

Pruning trees in late winter has real benefits

Pruning trees early — in fact, by March — is typical only of fruit tree growers. Even so, shade, ornamental and even woodlot tree owners could find real advantages in adopting a late-winter deadline, said Kansas State University horticulturist Ward Upham. “In most years, the deciduous trees around here are fully dormant by January. So, judicious trimming then won’t hurt them so long as temperatures are above 20 degrees,” said

Upham, the Master Gardener program coordinator for K-State Research and Extension. In turn, the chore will be done before gardeners and farmers alike have to face the pressures of getting the growing season started, he said. And, when the trees awaken from dormancy, they’ll be immersed in a spring environment, which fosters most plants’ best growth and fastest wound recovery of the year.

For appearances alone, early pruning also helps “bleeder” trees weep less sap from fresh-cut wounds. Freezing temperatures (32 to 20 degrees F) help limit sap’s flow without causing internal wood damage, Upham said. “Bleeder trees can leak amazingly large amounts of sap from warm- season cuts. Apparently, this causes no long-term damage. Still, it can look like considerable damage, and it’s not too pretty,” he added.

Tree species vary in how easily and heavily they lose sap, Upham said. Central U.S. trees most apt to look like abused victims after a warm-weather pruning include any of the maples: amur, hedge, Norway, silver, sugar. Some other plant types, such as the grape vine, can also bleed, but additional trees that tend to flow with wound sap are the black walnut, pecan, birch, mulberry and Osage orange (also called hedge tree).

“One reason most fruit tree growers prune so early is that they need trees with the strongest structure possible for holding heavy fruit. Pruning while the trees are bare simply provides the clearest picture of which weak, rubbing or badly attached branches to remove,” the horticulturist said. “Besides, this timing still gives fruit growers time to apply dormant oil sprays without wasting any on branches bound for the woodpile.”

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All classes of cattle offered for our sale Friday, Feb. 8 were finding a good demand at steady to strong prices with the exception of steers and they were selling up to \$3 higher. Cull cows and bulls were also selling \$1 to \$3 higher.

STEER CALVES — 400-550 LBS.			
Winterman Farms	Westmoreland	5 blk str	400 @ 131.75
Dale Bosse	Hiawatha	9 blk str	513 @ 126.00
Jerry Kellenberger	Sabetha	10 blk str	544 @ 125.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	7 blk str	532 @ 124.50
Larry & Ken Thornton	Whiting	8 blk str	526 @ 123.50
Randy Kasten	White City	5 blk str	522 @ 122.50

FEEDER STEERS — 550-900 LBS.			
Mayer Ranch	Alta Vista	90 blk str	579 @ 124.35
Tom Steinberger	Wamego	5 blk str	557 @ 124.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	12 blk str	588 @ 120.50
Jim & Paul O'Trimble	Perry	17 blk str	588 @ 120.25
Larry & Ken Thornton	Whiting	13 blk str	593 @ 119.00
Sylvester Farms	Wamego	16 blk str	625 @ 115.60
Jerry Kellenberger	Sabetha	9 blk str	636 @ 115.00
Larry & Ken Thornton	Whiting	17 blk str	672 @ 109.35
Maurice Pritz	Lost Springs	8 blk str	666 @ 108.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	20 blk str	695 @ 107.90
Ben & Ray Heideman	Corning	6 blk str	711 @ 107.25
Paul Cox	Burns	5 blk str	691 @ 107.10
David Bowhay	Netawaka	15 blk str	696 @ 107.00
C.F. Hewes	Maple Hill	8 blk str	704 @ 105.25
Don & Greg Peterson	Clifton	65 mix	777 @ 104.90
Dennis Miller	Frankfort	11 blk str	702 @ 104.50
Jim & Paul O'Trimble	Perry	7 blk str	695 @ 102.50
Tom Matson	Vermillion	6 blk str	737 @ 102.25
Dennis Braddock	Olsburg	10 blk str	805 @ 101.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	7 blk str	839 @ 99.00
David Bowhay	Netawaka	37 blk str	840 @ 98.60
Dennis Miller	Frankfort	8 blk str	755 @ 98.35
Ben & Ray Heideman	Corning	10 blk str	855 @ 95.25
Dennis Braddock	Olsburg	29 xbred str	888 @ 93.40

