Rich Mountain Conservation District

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<u>Annual Nut Sale Fundraiser</u>

Its that time of year again! Out Annual Nut Sale Fundraiser has begun. This fundraiser funds scholarships for Polk County students. Last year we were able to give out \$3,000. The scholarships are usually for high school seniors, but we were able to fund scholarships for some Polk County Kids already in college. We hope to raise even more this year! If you are interested in placing an order you can call the office, stop by and knock on the door for someone to give you an order form or you can get it off the website <u>www.rmcd.org</u>. Orders are due October 15, and the nuts should be here for Thanksgiving cooking. We greatly appreciate everyone's support!

Grain Drill Rental

Needing some winter grass? Don't have a no-till drill to



' Don't have a no-till drill to plant your winter grass? Then you can rent ours! We have two no-till drills October 2021 Newsletter

· manual		2021 Annual Scholarship Nut Sale			Quantity	Total
Service Center ************************************	Rich Mountain Conservation	Pecan Halves	1 lb. Bag	8.75		
	District	Pecan Pieces	11b. Bag	B.25	-	
	508 7th St. Mena, AR 71953	Pecan Halves	5 lb. bulk	41.75		
	Phone: 479-437-6054	Pecan Pieces	5%b. Bulk	40.00		
Fax: 855-8288 Attn: RMCD Email: richmountainconservation@gmal.com Name Address Phone Business Taking orders until October 15, 2021 Orders will arrive in time for Thanksgiving Baking[] Order Total: \$		Praline Pecans	11b. Bag	8.25		
		White Chocolate Pecans	1lb. Bag	8.50		,
		Chocolate Amaretto Pecan Halves	11b, Bag	8.50		
		Dark Chocolate Pecan Halves	1lb. Bag	8.50		
		Milk Chocolate Pecans	1lb, Bag	8.50	1	
		Deluxe Mixed Nuts	11b. Bag	7.25		_
		Raw Peanuts	1lb. Bag	3.75		
		Double Dipped Chocolate Peanuts	1lb. Bag	6.25		
		Chocolate Almonds	11b. Bag	7.00	-	
		Whole Cashews Roasted/Salted	11b. Bag	7.75		
		English Walnut Halves & Pieces	1lb. Bag	6.75		
		Chocolate Raisins	11b. Bag	5.75		
		Gourmet Pecan Log Rolls	7 oz. per roll	6.00		
PELAN		*Conservation Sampler	8 (11b. Bag)	53.50		
	All proceeds go to scholarships for Polk	Dill Pickle Peanuts	10 oz. can	7.50		
	County students!	Jalapeno Peanuts	10 oz. can	7.50		
	a to date	Salt & Vinegar Peanuts	10 oz. can	7.50		
		Southern Heat Peanuts	10 oz. can	7.50		
	-	Includes: Pecan Halves, Cashews, Ho	oney Roasted Pea	nuts, Chocolat	le Raisins, Choco	ate Amare
		Halves, Chocolate Peanuts, Chocolate	Almonds, Walnut	5		

that are ready to go. There is a \$50 deposit and a 5-acre minimum. After 5 acres it is \$10 an acre and you need to have at least a 50-horse tractor.

Planting Annual Ryegrass

Annual Ryegrass has many benefits. It is a cool season grass that prevents erosion, improves soil structure and drainage, adds organic matter, and suppresses weeds. Ryegrass tolerates wetter soil and is more tolerable to poor fertility than small grains. It is the best winter

annual for emergency planting. It's a very palatable forage that establishes quickly and produces a lot of forage in a short amount of time. Planting Ryegrass is usually cheaper than planting wheat or other small grains, making it a very economical choice. When establishing grass Ryegrass is a good addition when inter-seeding cool-season annuals into bermudagrass sod for grazing programs to produce the highest possible performance, body weight gain and profitability. You can extend the grazing period in late fall and early spring by letting livestock graze cover crops of Ryegrass or a Ryegrass based mix. However later maturity of annual Ryegrass can cause issues with shading of



warm-season grasses if the Ryegrass is not grazed or cut for hay or silage in a timely manner in the spring.

Annual Ryegrass should be planted at a rate of 20-30 lbs an acre at a depth of 0-1/4 ich during September 1-October 31. It should not be grazed till it has reached 6-12 inches tall and should be done grazing when it is down to 3-4 inches. Common available varieties are \$14-\$32 per acre. Other varieties are \$32-\$42 per acre. When establishing Ryegrass, it can either be done with a no-till drill or by broadcast planting. The existing residual forage and any residue material needs to be 3-inches or less. Additionally, the nighttime temperatures need to be consistently 60° F or lower on a warm season-based pasture. This will typically be in October. Increase the seeding rate for broadcast

method over using a no-till drill. When broadcasting there is no need to till the ground. If the residue material is high the pasture may need to be drug after broadcasting. Do not graze the annual Ryegrass until the plant is well established.

Increasing the grazing pressure in late spring will help allow additional sunlight to reach the lower plant canopy to encourage warm season grass seedling growth.

Annual Ryegrass is a prolific re-seeder meaning if the plant produces a seed head, there is a good chance it will emerge the following fall. Consider this as you plan your grazing management strategy.

Pumpkin Dump Cake

Putting the name aside, Pumpkin Dump Cake is a delicious twist on pumpkin pie that's perfect for fall. It's a cake on top of a pumpkin pie without the hassle of a pie crust.

Ingredients:

- 1 15 oz can pumpkin puree (not pie filling)
- 1 10 oz can evaporated milk
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 3 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1 box yellow cake mix (just the dry mix)
- 2 sticks of butter melted

Frosting glaze

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Instructions:
 - 1. Mix the pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar, and pumpkin pie spice in a bowl with a whisk
 - 2. Pour the pumpkin pie filling in a greased 9x13 baking pan
 - 3. Sprinkle yellow cake mix evenly over the top
 - 4. Pour melted butter over the cake mix
 - 5. Bake at 350° for 45-50 minutes, until center is set, and a toothpick comes out clean

Frosting glaze

1. Mix the powdered sugar, milk and vanilla in a bowl with a whisk until smooth. Pour over the top of the cake while its still warm. Let it cool and harden to a sweet, crackled glaze on the top.

Note

- Add chopped nuts or toffee bits to the top of the cake for a nice crunch
- Skip the glaze and serve with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream instead

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