2200 front loader, 65 HP diesel, 3,210 hrs., power steering, live PTO, $4,200 or $2,400 for both. Clay Co., West Point, 662-295-2329.

JD 507SE, with 200 hrs., $36,000. Alcorn Co., Corinth, 662-286-9158.

JD 3235, ’87 model, with 2,300 hrs., 4WD, loader, cab/air, loaded with pow- er reverser, excellent cond., shed kept, pictures upon request, $34,000. Union Co., New Albany, 662-538-9276.

JD 4850, 2WD, 5, Std., 3 sets of hydraulics, 15 speed power shift, 7,167 hrs., $9,900. JD 165, 4WD, air, $5,800. Calhoun Co., Calhoun City, 662-809-5846.
GRINDERS & MIXERS

JD 400 with intake auger & feed rolls, used it to grind feed on 12/15/17, $2,850. JD 700, works good, $4,500. Tate Co., Senatobia, 628-288-9526.

Gehl 65MX, recently used to transport pellets, drum auger turns unloaded but not loaded, grinder not used recently but previous owner did, call for pictures, $800. Union Co., Sherman, 625-255-9532.

Trioliet Solomix 1200H grain mixery with twin vertical mixers, electronic scales, hydraulic unloading chutes, $8,500. Simpson Co., Pinola, 601-382-4481.

IRRIGATION PUMP

Fair Oaks Mfg. relift pump, 25' long, 10' diam., will pump 2,500 gallons per minute with 50 HP tractor, deck hunters/rice farmers, $3,700. Tallahatchie Co., Charleston, 901-828-9043.

PLANTING & TILLAGE


IH 810 4-row planters, $1,200 OBO; AMCO 4-ropppers on double tool bar, $750 OBO. Attala Co., Vaiden, 661-416-7788.

JD 7100 6-row planter with row markers, in great cond., 2,500; Case IH 900 2-row planter, ground drive with no-till cultv., $1,800. Quitman Co., Crawford, 662-561-2469.


6 bush Hog disk & 6' Countyline disk, $1,000 each. Covington Co., Seagraves, 601-765-8318.

JD 7100 6-row planter, with row cleaners, insecticide boxes, 2-6 row cultv., all for $3,000. Lee Co., Shannon, 662-891-5445.

Covington 2-row planter & cultv., stiff shank, $2,000; 1-row planter & cultv., spring tooth, $1,200. Lamar Co., Purvis, 601-794-7999.


30' ear corn & square hay bale conditioner, PTO driven, good tires, $1,600. Tippah Co., Ripley, 256-366-2530.

32' rolls, $9,500; NH Procart 819 8-wheel totem type rotary cutter, bought brand new in 2014, 5' cut, all parts that you need to install, pictures upon request, $1,000. Itawamba Co., Marietta, 662-416-3756.

TRACTORS & TRAILERS

S&N saddle trailer for 1,000 gal. tank, 2 axles, $1,000. Lee Co., Shannon, 662-891-3445.

1,000 gal. water trailer, plastic tank, good motor & pump, $2,500. Quitman Co., Crawford, 662-449-1347.


2012 Wilson double wall hopper bottom grain trailer, $28,000. Lawrence Co., New Ironton, 901-897-8663.

AG PARTS & TIRES

Pair of 18.4 x 34 rear tractor tires, Co-op brand, 40% rubber, light cracks, still in very good cond., pictures available, sold as pair. Yazo Co., Benton, 662-665-2500.

Goodyear 15" implement tires, new in new hole 8 wheels, mounted 8-ply tires, 10 available, $22 each. Pearl River Co., Lumberton, 601-796-9260.

Titan 14" R2 tire, $50. Winchester, 662-803-2118.

Essentially new 18 x 8.1 R-1 tire & tube mounted for 1588, $325. Monroe Co., Aberdeen, 228-334-0650.

1 alum. wheel & tire, all steel radial, tubeless, 295-75R22.5, 90% wear left, $275. Lauderdale Co., Enterprise, 601-924-4614.


Front end loader off IH 706, $2,000. Lincoln Co., Wesson, 661-835-6829.


Front end loader for 50 HP tractor or smaller, in good cond., brand unknown, must remodel to fit your tractor, $750. Pontotoc Co., Pontotoc, 662-760-6729.

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TRUCKS & VANS

2000 International 9200I, has 12.7 Detroit, 10 speed, 3.70 rears, wet kit, sleeper, runs good, $10,000. Montgomery Co., Duck Hill, 662-899-4760.


FORESTRY & LOGGING EQUIPMENT

2010 Tigercat 620P skidder, $72,500; 2010 Tigercat 234 loader CSI, $72,500; 2003 Tigercat 230B loader CTR, $28,500; 2005 Tigercat 720D, $50,000; JD 648 GII, $45,000. Wayne Co., State Line, 662-394-7796.

OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT


INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS & VANS

2006 Ford F600 dump truck, ready for farm use, cranks & dumps good, needs better tires, $1,750. Pearl River Co., Carriere, 601-798-2643.


2007 Ford F450 dump truck, ready for farm use, cranks & dumps good, needs better tires, $1,750. Pearl River Co., Carriere, 601-798-2643.

