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IRRIGATION PROJECT COULD CONSERVE RESOURCES, SAVE FARMERS MONEY

BY EVA MOORE, SCDA, AND TYLER BROWN, SCDNR

Farmers across South Carolina can apply to be part of a new project to improve the efficiency of their center pivot irrigation systems.

The pilot project would offer free consultations, pre-and post-audits, and retrofitting of irrigation systems to agricultural producers. The project's goal is to determine the feasibility of a statewide Mobile Irrigation Lab program for South Carolina.

secured primary funding for a pilot project through a federal agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). While the NRCS was willing to provide significant funding, matching funds were still needed to fully fund this project. The South Carolina Department of Agriculture and South Carolina Department of Natural Resources stepped in to assist with state funding, along with



"This is going to help put one more tool in farmers' toolbox," said Yvonne Kling, Chair of the Aiken Soil and Water Conservation District, which is spearheading the project. "If they save water, they save the energy it takes to put out the water. Their electric or gas bill should be less, and they could also save on inputs like fertilizer."

Kling estimates the consultations could improve the efficiency of the average working center pivot system by 10 to 15 percent.

The project came about when a landowner approached the Aiken Soil and Water Conservation District with the idea. Other Southeastern states, notably Florida, have had success with state-funded Mobile Irrigation Labs that help conserve resources and save farmers money.

The Aiken Soil and Water Conservation District

contributions from the Palmetto AgriBusiness Council, AgSouth Farm Credit, and American Forest Management. Clemson Cooperative Extension will also be assisting with this project and conducting parallel studies on selected agricultural center pivots.

For the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, participating in the project just makes sense, said Assistant Commissioner Aaron Wood.

"Farmers are the original conservationists," Wood said in a Facebook Live video announcing the project. "They want to take care of their land. They raise their families on this land; they're depending on the land to be productive."

Funding the project is a way for SCDA to nurture agribusiness in South Carolina while also promoting water conservation, Wood said.

Kling says her district aims to choose an initial group of farmers for the project, with applications due by February 15, 2020. More farmers will be selected in the second and third years of the project.

The application and information on selection criteria are available at aikensoilandwater.com. Applications can be emailed to MLPilot.sc@gmail.com.

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HUGH E. WEATHERS

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REMEMBERING MARTIN EUBANKS

In January, South Carolina agriculture lost a longtime friend with the sudden passing of Martin Eubanks. I wanted to take this column to let people know just how much he did to help farmers as well as the Department of Agriculture and to enrich the lives of all who knew him.

Martin retired from SCDA almost two years ago after 33 years at the department. Early in his career with the department, he was a marketing specialist for the South Carolina Peach Council, eventually rising to become assistant commissioner as well as managing our marketing department programs. Martin would remind me that he actually had two jobs, as he took over more responsibilities when his previous supervisor retired. Martin once said that since he was his own supervisor, he'd give himself a raise.

Throughout his time here, he was passionate about promoting agriculture and helping farmers. Martin was essential to helping develop the Certified South Carolina program to connect consumers to South Carolina-grown produce and products. He also helped create the Southeast Produce Council and was instrumental in launching the Certified SC Grown Palmetto Series sports championship series.

Our staff at SCDA continues to improve,

and Martin was partially responsible. He had a knack for recognizing potential in new staff members and would help them develop in their careers. He was well thought of around the country for his work. We received condolences from many in other states who knew Martin and had the privilege, as I did for nearly 14 years, to work with him.

After years of hard work, Martin was enjoying retirement – hunting, fishing, even taking an African safari with his son, and spending time with his family. We spoke of family, and the challenges of leading a Christian life amidst all the distractions of this world. We talked of life after the Department, and I could sense his joy in his growing family and his and his wife Karen's increasing role in their church.

Of course, we did not always talk about things of significance. Martin was a man who lived life well and had that influence on those around him, me included. He took the fun things of life and multiplied them many times over. Those stories will live on and keep Martin in our hearts.

The Department is coordinating with industry for an appropriate way to honor Martin's life and work, perhaps by creating a scholarship in his name. We will keep you informed on that progress.

Hugh E. Weathers

UPCOMING EVENTS

SC Farmer Veteran Coalition Luncheon
February 11 • 11 am – 1:30 pm
We have a new and exciting organization being formed and we want you to be a part of it! The Farmer Veteran Coalition (FVC) has hundreds of farmer veteran members in South Carolina and we want to start a chapter in the Palmetto state to support their efforts. Veterans possess the unique skills and character needed to strengthen communities and create sustainable food systems. We are tapping into that resource to cultivate a new generation of farmers and food leaders which will develop viable employment and meaningful careers through the collaboration of farming and military communities.
The Phillips Market Center
117 Ballard Court, West Columbia
Contact: Sarah Dachos
803-737-4630 • sarah@farmvetco.org

Anderson County Beekeepers Association Beginner Beekeeping Course
February 11 – March 17 • 6 – 8 pm
Anderson County Beekeepers Association is holding its annual Beginner Beekeeper Course beginning Feb. 11, 2020. Classes are 2 hours in length and will be held each Tuesday for 6 weeks. This course is suitable for the beginner beekeeper or those wanting to learn more about bees and will qualify for the SC Beekeepers Association Master Beekeeper Program. The cost is \$75. Space is limited.
Anderson Federal Credit Union
100 Hanna Crossing, Anderson
Contact: Keith Raines, President
864-380-7787 • acbaofsc@gmail.com
andersonbeekeepers.org



Be My Valentine Farm Day
February 15 • 10 am – 2 pm
Come celebrate the Day of Love (or the day after, really) here on the farm. Baby animals galore! Vendors galore! Farm Meats galore! Shop unique and incredibly crafted artisan items. Enjoy a cup of locally brewed coffee then take home a bag for yourself.
Thames Farm
3510 Catawba River Road, Fort Lawn
803-323-7789



South Carolina Horsemen’s Council Expo
February 15 & 16
The 2020 SC Horse Expo is a great venue to promote your business, organization, or farm. We have an exciting lineup including Mounted Archery, Tommie Turvery, Joe Most, Mike Stine, Equine Law, Interactive Youth Corral, Health Seminars, and much more! Fant's Grove Trail Ride will be held in conjunction with the Horse Expo. Bring your horse and ride along with SCHC Board and Back Country Horsemen of SC. Advanced: Members \$10 / Non- members \$30 / Youth \$10 (5 under Free) At Door: Members \$15 / Non- members \$35 / Youth \$15 (5 under Free) If you are not a member, and purchase a \$30 or \$35 ticket, you will get a year’s free SCHC Membership! 18 and under get in free wearing a SCHC or 4-H shirt.
T. Ed Garrison Arena, Pendleton
Contact: Ila Hanks
864-933-6700
schorsementscouncil.org

