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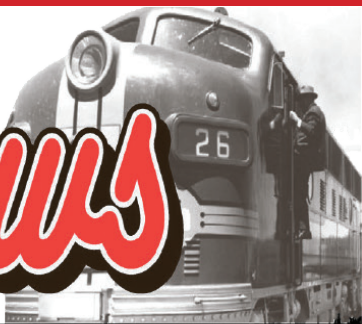
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Adventure awaits at the 2025 Illinois State Fair

SPRINGFIELD, IL – The Illinois State Fair is almost here, and we’ve packed this year with more flavor, fun, and fair favorites than ever before. Inspired by this year’s theme – Adventure Awaits – here’s your exclusive look at what’s waiting just beyond the gate.

Dolly Days: Celebrate imagination and reading with Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library inside the Sensory Station. Storytimes daily at 2 p.m.

Dill-inois State Fair Pickleball Showdown: Whether you’re smashing serves or just here for the puns, this brand-new competition is a big dill! Register now or come and watch the competition Saturday, August 16 in the Orr Building starting at 10 a.m.

Cheer & Dance Competition: Watch squads bring the heat in a high-energy showcase of spirit and skill Sunday, August 17 in the Illinois Building starting at 2 p.m. Best in Show will be awarded in each division based on audience participation, so make sure to bring your friends and families to cheer for these competitors!

Craft Beer Competition: Raise a glass to local flavor and see who hops away with the top prize, because you are the judge. August 8 & 9 from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. in The Shed, buy a pint or snag a “Sample Pass” to sip your way across 10 different 5-ounce samples from some of the best breweries Illinois has to offer!

They’re back! The Budweiser Clydesdales return to stomp through the fairgrounds in majestic fashion. Don’t miss your



chance to see them up close in Barn 118 at Avenue of Flags.

Can’t Miss Shows

From rodeo thrills to rock-and-roll, our lineup is stacked:

Grandstand Highlights:

Jake Owen, The Chainsmokers, Def Leppard, The Black Crowes and more! Get your tickets now at Ticketmaster.

Arena Action: Monster Trucks, Tractor Pulls, and Demo Derby Cars—bring your earplugs and your adrenaline. Grab tickets now!

Free Concert Series: Enjoy 11 nights of free concerts under the Reich Pavilion on the Grand Central Stage! Check out the all-star lineup

Taste of the Fair

Hungry for something new? This year’s food lineup features must-try vendors, including but not limited to:

Cheesed Out – grilled cheese with attitude

Eggroll LOVE – fusion flavor in a crispy wrap

Jerk Joint – Caribbean spice meets fairground fun

Mr. Pork Belly – pork perfection, every way you can imagine

Don’t miss the Golden Abe’s

Fantastic Fair Food contest on Friday, August 8 to see who walks away with the coveted culinary bragging rights!

Daily Events

Every single day brings something new—and it won’t cost you a anything extra:

Big Top Adventures Circus – high-flying thrills under the tent

Boom! LED Percussion Light Hype Show – music, lights, and energy

Off Axis Stunt Show – high-flying acrobatics meets BMX, parkour, and jaw-dropping tricks

Extreme Dog Stunt Show – fast-paced canine stunts that’ll leave you cheering

Free stages all over the fairgrounds - with magicians, contests, and musical rising stars

Don’t forget to hop on a *FREE* tram to help you navigate the fairgrounds. Running all 11 days of the Illinois State Fair.

The 2025 Illinois State Fair runs from August 7 through August 17 in Springfield. Stay up to date with all the latest news and announcements by connecting with us via Facebook and Instagram.

Illinois wheat development board elects new members

SPRINGFIELD, IL – Eligible wheat producers interested in becoming a candidate for the Illinois Wheat Development Board can request nominating petitions.

“I encourage interested producers to engage in this process, to take an active role in shaping the future of the wheat industry,” said Jerry Costello II, Director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. “As the 10th largest producer of wheat in the U.S., Illinois holds a strong position with great potential for growth.”

Those interested can obtain petitions from the Illinois Wheat Association or the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The deadline to return completed petitions to Illinois Department of Agriculture is September 15, 2025.

Interested producers must be of legal voting age and be affected producers of wheat residing in the district for which they are nominated. Petitions must contain the signature of at least 50 or 5%, whichever is less of the eligible producers residing in the candidate’s district. Affected producers may also request petitions to become a candidate for (3) three, at-large board member positions. Candidate petitions must carry the signature of at least 50 or 5%, whichever is less of the affected producers statewide.

The Illinois Wheat Development Board election will be held on October 30, 2025.

For more information, call the Illinois Department of Agriculture at (217) 524-1083 or the Illinois Wheat Association at (309) 557-3619.

Illinois Wheat Development Board Representative Districts:

District I: Adams, Boone, Brown, Bureau, Carroll, Cass, Christian, Cook, DeKalb, DeWitt, DuPage, Ford, Fulton, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Knox, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Macon, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McHenry, McLean, Menard, Mercer, Morgan, Ogle, Peoria, Piatt, Pike, Putnam, Rock Island, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside, Will, Winnebago, Woodford Counties

District II: Bond, Calhoun, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, St. Clair Counties

District III: Champaign, Clark, Coles, Crawford, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion, Moultrie, Richland, Shelby, Vermilion Counties

District IV: Clinton, Jefferson, Washington Counties

District V: Franklin, Jackson, Perry, Randolph Counties

District VI: Alexander, Clay, Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Wabash, Wayne, White, Williamson Counties

PICNIC FAVS

- Bacon Ranch Pasta Salad
- Pickle Cheeseburger Bites
- Lemon Icebox Pie
- Creamy Cole Slaw

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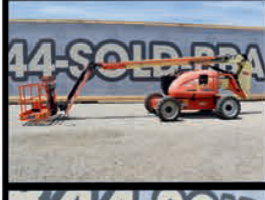


