



DECEMBER 2018



HINTON MILLS' CENTENNIAL YEAR

HOLIDAYS AT HINTON MILLS



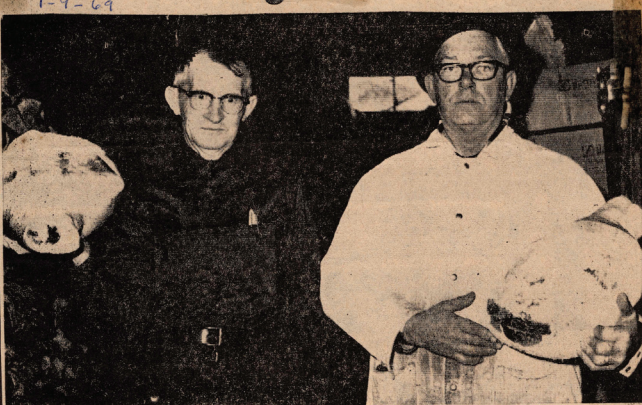
WINTER & HOLIDAY FEED DELIVERIES

Help us ensure that we get you your feed when you need it. Please call in feed orders for deliveries at least 24 hours in advance (and 48 hours in advance of expected inclement weather or holidays.)

The safety and well-being of our employees is our greatest responsibility. To help us protect our employees and to limit your liability should an accident occur, please take time now to repair ladders and feed bins.

**OPEN UNTIL 12:30 P.M. CHRISTMAS EVE
CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY & NEW YEAR'S DAY**

It's Ham Curing Time At Hinton's ...



Craig Preston and Pete Spradling.

Pictured above are Craig Preston and Pete Spradling, who live at Covington, Ky. But each winter Mr. Spradling comes back to help with the large task of curing the delicious hams. A man who knows good food, Mr. and Mrs. Spradling operated a grocery store and catering service in Covington for 28 years. They sold the firm three years ago but the new owner calls Pete back during the Christmas season to help with the rush. This year Pete cooked 80 country hams for the customers. The Spradlings really enjoyed themselves this year. They traveled 14,000 miles in four states, but it was for business as well as pleasure. After selling his store he decided to try personally marketing his father-in-law's famous spears and knives. He reports they are selling well—

GET YOUR COUNTRY HAMS

Ham curing was a big business at our Plummers Landing location for many years. According to this 1969 article, we sold 1,200 country hams and cured another 1,500 to sell during the Christmas season of 1970. We don't cure our own anymore, but we do stock delicious Blue Grass country hams - only **\$3.49/lb.**

Get yours before they're gone!



SHOP HINTON MILLS FOR UNIQUE CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

Check off your Christmas shopping list with Hinton Mills branded clothing & hats, boots, coveralls, toys & more! Visit our Flemingsburg location for best selection.



REINDEER FEED IS BACK!

Stop in any of our five locations December 17-22 with your little elves so they can get a free bag of Hinton Mills Reindeer feed! Available while supplies last.



Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

PICK UP YOUR
COMPLIMENTARY
HINTON MILLS
CALENDAR
STARTING
DECEMBER 8TH

Available at all 5 locations while supplies last.



HINTON MILLS AGRONOMY MEETINGS

Topics will include a year in review, soil sampling for fertilizer and lime recommendations, understanding soil test values and conversions, resistant weeds and the importance of a preplant chemical program, and seed for 2019. All are welcome - please join us!

DECEMBER 4TH
9:00 a.m.
Cynthiana
Biancke's Restaurant

DECEMBER 5TH
10:30 a.m.
Flemingsburg
Extension Office

A LOOK BACK AT WHAT THE HINTON MILLS TEAM DID IN NOVEMBER 2018



PASSION DAY was an opportunity for us to share with Hillsboro Elementary School students and host students from Flemingsburg Elementary at our Flemingsburg location and Kentucky Welding Institute. We had a great time discussing agriculture, small business, and welding.



WE CONNECTED WITH those running for office to make sure they understand how to support agriculture and small businesses during their next terms. Congratulations to U.S. Congressman Andy Barr and Ky. State Representative Matt Koch on your elections!