Hemp Resource Event
February 28 • 9 am – 4 pm
Connecting with our South Carolina Hemp Community. Vendors, processors, and food trucks will be on site. Hemp discussions will take place.
Phillips Market Center
117 Ballard Court, West Columbia
Contact: Vanessa Elsalah
803-734-8339 • velsalah@scda.sc.gov
agriculture.sc.gov/hemp

SALES / AUCTIONS

H & S Stockyards
February 8 • 9 am
Misc. farm items, poultry, and livestock sale.
12970 Broxton Bridge Road, Ehrhardt
Contact: Hallman Sease
803-267-7850
kristish@yahoo.com

Small Animal Sale
February 8 • 10 am
Poultry, animal related, and farm equipment.
2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month.
140 Buffalo Creek Ranch Road, Buffalo
Contact: Judy Cathcart
864-427-9202

Duke’s Auction
February 15 • 8:30 am
Farm & construction equipment, tractors, dozers, trailers, vehicles, implements, and more.
1950 Sumter Hwy, Bishopville
Contact: Donald Dukes
803-247-2776
dukesauctiongroup@att.net
dukesauctiongroup.com

SCDA State Farmers Markets

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FARMERS MARKET
3483 Charleston Highway
West Columbia, SC 29172
803-737-4664

GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET
1354 Rutherford Road
Greenville, SC 29609
864-244-4023

PEE DEE STATE FARMERS MARKET
2513 W. Lucas Street
Florence, SC 29501
843-665-5154

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FEBRUARY 11 • 12:00 PM

FARM EQUIPMENT, CONTINUED

ADS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED BY COMMERCIAL DEALERS.					
INTL 1026 TRACTOR 100+hp, hydro-static drive, shed kept, new batteries, WC, \$6250 Hugh Knight Orangeburg 803-539-4674	2000 GN HORSE TRL 7”T, 7”W, room for 3 horses, 10’ LQ, king bed, full bath, \$2700 Ronald Dowey Kershaw 803-438-2266	CASE IH 7150 MFWD, cab, heat, air, rear duals, good running solid tractor, \$28,500 Danny Hege Barnwell 803-793-4187	’56 JD 720 DSL GC, pony start, LN rubber, fresh rebuild, rebuilt gen, new seat w/bush, \$10,500 Adam Anderson Newberry 803-924-8466	JD 158 LDR fits 20& 40 series tractors, \$3750; ’70 JD 4520, 133hp, GRC, \$4500 Randy Stachewicz Colleton 843-538-7411	JD 2020 EC, LN, 3500 hrs, \$6400; IHC 444, dsl, 4000 hrs, \$6500 obo Ronnie Judy Dorchester 843-701-6394
JD TRACTOR 7420 3914 hrs; JD 835 mower/cond, \$55,000; Kuhns GA 4220TH, Kuhns GF 5202THA, \$5000 each, less than 4 y/o David Froehlich Bamberg 561-719-9777	JD 2010 TRACTOR w/canopy, new rear tires, w/2r cult & planters, GC, \$7500; D65 EX Komatsu Dozer, \$40,000 Jimmy Wilson Anderson 864-923-2348	SUPER A TRACTOR w/bush hog, disc, cults, plow stocks, middle buster, \$4000 Harry Cook Dillon 843-496-1598	IH 1020 HDR AUGER 15’, EC, \$500 Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753	’99 JACKSON 3H TRL SL, GN, steel frame, alum skin, frt dressing rm, rear tack, \$6000 Linda Sinclair Lexington 803-360-5597	JD 2155 6100 hrs, 3ph, remote, \$7000 Robert Hurley Laurens 864-981-5352
20’ EQUIP TRL Kaufman ER, 1200 # cap, 4 Goodyear 14 ply mode #614 HD LN tires, \$4300; Ford 4r btm plow, more, \$250 Mike Decherd Chester 803-517-6644	STOCK TRL good flooring, GN, \$2000; ’07 3H SL Bee trl, LQ, hyd jack, generator, 10’ short wall, more, \$18,000 Claire Long Chester 803-320-4157	’72 JD TRACTOR 4000 dsl, wide frt end, good tires, \$7500 obo Henry Carroll Calhoun 732-539-7631	850 MF COMBINE 6r corn & 18’ grain headers, 4r corn for parts, all shed kept, all manuals, \$9000 David Earley Orangeburg 803-534-3689	JD 965 5 BTM SWITCH PLOW \$2000; sod net installer, 17-20’, \$2000 Craig Henry Beaufort 843-521-3826	JD 6620 COMBINE 216 grain platform, 444 corn head, all new, 1 owner, \$14,000 Ernie Major Anderson 864-617-7419
		INTL 1440 COMBINE GC, \$9900 Charles Nichols Saluda 864-445-8350	DUETZ TRACTOR 72hp, 2 remotes w/Bush Hog brand frt end ldr, GRC, \$6500 Terry Gibert Greenwood 864-993-4212	NH 565 SQ BALER \$2500 Clayton Leaphart Lexington 803-892-2642	WOODS BH70X backhoe attach, located in Fairfield Co, LN, little use, 30 hrs, \$5000 Robert Seibels Richland 803-238-1603

FARM LABOR

NOTICES ARE ACCEPTED FOR AGRICULTURAL WORK ONLY AND NOT FOR HOUSEWORK, NURSING, OR COMPANIONSHIP NEEDS.