BIG JOHN

PRE-REGISTER FRIDAY BEFORE AUCTION PREVIEW: AUG. 14-15: 8AM- 5PM
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Combines: 2007 Massey Ferguson 9690 Combine-2,735 engine hours, 1,825 separator hours, rear straw spreader, Redekop straw and chaff management, front duals, 300 bu. capacity, bin extensions, yield monitor, heat/AC, radio, beacon light, work lights; **Tractors:** McCormick Farmall 300 tractor - 540 PTO, wheel weights, front hitch; John Deere 755 Compact Tractor - 634 hours, OROPS, rear 3 PT hitch and PTO, hydrostat drive, Model 70 Loader; **Gravity Wagons** (2) Killbros 375 Grain Wagon-375 bushel capacity, front and rear ladders, rear hitch, wood sideboards, spare tire running lights; J&M 250-7 Gravity Wagon - 250 bushel capacity, front ladder, rear hitch, side boards, side discharge; J&M 250 Gravity Wagon - side discharge, rear hitch, front ladder; **Headers:** 2014 John Deere 640FD Flex Draper Head-all new draper belts, good cutter bar, fore/aft reel, poly finger reel, single point hook up, PTO hookup; Massey Ferguson 8200-30 Grain Head-30ft long, full finger auger, fore/aft reel, poly finger reel, poly skid plates; Massey Ferguson 8 Row Corn Head - 30 inch row spacing, poly snouts, folding snouts, left side hydraulic hookup, PTO hookup; **Tillage Equipment:** Brillion 12 Ft Disk Ripper-30 inch wide ripper spacing, 9 shanks, single section, rear single bar spike drag, hydraulic raise and lower; 3PT Field cultivator - single section; Custom Built 28ft Harro Gator-3 section folding, 7ft wings, 12ft main frame rear hitch, hydraulic raise lower; Kewanee 14FT Cultipacker - double cultipacker, pull type, hydraulic raise and lower, single section; **Excavators:** 2022 Komatsu PC130-11 - 190 hours, quick attach, 36 inch digging bucket, 24 inch wide tracks, 2 speed, pattern changer, heat/AC, radio, roof vent, excellent condition; 2018 Volvo ECR235EL, 3,230hrs. Reduced Tail Swing, Aux Hyd, Camera System, Volvo Tooth Bucket, 32in Pads, 44" bucket, 2018 JD 210G-3,350 hrs. Aux Hydraulics, 32in Pads, 9ft 7in Arm, 24" TAG Tooth Bucket w/Coupler, Pattern Changer, Backup Camera, Two Speed Travel; 2013 John Deere 350G LC Hydraulic Excavator, 8006 Hours, EROPS, heat, ac, quick coupler, aux hydraulics, 48 inch digging bucket; 2015 Komatsu PC360LC-11 Hydraulic Excavator, 9470 hours, EROPS pattern changer, heat, ac, radio, quick coupler aux hydraulics, digging bucket, rear camera; **Dozers:** 2019 Caterpillar D5K2 LGP Crawler Dozer - 4,936 hrs. 6 way blade, rear drawbar, 26 inch wide track pads, 10ft 6 inch wide, sweeps, work lights, Grade Control Ready; 2015 Komatsu D61 EXI-23 Crawler Dozer 10,604 Hours, EROPS, heat, ac, radio, 6 way blade has mounting hardware for grade system, rear hitch; 2014 Komatsu D39PXI-23 8511 Hours, Intelligent Machine, EROPS, heat, ac, radio, 6 way blade, rear hitch; Loader Backhoes: 2018 Deere 410L - 7,312 hours, EROPS, push button start, 3 speed, left hand reverser, two stick backhoe controls, foot pedal extenda hoe, boom lock, out riggers, heat/AC, 94 inch Loader Bucket, 24 inch Digging Bucket; 2018 Deere 410L 7,664hours, EROPS, push button start, 3 speed, left hand reverser, two stick backhoe controls, foot pedal extenda hoe, boom lock, out riggers, heat, ac, 94 inch Loader Bucket, 24 inch Digging Bucket; **Cranes:** 1990 Link Belt HSP 8040 rough terrain crane - 9,982 hours, Bi fold JIB, outriggers, EROPS; **Skid Steers - Wheel:** 2015 Caterpillar 272D2 skid steer - 2,312 hours, quick attach, EROPS, bucket, aux. hydraulics, heat/air, air ride seat; 2016 Case SR240 Wheeled Skid Steer - 876 hours, EROPS, heat/AC, radio, 2 speed hi flow hydraulics; 2018 Caterpillar 262D Wheeled Skid Steer - 6,323 hours, EROPS, hydraulic quick attach, heat/AC, radio, hi flow aux hydraulics, pilot controls, overhead water kit, smooth asphalt tires; 2018 Caterpillar 262D Wheeled Skid Steer - 6,348 hours, EROPS, heat/AC, radio, hydraulic quick attach, hi flow aux hydraulics, 2 speed, overhead water kit, smooth asphalt tires; 2017 Kubota SSV65 Wheeled Skid Steer - 2,012 hours, EROPS, quick attach, pilot controls, aux hydraulics, smooth bucket, pneumatic tires, work lights; 2017 Bobcat S570 Skidsteer, 1,734hrs. Enclosed cab, aux. hyd. quick-tach; 2017 Takeuchi TS50V Skidsteer, 839hrs. enclosed cab, aux. hyd; 2017 Takeuchi TS50V, Skidsteer, 677hrs. Enclosed cab, aux. hyd; 2020 Kubota SSV65 Skidsteer, 489hrs. Enclosed cab, Aux. hyd. Hydraulic quick tach, Pilot controls; **Skid Steers-Track:** 2019 Caterpillar 289D Tracked Skid Steer - 3,542 hours, EROPS rubber tracks, quick attach, 2 speed work lights, aux hydraulics, heat/air, radio; 2019 Deere 325G Track Skid Steer - 2,039 hours, EROPS, manual coupler aux hydraulics, push button start, pilot controls, work lights; 2019 Deere 325G - 1,875 hours, EROPS, pilot controls, hydraulic quick attach, rubber tracks, 2 speed, aux hydraulics, work lights; 2021 Caterpillar 259D3 Skid Steer - 1,312 hours, EROPS, rubber track, 2 speed, high flow, hydraulic quick attach bucket, aux valves; **Forklifts:** 2024 Heli CPQD25 Forklift - 58 demo hours, 5,000 lb capacity, 3 stage mast, side shift, manual adjust forks, 42 inch forks, NEW; 1996 Caterpillar GC-30 forklift-8,514 hours, 48 inch forks, 3 stage mast, side shift, tilt, comes with tank; Case 585E forklift-282 hours, 4 speed, 48 inch forks; Hyster forklift-8,242 hours, 3 stage mast, comes with tank; **Boom Lifts-Telescopic:** 2007 JLG 600S Telescopic manlift - 2,742 hours, 60 ft boom, basket, ground controls, 4X4, reconditioned by JLG 4/17; 2014 Genie S-85 boom lift - 4,916 hours, 4x4, JIB, power to platform, ground controls; 2017 Haulotte HT67RTJ boom lift - 3,013 hours, JIB, diesel engine, basket and ground controls; 2013 Genie S-60X boom lift - 6,778 hours, 4x4, diesel engine, basket and ground controls; **Boom Lifts-Articulating:** 2016 JLG 450AJ boom lift - 2,161 hours, diesel engine, 45ft platform height, articulating boom, JIB, 500lb lift capacity; 2007 JLG 600AJ telescopic man lift-2,459 hours, 60 ft max height, 500 lb max capacity, JIB, power to basket, ground controls, 2 person, 