HEIFERS — 375-550 LBS.			
Jerry Kellenberger	Sabetha	20 blk hfr	532 @ 118.00
Jim & Paul O'Trimble	Perry	14 blk hfr	549 @ 116.50
Alan Miller	Alma	12 blk hfr	530 @ 115.00
Dennis Miller	Frankfort	5 blk hfr	523 @ 115.00
Jamie Betts	Frankfort	6 xbred hfr	384 @ 114.00
Dale Bosse	Hiawatha	12 blk hfr	515 @ 113.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	9 blk hfr	545 @ 113.00
Jamie Betts	Frankfort	6 xbred hfr	488 @ 112.00
Justin Miller	Frankfort	5 blk hfr	497 @ 110.50
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	7 blk hfr	450 @ 110.00
Jerry Kellenberger	Sabetha	8 blk hfr	473 @ 109.00
Raymond Rickstrew	Belvue	6 blk hfr	459 @ 107.00

FEEDER HEIFERS — 550-875 LBS.			
Sylvester Farms	Wamego	88 blk hfr	559 @ 119.50
Larry & Ken Thornton	Whiting	22 blk hfr	587 @ 117.50
Alan Miller	Alma	22 blk hfr	565 @ 117.00
Jamie Betts	Frankfort	9 blk hfr	573 @ 112.75
Adam Kuckelman	Seneca	19 mix hfr	596 @ 112.00
Marvin Teske	Wheaton	9 blk hfr	611 @ 110.00
Sylvester Farms	Wamego	19 xbred hfr	582 @ 108.00
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	30 blk hfr	626 @ 105.50
Paul Cox	Burns	5 blk hfr	616 @ 104.50
Sylvester Farms	Wamego	25 blk hfr	642 @ 104.00
Kevin & Max Turnbull	Vliets	6 xbred hfr	606 @ 101.50
David Bowhay	Netawaka	32 blk hfr	657 @ 101.25
C.F. Hewes	Maple Hill	7 blk hfr	664 @ 99.50
Dennis Braddock	Olsburg	9 blk hfr	688 @ 96.50
Mike Jensen	Gypsum	7 xbred hfr	622 @ 96.25
Ben & Ray Heideman	Corning	11 blk hfr	728 @ 95.60

BULLS — 1,700-2,150 LBS.			
KSU Cow Calf Unit	Manhattan	1 blk bull	2120 @ 66.75
Mission Valley Ranch	Topeka	1 blk bull	1710 @ 65.00
Kevin & Max Turnbull	Vliets	1 xbred bull	1770 @ 63.25
Justin Miller	Alma	1 xbred bull	1730 @ 62.25

COWS & HEIFERETTES — 950-1,575 LBS.			
Larry & Ken Thornton	Whiting	1 blk hfrt	1050 @ 82.50
KSU Purebred Unit	Manhattan	1 blk hfrt	960 @ 71.00
Charles Terry	Winchester	1 char hfrt	855 @ 70.00
Brad Becker	Alta Vista	1 xbred cow	1380 @ 54.00
Kerwin Mann	Barnes	1 blk cow	1280 @ 52.25
Ken Caffrey	Frankfort	1 blk cow	1115 @ 52.25
Downey Ranch	Wamego	1 blk cow	1110 @ 52.00
Larry Thornton	Whiting	1 blk cow	1575 @ 51.00
David Hartwich & Sons	Wamego	1 blk cow	1115 @ 50.25
Charles Anderson	Topeka	1 xbred cow	1370 @ 49.25
Greg Steere	Alta Vista	1 blk cow	1545 @ 48.75
KSU Purebred Unit	Manhattan	1 blk cow	1370 @ 48.50
Wickstrum Farms	Westmoreland	1 blk cow	1135 @ 47.25
Tailgate Ranch	Prairie Village	1 blk cow	1325 @ 47.00
Bob Rose	Council Grove	1 blk cow	1465 @ 46.25
M4 Cattle Co.	Wheaton	1 bwf cow	1175 @ 45.75
Dean Altenhofen	Westmoreland	1 bwf cow	1085 @ 45.00
Perry Thompson	Osage City	1 cow	1075 @ 44.75
Jim Vilander	Wamego	1 bwf cow	1335 @ 43.25
Paul Cox	Burns	1 blk cow	1255 @ 35.25

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

115 choice rep. Angus str & hfrs, 4 rounds shots, longtime weaned, no implants on heifers, 600-800 lbs.

