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**LABOR DAY**  
Monday, Sept 3rd

**We will be Closed**

## Multiple Uses for Straw Bales

### Party Ideas



Straw Bales add a cozy, warm, country feel to outdoor parties and seasonal decorations. The best part is that you can create your own design. Make it casual or formal, whatever you desire.



When the party is over, use the bales for decorations. You may also use the bales for winter insulation:

- Spread over septic field to keep from freezing.
- Use in and around the dog house.
- Make a Scarecrow.
- Cover the rose bushes
- Pack around the house or trailer.
- Make a cozy outdoor cat box.



### Decorating Ideas



**Did you know?** Chicken is high in Vitamin B — which is linked to promoting psychological health. This essential nutrient also helps fight off anxiety, stress, and even memory loss.



**Hohl's Chicken 19%** \$11.<sup>75</sup>  
Per 50# bag. Reg. Price \$12.<sup>25</sup>

**Hohl's Chicken Scratch \$12.<sup>05</sup>**  
Per 50# bag. Reg. Price \$12.<sup>55</sup>

### September 23rd - Autumn Equinox

An old myth claims you can stand an egg on its end **ONLY** during the Vernal Equinox, when day and night are equal in length. Supposedly, this is because there is equal gravity between the Earth and the Sun on that day. But that's a myth! In reality, you can stand an egg on end any day.



## Food Plot 101: Food Plots for Procrastinators Still don't have your Food Plot In?

**That's Okay!** Oats can be planted through September. While grains get tough when they are bigger, a later planting of oats draw deer because they are high in carbohydrates. They stay smaller longer, giving them a larger window for optimal consumption.

Austrian Winter Peas are resilient to winter weather and deer love them. You may also mix the peas and oats together. Fall or winter rye is possibly the toughest of the grain family. It handles cold temperatures better than most and resumes rapid growth when the temperatures rise.

Brassicas can be planted into and sometimes through October, depending on the season. **Hohl's Fall Mix** is a very popular blend of brassicas. These annuals come up quick, approximately 7 days and are better equipped for colder temperatures.

**What is a Brassica?** Brassica is the scientific (genus) name for the mustard and turnip family including rape, kale, turnips and others, also known as Cruciferous vegetables. Some of these can be quite useful in deer management as late fall and winter forage when freezing temperatures raise the sugar content of the leaf. They then become highly palatable, are high in protein and highly digestible when virtually nothing else is available for deer to eat. Brassica's are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, which make them the powerhouses of vegetables.

**Brassica Caution:** Brassicas should never be grown on the same ground more than 2 years in a row, they need to be rotated out due to diseases such as anthracnose, powdery mildew, root knot, leaf spot, white rust, scab, turnip mosaic virus and rhizoctonia rot. It is best to have a few smaller food plots and rotate your planting mixtures. Some varieties of turnips and rape have some genetic resistance, but none are immune to the disease complex. There is no substitute for crop rotation! Rest the area for a minimum of two years. Clover mixes, wheat or rye make an excellent alternate crop for deer.



**STORE HOURS**  
MON-FRI 8-5 SAT 8-2



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