4X4; **Scissor Lifts:** 2016 GS-3246 electric powered, 32ft platform height, slide out deck, 500lb lift capacity, batteries are weak; SKYJACK SJIII4632 scissor lift-208 hours, power to platform, 32 ft max platform, 700 lb max capacity; Genie GS-4069DC Electric Rough Terrain Scissor Lift-254 hours, electric powered, 40ft platform height, slide out deck, 500lb lift capacity; Genie GS-3246 scissor lift - 485 hours, 32ft platform height, slide out deck, 500lb lift capacity, power to platform, batteries are weak; Skyjack SJIII4632 Electric Scissor Lift - 38ft max working height, 700lb max platform capacity, extendable platform; 2014 JLG 1930ES scissor lift - 740 hours, power to platform; **Telehandlers:** 2015 Genie GTH 5519-3,109 hours, EROPS, 5,500lb max lift capacity, 19ft reach, aux hydraulics, solid tires; **Farm Attachments:** Woods RM59 3PT Finish Mower - PTO Drive, 60 inch wide; 48 Inch 3 Point Rotary Cutter - PTO Drive; 3PT Scraper Blade-manually adjustable angle; 3PT Box scraper- 4ft wide with ripper teeth, used; Woods R107-2 Rotary Mower - 72 inch wide, 3 Pt mount, PTO drive; **Hay and Forage Equipment:** New Holland 258 Pull Type Rake; **Grain Handling Equipment:** Hutchinson 45ft Transfer Auger - 8 inch diameter auger, poly trap, towable PTO driven, manual raise/lower; New Holland 353 Feed Grinder - PTO drive, swing away auger; **Mini Excavators:** Landhonor Mini Excavator-OROPS, rubber tracks, manual adjustable thumb, aux hydraulics, grading blade, NEW/UNUSED; **Mini Skid Steers:** (2) Landhonor Mini Skidsteer - rubber tracks, gas engine, work light, smooth bucket, aux hydraulics, NEW/UNUSED; **Heavy Duty Trucks:** 1994 Kenworth T600 Sleeper Truck - 869,113 miles, Cat engine, manual trans, wood grain floor, heat/AC, radio, aluminum wheels; 2005 Volvo VNL Sleeper Truck Semi - 794,859 miles, raised roof sleeper, steel wheels, D13 engine, manual trans, heat/AC, radio; **Medium Duty Trucks:** 1988 SRECO FLEXIBLE HV1600TR sewer flusher - tandem axle, rear hose reel; 2006 International 4300 Box Truck - 114,192 miles, DT466 engine, auto trans, 24 foot dry box, front bench seat, heat/air, radio; 1999 Freightliner FL60 Single Axle Dump Truck-195,461 miles, 12 ft steel dump, air brakes, rear hitch, air, radio, auto transmission; **Semi-Trailers:** 2007 Doonan Step Deck trailer - fixed spread axle, wood floor, rail mounted straps, tool boxes, 10 ft top deck; **Utility Trailers:** 2024 Big Tex 48ft Gooseneck Trailer - 102 wide, tandem axle 5ft long fold over ramps, beaver tail, dual wheels, adjustable neck, dual jacks, wood floor, rub rails stake pockets, sliding rail mount straps, title absent; 10 Ft Utility trailer - wood floor, wood side boards, single axle, spare tire; RJ Cox 18 Ft. flat trailer-tandem axle, ramps, pintle hitch, 84 inch wide, tool box on front, wood floor; PLCS coil pipe trailer/straightener-maximum pipe diameter 6 inch, minimum diameter of 2 inch, pintle hitch, no title; **Agricultural Trailers:** EZ Trail 680 Header Cart - 30ft cart, front steer adjustable tongue, rear hitch; EZ Trail Header Cart - 20ft long, extendable tongue, rear hitch front axle steer; **Light Towers:** 2022 Generac MLTS Led Light tower - 6,320 hours, manual mast, towable, stabilizers; 2020 Generac CUBE HYPER light tower-6,500 hours, rotating mast, stabilizer jacks, Kubota diesel engine, hydraulic raise and lower, individual lamp shut off, fork pockets from all sides, adjustable lamps, half of one lamp does not turn on; 2019 Generac MLT6S pull type light tower - 5,702 hours, Kubota diesel engine, ball hitch, stabilizer jacks; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator-4,867 hours, Kubota diesel engine, foldable hitch, lifting hook, 110v power plug, 30 amp plug, 30 amp 125/250V plug; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator - 5,400 hours, Kubota diesel engine, 4 lights, 120/240V generator, stabilizer jacks; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator - 5,393 hours, Kubota diesel engine, 120/240V generator, 4 lights, stabilizer jacks; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator - 5,501 hours, Kubota diesel engine, folding hitch, stabilizer jacks, 120/240V generator; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator - 6,371 hours, Kubota diesel engine, folding hitch, 4 lights, stabilizer jacks, 120/240V generator; 2019 Allmand Night Lite V Series NLV Towable Light Tower/Generator - 6,005 hours, Kubota diesel engine, folding hitch, stabilizer jacks, 120/240V generator; 2018 Magnum MLT6SK Towable Light Tower/Generator - 3,157 hours, Kubota diesel engine, 120/240V generator, stabilizer jacks; 2016 Magnum MLT6S Towable Light Tower/Generator - 6,620 hours, Kubota diesel engine, 120/240v generator; Magnum Towable Light tower - 11,387 hours, non LED; Magnum Towable Light Tower - 2,727 hours, non LED; 2015 Magnum MLT6S light tower - 2,321 hours, INOP; **Nursery Equipment:** Dutchman Tree Spade Skid steer mount - 3 hydraulic spades, used; Dutchmen Tree Spade skid steer mount - 3 hydraulic powered spades, used; **Outdoor Power Equipment:** Cub Cadet zero turn mower - 669 hours, 50 inch deck; 2011 Bob-Cat zero turn mower - 2,565 hours, 61 inch deck, mulch on demand, 942502G; Craftsman DLS3500 Riding Mower - 42 inch deck, runs has flat tire; **Vehicles:** 1991 Buick Skylark - 64,659 original miles, cloth interior, excellent condition, heat/air, radio, power locks; 2004 Keystone Hornet - 26ft triple bunkhouse, tandem axle, center kitchen, front bedroom, heat/AC, radio, everything works, small leak at front has been repaired;



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VICTORIOUS *Living* ...in a troubled world

Broken down walls leave you vulnerable

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There is a proverb that will serve you well, throughout your entire life. You'll find it in Proverb 25:28 where King Solomon warns us: "He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls." There are some problems with a city that is broken down, and without walls. There are some problems with a soul that is broken down, and without walls.