75 choice blk x steers & heifers, 600-700 lbs.

69 blk & Char x homeraised feeder steers, 800-850 lbs. Also 39 blk & Char homeraised x feeder heifers, 725-775 lbs.

45 blk & bwf str & hfrs, weaned, 600-750 lbs.

40 choice blk feeder str & hfrs, weaned, 2 rds shots, 650-800 lbs.

30 choice blk feeder str & hfrs, weaned, 2 rds shots, 700-800 lbs.

26 blk & bwf feeder heifers, 650-725 lbs.

20 blk str & hfrs, weaned, 1 rd shots, 500-600 lbs.

16 blk x steers, weaned, shots, 500-600 lbs.

13 blk str & hfrs, weaned 45 days, no implants, 400-500 lbs.

Complete Herd Dispersal to sell at 11:30 AM

34 blk cows, 2-6 yrs old to start calving Feb. 20th

UPCOMING SPECIAL DATES:

- River Creek - February 13th
- Mill Creek - February 26th
- NE Ks. Herf. Assn - March 15

SPECIAL STOCK COW & BRED HEIFER SALE, FEB. 20TH STARTING AT 11:00 AM

Complete Dispersal of 160 blk & bwf cows, 40 are 3 yrs. old with balance 6-8 yr. old. Cows are bred to Angus bulls to start calving March 1st

Complete Dispersal of 14 blk & red registered High Percentage Maine-Anjou cows, 4 yrs. & older bred to 1/2 Maine-Anjou and 1/2 Angus bull to start calving Feb. 28th. 1 - 1/2 Maine-Anjou, 1/2 Angus bull

Complete Dispersal of 25 bk cows, 4-7 yr. old bred to Angus & Char. bulls for April May calves and 25 bk cows, 4-7 yr. old bred to Angus & Char bulls for Aug/Sept. calves

75 homeraised blk cows, 5 yr. & older, bred to Green Garden Angus bulls to start calving March 6th

35 Angus Fink Beef Genetics fall calving cows, 2-8 yrs old w/Sept-Oct. calves by side. Running back w/Fink Beef Genetic bull since Nov. 22

34 Angus OCV cows, 6-7 yrs old, some w/calves by side, balance calving now

18 choice rep. F1 bwf 1st calf hfrs, bred to Angus bull, heavy springers

14 blk 1st calf hfrs w/fall & winter calves by side. Running back w/Angus bull

13 homeraised blk Sim cows, 5 are 3-5 years, 4 are older. Bred bk Simm bull for March 1 calving

13 blk cows, 2-8 yr. old w/Sept-Oct. calves by side. Calves all worked with shots. Cows have been running back Dec. 7th

11 Angus OCV 1st calf heifers, bred Angus, calving now

10 blk cows, 4 years bred to blk bull for March calves

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Paragon Perspectives

A commodity analysis by Ryan Broxterman

Wheat

On Friday the Wheat Exchanges announced that they were going to raise the limits in wheat from 30 to 60 cents. Volatility in the wheat market has reached an all time high. March Minneapolis wheat has locked the 30 cent limit higher on 13 of the last 15 trading sessions. On January the 11th March Minneapolis wheat broke through resistance at \$11 and has not looked back since. March Minneapolis is currently trading at \$15.50 with synthetic option positions pointing at \$19 as the stopping point. Both Kansas City and Chicago wheat have come along for the ride, advancing at a limit higher pace than all five trading sessions in the March and May contracts last week.

Thoughts: The wheat market is showing the classical signals of a blow off top. Buyers are not able to purchase the wheat that they need due to limit moves in the futures day after day. Once the market has went high enough for someone to step in on the other side of the commercial buyers, the blow off top will come to an end. Typically, a blow of top is followed by a fast and hard sell off. When the blow off top has ended we will look to add to our 2008 wheat sales.