2009 Freightliner Cascadia with sleeper, fresh 12.7 liter Detroit, 13 speed, virgin rubber, $15,000; 2006 Wabash Burpulat 353 dry van, virgin rubber, $9,000. Warren Co., Redwood, 601-415-0047.

2009 Ford 6000 bean truck, 1,000 bushel wood bottom bed & metal sides, not a belly dump, $15,000. Monroe Co., Nettleton, 662-401-9052.


1996 Ford bucket truck, 4WD, 75' working height, money maker for tree service, $32,500 OBO. Lincoln Co., Brookhaven, 662-833-8486.

auto Crane lift, 6,000 lbs. capacity, needs 1-ton truck or larger to mount on, can send pictures, $2,500. Simpson Co., Florence, 662-943-3557.


75' x 50' heavy duty tarp, 15 year guarantee, paid over $1,000, asking $400. Attala Co., West, 662-582-2818.

125,000 BTU forced air heater, diesel fuel, $500. AKA Salamander, like new, $200. Amite Co., Magnolia, 225-278-8128.

1 yard A-grade 40x84 4-way pallets, $5 each; 8; 4 each. Ranken Co., Richland, 601-939-3104.

5' x 40' culvert, heavy gauge, clean, like new, can cut in half, $2,500. Simpson Co., Harrisville, 662-941-8891, leave message if no answer.

Old vehicle tabs, most are from Mississippi 1988-2006, in perfect cond., some never mounted on vehicle, 3,000-4,000 to choose from, $2 each & up. Holmes Co., Lexington, 662-954-1257.


25 gal. plastic tubs with tops, in good cond., $7.50 each or $7 each if 5 or more are purchased. Holmes Co., Durant, 661-503-7334.


8x4x2 fuel tank with 12 volt pump, $750. Calhoun Co., Bruce, 662-983-4423.

POULTRY EQUIPMENT

80 Space-Ray brooders, pilot control, in good cond., $40 each, Smith Co., Raleigh, 601-310-6643.


Taylor 75 kW generator, Perkins eng., 600 hrs., transfer box included, $8,000. Pike Co., Magnolia, 661-783-6427.

10,000 watt Dayton generator, model #3W46, 20 HP, electric start Honda, 36 hours run time, has 5-110 volt & 2-220 volt recept., $1,000. Claiborne Co., Port Gibson, 662-415-4245.


Barter 24' wooden block (pulley), in good cond., can deliver to the Choctaw County area, $55. Rankin Co., Brandon, 662-540-0388.

Well pulley, crossover saw, hames, plows, sodas, grit mill, $31 & up. Warren Co., Vicksburg, 661-831-5751.


Blowers & pipe for sawmill, starting at $1 per #, dry kiln, molding planers, 70 Jones Co., Sandersville, 662-434-1388.


Miscellaneous Equipment

Composting equipment: Frontier compost turner, HJ 1066, 2005 Mustang skid steer & large compost spreader, all in good working cond, $70,000. Harrison Co., Saucier, 228-365-3744.
2003 Exiss Sport 3-horse gooseneck slant trailer, 4' short wall, custom built weekend package with cowbox shower, $15,000. Lawrence Co., New Hebron, 601-382-1113.

24' x 6' gooseneck cattle trailer with canvas top, good tires & floor, $4,500; 20' x 6' gooseneck cattle trailer with bar top, new floor, good tires, $4,000. Newton Co., Hickory, 601-479-7655.

Single horse wooden wagon, rubber tires, ag trailer undercarriage, not fancy but makes good training wagon, $500 OBO. Madison Co., Pickens, 662-858-0179.


2007 Elite 2-horse trailer with living quarters, Outlaw package, been under shed, like brand new, text for pictures, $21,000. Marion Co., Columbus, 601-441-0456.


2013 WV alum, 3-horse slant load trailer, bumper pull, drop windows 1 side, 3 tier rack, excellent cond., ga-gates kept, pulled dozens times, $9,990. Pearl River Co., Carriere, 504-628-1836.

S&H 17’ x 6’ 6” 3’-hors trailer slant with dressing room, weekend package, good tires & mats, good solid trailer, ready to use, $2,000. Clay Co., West Point, 662-498-2228.

Pioneer 2-wheel cart, red, new, never used, $850. Marion Co., Fowshox, 601-441-5512.

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4-H & 17’ x 6’ 6” 3’-hors trailer slant with dressing room, weekend package, good tires & mats, good solid trailer, ready to use, $2,000. Clay Co., West Point, 662-498-2228.

16’ bumper pull livestock or 4-horse trailer, white, good floor, no rust, in A-1 cond., $2,500 cash. Warren Co., Vicksburg, 601-636-1662.

Several old wooden wagon parts, axles along with frame parts, $200, call or text for pictures, can deliver to the Choctaw County area. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-540-0388.

LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT


Austalian saddle, $250; 14” hard seat saddle, $125; New & used tack, $6 & up; 19” tooled saddle collar, $50. Lauderdale Co., Meridian, 601-485-7210.

16’ Big Horn trail saddle, in good cond., $500 OBO; 60 lb. nylon harness with leather collar, $100 for all. George Co., Lucedale, 601-508-6170.


Winchester mod 100 12 ga., shell tube extension, good cond., $350. Sears 22 auto, model 30, made by C. Higgs, good cond., $265. Rankin Co., Pearl, 613-613-0761.


