



Save the Date for our Upcoming Events!



Events Calendar

Registration information: louisianaglci.org/events

**April
24**

Beginner Fencing Workshop
Location TBA
Equipping and building confidence for beginners

**May
8**

Brookshire Farm Pasture Walk
Abbeville, LA | 9:00-12:00
Pasture-raised beef in South Louisiana

**Dec
4**

Annual Louisiana Forage Conference
Alexandria, LA | 8:00-3:00
Expert speakers + network with farmers from across the state

LouisianaGLCI is a producer-led and producer-focused 501(c)(3) non-profit that promotes, inspires, and teaches conservation-focused and profitable grazing practices across Louisiana through farmer-to-farmer education and networking.

We're gearing up for our first workshop and pasture walk of 2026! Mark your calendars for these two events — registration coming soon!

Events

Upcoming LGLCI Events

April 24: Beginners' Fencing Workshop

May 8: Brookshire Farm Pasture Walk | Abbeville, LA | 9:00-12:00

Dec 4, 2026: LGLCI/LFGC Annual Forage Conference | Alexandria

More info and registration for all events at LouisianaGLCI.org/Events

Tara Morris (education@louisianaglci.org or 225-721-1313)

**Sponsorships available for all events*

Join the LGLCI Team: We're Hiring a Video Intern

Louisiana GLCI is looking for a creative and motivated **intern** to help capture and edit short-form educational videos for farmers and ranchers, such as **grazing tips, ranching hacks, and behind-the-scenes farm content**.

This 1-year, part-time internship is designed to help an individual build a real video portfolio while learning how agricultural organizations use social media to share practical knowledge.

Please feel free to share this opportunity with anyone you know who may be interested!
See the full description and application form on [our website](#).

Description & Application

Buttercup: An Indicator or a Problem?



Check out our recent blog post all about this widespread invasive Louisiana pasture plant.

Buttercup tends to flourish in pastures with poor stands of desirable forage plants. Overgrazing pastures in the fall can lead to buttercup infestations. In addition, buttercup plants prefer wet and compacted soils. Maintaining some type of cover, such as planting annual ryegrass or other grass-clover mixtures will provide competition to the buttercup and help to minimize buttercup infestations.

[Read More](#)

Louisiana Beef Cattle Producer Needs Assessment Survey

Help the LSU AgCenter identify the most important extension programs and research needs for beef cattle operations across Louisiana. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Your feedback will directly influence future educational offerings and research initiatives.

[Survey](#)

Board Member Feature: Larry Allain Featured in AOL Article

[Meet the Louisiana family farm keeping Cajun culture alive & kicking](#)

"Larry Allain and his son Andre, grow vegetables for local farmers' markets and restore native Cajun prairie across much of the property. Their long-term vision includes grazing sheep on restored grasslands and reconnecting agriculture to the rhythms of this landscape. They practice regenerative and ecological farming that starts with soil health."

[Read the Full Article](#)

Upcoming External Events:

- [Farmer Veteran Coalition Resource Farm Tour](#) | April 11-12 | Leesville, LA
- [LSU AgCenter Beef & Forage Field Day](#) | Jeanerette, LA | April 16
- [LSU AgCenter Wheat & Oat Field Day](#) | Winnsboro, LA | April 22
- [LSU AgCenter NW Beef & Forage Field Day](#) | Homer, LA | April 30
- [Coastal Prairie Farm](#) - Pasture monitoring using existing and novel tech. | Eunice, LA | May 19
- [Farmer Veteran Coalition Resource Farm Tour](#) | June 6-7 | Bossier City, LA
- [LSU AgCenter Hay Day](#) | Coushatta, LA | June 11

ACADIANA CATTLE PRODUCER FIELD DAY



Date: THURSDAY, April 16, 2026
Time: 2:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Place: LSU AgCenter Iberia Research Station
(603 LSU Bridge Road, Jeanerette, La 70544)

Registration starts at 2:30 P.M.
- Approved for Master Farmer Phase II/CEC credit