ARTIF INSEMINATION small/lrg herds, will set up for synchronization Jesse Rauton Saluda 706-817-2398	POND CONSULTATIONS pond stocking, aerators, feeders, traps-turtle, fish, misc, others; pond structure Clay Chappell Richland 803-776-4923	DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK build & repair ponds, demo, tree removal, land clearing, roads, free est James Hughes Greenwood 864-227-8257	TRACTOR REPAIR restoration, all types, 50 yr exp George Bush Lexington 803-640-1949	CUSTOM PLANTING CB & Tifton 44, w/Bermuda King 4r planter, 35+yrs exp, sprigs avail, \$1.75/bu Eddie Adams Darlington 843-307-4121	TRACTOR/EQUIP REPAIR & maint by certified dsl/hvy equip mech, will travel from Camden/Rembert for fee Austin Shealy Sumter 803-223-3994
LIGHT TRACTOR WORK to incl bush hogging, discing, cut up & removal of downed trees, light landscaping John Tanner Lexington 803-422-4714	TRACTOR SVC REPAIR tires, eng rebuilds, clutches, cab interior kits, comp restoration & painting David Moss Spartanburg 864-680-4004	CUSTOM SPREAD TN Valley lime, fert, call for prices Gene Roe Greenville 864-630-1768	DOZER/TRACK HOE & drag-line work, pond repair/digging & dredging, lot/land clearing & grading Nathan Oswald Lexington 803-317-3090	SAW MILLING logs to lumber, w/portable sawmill, your place or mine Art Limehouse Pickens 864-952-9688	HONEY BEE SWARM REMOVAL Sumter, & Calhoun Co's, call for info Jim Christmas Richland 803-920-6440
UNDER BRUSHING bush hogging, skid steer grading & clearing Bayne Brown Greenville 864-380-6460	PORTABLE SAWMILL SERV statewide, saw logs up to 30”W & 20”L Lowell Fralix Barnwell 803-707-5625	TRACTOR WORK clear trails and land lines, bush-hog, blade, disk, cut trees not threatening structures David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117	FORESTRY MULCHING skid steer work, spreader truck for wood ash or litter, trenching, dozer, NRCS work Mark Hall Greenwood 864-980-0423	FENCE CONSTRUCTION & repair Andy Anders Greenville 864-838-8617	FORESTRY MULCHING bush hogging, stump grinding, land clearing, clean-up under brush, pond/ditch/bank mowing Ryan Bishop Colleton 843-893-7200
FARM FENCE CONST w/hyd post driver, barbwire, fixed knot, board, field fence, hi tensile, catch pens Bobcat work Laurens 864-449-8556	PASTURE MGMT SERV spray weeds, treat fire ants, licensed, spread fert & lime Kenny Mullis Richland 803-331-6612	BUSH HOG MOWING light tilling Vernon Bonner Sumter 803-481-4225	LEXCO TACK CLEANING leather bridles, saddles, harnesses & accessories, your place or mine Laurie Knapp Lexington 803-317-7613	CUSTOM SPRIGGING CB, Tifton 85, Tifton 44 & turf grasses, row or fairway planters, call for est Timmy Benton Colleton 843-908-3222	LAND CLEARING backhoe work, track skid steer w/Ind bush hog/new Fecon mulching head, 4n1 bucket, refs avail Dusty Parker Chester 864-426-2787
LIME SPREADING specialize in bulk TN lime, call for est Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628	FENCING farm & pasture, free quotes, specializing in fencing & more Jon-Michael Helms Chester 803-371-4875	TRACTOR/EQUIP REPAIR all makes & models, dsl & gas, small engine/lawn & garden equip, generators Tommy Kiser York 803-684-4363	FENCING bush hogging, grading, land clearing, free est, Upstate area Chris Minton Anderson 864-617-4936	TRACTOR/EQUIP REPAIR clutch, engine, hyd, all makes & models, reasonable rates, guarn work Randy Stachewicz Colleton 843-538-7411	

FARM LAND

FARM LAND MUST BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY THE OWNER, NOT AN AGENT. TRACTS MUST BE AT LEAST 5 ACRES UNDER CULTIVATION, TIMBER, OR PASTURE. OUT-OF-STATE OWNERS – NOT REAL ESTATE AGENTS – MAY NOW SUBMIT ADS FOR LAND IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

18.3A PLANTED PINES Williamsburg Co, near Black River, deer, turkey, ducks, \$55,000 Nicky Kellahan Williamsburg 843-372-1345	12+A FOR LEASE upper Abbeville Co, on Bell Rd, open for planting, reasonable & poss 1 st yr free Vance Clinkscales Anderson 864-225-6084	203A TIMBERLAND near Greenwood, 3 age classes of trees & hdwds, \$375,000, no leases Jenks Patrick Greenwood 864-631-2770	WANT 50-150A to buy for planting, pasture & home stead in Spartanburg, Laurens or Union Co's James Daugherty Spartanburg 864-505-4320	25+/-A TIMBERLAND Allendale Co area, ½ cut, deer, turkey, cypress pond, home site, \$42,000 Kimberly Carter Florence 843-206-1680	41+/- A SALLEY mostly wooded, w/wet branch, poss sm pond site, fronts 2 rds, \$130,000 Barney Williams Lexington 803-543-8715
6A TIMBER on Tiger River off US 129 Powell Dr, Wellford, Sptg Co, 2bd/1bt block house, \$70,000 Janice P Coster Greenwood 864-554-8588	WANT SM FARM W/HOME 4+A, open/wooded, Upstate/foothills areas, to \$100,000, cash buyer Susan Georgion Greenwood 423-440-4196	WANT FARM LAND for lease, Saluda or Lexington Co Clint Carpenter Richland 803-622-4924	106 A MATURE HDWD w/mixed pine timber & lrg creeks, managed for quality bucks/turkey 3 yrs, \$400,000 William Ware York 803-517-8060	53.2A TIMBER LAURENS CO Hwy 25 Ware Shoals, home site, buried util, septic/ well, no dividing, \$158,900 Jim Horky Greenville 864-990-5823	WANT LAND TO LEASE for hunting, QDMA Deer Stewart II, have hvy equip, will improve quality of land & wildlife Ray Sealey Florence 843-409-1717
40A +/- HORRY CO cropland for rent, \$15/A James Frye Horry 843-408-5851	21A LAKE RUSSELL wooded, exc hunting & fishing, \$109,000 Shirley Huston Abbeville 803-917-9665	WANT 10-30A for horse farm/residence, Orangeburg/St Matthews/ Swansea area, \$100,000 or less Marina Gustines Orangeburg 803-707-1593	94.6A+/- TIMBERLAND Lancaster Co, TM#0113-00-022.00, 35 y/o pines, \$315,000 John Horton Beaufort 832-651-0918	41.37A ABBEVILLE ½ pine trees, ½ open land, 3500' rd frtage, 3 mis to Lake Russell, \$155,000 James Bradberry Abbeville 864-446-2744	
84.14A SPTG CO hdwds, stream, city water, septic, homesite, hunting, \$290,000 Larry Seyller Greenville 864-360-1849	24A NEAR SAFB hvy pine & hdwd, Beech Ck, deer, turkey, pond & home sites, \$80,000 Carl Gulledge Sumter 803-530-8885	WANT LAND TO LEASE in Upstate, for bow/gun hunting, have ins, will protect & enhance property Cary Cox Greenville 864-918-1691	WANT PASTURE FOR LEASE Chester & York Co's, for cattle, preferably fenced, but can fence yours Jon-Michael Helms Chester 803-371-4875	WANT 5+A to raise chickens, etc, w/ water & elec Mike McBride Anderson 864-980-7832	

FRESH PRODUCE

PRODUCE MUST BE RAW AND NON-PROCESSED. RAW MILK, BUTTER, AND CHEESE PRODUCTS MUST BE PERMITTED BY THE SC DEPT. OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL. AN EGG LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ON-FARM POINTS OF SALE.