Model 70 Winchester 7 mag with 26" barrel, box of John Wayne ammo., $850; Mint Winchester 9422 Magnum, $900, made in USA. Rankin Co., Brandon, 613-201-3814.


Model 70 Winchester 7 mag with 4x40mf Pentax scope, hard case, 1 box ammo., good cond., $800. Amite Co., Liberty, 601-657-8779.

Mint condition factory fired Winchesters: 20-20, 4 shot, ejector, box of John Wayne ammo., $850; Mint Winchester 9422 Magnum, $900, made in USA. Rankin Co., Brandon, 613-201-3814.

Custom 4mm Mauser with scope, $350. Howa 1500 270 Win. with scope, $325; Remington model 700, SS with Bushnell 3200 scope, $550. Rankin Co., Pearl, 613-986-1119.


Quality handmade holsters, knife sheaths, gun belts & other leather goods, prices start at $65, call for more information & custom orders. Rankin Co., Pearl, 613-624-1960.
bulls, 11 heifers with bull now, complete herd health program, $1,400-$2,500. Kemper Co., Dekalb, 601-663-6296.


Angus cows, 8 1/2 mos. old, Brangus heifers, $1,000 & up. Tippah Co., Tiplersville, 662-223-6407. Email: ffalf@live.com.

2 Black Angus bulls, $1,600 & up. Tippah Co., Tiplersville, 662-223-6407. Email: ffalf@live.com.

Angus calves, 3 mos. old, excellent to very good, $1,200 & up. Marion Co., Gulfport, 601-529-6494.

Angus bulls, 2 mos. old, very fancy, $1,700. Calhoun Co., Chatom, 225-399-4392.

Gulf Coast Dairy Cattle, 228-216-8731.


Simmental Bulls, 18 mos. old, $2,500 & up. Hinds Co., Terry, 601-955-1907.

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Charolais bulls, 15-18 mos. old, $1,500 & up. Calhoun Co., Chatom, 225-399-4392.

Breeders, 12 mos. old, $1,000 & up. Madison Co., Statesboro, 912-342-6511.

Reg. Red Angus bulls, 2 yrs. old, $3,500; Santa Gertrudis bulls, 3 yrs. old, no papers, $2,000. Lawrence Co., Jayess, 662-754-4223.


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parents on site, wormed from birth, $140 each. Calhoun Co., Vardaman, 662-414-1531.

Male Pygmy, born 11/15/17, light brown with white belly, $100. Scott Co., Forest, 601-513-2660.

5 PB Kiko billies, different colors, 1 yr. old, $200; 3 mixed billies, $150; Big 3 yr. old PB Kiko billy, thors, color, $400. Lawrence Co., Jayess, 601-248-9940.

2 billies, dehorned, 3 mos. old, can email pictures, $175 each. Hancock Co., Bay St. Louis, 228-342-7998.

ADGA Oberhasli buck, born 3/20/14, pure breeding stock, color, $175 each. Hancock Co., Bay St. Louis, 228-342-7998.

Boer & Boer cross goats in various colors, $125 & up. Pearl River Co., Poplarville, 601-713-0425.

Cuttin little Pygmy goats, 3 mos. old, bucks $100 & does $150, call to receive yours, great pets. Pike Co., Summit, 601-730-3004.

100% New Zealand Kiko buck, 1 1/2 yrs. old, black/white, $500. Pearl River Co., Carriere, 601-916-0761.

Reg. Kiko buck with papers, black/white, born 2/24/17, gentle, best bloodlines, will be big, long bodied, $425. Forrest Co., Petal, 601-582-2828.

RABBITS


Boer & sow, 16 mos. old, both Wyoming & Wyoming is bred with second litter, both $375. Yorkshire & Hampshire pigs, 35 lbs., $35. Winston Co., Louisville, 601-802-0954.

2 sows, $120 each; Feeder pigs, $45, big fine sows for eating or breeding, pigs for eating, Lincoln Co., Brookhaven, 601-695-1118.

Feeder hogs, average between 225-250 lbs., raised off the ground with no antibiotics, no steroids & no supplements, $200, Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-668-4125.

Taking orders for 40 lb. feeder pigs ready for sale, sow & boar on site. $40. Buying choice at time of purchase. Rankin Co., Brandon, 601-955-6515, text or leave message. Wood Lot meats help for slaughter, no antibiotics, chemical wormer or vaccinations (all natural), will drop off to butcher, call for details, $120/lb. Pearl River Co., Picayune, 601-916-1610.

Teacup piglets, original tiny baby piglets, great pets, easy to litter box train, special price for New Year’s, $175, $225, Wayne Co., Waynesboro, 601-671-4209.

Miniature goats, 3 females, 3 1/2 months, $200 each, 4 yr. old bred buck, $350; 1 stud, $200. Pearl River Co., Picayune, 985-590-8411.

Sweet, double reg., 8 mos. old miniature filly, black/white stockings, halters & leads, $325; 5 yr. old triple reg., black/white pinto mare, $255. Rankin Co., Lena, 601-854-6004.

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AAQA 10 yr. old daughter of Bully Bullion, 1D barrel horse, easy to ride, Open & Senior 1st High Point winner, serious inquiries only please, $65,000. George Co., Lucedale, 251-599-3339.