Soybeans

On Friday the USDA re-

leased its monthly crop production and supply and demand figures. In the report, they lowered their estimate of 2007/08 US soybean carry-out to 160 mil bushels. This decrease was mainly attributed to the increases in crush and export demand. Some analysts estimate 2008 US soybean production near 2909 million bushels. This includes 5.4 million more acres and a 43 bushel per acre yield; however, carryout is still estimated to drop to 144 million bushels to nearly nothing. This continues to offer support to futures despite high prices. Harvest has begun in Brazil with early yield results being in line with estimates.

Thoughts: Looking at the demand picture for 2008/2009 soybeans, it is hard to get to excited about selling at current prices. For those without any new crop beans sold, we will suggest option strategies when the market gets back toward the highs. With so much summer volatility ahead we will look to steer clear of being short soybean futures.

Corn

The corn market continues to be demand driven. Even with historic prices, corn demand looks to push to an all time high. Export commitment is currently at a record pace and looks to finish above the current USDA estimate of 2450 mil-

lion bushels. In addition to export demand ethanol demand is stronger than ever. Ethanol production in November totaled 11.19 million barrels, which is 21.5% more than November of last year. Ethanol margins have improved dramatically over the past few months, causing a surge in ethanol production.

Thoughts: Like the Soybean market it is hard to get too excited about selling corn at the current time. Market fundamentals point to ample volatility this spring and summer which should translate to a great time to sell corn. For those who are worried about downside in the corn market we suggest option strategies that will limit the downside risk and leave the top open for continued advances in the weeks ahead.

Cattle

Last year, cash cattle prices peaked in April, averaging \$97.70. Last year we experienced significant

winter weather which supported prices, along with reduced on-feed supplies. This year we have had some wintery weather, but not as bad as last year, and on-feed supplies are larger. Currently futures are telling us that we are not going to top out cash cattle in April. April futures are currently sitting at \$95 while October and December are both sitting above \$101. This indicates that the trade feels cattle will be supported late in the year. This idea is supported by both lower beef cow numbers and lower heifer retention numbers. It seems that cow calf producers are bracing for the worst as feed cost climb higher. Producers seem to be anticipating the downturn in the cattle cycle and may therefore prevent it from happening. Sows number are currently falling as well, with many traders estimating that early next year we could see lean hog prices in the \$90 area.

Thoughts: We are cautiously friendly deferred live cattle contracts, and will continue to monitor the financial markets for fear of a downturn in the economy. A recession generally translates to a back off in beef demand due to the fact that beef is a superior good. Feeder cattle remain dependent on corn. With cost of gain continuing to rise, another leg up in the corn would be hard of feeder prices and therefore, we will continue to suggest staying hedged up in feeders.

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Dry-aging enhances beef flavor and tenderness and is used by a growing number of foodservice and retailers for the high-end, gourmet market. Dry-aging is a process where beef carcasses are stored without protective packaging at refrigeration temperatures for one to five weeks to

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Within the checkoff-funded summary, Savell notes that the greatest reason for dry aging beef is to further enhance its flavor. The summary also notes

that when dry-aging time is increased, members of a taste panel rated steaks juicier (Campbell et al. 2001). However, dry-aging can also result in increased moisture loss and trim loss.

For more information

on the unique flavor and preparation mystique behind dry-aging, or to view the full report, visit www.beefresearch.org and click on Product Enhancement Research Executive Summaries.

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DESCRIPTION: This Little Blue River bottom farmland currently has 129.7 acres of cropland with the balance being creek and roads. Two-story house and out buildings are in fair condition and are being sold in "as-is" condition. Seller to maintain use of house, plus ingress and egress from house, until May 1, 2008. The farm has three pumping permits. Permit details are available at www.ksda.gov. Pecan and walnut trees have been planted. Full possession of cropland for 2008 crop year.

COMMENTS: Announcements made the day of the sale will take precedence over printed material. Dave Bures, Listing Agent, & all other agents of Homestead Land Company, Inc. are acting as Seller's agents & work for the Seller.