PRIEFERTIZATION

in Mt. Pleasant, Texas was a great opportunity for three of Hinton Mills' finest to sharpen the axe. Thanks Tyler Frederick, Matt Hinton and Stephen Flynn for taking time out to learn to better serve our customers! Shown is a custom chute built for the movie Jurassic World.



FLEMING COUNTY SCHOOLS

recognized Hinton Mills for organizing educational activities, providing resources and supporting students across the district.



KINDERGARTEN

students from Ewing Elementary stopped by the Flemingsburg store to thank us for supporting their school throughout the year.



FLATT LONESOME

brought down the house at November's Years of Farming Bluegrass Show.

MATT WATSON

represented Hinton Mills, purchasing several hams, including Maria Mitchell's (pictured), at the Fleming County 4-H country ham auction.

COLBY & KATIE COOPER

stopped by to deliver the banner for purchasing their animal at the Germantown Fair.

THEIR FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT!

Three Fleming County High School students spent a day at our Flemingsburg location for their job shadowing experience.



Years of Farming Bluegrass Show

Double S Entertainment
150 Foster St., Flemingsburg
(606) 748-0798



SHOWS
START AT
2:00 P.M.

TICKETS
\$15

DECEMBER 9TH - DAVID PARMLEY & CARDINAL TRADITION
OPENING BAND: THE ACOUSTICATS

JANUARY 6TH - RALPH STANLEY II
OPENING BAND: PO RAMBLIN BOYS

JANUARY 27TH - THE GRASCALS
OPENING BAND: WEST LIBERTY MOUNTAIN BOYS

HINTON MILLS

TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to these four great Hinton Mills team members! Thanks for everything you do to serve our customers, our other team members, and our community. We couldn't do it without you.



WAYNE BRUNER

Location: May's Lick Mill
Team Member Since 2018

One of the newer members of our team, Wayne unloads trucks, keeps up with the warehouses, and also pitches in wherever needed around May's Lick Mill. He pointed out just how far people will come for the quality of Hinton Mills feed - well over 100 miles in some cases. He has two sons, Jerome and Jordan, and when he's not at the mill, he and his wife Paula Rae enjoy antiquing.



ROBERT DOYLE

Location: Fleming County Farm Supply
Team Member Since 2013

Robert handles all our Hinton Mills branded merchandise and lots of the other special projects we have going on at any given time. He enjoys getting to do a wide variety of things - it's something different nearly every day. Robert also raises produce that he sells at farmers markets and helps out with his family's cattle herd. He and his wife Aleta have two children, Eli and Ella.



MATT WATSON

Location: Jabetown Mill
Team Member Since 2013

Matt enjoys working with customers to help solve their problems. He thinks one of the things that makes Hinton Mills special is how all team members make doing the right thing - whether for customers or the community - their number one priority. In his free time, he enjoys farming with his wife Melinda and their two young children, Harlee and Wyatt.



DILLON CRAIG

Location: Jabetown Mill
Team Member Since 2018

Dillon works in the mill and makes bagged feed deliveries out of our Jabetown Mill location. He's spent time at many of our facilities, and enjoys the family friendly working environment. He and his wife Fiona live in Flemingsburg, and enjoy spending time with family when they are off work.

100TH
ANNIVERSARY

Savings

**HINTON MILLS
SWEATSHIRT**

Colors vary by location.
Greatest selection at
Flemingsburg location.

December
1st-31st
\$19.18

Hinton Family Recipes

Georgia Nell, sister of Frank Lambert Hinton, was born October 26, 1899 at Plummers Mill. She was the mother of Maurice Newman, long-time Hinton Mills manager. Nell was a pianist at Shiloh Methodist Church for more than 60 years. This photo of Nell & her sister-in-law Ellora was taken December 24th, 1988, Nell's last Christmas.

OLD FASHIONED FRUIT SALAD

- 3 apples - cut in small pieces
- 3 oranges - cut in small pieces
- 3 bananas - cut in slices
- 1 cup grapes
- 1 cup pineapple chunks
- 1 cup marshmallows
- 1 cup nuts - chopped
- 1/4 cup pineapple juice or water
- 1/2 cup sugar

Combine all ingredients and allow to stand overnight in refrigerator. Serve well chilled.