PECANS shelled, \$10/lb Wayman Coleman Abbeville 864-379-1138 SUGARCANE Blue Ribbon, \$50/100 stalks FC Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066	PECANS comp shelled, \$10/lb; cracked & blown \$4.50/lb; in-shell \$3/lb, p-up in Newberry or Irmo Russell Shealy Newberry 803-944-7316	JERUSALEM ARTICHOKES unwashed, \$3/lb, washed 3x, \$4/lb Robert McDonald Calhoun 803-707-1040	PECANS shelled, \$7/lb; free range organic eggs, \$4/dozen Joe Culbertson Greenwood 864-229-5254	FRESH JERUSALEM ARTICHOKES washed 3x, \$4/lb Wayne Haltiwanger Lexington 803-957-3145	QUALITY PECANS in the shell, lrg & sml, \$2.50/lb Douglass Britt McCormick 864-391-3334
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GARDEN

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.	
GOAT DEHORNER mod Rinehart x 30, LN, \$40 JR Longfellow Oconee 864-638-3823 EGYPTIAN WALKING ONIONS \$5; blueberry, \$15; both in lrg pots Francis Shiver Kershaw 803-669-1979	RABBITEYE BLUEBERRIES \$2, ship min 15 + \$10.50 post Billy Eddins Chesterfield 843-623-2427 LRG BLUEBERRY PLANTS 3 y/o, 2 var & blkberries, \$5; Fig & Pomegranate trees, \$10; muscadine, \$7.50 FC Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066

GOATS / LLAMAS / SHEEP

6 BILLIES pure Koy Ranch from DNA reg stock, 10-24 m/o, \$200-400 Thomas Tanner Georgetown 843-558-2870 NGN DWARF GOATS \$100/M, \$200/F Thomas Fallon Greenville 864-616-0218	BOER/KIKO INTACT BUCK 2½ y/o, good breeder, halter broken, healthy, \$300 obro Jacqueline Clements Greenwood 864-337-0491 10 M/O BILLY ¾ Boer & ¼ milk, \$150 Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589	BOER BILLIES \$100+ Johnny Hickey Chesterfield 843-537-7535 KATAHDIN SHEEP 5 ewes, \$225; 7 lambs, \$150 ea Kathy DeLong-Anson Lexington 803-582-8272	SAVANNA KIKO CROSS & full Kiko, \$200+ Bobby Page Spartanburg 864-494-2501 REG PB KIKO BUCK B-3/2/16, proven breeder, \$500 Ronnie Gambrell Abbeville 864-276-1676
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MISCELLANEOUS