AAQA true buckskin guling, gorgious with black stockings, Impeccable on top & Hancock on bottom, all the ground work done, excellent conformation, superior bloodlines. $3,500. Pearl Co., Carriere, 601-889-9611.

AAQA 3 yr. old bay mare, trained cutting horse, never shown, $3,000. Lowndes Co., Columbus, 662-889-0915.


Working guling horses, mares, weanlings, foundation bred Poco Bueno, 10 yr. old gelding, trained professionally by Ray Hunt method, $1,000 & up, email for pictures: rebranger@gmail.com. Tunica Co., Dundee, 256-386-9122.

HORSES AT STUD

I’ll Shine Too by First To Shine, out of Lady Perry Too by Mr. Jess Perry, producer of race/barrel horse, fee $350. LCPC, Marshall Co., Red Banks, 912-212-4541.

Reg. TWH grey filly, 6 yrs. old, stands 16 H, loads, unhitched, broke to ride, gentle, comes with fresh Coggins & transfer papers, $1,250. Attala Co., Ethel, 601-934-5996.

Reg. TWH mare, chestnut color, 9 yrs. old, $1,000. Webster Co., Clinton, 662-263-6596.

TENNESSEE WALKING HORSES

TWH weanlings: 1 gold champagne sabino filly, 1 palomino tobiano stud colt, 1 buckskin tobiano stud colts, other horses, out of championship bloodlines, $750 & up. Simpson Co., Magee, 601-847-5025.

THOROUGHBREDS


**Australian Shepherds**


CKC Australian Shepherd puppies, ready 1/24/18, shots/wormed, tails & dewclaws removed, black/white/bis & blue merles, parents on premises, $400 & $700. Lincoln Co., Bogue Chitto, 601-551-6554.


AKC Australian Shepherd puppies, red tri male, black tri male, shots/wormed, born 11/16/17, parents on site, $150. Newton Co., Union, 601-774-5778.

AKC Australian Shepherd puppies, males & females, these puppies were raised on my farm in Jones County where I live & farm, $275 each. Mack Tucker, Jones Co., Laurel, 601-319-4549.


PB Australian Shepherd female puppies, 1 red/white, 1 red merle, 1 blue merle, ready to go, $150. Newton Co., Conehatta, 662-562-7960.

Miniature Australian Shepherd male, born 4/8/17, blue merle, he did not sell with litter, $100. Hinds Co., Raymond, 661-666-4135.

**Beagles**

AKC Beagle 3 yr. old female, excellent rabbit dog, strong, medium speed, no deer, handles good, 13”, tricolor, all shots/wormed, $250. Harrison Co., D’Iberville, 228-861-6637.


2 AKC Beagle males, Weir Creek, 4 mos. old, chocolate/white, $500 for pair or $300 each, can send pictures & pedigree. Newton Co., Lake, 601-663-5121.

2 reg. 14” beagle rabbit dogs, 1 male & 1 female, collar broke, $650 for pair, will separate. Smith Co., Morton, 601-357-3603.

2 male Beagles, both are 3 yrs. old, they will jump & run their own rabbits, good rabbit dogs, $300 each. Simpson Co., Magee, 601-299-0264.

2 female Beagles, parents are PB & straight rabbit dogs, ready to go, no papers, $200. Lincoln Co., Brookhaven, 601-455-0255.


**Belgian Malinois**

AKC Belgian Malinois puppies, both parents are working K9s, well socialized, easily trained, excellent family protection dogs, $1,500. Pearl River Co., Poplarville, 601-299-0264.

AKC Belgian Malinois Pups, ready 1/15/18, $90 each, no Blue Heeler puppies, 3 males & 4 females, $175. Tate Co., Senatobia, 662-560-4924.

**Bloodhounds**

AKC Bloodhound, black/tan, born 9/29/17, only male in litter, handsome, well socialized with people & other dogs, shots/wormed, $320, Rankin Co., Florence, 601-955-6008.

AKC Bloodhound female puppies, 1 black/white, $200 each. Tate Co., Goodman, 662-872-9088.

2 female Bloodhounds, black/brown for both. Pike Co., Magnolia, 769-204-1012.

**Border Collies**


ABCA Border Collie puppies, strong bloodlines, excellent health, first shots/wormed, parents on site, born 11/21/17, $300. DeSoto Co., Lake Como, 662-781-1009.


**Cane Corsos**

Cane Corso puppies, born 11/15/17, black, black brindle, great farm dogs, non aggressive towards other animals, $1,500 each. Price Co., Tupelo, 662-760-0297.

**Cocker Spaniels**

English Cocker Spaniel puppies, born 11/16/17, bred from field trained stock, great dogs for family pets, 2 males available, golden white with markings, $1,000. Jackson Co., Vancleave, 228-218-6854.

**Collies**

CKC Collie puppies, born 11/23/17, perfect markings, tricolor, must see, parents on site, $200 each. Harrison Co., Saucier, 228-669-0077.

**Coonhounds**

American Bluetick Coonhound, 5 yr. old female, trees coon at night & squirrel dog, $300. Lowndes Co., Columbus, 662-386-9122.