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1998 Case-IH 2388, 800-65R32 radial front tires, monitors, bin extension, 2,284 engine hours, 1,896 separator hours; Case-IH 1020, 25 ft. flex grain header; John Deere 643, 6 row 30 inch corn head w/Bish John Deere to Case-IH adaptor; Harvest Hand header trailer; 2-shop built header trailers, 1 w/ JD 926 gear; We will sell the following headers and trailers for Robert Blaser of Waterville; 1998 John Deere 925, 25 ft. flex grain head, long and short snouts; John Deere 653A, 6 row 30 inch row head; EZ Trail header trailer; Shop built header trailer.

TRUCKS AND TRAILERS

1991 International 8100 single axle tractor, Cummins L-10, 6 cylinder Diesel, 9 speed transmission, 410,000 miles, day cab, white; 1997 Jet 26 ft. hopper bottom grain trailer, with roll top, tandem axle; 2002 Brent by Unverferth 572 grain cart, 23.1x26 tires, hydraulic fold auger, bin extension, roll tarp; Parker 250 bushel gravity wagon, w/12 ton gear, hydraulic drill fill auger; Parker 300 bushel gravity wagon, w/12 ton gear, hydraulic drill fill auger; 1998 Trailmann 7x24 gooseneck stock trailer; 1994 Titan 20 ft. gooseneck stock trailer; 1977 International 1700 truck, 404 V-8, 4&2, 16 ft. bed and twin cylinder scissors type hoist, steel floor, roll tarp, blue cab; 1969 Ford F-600 truck, 330 V-8, 4&2, 15 1/2 ft. bed and hoist, steel floor, blue cab.

PLANTING EQUIPMENT

Case-IH 900, 12 row 30 inch planter, rear fold, trash whippers, new covering discs, insecticide; John Deere 455, 3

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Putting beef consumers first, program unveiled in Reno

Four companies last week announced a joint effort to build bridges between consumers and beef producers.

Consumer First Beef Partners comprises Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB), Pfizer Animal Health, Land O’ Lakes Purina Feed LLC and Drovers/food360. The four companies represent key components of meeting consumer demand: genetics, health, nutrition and information.

Through unified leadership and education, the partners aim to better align production philosophies, strategies and management practices to raise cattle that meet the consumer demand for high-quality beef.

“Part of that is just raising awareness,” said Mike Krakoviak, cattle business group director for Land O’ Lakes Purina. “Here and in most countries interested in U.S. beef, demand is strongest for the highest quality beef, as defined by the 2005 National Beef Quality Audit (NBQA).”

That study said a shortfall in premium beef production costs the industry \$26.81 per head in lost opportunity. The market reflects demand in the historically wider USDA Choice-Select spread.

Cattle-Fax, in its 2007 “Value of Quality Analysis,” agreed there is too little premium beef, and calculated that the sector has added half a billion dollars to the industry every year since 2004. The added value is expected to grow if more premium beef is produced, and vice versa.

Last year, the wholesale value of an 800-pound USDA Select carcass was \$74 less than its Choice counterpart, and \$136 less than a branded, premium Choice carcass.

“We know cattle are sold by the pound,” said Drovers editor and associate publisher Greg Henderson. “But when producers look

beyond pounds, they stand to add value for themselves in the near term, and for the whole beef industry long term.”

Based on the NBQA, beef marketers and exporters from restaurant to retail say their customers want better-marbled, tender beef with juiciness and flavor. They could sell more if only it were available.

CAB, a non-profit subsidiary of the American Angus Association, sells more than half a billion pounds of its high-quality branded products each year. “The main reason it’s not a billion pounds is lack of supply,” said Mark McCully, CAB supply development director.

Marbling, the missing trait in most cattle that don’t qualify for CAB, is sacrificed by many technologies and management strategies today, McCully added. “We disappoint a lot of consumers in an attempt

to advance feed efficiency, growth rate and saleable pounds at the expense of marbling. We have to learn how to deliver the complete package.”

Mike Amos, Pfizer’s senior manager of strategic initiatives, said Consumer First Beef Partners can play a leading role in helping the cattle industry provide consumers with the highest quality beef. “We believe the industry is facing some challenging times ahead, yet our belief in the value and quality of beef has never been stronger,” he said. “We decided to participate because it will benefit our customers, and it’s consistent with our history of collaboration with like-minded companies and producers.”

“Cooperation is a good model for any sector of the industry,” Krakoviak added.

“We need to do the right things and communicate up and down the production chain.”