LRG RABBIT CAGE on legs, GC, \$30 Patty Jackson Cherokee 864-316-0741 5 FRAME NUCS w/marked queen, taking orders, \$150 Danny Childers Kershaw 803-549-7857 HD MANUAL CHUTE Powder River Classic, right side exit, used less than 10X, \$4500 Randy Pettigrew Anderson 864-934-1843 BEES 5 frame nucs, early Apr, Italian, Carniolan, Mite Mauler, \$160 Sam Bolick Fairfield 704-795-3900 55 GAL METAL DRUMS food grade, open top lids & rings, \$15 ea; 15 gal plastic, solid tops, \$10 & \$15 ea; more Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589 2 PALLET FORKS manual, 5,5K lb lift, \$175 or \$300 for both Ernest A Hall Aiken 803-646-8139 HAY RING for rnd bales, sturdy, made of blk PVC, easy move, \$40 cash A Woody Aiken 803-667-3814 REDWORMS \$32/1000; bed run, \$28/lb; LS swamp worms, \$37/1000; bed run, \$33/lb; stocked beds at farm Terry Unger Greenville 864-299-1932 MOLASSES TANKS \$100 each Kenneth Satterfield Laurens 864-876-0893	MARTIN/CRAFT GOURDS lrg, \$4; med, \$3; sml, \$1 Donald Clamp Lexington 803-359-6809 8-10' ROOFING TIN 200 used sheets, GC, \$1.50/ft Douglass Britt McCormick 864-391-3334 OAK FIREWOOD del, stacked, cut to size, full size p/u load, Cola, Irmo, Chapin areas, \$125 Ronald Wright Richland 803-606-1666 ROPER RIDING MOWER 16hp, 44" cut, \$350 obo; 30" Snapper mower, 9 hp \$250 obo Gregg Hembree Spartanburg 864-316-1222 AIR RIDE HITCH for GN trl, \$500 obo Gilbert Webber Newberry 803-924-0391 PURPLE MARTIN GOURD RACKS hay rake umbrella design, 12 gourd hanger, \$45, heads only; 16 hangers, \$55 Pete Jordan Darlington 843-332-3219 MIDDLE BUSTER mule drawn, \$75 R Long Newberry 803-924-9039 HONEYBEE HIVE BODIES used, shallow supers, inter-covers, tops, hive body frames, super frames, \$50-130 Vivian Boland Laurens 864-984-5701 TURF TIRES Kubota Titan, set of 6 lug rims, firt 29x12.50-15 NHS, rear 21.5L-16.1SL, \$1100 Wayne Earn Chesterfield 843-335-8417	LRG #24 CHURCH BELL \$1200; #4- \$450; #3- \$350; hash pots, 60 gal w/stand-top, \$600; #20- \$200; #15, \$175; more Perry Masters Greenville 864-561-4792 1H WAGON name & pin stripe on body, Piedmont Wagon Co, completely original, \$2350 Harry Isbell Anderson 864-617-2627 HONEYBEES 5 frame nucs of Italian honey bees, \$155 each, call to reserve Dale Starnes Lancaster 803-577-7871 WELDER/GENERATOR Kubota dsl Miller Bobcat 250, 88 hrs, 50' leads, \$7600 obo Stanley Taylor Chester 803-789-5236 E-Z SEEDER greenhouse production seeding, uses 288 seed trays, 3 size trays, GC, \$400 Charles Layton Saluda 864-910-0135 HOBERT WELDER 500 AM w/electric box, \$750; Oak firewood, Lexington or Prosperity, p-up load, delivered, \$125 Ellis Martin Lexington 803-796-7234 PINE LUMBER dry, rough cut, 1x6, 1x8, 1x10, 1x12, 8-16' lengths, 80¢/bdft Joel Grubb Calhoun 803-351-0144 96x60 TIN BARN rusty, 5V on roof, 2'W, corrugated on 3 sides, you take down for \$1 LaDelle M Dowdy Anderson 704-650-0019	2 PLANT GROW TENTS 10'x5', \$115; 4'x4', \$60; 4 light kits, 600 watt, \$80 ea; 2 Hi-velocity exhaust fans, \$60 ea; more Donny Cooper Aiken 803-215-8902 PURPLE MARTIN GOURDS cut, ready to hang, sm, med & lrg, \$1-3.50 each; uncut, 50¢-\$4 Robert Yonce Aiken 803-685-7240 ANTIQUE CORNSHELLER IH, hand crank & tractor belt whl, early 1900's, \$300 Larry Seyller Greenville 864-360-1849 PINE LUMBER kiln dried rough, 1x6 -1x8, \$1/bdft; 1x10-1x12, \$1.10/bdft Jonathan Brabham Barnwell 803-541-5564 1- 16x38 RIM \$200 obro; 2- 14.9x26 tires w/rims, \$350 each obro Larry Spotts Newberry 803-364-3060 CARPENTER BEE TRAPS to catch & dispose of them, shipped in lots of 5, \$85 Bill Timmerman Aiken 803-640-6265 '78 12HP CUB CADET tractor/mower w/turn plow, moldboard plow, cultivator, 2 mower decks, \$600 obo John D Sistare Lancaster 803-289-9782 IRRIGATION 20 hp motor/pump, \$1500; PVC pipe/valves, \$500; Trickle supplies, \$350; row cover hoops, \$500 Robert Stafford Jr Sumter 803-491-8893	POWDER RIVER RND TUB w/24' crowd alley, \$4500; extra Powder River panels, \$500 Rudy Williams Clarendon 803-938-2945 CROSS TIES 8' @ \$11 Wayman Coleman Abbeville 864-379-1138 AIR COMPRESSOR LeRoi 185 CFM w/Perkins dsl, runs good, \$2000 Edward Berger Dorchester 843-832-9233 SAND CLAY OR TOPSOIL 5 ton load, del w/in 20 mis of home, \$50, sand clay; \$75, topsoil David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117 SPOT SPRAYER PUMP Delavan, 2 GPM, 12 V, 60 psi, 3/8" fittings/hose, \$50 Philip Epps Newberry 803-276-5747 POULTRY LITTER tractor trailer quan, \$450/load, w/in 40 mis of Newberry Michael Wise Newberry 803-271-4215 MISC PARTS incl new belt for KK 6' dbl belt finish mower, \$1 Joseph Dyches Allendale 843-812-2137 BARBED WIRE 2 rolls, \$25 each; 55 gal plastic white barrels, \$10 each Thomas Waters Colleton 843-696-6627 STEEL TANKS 1000 gal, \$600; 500 gal, \$400; 2 300 gal, \$200 ea Jason Dangerfield Beaufort 843-263-5664	100 PRODUCE CRATES collapsible, 24"x10"x11", open, mfg #6425, \$5 each John Mahon Chesterfield 843-910-7352 HYDRA-CELL PUMP 31655, shp 230/460, 3ph, Baldor, 8gpm, 100psi, LNC, \$1500 Curtis Cooper Laurens 864-270-7619 PINE LUMBER 1"x4, 6, & 8"x8-16'; 2x4, 6, & 8"x16', 50¢/bdft Kent Jewell Lancaster 803-320-3708 7' RND CEDAR POSTS \$3 each; cedar fence posts, 4'x4'x8', \$5 each; holly lumber, \$2/bf Andy Morris Newberry 803-276-2670 HEAD SQUEEZE by Powder River, \$250 Robert Hurley Laurens 864-981-5352 DRAWBAR PLATE HANGER part#NDA809A, \$100; Marvel TSC-813 carb & repair kit, \$50, for a Ford 851; top link, \$25; more Tom Kirkley Lancaster 803-246-8195 CYPRESS LUMBER dry, \$1.50+/bdft; pine lumber, wet, 70¢/bdft Lowell Fralix Barnwell 803-707-5625 GIANT MOSO BAMBOO 2"-5" dia, flame cured, natural air cured, green & live, 3'-12' cuts, \$5-18/ft Jeff OCain Richland 803-343-9919
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PLANTS & FLOWERS

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.					
APPLE & PEACH TREES sev varieties & chestnut trees, \$12-20, depending on size Johnathan Broach Florence 843-617-6300	JAP MAPLES Dissectums (Lace leafs) & Uprights, 2g-20g, \$39+ Mike Britton Edgefield 803-278-1468	CANNAS Pres Red, pink dk leaf, pink lt leaf, bengal tiger, yellow, \$12/dozen Robert Yonce Aiken 803-685-7240	MONKEY GRASS aka lirioppe, hosta, \$4 each; iris, daylily, \$5 each; hydrangea, gardenia, \$8.50 each Woody Ellenburg Pickens 864-855-2565	CHINESE CHESTNUT sawtooth oak, paw paw trees & others, 3 gal pots, \$10+; water lilies, \$10 Charles Makl Saluda 864-344-3831	3 Y/O AZALEAS \$2; Tea olives, Box woods, Lorepedlum, & Gardenias, \$5; Camellias, Snowballs, & Jasmines, \$12 FC Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066