**English Pointers**


**English Setters**

American Bluetick Coonhound, 5 yr. old female, trees coon at night & squirrel dog, $300. Lowndes Co., Columbus, 662-386-9122.


**Feists**

Treeing Feist puppies, 5 mos. old & up, tails docked, Buckley, Atomic & other bloodlines, all lightly started & up. NKC & Buckley registered, $300 up. Yazoo Co., Canton, 662-590-2572.

**Foxhounds**

OMCBA Cur puppies out of great squirrel dog stock, 6 wks. old, from Banjo of Archusa Creek bloodline, great for squirrel or hog, $350. Wayne Co., State Line, 251-591-3893.

OMCBA Streak bred Mountain Cur 6 yr. old, will tree squirrels or coons, $1,000. Greene Co., Leakesville, 601-770-1921, call evenings or text.

PB Blue Mouth Cur puppies, Ladder bloodlines, born 11/12/17, 5 males & 2 females, $100 each, no telephone, contact Johnny Hostetler, 601-551-6573.

**German Shepherds**

PB German Shepherd puppies, black & white males, ready 1/15/18, $425 each. Panola Co., Courtland, 662-654-9456.

PB German Shepherd puppies, first shots/wormed, black/tan, males/females, have papers in hand, pictures upon request, $450 each. Lee Co., Shannon, 662-397-4763.

**Great Pyrenees**

AKC Great Pyrenees puppies, born 12/6/17, ready 1/31/18, parents on site guarding goats/poultry, deworming/exam/fist of shots included, plus health guarantee, $600, Hinds Co., Utica, 662-850-0777.


**Hunting & Working Dogs**

**Hunting Beagles**

Blue Heelers, male & female, tails docked, parents on premises, $150. Pike Co., Summit, 601-730-0762.

Blue Heeler puppies, born 11/13/17, both parents on site, $150 each. Noxubee Co., Macon, 661-361-8004.

Blue Heeler, male & female, tails docked, parents on premises, $150. Pike Co., Summit, 601-730-0762.

Blue Heeler puppies, born 11/13/17, both parents on site, shots/wormed, $175. Tate Co., Senatobia, 662-560-3338.

Blue Heeler puppies, 3 males & 4 females, ready 1/15/18, $90 each, no phone, contact Menno Zook, 3099 Topsy Road, Randolph, MS 38884. Pontotoc County.
**JACK RUSSELL TERRIERS**


Jagdterrier pups, tails docked, short legs, red/white or tricolor, vet checked & shots, $350. Calhoun Co., Brandon, 601-825-2779.

**LABRADOR RETRIEVERS**

5 AKC silver Labrador Retrievers, all males $900, chocolate male $700, de-worming & 5 week shots. Monroe Co., Smithville, 662-256-0099.


AKC British Fox Red Labrador Retriever pups, males & female, top notch bloodlines such as Huntfield, Diablo & Tyrellison, $1,000. Hancock Co., Pica-yune, 228-216-2460.

AKC British white Lab pups, ready to go 1/26/18, will be up to date on all shots/wormer, champion show/breed lines, both parents hunt, $800. Lee Co., Tupelo, 662-231-4256.

**RAT TERRIERS**

Rat Terrier male born 8/31/17, black/white/tan, 1 male & 1 female born 11/10/17, color lemon spotted, email or text for pictures, $85. Neshoba Co., Sebastopol, 601-584-2199.

**DOG SUPPLIES**

Dog containment system, used once, with base, flags & 2 point contacts for collar, 110 volt base hookup, paid $280, asking $175. Okibibba Co., Starkville, 662-769-9669.

Dog kennel cages: 5- 4' x 8', 6- 3' x 3', 5' x 8' 6-compartment dog trailer, also has platform for hauling 4-wheeler, can send pictures, $1,800. Walthall Co., Tylertown, 662-876-3250.

5 x 8-sort of dog trailer, hauls 12, 18” top storage capacity, shop made, numerous features, $950, no checks. Marion Co., Bassfield, 601-441-4113.

We rebuild tracking collars, Quick Track, Rats, $35; Johnson C-cell $35, D-cell $45; New collars, C-cell $100, D-cell $125. Harrison Co., Saucier, 228-687-6002.


**JAGDTERRIERS**


**2018 Central Mississippi Beekeepers**

**Beginners Short Course**

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018

**Mississippi Ag and Forestry Museum**

Beginners Beekeeping Short Course Registration Form

Name: ____________________________  Address: ____________________________
City: ____________________________  State: ____________________________  Zip:    __________
Phone #: ____________________________  Email: ____________________________
(Please print neatly)

NOTE: We will have an afternoon beekeeping session, weather permitting. IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, PLEASE BRING IT. We have a limited supply of loaner gear, so use is on a first-come, first-served basis. (Hat/Veil and Gloves are required for the afternoon session. No shorts or open toe shoes). Registration Fee: Early Registration is $20 per person. Walk-in registration is $25 per person.

Parking: Please park at the MS Sports Hall of Fame Museum, located next door to the Ag Museum.

Lunch will be included in the early registration fee. Facilities: The course will be held in the Heritage Building, the first building on the left as you walk across the wooden bridge from the parking lot of the Sports Hall of Fame Museum.