HINTON MILLS AT 100

Life in a Small Town

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

IN KEEPING with our celebration of the past 100 years here at Hinton Mills, we decided to take a look back at the Christmastime memories that Bud Hinton and his sisters Elaine, Jane and Jennie have from growing up in the store at Plummers Landing, when Frank Hinton & Son was the only location we had.

There are several constants from the Christmas season that still happen today in our stores. All four siblings mentioned the candy that would come in bulk boxes and had to be sorted into 1-pound bags for sale. Orange slices, chocolate drops, peanut clusters, and of course the hard candy that could be found in stripping rooms throughout the area to help when throats got scratchy from too much dust.

Calendars are also something that we've given to customers for as long as anyone can remember, and even people who have moved out of the area still write in and ask for one occasionally. We've used the same almanac style for decades, something farmers and gardeners seem to especially appreciate.

For years, Christmastime also signaled the time of year when tobacco went to market. According to Bud, it was a big deal when the burley cooperative set sale dates for the various tobacco warehouses, because, "everybody who farmed had tobacco, and everybody who grew tobacco needed to sell some before Christmas."

The store may have stocked more merchandise around Christmastime, but it wasn't necessarily different items than at any other time of year. There were a few toys, but for the most part, people shopped for shoes, boots, watches – necessities that often had to wait until after the tobacco had been sold.

From just before Christmas until the end of the year was a very busy time at the store. Farmers who sold tobacco were not only stopping in to buy Christmas presents, but to settle their accounts for the year. Anyone who had a particularly profitable year may have been looking to make a large purchase before January 1 to help with taxes. All that meant that Christmas for Bud, Elaine, Jenny and Janie was special, but a busy time.

Jenny and Jane both recalled that they didn't put up their Christmas tree until Christmas

Eve, and it was a cedar that their dad, Frank O., chopped down on the farm. Their stockings were his old wool army socks, and they were filled with items from the store – candy, and the seasonal fruit that would come in around Christmas like apples and oranges.

Elaine remembered a special trip that she and Jane took with their dad near Christmastime when she was in the first grade. Frank O. made frequent trips to Cincinnati to get merchandise to sell in the

store, and this time he took the girls with him.

"Our first stop was a great big wholesale place where they had Christmas decorations, and I still have a couple of little things from that trip. We used to put them on our Christmas tree every year," she said.

After that, they went to Zussman's, where both girls got to pick out winter coats, something Elaine remembers clearly to this day.

"I even remember what the buttons looked like," she said.



Ornaments from Elaine & Jane's trip to Cincinnati with their dad around 1957

Store and home life often overlapped, like when Jane remembered the huge roll of red and green paper that was used to wrap Christmas purchases in the store.

"It was huge," she said. "We must have had

that paper for four or five Christmases. And our presents were all wrapped in it too. It was green and I believe it had little red poinsettias on it. I bet there are still people who remember that paper."

There was one more reason that Christmas was special to the Hinton family – Frank L. and Ellora Hinton were married on Christmas Eve 1913. The following is her account of her wedding day from her journal:

"My dress was of dark blue satin, blue hat and blue high-top shoes, cheap wooly blue coat, and my first pair of silky stockings. Frank wore a black hat, suit, bowtie, white shirt and black top coat. He was driving a pretty, black horse and a rubber-tired buggy. We drove to Poplar Plains where the Reverend Thomas Howe lived. He was my mother's cousin. Our witnesses were my sister Addie & her boyfriend, Sam Evans. My sister cried during the ceremony, but I was too scared to cry. I still remember the vows we made. It wasn't all sunshine, but it was for better or worse, through good and bad, till death do us part."



Frank L. & Ellora Hinton on their 50th wedding anniversary (Christmas Eve 1963)

No matter what the memory, Christmas at Hinton Mills has always involved being surrounded by our family and neighbors, something we are thankful for every day.

Merry Christmas to you and your family from Hinton Mills!