Consumer First Beef Partners plans to host educational and brainstorming sessions with producers, academia and consumers. “We can utilize every form of media from the Web to farm tours,” Henderson said. “As we begin to have more impact in the industry, we may be able to at-

tract more funding for research on how to best meet the beef consumer’s demands.”

Ultimately, success for Consumer First Beef Partners will be measured in a healthier bottom line for U.S. beef producers, the company spokesmen agreed. “There is no industry issue more important than consumer demand,” said McCully. “This is the right thing to do.”



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Group says court decision shows compelling need for ownership ban

In a letter to the chairmen and ranking members of both the Senate Agriculture Committee and the House Agriculture Committee, R-CALF USA urged the gentlemen to work with Congress to immediately amend the Packers and Stockyards Act (PSA) to prohibit the anti-competitive practice of packer ownership of livestock by the largest meatpackers that use packer-owned livestock to effect lower prices paid to producers for their live cattle.

"Without congressional action to make this practice unlawful, producers will have no recourse and no protection against the resulting manipulation and control of prices, and these producers who are damaged by these lower prices — caused by packer-owned livestock — are left completely without a remedy," said R-CALF USA President/Region VI Director Max Thornsberry, a Missouri veterinarian who also chairs the group's animal health committee.

R-CALF USA believes that last week's 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision in Schumacher et al. vs. Tyson Fresh Meats et al. demonstrates the compelling need for Congress to immediately adopt the prohibition of packer ownership of livestock contained in the Senate version of the 2007 Farm Bill.

"The 8th Circuit's deci-

sion erects yet another barrier for producers who have been harmed by the acts and practices of large meatpackers that result in the manipulation and control of cattle prices," Thornsberry wrote. "The 8th Circuit has interpreted the PSA...as requiring producers to prove not only that an act or practice of the meatpackers resulted in unlawful price manipulation or control, but also, producers must now prove that the meatpackers intentionally engaged in such unlawful conduct. This new requirement places an untenable burden on livestock producers who are harmed by livestock prices that are artificially lowered by the meatpackers' use of packer-owned livestock."

Thornsberry said that the RTI Study by the Grain Inspection Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) revealed that each 1 percent increase in packer-owned hogs causes a 0.24 percent decline in hog prices, and based on the study's finding that approximately 20 percent of hogs marketed are packer-owned, the negative price impact for producers is \$2.16 per cwt., or \$6.05 per hog. Numerous studies have found that such a negative relationship also occurs with cattle, he said.

"It is an untenable burden for producers who now would have to prove that

packers intentionally used their own livestock to lower livestock prices, even though USDA itself has found that the practice of packers owning livestock — without regard to intent — has the effect of lowering prices," Thornsberry wrote.

"Congress has the opportunity within the next few weeks to clarify its intent to preserve open and competitive livestock markets, unrestricted by the acts and practices of the highly concentrated meatpacking sector, so that U.S. farmers and ranchers who raise and sell livestock continue to have the opportunity to be profitable," he continued.

"The U.S. cattle industry is in a serious state of contraction, both in terms of the number of independent cattle operations and in terms of the size of the U.S. cattle herd," Thornsberry warned.

"Since 1980, nearly 40 percent of the 1.6 million cattle operations in the U.S. have ceased operations, and the U.S. herd size is more than 15 million head smaller than it was 25 years ago...(so) please fight aggressively for the adoption of the prohibition on packer ownership of livestock, along with the other meaningful competition reforms currently contained in the Senate version of the 2007 Farm Bill," he concluded.

2008 youth essay contest offers turkey hunt prize for lucky winner

The Flint Hills Gobblers Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWF) is challenging youngsters to write a story and win a two-day guided spring turkey hunt and a new turkey shotgun. In 500 words or less, entrants must explain why they choose to hunt. Youth 16 years and younger from Chase, Coffey, Greenwood, Lyon, Morris, Osage, and Woodson counties are eligible to participate.

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Getting carried away in the garden can lead to unexpected places

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An over-the-top solution? The 53-year-old says that's characteristic of him.

"I've been known to take things a little far," Baum says.