Registration: Registration starts at 7:30 the morning of the course and the Welcome will begin at 8:15 with the program starting at 8:30. The course will end no later than 4:00.

Agenda: We will have morning lectures on beginner beekeeping, followed by a visit to the beehives on site if the weather permits. If weather is an issue, additional lecture, Q&A, and panel discussions will be held.

Lunch: Will be a sandwich style lunch with a drink – included in the registration fee. Snacks and refreshments will also be available.

Total Amount Enclosed (registration fee): ____________________________

Please make checks payable to: Central Mississippi Beekeepers Association

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BLACK PRAIRIE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
LOWNDES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Approximately 1,580 Acres,
More or Less (Farm# 4135)

BIDS DUE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.

THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION,
acting through THE BUREAU OF BUILDING, GROUNDS
AND REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
in conjunction with
THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS
WILL LEASE BY SEALED BID FARMLAND OWNED BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS
SITUATED IN LOWNDES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

The Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks and
The Department of Finance and Administration,
acting through the Bureau of Building, Grounds and
Real Property Management
shall have the authority to reject any and all bids

BIDS WILL BE OPENED AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS
FOR MORE INFORMATION WRITE:
Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management
Division of Real Property Management
1401 Woolfolk Building, Suite B, 501 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201
or call 601-359-3621

DIXIE NATIONAL PARADE

Date: February 10, 2018
*****Time: 10:30 A.M.*****
Place: Check-in point: Mississippi State Fairgrounds – Gate 1
Line-Up: Jefferson, Greymont & Mississippi Streets

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

All entry forms MUST be in the parade office by February 5, 2018 no exceptions
Mail all applications to:
Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce
ATTN: Donna West/Jennifer Thompson
P.O. Box 1609
Jackson, MS 39215-1609
Phone: 601.359.1118/601.359.1144 Fax: 601.359.1175

Contact Person: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: ___________ Zip: ___________
Telephone: Home: ( ) Work: ( )
Email Address: ________________________________

Participants may compete in only one (1) category – Group I or Group II.

Group I: Non-mounted Participants (NO livestock Within Your Group/Club)
Please specify the number of participants and/or vehicles, etc.

Group or club name: ________________________________
Queen Title: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
Marching Participants: _______ Floats/Trailers: _______ Cars: _______
Trucks: _______ Tractors: _______ Buses: _______
Motorcycles: _______ Go-Carts: _______
Other: ________________________________
Antique Car (make/model): ___________________________ ( ) Open ( ) Closed

Group II: Mounted Participants (Contains livestock)
Please specify the number of mounted participants and/or vehicles, etc.

Group or club name: ________________________________
Mounted Participants: _______ Wagon: _______ Trucks: _______
Flats/Trailers: Other: ________________________________

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS!! PLEASE NOTE!
- All motor vehicles MUST have mufflers.
- All livestock MUST be well groomed.
- All horses and mules MUST have a NEGATIVE coggins test taken within twelve months of the parade date
  and health certificates MUST accompany the animal to the parade.
- Instructions and parade positions will be mailed to the leader named above.
- Awards ceremony will be immediately following the parade.

The Dixie National Parade Committee is released from all liabilities and responsibilities for any loss, accident or injury,
whether to person or property, arising in any way out of the operation or activities of the parade committee.
Approved and attested by:

Signature of Participant ________________________________
Signature of Parent or Guardian (If participant is under 21 years of age) ________________________________

THE DIXIE NATIONAL
Equine Expo
SHOPPING EXPERIENCE
February 14-18, 2018
Tack, Jewelry, Clothing, Hats, Trucks, Trailers, and MUCH MORE
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Something for everyone, free admission and parking
For more information visit www.mqha.org
Lipscomb Brothers Livestock Market
Sale Day - Wednesday - 12:00 PM
Philadelphia, MS (Neshoba Co.)
Ph: 601-656-6732

Farmers Livestock Marketing
Sale Day - Monday - 12:00 PM
Purchasing Cattle on Saturdays
Meridian, MS (Lauderdale Co.)
Ph: 601-947-3352

COMMISSIONMENT

PARKER LIVESTOCK BUYING STATION
Purchasing Cattle on Mondays
7:30 AM - 11:30 AM
No Commission - No Shrink
Seminary, MS (Covington Co.)
Ph: 601-722-9081

SOUTHEAST MISSISSIPPI LIVESTOCK
Sale Day - Monday - 12:30 PM
Hattiesburg, MS (Forest Co.)
Ph: 601-268-2587

ORDER BUYERS

Big Pine Cattle
Purchasing Cattle on Saturdays
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
No Commission - No Shrink
Collins, MS (Covington Co.)
Ph: 601-517-9895

Givens Farms
Purchasing Cattle on Tuesdays
7:00 AM
No Commission - No Shrink
Amory, MS (Monroe Co.)
Ph: 601-791-1531 or 661-617-9057

Lee Edens Cattle Company
Purchasing Cattle Mon. thru Wed.
No Commission - No Shrink
Covington Co.
Ph: 601-669-5071

Meridian Livestock Producers
Sale Day - Monday - 12:00 PM
Meridian, MS (Lauderdale Co.)
Ph: 601-482-7275