The first problem is what we let in and what we don't let in. A city without walls is open range. So is a soul without walls. It is my belief that humans have to have some restriction because it's very easy to go off the rails. Without walls, there is no control and no way to keep out evil influence. That is especially true for

the person "who has no rule over his own spirit.". When we have no rule over our own spirit, we're like a city with no control and no way to keep out the influence of evil.

In most cases, evil comes in quietly. It doesn't come in like they depict in the old shootim'-up-western shows that most of us grew up with. In my experience, evil creeps in. Quietly.

For proof, let's take Solomon, who wrote most of the book of Proverbs. Although it's recorded that he was the wisest man who ever lived, we find he was far more influenced by people he hung around with than he realized. According to scripture, Solomon did not turn toward other gods...he turned toward his many wives, who turned him toward other gods (1 Kings 11:3).

How would you



explain a city without walls? Would it be a place with no restraint? Nothing to stop you? Without walls - you go anywhere you want - at any time you want. Without walls there

are no restrictions and no restriction always invites trouble.

The devil is looking for souls without walls or with broken doors. It's up to us to guard the doors of

our hearts. We can't leave the door open and let the devil pick off our family, our finances, our peace of mind and our strength.

It was Solomon who advised us to

guard the door of our heart (Prov 4: 23-27) and maybe he was speaking from experience. I believe he was telling us we must guard the door of our heart because it's harder to fight the devil when we let him right in our living room. It's easier if he's kept on the outside of the door where he doesn't get a strong foothold.

Reading through Proverbs, we find Soloman warning us, from many different angles, to recognize the influencers around us. Choose influencers who will not "turn your heart toward other gods"

Remember: Soloman didn't choose other gods. He chose the people to be around him who influenced him to turn to other gods.

It is our own best interest to choose our influencers well. Broken walls, leaves broken souls.

Stagehands for the Savior

Bro. Brandon G. Bramlett
Pastor - Bandana Baptist Church

Every person's pupils were practically glued to the pandemonium among the pirates and pillagers. Buccaneers swung from the crow's nest to the main deck, battling raiders and robbers with their blood-drawing blades. "Avast ye! Give no quarter to these scurvy dogs!" yelled the captain. After a brief brawl, the invaders were repelled and the ruckus settled down.

And that's when I saw it: a man stepping out of the shadows to mop the deck.

While watching the Pirates Voyage Dinner & Show in Panama City, Florida, I couldn't help but notice the stagehands who quietly emerged from behind the scenes to keep the stage safe and prepare for the next act. They unhooked ropes, removed and repositioned props, and checked on the actors to ensure everything was running smoothly. They weren't the center of attention—their job was to

guarantee that the stage was set for the main actors who were. They weren't the stars of the show and received no applause. They had one mission: to ensure the spotlight shined on the real stars.

And this is precisely what Christians are called to do for Christ. Believers are stagehands for the Savior. Jesus is highly exalted "far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named" (Eph. 1:21a), and our job as

believers is to keep it that way in our hearts and lives. The mission statement of our lives ought to be that of John the Baptizer: "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30). As the reformer John Calvin once said, this world is a "theater for God's glory," and our divine duty is to ensure that the spotlight shines on the real Hero: Jesus.

This means fighting the temptation to "think of [ourselves] more highly than [we] ought to think" (Rom. 12:3). We must see ourselves as "unworthy servants"

(Luke 17:10) whose principal assignment is to shine the light of our good works upon Him (Matt. 5:16). Everything we do should draw people's attention to Christ, so "that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified" (2 Thess. 1:12a). Our soul's greatest passion should be that of Psalm 115:1, where the psalmist prayed, "Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!"

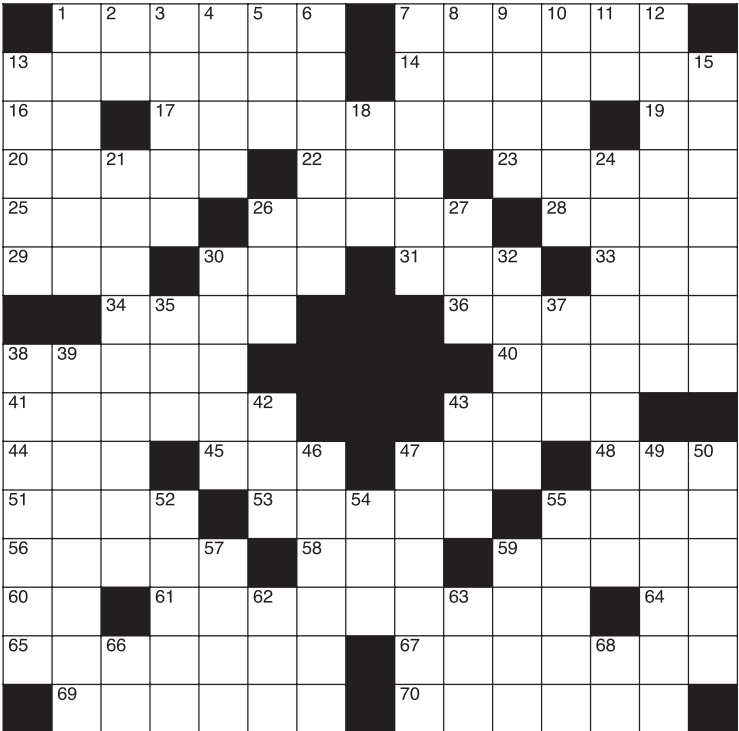
One day, Jesus will return to take center

stage and every eye will see Him (Rev. 1:7). Everyone in the universe will "take a bow" not to receive glory, but to give glory to the Morning Star (Phil. 2:10-11; Rev. 22:16). And those who hogged the spotlight will be humbled and eternally regretful that they did not make Jesus the center of their lives (Luke 14:11).