Some people just can't help getting carried away in the garden. A relaxing pastime becomes an obsession, turning them into compulsive weeder, fanatic plant collectors or prolific growers. They find themselves devoting large amounts of time and resources to their green pursuits. "For many gardeners, once they get established in gardening, they find the thing that really af-

fects them," says Doug Oster, co-host of a radio show, "The Organic Gardeners," and co-author of "Grow Organic" (St. Lynn's Press, 2007), both with Jessica Walliser. "It really does become an obsession."

People may be attracted to plants for various reasons, says Charlie Nardozzi, senior horticulturist with the National Gardening Association in South Burlington, Vt. Some like the science of growing them. Others appreciate their beauty.

Jeremy Wayne Lucas has sacrificed food, sleep and the company of loved ones for the sake of plants. A longtime gardener, he started to suspect that his hobby was taking over his life when his fiancée, Christina Anderson, accused him of loving his plants more than her.

Lucas, of Jacksonville, Fla., had started buying racks of near-dead, discounted plants from a big-box store and taking them home to nurse back to

health. He would normally pay \$10 for a rack of 600 to 1,000 sick plants.

Over the course of a year, he estimates, he brought home more than 100,000 plants. At times, his entire yard was covered with plant containers. Several times a week, he would make the 45-minute trek to the store, spend several hours loading his van with plants and then drive 45 minutes home to unload.

"I just got totally addicted," the 57-year-old says. "Some of my friends were saying they couldn't stand to watch me go totally crazy."

Lucas gave plants to friends, children, senior citizens and strangers. He would invite fellow gardeners over and offer them their pick.

Even giving the plants away was addicting.

When the store changed its policy about selling sickly plants, Lucas' buying binge came to a halt. He redirected his energies into an intensive gardening class and found a part-time job on the horticultural staff of the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens.

Joy Scott of Pittsburgh indulges her plant obsession every spring, pulling most of the dishes out of lighted display cupboards in the kitchen and filling them with flats of seedlings. The tiny plants thrive under the lights designed to spotlight tableware, she says.

"Pretty soon I'm going to be able to convince my husband to put in a greenhouse," she says.

Scott's winter contribu-

tion to her garden is mulching her neighbors' discarded Christmas trees, which she pulls from their garbage. Under the cover of darkness, she cruises the neighborhood looking for trees and loading one or two into her trunk.

Ralph Gale's gardening passion has taken him well beyond his neighborhood outside Topeka. Gale routinely travels to other states on behalf of his beloved day lilies. He attends seminars, swaps growing tips with other enthusiasts and checks out new varieties.

"I keep purchasing more

and more," says the 71-year-old. "I have about 200 different varieties."

During the warmer months, he and his wife, Mary, spend about five hours a day working on their 5-acre lot, which includes two ponds, a vegetable garden, flower beds and prairie grass.

Gale says he always attends the regional meetings of the American Hemerocallis Society and gets to the national conventions as often as he can.

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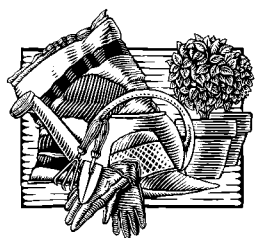
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Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

Gardening Knowledge

Winter is the time to cultivate your mind with gardening knowledge. There are many ways to do this. Garden shows are one interactive method. The show in Topeka is the weekend of the 16th and Manhattan's is the 23. Wichita has a popular garden show and it is March 5-9.

Safety program planned for February 18-20

Dam owners who want to learn how to extend the life and safety of their dams, and professionals who want to improve their understanding of dam safety issues, are invited to the Dam Safety Conference 2008 sponsored by the Kansas Department of Agriculture's dam safety program. The three-day conference will be Feb. 18, 19 and 20 at the Holiday Inn Campus, 1641 Anderson Ave., in Manhattan.

It will feature nearly 40 sessions covering embankment dam design, spillways and emergency planning. Matt Rosener, a hydrologist and water resource engineer based on the north shore of Kauai, Hawaii, is the keynote speaker.

The agenda includes a field trip to Tuttle Creek Dam, plus a breakfast, luncheon and evening social. The \$75 registration fee covers meals and a session book.

To learn more about the conference, or to view the conference agenda, visit www.ksda.gov/structures/content/194, or contact Beth Cooper by phone at (785) 296-0573, or by email to bcoop-er@kda.state.ks.us.

