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Short Form

Form 990-EZ

OMB No 1545-1150

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2015

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning	NOV 1, 2015	and ending	OCT 31, 2016
B Check if applicable	C Name of organization		
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	Jefferson County Farm Bureau		
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return	Room/suite		
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated	P.O. Box 8052		
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code		
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Pine Bluff, AR 71611		
G Accounting Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ►			
I Website: ► www.arfb.com/jefferson			
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(5) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	<(insert no.)		
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ	► \$ 190,840.		

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	35,487.
	4 Investment income	4	6,300.
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	49,425.
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	18,456.
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	30,969.
	6 Gaming and fundraising events	6a	
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6b	
b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6c		
c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6d		
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	7a		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7b		
b Less: cost of goods sold	7c		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	8	99,628.	
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	9	172,384.	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	10		
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	11	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	12	97,830.
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	13	600.
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	14	29,157.
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	15	2,728.
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	16	32,867.
16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	17	163,182.	
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	18	9,202.	
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	19	104,810.
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	20	0.
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	21	114,012.
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20		

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

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		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	27,376.22	7,227.
23	Land and buildings	208,235.23	219,495.
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	3,198.24	7,679.
25	Total assets	238,809.25	234,401.
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	133,999.26	120,389.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	104,810.27	114,012.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **Agricultural Promotion**

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated - see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

X

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Bryan Bonds	0.50	0.	0.	0.
President	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Kris Baker	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Vice President	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Meredith Baker	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Secretary	0.50	0.	0.	0.
M. Bitely, III	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Bill Blankenship	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Lee Blankenship	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Ron Blankenship	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Pam Carroll	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Timothy Carroll	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Dale Davis	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Michael Davis	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Ricky Davis	0.50	0.	0.	0.
Member	0.50	0.	0.	0.

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Sch. O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O 33

34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) 34

35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? 35a

b If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 35b

c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 35c

36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N 36

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 37a

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? 37b

38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? 38a

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a

b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b

40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:

section 4911 ► ; section 4912 ► ; section 4955 ► 40b

b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I 40c

c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40d

d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40e

e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► None

42a The organization's books are in care of ► The Organization Telephone no. ► 870-535-1616
Located at ► P.O. Box 8052, Pine Bluff, AR ZIP + 4 ► 71611

b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ►
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ►

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43 N/A

44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44a

b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44b

c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44c

d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 44d

45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? 45a

b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) 45b

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office?
If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

Yes	No
46	X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

Yes	No
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47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Sch. C, Part II

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48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

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49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49a	
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b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b	
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50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee N/A	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ► _____

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None." N/A

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ► _____

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ► Yes No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

7-26-17

Date

Dawn A. Bonds, Res. esp

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Sherry Chesson, CPA	Sherry Chesson	7-12-17		P00174819
	Firm's name ► Thomas & Thomas LLP				Firm's EIN ► 71-0271741
	Firm's address ► 201 E. Markham, Suite 500 Little Rock, AR 72201				Phone no. 501-375-2025

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

► Yes No

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Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

Part V **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

Schedule L, Part II, Loans To and From Interested Persons:

(a) Name of Person: Benny Fratesi

(c) Purpose of Loan: Purchase new building and land

(a) Name of Person: M. Bitely III

(c) Purpose of Loan: Improvements for new building and land purchased

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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Name of the organization

Jefferson County Farm Bureau

Employer identification number
71-0269275

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 4, Rental Income:

<u>Kind and Location of Property:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<u>Office Space - Pine Bluff, AR</u>	<u>6,300.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue:

<u>Description of Other Revenue:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<u>Insurance Service Fees</u>	<u>97,648.</u>
<u>Royalty Income</u>	<u>1,980.</u>
<u>Total to Form 990-EZ, line 8</u>	<u>99,628.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 14, Occupancy, Rent, Utilities, and Maintenance:

<u>Description of Expenses:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>7,133.</u>
<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>22,024.</u>
<u>Total to Form 990-EZ, line 14</u>	<u>29,157.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses:

<u>Description of Other Expenses:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<u>Supplies</u>	<u>2,503.</u>
<u>Telephone</u>	<u>12,652.</u>
<u>Equipment rental and maintenance</u>	<u>807.</u>
<u>Conf, conventions, etc.</u>	<u>3,209.</u>
<u>Insurance</u>	<u>839.</u>
<u>Advertising and Promotion</u>	<u>1,521.</u>
<u>Youth and Safety</u>	<u>1,000.</u>
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>9,000.</u>

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Jefferson County Farm BureauEmployer identification number
71-0269275Depreciation 1,336.Total to Form 990-EZ, line 16 32,867.Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24, Other Assets:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beg. of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
<u>Utility Deposits</u>	85.	85.
<u>Other Depreciable Assets</u>	3,113.	7,594.
<u>Total to Form 990-EZ, line 24</u>	3,198.	7,679.

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26, Other Liabilities:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beg. of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
<u>Prepaid Membership</u>	10,233.	9,745.
<u>Payroll Liabilities</u>	2,249.	1,794.
<u>Accounts Payable</u>	121,517.	108,850.
<u>Total to Form 990-EZ, line 26</u>	133,999.	120,389.

Form 990-EZ, Part V, Information Regarding Personal Benefit Contracts:

The organization did not, during the year, receive any funds, directly,
or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract.

The organization, did not, during the year, pay any premiums, directly,
or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract.

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