Peoples Livestock Auction
Sale Day - Monday - 1:00 PM

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS & SALES

BILLINGSLEY AUCTION SALES, Inc.
Sale Day - Thursday - 11:30 AM
Sarasota, MS (Tate Co.)
Ph: 601-562-9229

Cattlemen’s Stockyard, LLC
Sale Day - Monday - 12:30 PM
West Point, MS (Clay Co.)
Ph: 662-495-1178

Double L Cattle Auction
Sale Day - Mondays - 7:00 AM
Thaxton, MS (Pontotoc Co.)
Ph: 662-489-4343

East MS Farmers Livestock Co.
Sale Day - Tuesday - 12:00 PM
Philadelphia, MS (Neshoba Co.)
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FARM MARKET REPORT

LIVESTOCK

These are overall statewide averages (price per hundred weight).
Prices reported the week of 12/15/17. For current cattle prices call 601-359-1120.

Steers (based on medium & large 1 & 2):
300-400 lbs.................. $160.00–$180.00
400-500 lbs.................. $150.00–$170.00
500-600 lbs.................. $140.00–$156.00

Heifers (based on medium & large 1 & 2):
300-400 lbs.................. $138.00–$150.00
400-500 lbs.................. $130.00–$145.00
500-600 lbs.................. $122.00–$135.00

Slaughter Cows:
850-1,200 lbs............... $47.00–$55.00

Bulls:
1,500-2,500 lbs............. $67.00–$80.00

Cow/Calf Pairs (based on medium & large):
2-8 years old, with 100-300 lb. calves............... $1,000.00–$1,400.00

Replacement Cows (based on medium & large):
2-8 years old, 2-8 mos. bred........ $800.00–$1,300.00

POULTRY

Prices reported the week of 12/15/17. For current poultry prices call 601-965-4662.

Broilers/Fryers: 86.68¢

Eggs (based on Grade A per dozen, wholesale):
XL, 1.81-1.84¢, LG, 1.79-1.82¢, MED, 1.17-1.21¢

CROPS

Prices reported the week of 12/15/17. For current crop prices call 601-359-1120.

Cotton ($ per lb).............Mar. $75.01
Soybeans ($ per bushel) .......$9.50
Wheat ($ per bushel).........$3.90
Corn ($ per bushel)..........$3.42
Rice ($ per cwt.).............Jan. $11.72

TIMBER

Prices reported from the 3rd quarter 2017 Stumpage Prices/Ton.
NOTE: Prices vary widely across the State; thus, average prices presented here may not reflect your local market. (Source: Timber-Mart South).

Pine Sawtimber...$23.00
Pine Chip-N-Saw.........$16.00
Pine Pulpwod.............$6.00
Mixed Hardwood Sawtimber...$41.00
Hardwood Pulpwod....$7.00

The Mississippi Timber Price Report (MTPR) is a quarterly survey of stumpage timber prices in Mississippi. It is designed to provide a picture of timber market activity. The state average prices for common forest products are listed. Values given are offered as a guide to help individuals assess the fair market value of their timber. The average price should not be applied as the exact value for a particular tract. This report is updated quarterly and available at MSUCares.com/forestry, or by contacting your local county Extension office.

Prices reported by:
CATTLE SHOWS & SALES

5th Annual Central Mississippi Replacement Heifer Sale
Sat., Jan. 13, 2018 at 1:00 PM
Hinds Community College Sales Arena
1320 Seven Springs Road - Raymond, MS (Hinds Co.)
120 bred heifers, 3-8 months bred. For more information contact: Greg Lott at 601-940-2675; Joe Johnson at 601-268-2587; or Shelby Bearden at 601-942-0886.

Southern Cattlemen’s Annual Bull & Female Sale
Sat., Feb. 17, 2018 at 1:00 PM
Southeast MS Livestock - Hattiesburg, MS (Forrest Co.)

Bull offering: Fertility tested/ultrasound data, 55 tremendous Angus bulls (50K tested), 40 outstanding Hereford bulls. Female offering: 15 registered open Herefords, 20 open Red Angus, 15 bred registered Angus, 15 heavy bred F1 Brahfrds, 10 fall calving F1 Brahfrds, 10 black baldy/red bally open, 5- 5 Star Santa Gertrudis bred/angus bulls. For free catalog and more information contact American Livestock Brokers at 662-837-1776 or 662-837-6742. View catalog allauction.com.

HORSE SHOWS & SALES

2018 Youth Speed Event Series
(Year-end Youth Participation, Buckle & Saddle Awards)
Saturdays at 10:00 AM - Jan. 20; Feb. 10; Mar. 3; Apr. 28, 2018
Lamar County Multipurpose Center - Purvis, MS (Lamar Co.)

Order of events: Four Little Britches events followed by goat tying, breakaway roping, obstacles course, stakes, poles, barrels and exhibition barrels. Age division classes for 19 and under and all riders with special needs. For more information call 601-441-8993 or 601-543-9815.

2-Day Equestrians With Disabilities Show
Tue.-Wed., Feb. 6-7, 2018
Kirk Fordice Equine Center - Jackson, MS (Hinds Co.)
For more information call 601-604-9779 or www.mqha.org.