But, saints who served as stagehands will be eternally glad they did not steal the spotlight (Rev. 4:10-11). Are you a stagehand for the Savior?

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
— PHILLIPIANS 4:13

Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

1. Spiritual leaders

7. Salt

13. Fortified wine

14. Edible mollusk

16. They precede C

17. A way to compare

19. State lawyer

20. “Game of Thrones” actor Ciaran

22. Eighth month (abbr.)

23. Very willing

25. ___ ex machina

26. Satisfies

28. Mountain in New Zealand

29. A doctrine

30. Popular Dodge truck model

31. Dekagram

33. Naturally occurring solid

34. Company officer

36. Villains

38. Cricket frogs
40. One of the founders of modern psychology

41. Endured

43. A female domestic

44. You can get stuck in one

45. Partner to feather

47. Passive optical network

48. French ballet dynasty

51. Employee stock ownership plan

53. Bottom layer

55. Sound

56. Yankee great Judge

58. Dickens character

59. Late beloved TNT sportscaster

60. South Dakota

61. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule

64. Gold

65. Longtime Braves hurler Julio

67. Humor

69. Shawl

70. Hospital unit

CLUES DOWN

1. Animal disease

2. Commercial

3. Necklace materials

4. Containers

5. Investment account

6. Colorado Heisman Trophy winner

7. Dipped down

8. Head injury category (abbr.)

9. Lay about

10. Intestinal

11. Not yes

12. Caused to be loved

13. Muslim spiritual leader

15. Showing sincere conviction

18. Not in

21. Number above the line in a fraction

24. Lawn pest

26. Pouch

27. Ancient language in India (abbr.)

30. Start over
32. Wild white flower

35. Fourteen

37. Visual way to interact with computer (abbr.)

38. Side by side and facing the same way

39. Religious conflicts

42. Touch lightly

43. “Boardwalk Empire” actress Gretchen

46. Violent seizure of property

47. One who supports the pope

49. Malaise

50. Body fluid

52. Inauthentic person

54. Title of respect

55. Chilean city

57. Japanese city

59. Silk garment

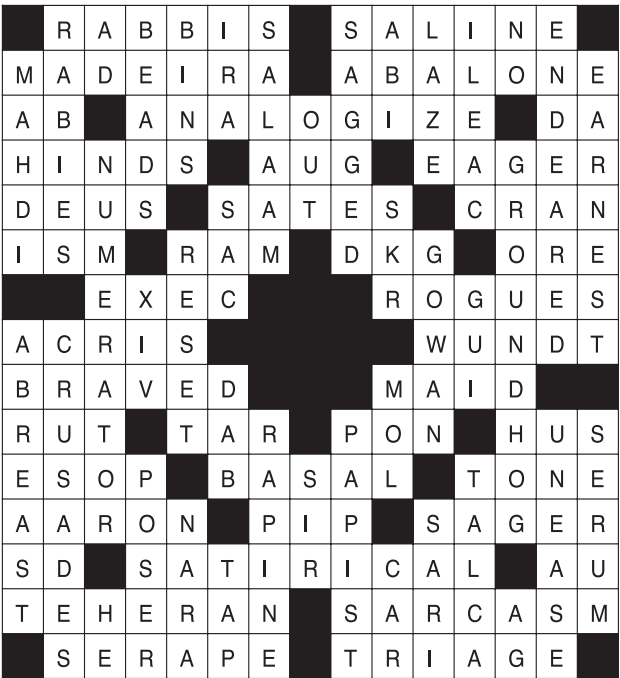
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63. Automobile