HAY & GRAIN

DEER CORN on the cob, \$7/bag Ronald Friday Richland 803-210-6103	'19 RND 4x5 CB under shed, limited amount, \$40 Josiah Williams Bamberg 843-693-1970	SQ CB \$5 Craig Henry Beaufort 843-521-3826	'19 4x5 RND COASTAL HQ, \$50; CQ, \$35; sq, \$6, del avail Bobby Zimmerman Lexington 803-317-8681	NEW CROP SHELLED CORN 50lb, \$6.50; 55gal drum, \$43, drum not incl Wyatt Eargle Aiken 803-604-7535	'18 HQ 4x5 RND CB net wrap, \$50 ea, del avail w\in 45 mis of Pelion Terry King Lexington 803-381-6177
HQ SQ COASTAL \$7.50; HQ rnd, \$65; CQ, rnd, \$50; mulch hay, \$30 Timmy Benton Colleton 843-908-3222	'19 SHED KEPT CB fert & lime, del avail for fee, \$45/bale Eddie Chavis Barnwell 803-671-3108	'19 HQ SQ CB \$6, shed kept Clayton Leaphart Lexington 803-892-2642	SQ COASTAL no weeds, in barn, \$6 Michael Strickland Laurens 864-923-3153	GCQ CB \$40/bale; HQ, \$50, net wrap, under shed Wingard Copeland Bamberg 803-259-6894	BERMUDA GRASS MIX 4x5 rnd, \$40; Bermuda mix, sq, \$4.50; both '19 & CQ Eddie McLeod Newberry 803-924-6500
'19 MIXED GRASS 4x5 net wrap, stored outside, \$30; stored in barn, \$35 John Steele Lancaster 803-283-7720	50 BALES of corn stalks & grass, under shed, \$12 each, \$500 for all Plato Kneece Aiken 803-582-8665	CQ CB 4x5 rnd, \$30 Willie Taylor Aiken 706-466-0018	OAK STRAW HAY 5x6 rnd, shed kept, \$40 Bobby Land Union 864-426-4443	HQ CB \$60; CQ \$50; 4x5 net wrap all shed kept Gene Crim Calhoun 803-609-4571	'19 4x5 RND MIXED GRASS net wrap, no trash, w/o rain, 30 bales avail, \$30/bale R Estelle Greenwood 864-910-1192
TIFTON 44 BERMUDA HQ, sq, \$6, at barn David Sease Newberry 803-622-2957	WY ALFALFA HAY \$180/bale; SD alfalfa/ timothy mix, 70/30, \$170, both '19, 3x3x8 & 900 lbs each Chris Roux Cherokee 864-906-5471	GQ OATS combine run, \$4/bu bulk Otto Williamson Williamsburg 843-372-2692	WHEAT STRAW sq, \$4/bale Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753	18 OATS 2000 bushels, \$4/bu or \$35/55 gal barrel Tommy Coggins Laurens 864-682-0490	CORN SHELLED 1 bu bags, \$7.50; 55 gal barrel, \$40, in your barrel Mike Armstrong Greenville 864-630-6174
19' CQ COASTAL MIXED rnd, barn stored, \$30 Jeremy McMillan Colleton 843-893-6148		SHELLED CORN \$4/bu or \$40, your 55 gal; more Tom Fink Lexington 803-622-4678	'19 CQ 4x5 CB \$30; 10+ rolls, \$45 Jud Smith Calhoun 803-920-3134		

POULTRY

GUINEAS \$20 Walter Creech Bamberg 803-383-1309	GUINEAS 3 m/o, \$15 each for pearls; \$20 each for other colors Barbara Kelly Kershaw 803-432-3791	RACING PIGEONS breeders & yng birds, never been out, \$8 each John Mangum Kershaw 843-334-6347	ROOSTERS 2 Speckled Sussex, 5 m/o, \$10 each Grant Davis Lexington 912-682-4988	SELF BLUE BANTAMS & BB Reds, 2+ w/o, \$5 each Vivian Hickman Florence 843-389-7372	MALE BUFF GOOSE \$40; asst roosters, \$5 each; Royal Palm turkey pr, \$80 Ann Threatt Chester 803-209-5277
RIR HENS & roosters, \$10 Thomas Fallon Greenville 864-616-0218	WARHORSE PR \$50; wht claret rooster, \$25 Francis Shiver Kershaw 803-669-1979	BOB WHITE QUAIL flight & weather cond, \$4 ea Dennis Ballentine Newberry 803-960-3991	6 WHT PEAFOWL \$100 each or \$500 for all Albert Woodberry Georgetown 843-558-2009	SEBRIGHTS Golden & Silver, \$20/trio Jacky Cockrell Edgefield 803-336-8090	BIELEFELDER ROOSTERS \$25 each; Iowa blue roosters, \$30 each Wendell Hicks Greenville 864-561-3690
4 LAYING HENS 2 roosters, S L Wyandotte's, Araucana, \$20 for all JR Longfellow Oconee 864-638-3823	BLK MARAN PULLETS & roosters; RIR pullets, \$12 ea; Speckled Sussex, up to 12 w/o, \$10 ea; more Raymond Decker Lexington 803-317-4881	LAVENDER ORPINGTONS 1 cock & 4 pullets app, 10 m/o, \$100 for all Kent Jewell Lancaster 803-320-3708	2 Y/O HENS Golden comets, \$10 each Leroy Smith Lexington 803-356-3602	PR LAVENDER AMERAUCANAS \$40; partridge rocks trios, \$50; hens, \$20; Rhodebar hens, \$15 Tim Boozer Newberry 803-924-3922	150 GUINEAS \$10-15 ea; flarry eye greys, \$40-75 ea; warhorse stags, \$100 ea; turkeys, toms & hens, \$40 & \$50 ea Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589
PEACOCKS India Blue, Pied, Spaulding, wht, \$50-90 each; rumpless Araucana bantams, \$7 each Joe Culbertson Greenwood 864-229-5254	BOB WHT QUAIL flight conditioned, \$4 each Adam Truesdale York 803-487-9347	TOP HAT ROOSTERS 9 m/o; Vor Werk roosters, \$15 each Dora Hahn Lexington 803-227-2080	ROOSTERS mixed lrg breed, & some lrg game roosters, \$10 each; Wyandotte rooster, 6 m/o, \$12 L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394	RINGNECK DOVES M & F, w/2 offspring, \$25 Margret Jensen Orangeburg 803-274-4401	6 M/O ROOSTER Red Ameraucana/Silkie, \$5 Ellen Chassereau Lexington 864-386-7461

HOGS

RABBITS

WANT - HAY

WANT - LIVESTOCK

POT BELLY PIGS proven breeding pr, 2 y/o M, 1½ y/o F, produces chipmunk piglets, \$80 obro Jackie Clements Greenwood 864-337-0491	POT BELLY PIGS \$35-75 each; Kune Kune Pigs, \$150-250 each Joe Culbertson Greenwood 864-229-5254	REX \$15 each & up; grown bucks, \$15 & \$20 each Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589	MOHAWK BERMUDA prefer sq bales Cal Norris Edgefield 864-378-2693	EACH AD MUST LIST SPECIFIC ANIMALS.	
				WHT HOMING PIGEONS prefer adult mated pairs K Pearson Oconee 864-364-1782	ISO SG BULL for breeding, or yng SG heifers for show cattle Janet Lindley Newberry 864-980-1008
				HORSES & mules, free or reasonably priced Jim Roach Richland 803-542-8275	CATTLE beef or dairy Kenneth Satterfield Laurens 864-876-0893

WANT - FARM EQUIPMENT

6' WOODS TILLER 3ph, GC, must be reasonably priced D L Dimery Lexington 803-796-2995	BUTTER BEAN PICKING MACHINE for PTO Thomas Crosby Colleton 843-908-5244	FEED MIXER/GRINDER in WC Irving Jeffcoat Lexington 803-429-9724	BACKHOE ATTACHMENT 3ph Harold Wright Cherokee 864-838-4763
HOPPER BOTTOM GRAIN TRL doesn't have to be new, in GC Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628	JD TRACTOR 3020-4020 or 4240; 148 or 158 JD ldr; JD roll guard Ronnie Judy Dorchester 843-701-6394	6' BUSH HOG 3ph, in GC, reasonably priced Ralph Gravley Greenville 864-655-5187	