Dixie National Horse Park Trade Show
Wed.-Sun., Feb. 14-18, 2018
Mississippi Trade Mart - Jackson, MS (Hinds Co.)
For all your equine shopping needs, tack, clothing, jewelry, boots, hats and food. Free admission. For more information call 601-604-9779 or www.mqha.org.

GOAT SHOWS & SALES

Trade Day Auction Special Goat Sale
Sat., Jan. 6, 2018 at 12 Noon
Philadelphia, MS (Neshoba Co.)
For more information call 601-416-0171 or 601-575-5059.
JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

MCA Convention & Dixie National Farm Expo

February 9-10, 2018
Mississippi Trade Mart, Jackson, MS

On Friday, during the Cattlemen’s Round Up BBQ, we will have a night of fun with live music, kids games, delicious food, and a benefit auction.

Saturday morning will include the annual membership meeting, updates on legislative issues, BQA, policy, and featured speaker Troy Applehans from the Cattle Fax. Allyson Jones-Brimmer will give a presentation on "Engaging Neighbors and Protecting from Activists" membership meeting.

Tentative Schedule

Friday, February 9
4:00 Dixie National Farm Expo Opens
4:00 Policy Committee Meeting
5:00 Executive Committee Meeting
6:30 Cattlemen’s Round Up, BBQ, & Live Auction

Saturday, February 10
9:00 Dixie National Farm Expo Opens
9:00 MCA membership meeting
11:00 Meat Cutting Demo
12:00 Awards Luncheon
Following the luncheon there will be cake and coffee with the new MCA president.
2:30 MJCA Beef Quiz Bowl

For more information contact:
Mississippi Cattlemen’s Association • 680 Monroe St., Suite A • Jackson, MS 39202
(601) 354-8951 • www.mscattlemen.org
Advertising Deadline Dates

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Warning Against Hay Sales Scammers

By Barry Coward
Director of Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau

Be careful who you sell hay to and take extra precaution when buying or selling hay or livestock through email, social media, or text message. The Mississippi Agricultural and Livestock Theft Bureau (MALTB) is warning farmers and ranchers to be alert for possible scams involving hay sales. In recent weeks the MALTB has received some reports about scammers contacting hay sellers in Mississippi and other states.

A popular scheme among thieves is the supposed hay buyer who will send the seller a check in excess of the amount the hay is being sold for and then ask the seller to wire the extra money somewhere else. Other scammers explain the over-payment by saying they need to cover taxes or shipping costs; however, then the check bounces and the scammer already has the money wired to them. The hay seller is then left to pay the money back to the bank.

The MALTB advises all of its hay suppliers to practice sound business dealings when responding to inquiries for the sale of their hay. If something seems questionable about a transaction or purchase, it is recommended to always reach out to your local law enforcement agency or contact the MALTB at 1-800-678-2660.

New Year’s Pasture Resolutions

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A new year! Each January we make New Year’s resolutions with the best of intentions. Of course, we all promise to eat better and exercise more, but have you ever given any thought to making resolutions about your pastures? Let’s plan now to practice better pasture management this year. Assuming a good stand of introduced forage (such as bermudagrass), most of our management decisions for pasture forage production revolve around fertilizer, weed control, and weather.

Most of us would like to spend the smallest amount of money on our pastures and get the greatest return on our investment. Therefore, let me tell you about a great, money saving secret for pasture fertilization: soil-test and fertilize your pastures according to the soil test recommendations. Rank your pastures according to productivity, and spend your fertilizer dollars on the highest yielding pastures first.

For those of you who apply a 17-17-17 or complete fertilizer each year without having a current soil test, you may be spending way too much. Why purchase nutrients if your soil is capable of supplying the necessary nutrients to the plants? Soil test results are usually run around $6 per sample, not counting your time and effort.

As an example, if your soil analysis shows adequate potassium and you’ve been applying a complete fertilizer all these years, you will save money by not applying this nutrient. That money can be spent on other projects around the ranch or farm.

One of the important parts of the soil test is your yield goal. If you provide a soils consultant with a realistic yield goal for your pastures, they can better determine how much fertilizer to recommend. You’ll still need Mother Nature to help you out with timely rain and seasonal temperatures, but you will have done everything in your power to stack the odds in your favor. A word of advice on yield goals: If the pasture has never achieved the yield goal that you write down, you most likely will not achieve your goal no matter how much fertilizer or rain you receive.

Weed control in late January and early February is another often overlooked decision point. If you have a problem with thistles in your pastures, consider an application of about one quart per acre of 2,4-D amine formulation while the thistles are still in the rosette stage. When the thistles are in the rosette stage, they can be easily and inexpensively controlled with 2,4-D.

The rosette stage is the vegetative stage of the thistle before it “bolts” or puts up a stem and seed head in the spring. Once the thistles start to bolt, it’s all over.

Weather is the most consistently uncertain factor we have in agriculture. We can only say for certain that it will be cold in winter and hot during the summer. Most of us in agriculture are optimists - we believe that we will have an average year with average rainfall. Regardless, you won’t get the forage production you expect if you don’t have the fertilizer on your pasture when the rain arrives.

In summary, if you haven’t had a soil test on a pasture in the past three years, take one. If you have thistles, control them in the very early spring. Finally, have fertilizer on the pasture before the rains come.

For more information on soil testing, spraying for weeds, and pasture management, contact your local county Extension office.