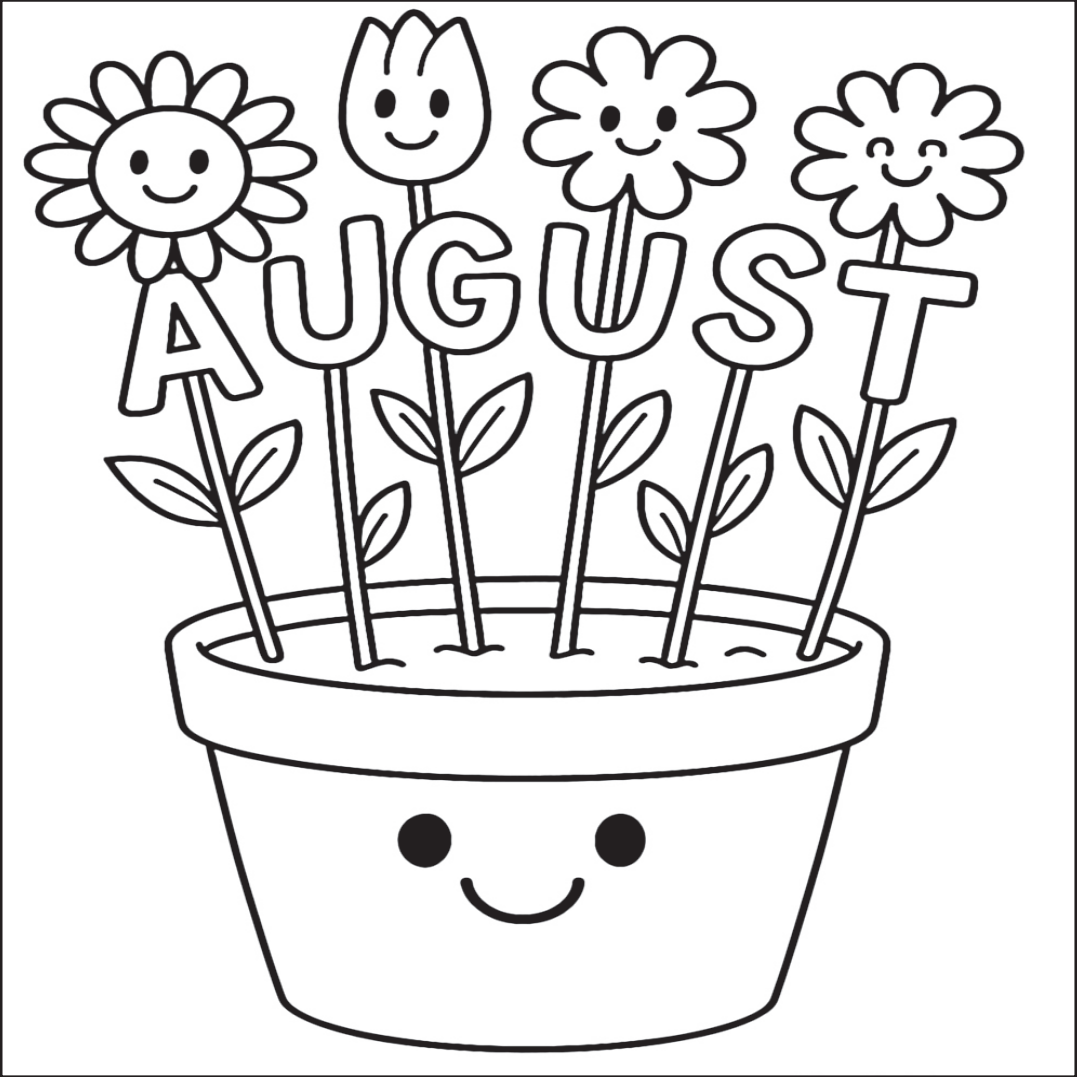
66. The man

68. Top government lawyer

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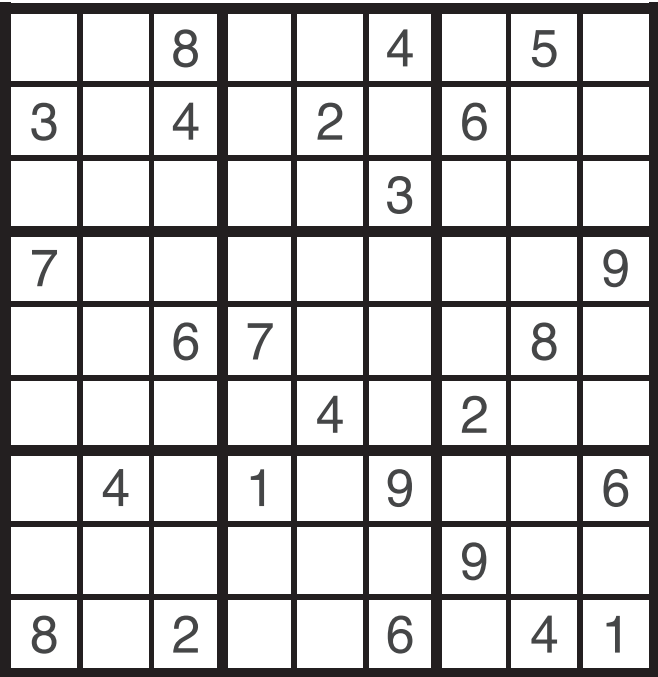
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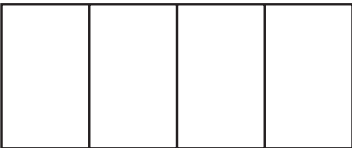
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Word Scramble

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Answer: Irits

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GUESS WHO ?

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Answer: Michelle Yeoh

USDA invests \$106M to keep working forests working

(Washington, D.C., July 31, 2025) – U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins today announced the U.S. Forest Service is investing \$106 million to support state and landowner efforts to conserve private working forestlands across the country. Funded through the Forest Legacy Program, these projects will protect forests vital to the economic and social fabric of local communities – ensuring they remain productive, working forests for Americans and tourists to use and enjoy.

“Just like our farms and ranches, working forests are part of the backbone of rural America – providing jobs, timber, clean water, and places for families to hunt, fish, camp, hike and make lifelong memories,” said Secretary Brooke Rollins. “For too long our forests have been left idle, only to burn and devastate communities. President Trump has made it a priority to properly

manage our forests, empowering USDA and our state partners to protect and unleash the full potential of their forestlands to help their communities grow and thrive.”




In total, the Forest Service will fund 10 projects across 177,000 acres of state- and privately owned forestlands in Arkansas, Hawaii, Iowa, Michigan, Mississippi, New York, Oregon and South Carolina. The investments advance President Trump’s Executive Order on Immediate Expansion of American Timber Production by safeguarding forests that supply critical wood products and outdoor recreation opportunities—both of which fuel rural prosperity by creating jobs and supporting rural economies.

The Forest Legacy Program is authorized by the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act Of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2103c) and operates through voluntary partnerships with states and landowners with the goal of

conserving these lands while balancing other local uses and goals. Projects are selected through competitive state and national processes and carried out through conservation easements or fee-simple acquisitions. Lands conserved through the program either remain in private ownership with long-term protections or become new public lands managed by state or local governments.

Privately owned forests represent 60% of the nation’s 704 million forested acres. These lands are essential to the social, economic, cultural, and ecological fabric of local communities and play a critical role in national timber production, supplying 88% of all domestic timber.

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8/29	Cartersville	7 pm	A
9/5	Grinite City	7 pm	H
9/12	Mt Vernon	7 pm	H
9/19	Belleville Althoff	7 pm	A
9/26	Cahokia	7 pm	H
10/3	Centralia	7 pm	A
10/10	Collinsville	7 pm	H
10/17	Carbondale	7 pm	A
10/24	Mattoon	7 pm	H

Vienna High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Kewanee	7 pm	H
9/5	Spring Valley	7 pm	A
9/13	Sterling	1 pm	A
9/19	Taylor Ridge	7 pm	H
9/26	Aledo (Mercer Co.)	7 pm	A
10/3	Port Byron	7 pm	H
10/10	Orion	7 pm	A
10/17	Mendota	7 pm	H
10/24	Princeton	7 pm	A

Harrisburg High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Anna-Jonesboro	7 pm	H
9/5	DuQuoin	7 pm	A
9/12	@ Jersey	7 pm	A
9/19	Mater Dei	7 pm	H
9/26	@ Massac	7 pm	A
10/3	@ Cartersville	7 pm	A
10/10	Murphysboro	7 pm	H
10/17	@ Herrin	7 pm	A
10/24	@ Benton	7 pm	A

Carbondale Community High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Murphysboro	7 pm	A
9/5	Mt Vernon	7 pm	H
9/12	Collinsville	7 pm	A
9/19	Cahokia	7 pm	H
9/26	Centralia	7 pm	H
10/3	Granite City	7 pm	A
10/10	Herrin	7 pm	A
10/17	Marion Homecoming	7 pm	H
10/24	Mascoutah Senior Nt	7 pm	H