WANT - MISCELLANEOUS

BULK LIVESTOCK FEEDER covered, for grain, for use w/hogs Mary Ann Adams Richland 803-465-6666	SYRUP KETTLE anvils, any size wash pots, old lighting rod w/balls & weather vane, lrg coffee grinder, more Perry Masters Greenville 864-561-4792	SAW MILL rough cut lumber Jim Roach Richland 803-542-8275	BLK SMITH ANVIL any size; cast iron bell, any size; hand cranked corn sheller L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394	PINE SAWTIMBER pine pulpwood & hdwd, we cut sm or lrg tracts, 8A+ H Yonce Edgefield 803-275-2091	FREE ROOF METAL in the midlands area David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117
BLK SMITH ANVILS wash pots, farm/church/ brass bells, Enterprise lard press & sausage stuffer R Long Newberry 803-924-9039	1 SEED BOOT for JD 8300 grain drill Bob Cathey Anderson 864-303-8203	PULPWOOD SAW TIMBER hdwd pine, all types of thinning or clear cut, pay top prices, Upstate Co's Tim Morgan Greenville 864-420-0251	FIELDS OF LONG LEAF PINESTRAW top prices paid, 15+ yrs exp David Shull Lexington 803-318-4263	RND HAY FEEDER CRADLE for sheep, goats, horses Nathan Shirey Lexington 803-315-6109	

CLEMSON ANNOUNCES SPRING VEGETABLE PRODUCTION MEETING

BY DENISE ATTAWAY, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

PELION, S.C. – Tomato brown rugose fruit virus can wreak havoc on tomato and pepper crops and the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service wants to help South Carolina growers learn what they can do to protect their plants.

Although this disease has not yet been detected in South Carolina, it has been found in the United States. Tony Keinath, a plant pathologist from the Clemson Coastal Research and Education Center in Charleston will talk about the virus during the Clemson Extension 2020 Spring Vegetable Production Meeting, Feb. 27 at Pelion High School.

In addition to Keinath’s presentation, Steven Long, assistant director of regulatory services for the Clemson Department of Plant Industry, will be on hand to talk about the disease from a regulatory standpoint. Other speakers include Matt Cutulle, a weed specialist from the Clemson Coastal REC, who will give an update on weed control, and Stormy Sparks, an entomologist from the University of Georgia, who will discuss mite management and diamondback moth caterpillar pressure.

The evening gets underway with dinner at 6 p.m. Cost is \$5, payable at the door. The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will receive three pesticide credits. Please RSVP by Monday, Feb. 24 to Alivia Gunter, (803) 359-8515 or aliviag@clemson.edu. Pelion High School is located at 600 Lydia Drive, Pelion, S.C. 29123.



Tomato brown rugose fruit virus can wreak havoc on tomato and pepper crops and the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service wants to help South Carolina growers learn what they can do to protect their plants.
Photo by Clemson Public Service and Agriculture

“This meeting is a great opportunity for tomato and pepper growers to learn about the tomato brown rugose fruit virus so that they can be ready if the virus does make its way to South Carolina,” said Justin Ballew, a Clemson commercial horticulture agent in Lexington and Saluda counties and meeting organizer. “It also is a great opportunity for growers to learn about insect and weed control.”

Information from the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS) in November 2019 shows the tomato brown rugose fruit virus was first reported in tomatoes in Israel in 2014. Since then, it has been reported in China, Mexico, Italy, Greece, the United Kingdom, Jordan, Turkey, as well as the Netherlands. It also was reported in Germany where it was eradicated. The virus was detected and eradicated from a California tomato

greenhouse in 2018. It is spread through the use of contaminated tools and hands in addition to plant-to-plant contact. Restrictions have been placed on imports of fresh tomato and pepper fruit from countries where the virus has been found.

Tomato and pepper are two main hosts of the virus. Symptoms include bubbling and mosaic on leaves of susceptible pepper, and fern leaf and mosaic on tomato leaves. Fruit symptoms include smaller fruit size with a rough surface, fruit drop, delay in ripening and fruit discoloration including blotching, pale color and/or brown necrotic spots. Infected tomato fruits can be unmarketable

or reduced in quality. Necrosis also can occur on susceptible pepper fruit. More than \$2.3 billion of tomatoes and peppers are produced in the United States annually.

Other activities scheduled for this spring in Lexington County include a Private Pesticide Applicator Training and Exam from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., March 5 at the Lexington County Clemson Extension Office, 605 W. Main St., Suite F, Lexington, S.C. 29072. Training topics will include pesticide safety, record keeping, calibration, pesticide storage, container disposal and more. Licensed applicators may attend and receive three recertification credits. Cost is \$100 per person, \$45 for licensed applicators. Registration deadline is March 2. For additional information or to register, E-mail Alivia Gunter at aliviag@clemson.edu, or call the Lexington County Clemson Extension Office at (803) 359-8515. For other Clemson Extension Events across South Carolina, go to bit.ly/ClemsonExtensionEvents.



MIDLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTNERS WITH VERTICAL ROOTS

BY LEXINGTON-RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE

IRMO – Lexington-Richland School District Five is partnering with a local farm to become the first school district in South Carolina to offer hydroponic lettuce from the State Farmers Market to students.

Hydroponic lettuce is soil free and uses 98 percent less water than traditional farming. Local distribution of the crops means a smaller carbon footprint and a longer shelf life for the lettuce. From a nutrition standpoint, the lettuce grown hydroponically contains more potassium and calcium and protein than most greens.

“School District Five is committed to buying more local products and reducing the carbon footprint,” said Student Nutrition Director Todd A. Bedenbaugh. “I am excited about the hydroponic lettuce that we will be serving in all of our schools.

The hydroponic lettuce is being purchased from Vertical Roots Farm located at the State Farmers Market. School District Five has received two USDA School grants of \$200,000 to promote Farm to School Programs.

School District Five Student Nutrition managers received training about the hydroponic lettuce and its health benefits on January 15. The new lettuce will start being delivered to all School District Five schools on January 27. District Five is part of the SC Department of Agriculture’s Certified SC Grown Program.

MARKET BULLETIN

WP RAWL CELEBRATES 95TH ANNIVERSARY WITH CHILDREN’S MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Walter P. Rawl & Sons Inc., a Pelion company that grows, packs and ships leafy greens, was founded 95 years ago — and the company is marking its anniversary by sponsoring the Busy Bee Farm exhibit at EdVenture Children’s Museum in Columbia. The grand opening of the newest exhibit at EdVenture took place on Saturday, January 25 and featured South Carolina’s state vegetable, collards, as well as other leafy greens and herbs grown by WP Rawl.