Supper Provided

Topics:

- Welcome/Introductions
- Program Updates - (Beef Extension Program and Master Farmer Program)
- Biosecurity Planning for New World Screwworm
- Ryegrass Variety Trials and Forage Update
- Growing Legumes in Louisiana: Alfalfa and Rhizoma Peanut
- Emerging and Established Insect Pests of Forage and Pastures

Contacts: Iberia - Blair Hebert (337-369-4440); Iberia Research Station - Dr. Michael Pontif (337-443-0742); Lafayette and St. Martin - Lanie Richard (337-291-7090); Vermillion and Acadia - Abigail Sartin (337-898-4335); Louisiana Forage and Grassland Council - Ed Twidwell (225-578-4564); Beef Cattle Nutritionist - Marcelo Vedovatto (318-880-1534)



From Service to Soil Resource Rally



Hosted by Farmer Veteran Coalition
Connect • Learn • Grow
Supporting Veterans in Agriculture

Who Should Attend

- Military Veterans
- Active-Duty Service Members
- Beginning & Experienced Veteran Farmers
- Military Families interested in Agriculture

Event Highlights

- Meet Veteran-Focused Agricultural Organizations
- Learn about USDA & Conservation Programs
- Farm Tour & Demonstrations
- Cost Sharing and Grant Opportunities
- Livestock, Specialty Crops, and Drone Resources
- Networking with Veteran Farmers and Agricultural Professionals
- Connect with Regional Vet Center

Event Timeline:

Saturday, April 11th
0900-1500
Location: VFW Post 3106
205 E Harriet St.
Leesville, LA 71446

Sunday, April 12th
0900-1500 Farm Tour
Location: Driftwood Farm
23927 Newcomer Rd.
Iowa, LA 70647

✓ **Lunch will be provided on both days.**

Please Register in Advance



Contact us by email to receive more information:
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for meal

From pasture to profit: join us to learn how to market your agricultural products!

Vermilion Parish Extension Office

1105 W Port Street
Abbeville, LA 70510

April 8th, 2026
5:30 to 7pm

RSVP by April 6th
337-898-4335



News and helpful articles we've noticed this month:

Video:

What a solid idea- this chicken coop is set up to roll itself, saving the forage and your back - [Guidry Farms Rolling Solar Powered Chicken Coop in Louisiana](#)

Articles:

It's always nice to see pictures that show new farm projects to propose to your husband... [Mobile feeders and shade structures, with photos, by Practical Farmers of Iowa](#)

How exciting to see LSU working on a large grain variety for grazing. Triticale Forage Development by LSU - [LSU studies triticale to work toward a Louisiana-focused variety](#)

A good podcast seems to make my tedious farm tasks go faster. Here's one I found the other day while fixing a row of fence my young calves had decided to test.

Podcast on Debt, Success, People, and Investing - [Ranching Returns podcast, Episode 263: Dallas Mount- Success, Debt, People, Investing](#)

Back in 2024, I went to a conference and farm tour in Alabama, and was impressed with how similar Alabama's forage needs are to our own. [So, here is a schedule of the 2026 Alabama Extension Statewide Beef and Forage Field Days](#), in case anyone else doesn't actually take vacations and instead, travels to ag educational events for road trips (ahem)

Wouldn't it be great to have a Louisiana Rancher known nationwide? Nominate a Rancher - [Know a Rancher Restoring the Land? Noble Research Institute Is Seeking Nominations](#)

Move fast, rest long...

— Tara Morris, Executive and Education Director, Louisiana GLCI



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Get Involved with Louisiana GLCI

We are a producer-led and producer-focused 501(c)(3) non-profit that promotes, inspires, and teaches conservation-focused and profitable grazing practices across Louisiana through farmer-to-farmer education and networking.

You can become involved by being a financial supporter or event sponsor, an education provider, a volunteer, or just spreading the word about our events and education.

See more at the [Get involved](#) section on the website.

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If you ever find good resources to share, feel free to send them our way!

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