Anna-Jonesboro High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	@ Harrisburg	7 pm	A
9/5	Murphysboro	7 pm	H
9/12	Massac County	7 pm	A
9/19	@ Nashville IL	7 pm	A
9/26	Benton	7 pm	H
10/3	@ Pinckneyville	7 pm	A
10/10	DuQuoin	7 pm	H
10/17	@ Frankfort	7 pm	A
10/24	Cartersville	7 pm	H

Massac County High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Frankfort	7 pm	H
9/5	Ballard Memorial KY	7 pm	H
9/12	@ Anna-Jonesboro	7 pm	A
9/19	@ Murphysboro	7 pm	A
9/26	Harrisburg	7 pm	H
10/3	Herrin	7 pm	H
10/10	@ Cartersville	7 pm	A
10/17	@ Saxony Lutheran (MO)	7 pm	A
10/24	Pinckneyville	7 pm	H

Murphysboro High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Carbondale	7 pm	H
9/5	@ Anna-Jonesboro	7 pm	A
9/12	Benton	7 pm	H
9/19	Massac County	7 pm	H
9/26	@ Herrin	7 pm	A
10/3	Lift for Life Academy	7 pm	A
10/10	@ Harrisburg	7 pm	A
10/17	Cartersville	7 pm	H
10/24	@ DuQuoin	7 pm	A

Cartersville High School			
Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Marion	7 pm	H
9/5	Nashville (IL)	7 pm	H
9/12	@ Charleston	7 pm	A
9/19	@ Herrin	7 pm	A
9/26	Hopkinsville	7 pm	H
10/3	Harrisburg (IL)	7 pm	H
10/10	Massac County	7 pm	H
10/17	@ Murphysboro	7 pm	A
10/24	@ Anna-Jonesboro	7 pm	A

Noteworthy early games on the 2025 college football schedule

Late summer is an exciting time for sports fans. After months away from the gridiron, college football season kicks off at the end of August. Each college football season is unpredictable, as no one knows which game will mark the first big upset or who will ultimately be crowned as national champions in January. As college football fans prepare for another fun season, they can look to these notable early season games on the 2025 schedule.

- TCU at North Carolina, September 1, Kenan Memorial Stadium, Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Even though TCU and North Carolina may not begin the season ranked among the nation’s top 25 teams, all eyes will be on Chapel Hill come the evening of Labor Day. That’s because the game marks the college head coaching debut of six-time Super Bowl champion coach Bill Belichick. Belichick is recognized as one of the greatest professional football coaches of all time, and millions of fans are eager to see how the 73-year-old adapts to the college game.
- Alabama at Florida State, August 30, Doak Campbell Stadium, Tallahassee, Florida: After a memorable 2023 campaign in which late-season injuries led to their controversial exclusion from the College Football Playoff, Florida State endured a difficult 2024 season, finishing 2-10 overall and last in the ACC. This late August matchup provides a great opportunity for the Seminoles to put that disappointment firmly in the rearview mirror. But second-year Crimson Tide coach Kalen DeBoer, who had an up-and-down first year in Tuscaloosa after replacing legendary coach Nick Saban, will undoubtedly also see this matchup as a great chance to make a statement about 2025.
- Texas at Ohio State, August 30, Ohio Stadium, Columbus, Ohio: The reigning national champion Buckeyes kick off their 2025 campaign with a matchup against fellow 2024 playoff participant Texas. While the Buckeyes are reason enough to tune in, all eyes might be on Texas signal caller Arch Manning, who should finally take over for Steve Sarkisian after patiently waiting to be the full-time starter for two seasons.
- Georgia at Tennessee, September 13, Neyland Stadium, Knoxville, Tennessee: Tennessee head coach Josh Heupel has made great strides since becoming the Vols’ head coach in 2021. But Heupel has never beaten Kirby Smart or Georgia since arriving in Knoxville, and this week three clash provides another chance to do so. Complicating matters for Heupel and the Vols is the sudden and surprising offseason departure of talented quarterback Nico Iamaleava, who transferred to UCLA after a financial dispute.
- Oregon at Penn State, September 27, Beaver Stadium, University Park, Pennsylvania: These two 2024 playoff teams will be looking to make an early season statement that they deserve to play into January once again. Oregon entered the 2024-25 playoff as the top overall seed but fell to eventual champion Ohio State 41-21 in the quarterfinals. Penn State advanced to the semifinals before losing a close one to Notre Dame. Each team is hoping this late September Big Ten matchup will boost their résumé and help them earn a return trip to the playoffs.

Excitement is the name of the game in college football. These early season matchups are just a handful of the many games on the 2025 college football schedule that figure to excite fans this fall.

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Date	Opponent	Time	H/A
8/29	Frankfort	7 pm	H
9/05	Ballard Memorial	7 pm	H
9/12	Anna-Jonesboro	7 pm	A
9/19	Murphysboro	7 pm	A
9/26	Harrisburg*	7 pm	H
10/03	Herrin*	7 pm	H
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Bacon Ranch Pasta Salad

Ingredients
2 tsp. kosher salt, plus more for pasta water and to taste
1 (12-oz.) package bacon
1 lb. cavatappi pasta
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup sour cream
1/2 cup buttermilk
1/4 cup flat-leaf parsley, chopped
1/4 cup fresh dill, chopped, plus more for topping
1 1/2 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice
1 garlic clove, grated
1 tsp. ground black pepper, plus more to taste
1 pt. grape tomatoes, halved
6 oz. sharp cheddar cheese, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
1 cup frozen peas, thawed
1 (4-oz.) container pimentos, drained
1 (3.8-oz.) can sliced black olives, drained
4 green onions, thinly sliced

Directions
Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil over

high heat.
2In a large skillet, cook the bacon over medium heat, turning as needed, until the fat has rendered and the bacon is golden and crispy, 8 to 10 minutes. (You may need to cook the bacon in 2 batches, draining the rendered fat from the skillet between batches.) Let the bacon cool to room temperature, then crumble up into bite-sized pieces.
Cook the pasta 1 minute longer than package directions. Drain, rinse with cold water, and let cool.
Meanwhile, in a large bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sour cream, buttermilk, parsley, dill, lemon juice, garlic, salt, and pepper. Add the pasta, tomatoes, cheese, peas, pimentos, olives, green onion, and half of the bacon, tossing until well combined. Add salt and pepper, to taste. Top the salad with the remaining bacon and more dill, and serve.
Tip: Save the bacon grease for roasted vegetables or cornbread.