“As we neared the 95th anniversary of our company, our family wanted to celebrate our employees and honor our founders, Walter and Ernestine Rawl with the newly sponsored Busy Bee Farm exhibit. Education and community were very important to both Walter and Ernestine and we are happy to carry on the traditions they instilled in us,” said Ashley Rawl, VP of Sales, Marketing and Product Development for WP Rawl.

The fourth-generation family farm specializes in year-round bulk and value-added leafy greens and vegetables in the Rawl®, Nature’s Greens® and Palmetto Gardens® brands.

The Busy Bee exhibit features special manipulatives for children about planting, growing and harvesting vegetables. In addition, educational content surrounding how what we grow makes it from the farm to the grocery store shelves, then to our tables at home, is featured in the exhibit.

“We are excited to provide an updated exhibit to our guests while showcasing current agricultural practices from farms in our home state. This exhibit will allow families to play together in picking fresh local produce, helping to spur conversations about where our food comes from and why we choose the foods we eat; whether it be for economic, dietary, environmental, or other reasons. Located next to our Neighborhood Market and Little Spot Diner, the process of Farm to Fork is highlighted throughout our exhibit space,” said Matt Wicker, Director of Education, EdVenture. The Busy Bee Farm plants the seed of farming education by providing experiential education for children under age 11.



CHEF AMBASSADORS FOR 2020 ANNOUNCED

FOUR CHEFS SELECTED TO REPRESENT SOUTH CAROLINA IN 6TH YEAR OF CULINARY PROGRAM

COLUMBIA, S.C. — On January 27, South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster, Agriculture Commissioner Hugh Weathers and SC Parks, Recreation & Tourism Director Duane Parrish named the participants for the 2020 South Carolina Chef Ambassador Program. Chefs from across the state are nominated each year for the state’s program. Four were chosen for the quality of their provisions and their dedication to incorporating healthy, locally grown ingredients into their menus.

The 2020 SC Chef Ambassadors are:

- Chef Kevin Mitchell of the Culinary Institute of Charleston
- Chef Raffaele Dall’Erta, Hamptons in Sumter
- Chef Jason Tufts, Malia’s in Aiken
- Chef Jamie Daskalis, Johnny D’s Waffles and Benedicts in Myrtle Beach

“Chef Ambassadors bring to the table a skill set that most people can only imagine: blending and balancing flavors and textures that create



memorable dining, an important part of tourism,” Gov. McMaster said. “We are delighted to deliver this program in 2020 with great chefs, and look forward to the dishes and chatter it will generate.”

The Chef Ambassadors will represent South Carolina at special events, food festivals and media missions throughout 2020.

Dishes prepared by chefs at special events will be made with Certified South Carolina produce, meats and seafood to deliver an authentic South Carolina meal.

“Chefs are a bridge to the farmers who grow and raise our food — they teach us about our culinary traditions and how to eat seasonally and locally,” said Commissioner of Agriculture Hugh Weathers. “These talented Chef Ambassadors showcase South Carolina’s diverse food heritage as well as their own creativity, and we’re proud to honor them.”

“From a tourism perspective, the Chef Ambassador program has provided tremendous opportunities to elevate the culinary profile of South Carolina and its destinations,” said Duane Parrish, Director of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism. “As this program has evolved, we have continued to explore and pursue new ways to showcase South Carolina’s culinary talent.”

THE 2020 SOUTH CAROLINA CHEF AMBASSADORS

CHEF KEVIN MITCHELL

Chef Instructor

Culinary Institute of Charleston | Charleston, SC

Chef Kevin Mitchell’s culinary work embraces traditional American flavors, sumptuous soul food flair and delicate French cuisine. This broad mastery of global and regional techniques earned him the Grumpy Gourmet’s title of “Super Chef.” Chef Mitchell began his training as a young boy in his grandmother’s kitchen, where he first paid his dues by picking greens – cleaning collard greens, kale and spinach. This experience laid the foundation for his dedication to moving food from the fresh market to a white tablecloth, and he’s steadily climbed up the culinary ranks ever since.



CHEF JASON TUFTS

Executive Chef

Malia’s | Aiken, SC

Chef Jason Tufts has served as the Executive Chef at Malia’s in downtown Aiken since 2017. Prior to that, he served as Executive Chef at the Doctors Hospital of Augusta, the Green Boundary and Woodside Plantation Country Club. He graduated from Johnson and Wales University in Charleston, SC in 1999. Jason is a big proponent of using local products and was nominated by the founder of the Chef Ambassador program, Brandon Velie, of Juniper restaurant in Ridge Spring, SC.



CHEF RAFFAELE DALL’ERTA

Executive Chef

Hamptons | Sumter, SC

Born and raised in Milan, Chef Raffaele Dall’Erta was introduced to cooking at a very young age. His father’s love of food and skill in the kitchen was a great influence on his youth, as were early foraging trips with his grandmother where the only rule was not to come home empty-handed. Chef Dall’Erta attended culinary school at Vallesana in Northern Lombardy and took on apprenticeships which led to positions in top Italian kitchens including Don Lisander and La Rondine. He has spent time in world-renowned restaurants such as The Fat Duck in the United Kingdom and Per Se in New York. After 11 years as the Sous Chef at the renowned Inn at Little Washington, Dall’Erta joined the team at Hamptons.



CHEF JAMIE DASKALIS

Johnny D’s Waffles and Benedicts | Myrtle Beach, SC

A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America with a degree in Baking & Pastry, Chef Jamie Daskalis is a 20-year restaurant business veteran. Growing up, her father had four restaurant locations in New York, and it was in those restaurants that her love of food started. In Myrtle Beach, she found an amazing sense of community leading her to open Johnny D’s in the Grand Strand. Recently, Jamie was awarded “Best Chef” from *South Carolina Woman Magazine* and *Grand Strand Magazine*. In 2020, she will release *Making It Delicious*, her first cookbook.



ABOUT THE SC CHEF AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Tourism and agriculture have a significant impact on South Carolina, contributing tens of billions of dollars to the state’s economy each year and accounting for hundreds of thousands of jobs statewide. The South Carolina Chef Ambassador (SCCA) program was established to create greater unity between these two major industries, while enhancing the overall promotion of South Carolina as a top culinary destination. Enacted by Governor Nikki Haley in 2014, the program highlights the state’s talented chefs, creative recipes, authentic cuisines, locally grown produce and unique products, showing visitors and locals alike why South Carolina is Just Right.