By Leah Perez
Updated: Apr 3, 2024

Pickle Cheeseburger Bites

The pickles are the buns!!

Ingredient
1 lb. ground beef
1/2 tsp. salt
2 Tbsp. ketchup
2 Tbsp. mayonnaise
1 Tbsp. olive oil
4 slices American cheese
28 dill pickle chips
14 slices plum tomatoes
14 small lettuce leaves



Directions
Shape the ground beef into 1 1/2-inch patties (about 14) and sprinkle with the salt.
In a small bowl, combine the ketchup and mayonnaise.
Heat the olive oil in a large cast-iron skillet over medium heat.
Working in batches, cook the patties 2 minutes per side, topping each with a small slice of American cheese after flipping.
Thread the patties onto skewers with the dill pickle chips, sliced plum tomato and lettuce. Serve with the ketchup-mayonnaise mixture.

By Ree Drummond
Published: May 31, 2024

Lemon Icebox Pie

Ingredients
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1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
3/4 cup thawed lemonade concentrate
1 carton (8 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
Yellow food coloring, optional
1 graham cracker crust (9 inches)



Directions
In a large bowl, beat cream cheese and milk until smooth. Beat in lemonade concentrate. Fold in whipped topping and, if desired, food coloring. Pour into crust. Cover and refrigerate until set, about 4 hours or overnight.



Creamy Cole Slaw

Ingredients
1 package (14 ounces) coleslaw mix
3/4 cup mayonnaise
1/3 cup sour cream
1/4 cup sugar
3/4 teaspoon seasoned salt
1/2 teaspoon ground mustard
1/4 teaspoon celery salt

Directions
Place coleslaw mix in a large bowl. In a small bowl, combine the remaining ingredients; stir until blended. Pour over coleslaw mix and toss to coat. Refrigerate until serving.

By Josh Rink, Taste of Home



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Secretary Rollins announces local food purchases for communities in need

(Washington, D.C.) — U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins today announced the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) intent to purchase up to \$230 million in fresh seafood, fruits, and vegetables from American farmers and producers to distribute to food banks and nutrition assistance programs across the country. These purchases are being made through Section 32 of the Agriculture Act of 1935 and will assist producers and communities in need. Fiscal year to date, USDA has provided more than \$924 million in purchases, all which benefit the charitable feeding network. This is one of many actions USDA has taken to support smaller scale family farmers and producers. The Trump Administration is working to increase America’s economic prosperity and that includes the success of our farmers and ranchers.

“This announcement continues to prioritize American commodities for families and communities in need. On the eve of the Great American Farmers Market, USDA is proud to play a role in not only connecting smaller, local farmers to families, but doing its part to Make America Healthy Again,” said Secretary Brooke Rollins. “This is yet another action by President Trump to improve the livelihoods of the American people. The Trump Administration has delivered historic tax cuts in the One Big Beautiful Bill, boosted the farm safety net, and is ensuring American agriculture will be strong, secure, and resilient for generations to come.”

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- Dried Cranberries: \$25M
- Dry Beans: \$50M (Black \$16M | Pinto \$13M | Kidney \$10M | Navy \$3M | Great Northern \$6M | Small Red \$2M)
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- Fresh Apples: \$35M



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Fresh produce to enjoy this fall

As hot, humid days give way to cool fall temperatures, it is prime time to enjoy a new bounty of fresh vegetables. Homeowners may be ready to pick the vegetables they have been growing the past several months. While many home vegetable gardeners focus on early spring plantings that yield the tomatoes, cucumbers and squashes of summer, they also should consider summertime sowing that will yield tasty offerings throughout fall. Some of these cooler-weather stock can be harvested just before frost sets in. Individuals ready to bite in to produce plucked at the peak of fall have many different options to look forward to. Here are some of common fall produce items that will be available at farm stands near you well into

- November.
- bok choy
 - broccoli
 - cauliflower
 - kohlrabi
 - leaf lettuce
 - mustard greens
 - spinach
 - Swiss chard
 - turnips
 - beets
 - Brussels sprouts
 - cabbage
 - green onion
 - kale
 - peas
 - radishes

FDA Commissioner Makary, USDA Secretary Rollins celebrate proposed modernization of orange juice regulations

Washington, D.C., — U.S. Food and Drug Administration Commissioner Dr. Marty Makary, M.D., M.P.H., and U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins this week announced plans to support American citrus growers and cut bureaucratic barriers by proposing an update to the standard of identity (SOI) for pasteurized orange juice. This America First action will end a 60-year-old rule that hurts domestic farmers and forces reliance on foreign imports. The FDA expects this change is unlikely to affect the

taste of pasteurized orange juice. The FDA’s proposed rule would reduce the minimum required Brix level – a measure of dissolved sugar content – in pasteurized orange juice from 10.5 percent to 10 percent, better reflecting the natural Brix level of American oranges. The rule change is estimated to save orange juice manufacturers more than \$50 million per year and would reduce reliance on the use of imported oranges for “not from concentrate” pasteurized orange juice products in order to meet the required Brix level. “For years, we’ve been wasting beautiful American oranges simply due to an outdated regulation, while relying on a high volume of imports. Under President Trump’s America First Administration, we’re cutting red tape, helping American farmers, and using common sense to reform a broken system. And orange juice will still taste just as good,” said FDA Commissioner Marty Makary, M.D., M.P.H. “This is a big win for our citrus growers. Florida’s orange growers have faced years of hardships from hurricanes, greening, and burdensome regulations that no longer reflect the realities of today’s crop,” said Secretary Rollins. “FDA Commissioner Makary’s leadership on this and the urgent change is a commonsense reform that cuts red tape, strengthens our domestic supply chain, and ensures more American oranges end up in American breakfast glasses. I am proud to be his partner and will keep fighting every day for our American citrus industry.”

Background: The current standard has become increasingly difficult for U.S. growers to meet due to severe weather and other factors. Despite producing quality fruit, many producers have been forced to import high-Brix level orange juice from abroad to comply with this

see *JUICE*, page 11

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The logo for Thomas More University, featuring a blue silhouette of a man's head in profile.	SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 / 6 PM Saluki Stadium • Carbondale, IL THOMAS MORE	The logo for North Dakota State University, featuring a green and white stylized 'ND' with a bird-like shape.	SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 / 2 PM Saluki Stadium • Carbondale, IL NORTH DAKOTA Blackout Cancer
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