Reading a gardening book is another method to obtaining new knowledge. A book I suggest for gardeners to read is by Brian Capon. It is titled "Botany for Gardeners." The "whys" of gardening are often explained by the understanding of how a plant grows. Since plants are a gardener's passion, this is an area we all need to be well versed in.

Another book that is useful is titled "Chalk and Limestone Gardening." Most of us have to grow our plants in the existing soil. Besides knowing the

plants, we need to know the soils that they must grow in. Although written about the old country, there are important points useful for Kansas.

A book I read just to broaden my scope of gardening was entitled "Defiant Gardens: making gardens in wartime" by Kenneth I. Helphand. It hadn't occurred to me that a soldier would garden while fighting a war. This book shows that gardening isn't about the plants but about the gardener.

Any book or publication should be read with a criti-

cal mind. Just because it is in print, doesn't mean that it is accurate. This is true for websites as well. I try to be accurate myself but as many can point out, this isn't always the case.

You can check out the first two books from the Extension office. There are several books available from the office. We have a

few videotapes also available. Tapes don't seem to be popular but they can be useful for instruction. Landscaping and fruit tree pruning are two tapes available for your check out.

Planting time will soon arrive. At that time, looking up reference information will be about all the time available. Now is the

time to finish a good in-depth garden study.

If you have any questions on any horticulture topic, please contact Gregg Eyestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension. Gregg may be contacted by calling (785) 537- 6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyeston@ksu.edu.

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2 mannequins; many body forms; kerosene lamps inc.: red satin, cobalt satin star & shield, Scotty dog, other; many other lamps inc.: Victorian shade, hand painted Cherub shade w/Cherub base, late 1800's Gone with the Wind w/Cherubs; unusual bisque lady wind chime on marble base; several Victorian clocks; large assortment pic-

tures; biscuit jar w/roses; ruby cut glass pickle castor; perfume bottles inc.: Art Deco, crystal, art glass, Evening in Paris; Carnival glass inc.: white stag footed bowl, candy dishes, vases; several porcelain tea sets w/roses; pink water set; ruby red basket; assortment blue glass; spoons; large assortment pattern glass; cobalt crystal wine & water sets; hens on nests; Carnival duck covered dish; fancy Limoges dresser boxes, bowl, cups, saucers & other; carved bone letter opener; cobalt glass double revolver; pink & green Depression butter dish; marble & crystal candle holders; Fiesta salt & peppers; cat McCoy cookie jar; crystal candy dishes; Cloisonne.

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Reno County couple lauded for conservation work aiding lake

HUTCHINSON (AP) — It's the most beautiful view in Reno County, Darin Unruh says as he parks his pickup atop a knob in his pasture.

The Pretty Prairie-area cattle rancher steps out into grassland, browned by winter. He looks across the landscape where cattle will graze this spring and where Red Rock Creek flows into the north fork of the Ninnescah River, seeming to wind endlessly across the valley.

"Phenomenal, isn't it?" he said of the scenery, noting he's been working for nearly a decade to keep it that way.

He says it nonchalantly, despite the fact county conservation district officials honored him and his wife, Camron, this month for their work to keep the river, which eventually dumps into Cheney Lake, pristine. Unruh waves off the mention as quickly as it surfaces.

"I'm just one person," he said. "Everyone along here is working toward a common goal, and I'm no different than anyone else."

Unruh's land is part of a

633,449-acre area known as the Cheney Lake Watershed — a nonprofit organization that aids landowners in Reno and surrounding counties in bettering their management practices.

Moreover, there's nothing regulatory about it, Unruh said. Instead, an unlikely match — agricultural producers and leaders from Kansas' largest city — have teamed up to save the river and Cheney Lake, the primary drinking-water source for more than 300,000 people.

The 10-year-plus effort has brought folks in these parts into the national spotlight, with project coordinator Lisa French giving tours to congressional representatives and government officials from Washington.

"This is unique, very unique," French said. "That's because you don't see a lot of cities working with a group of farmers like this — not on a voluntary level."

Go back two decades, however, and Pretty Prairie farmer Marion Krehbiel will tell a different story of the river.

Krehbiel, whose farm was displaced when the lake was built in 1965, said there wasn't much in place to stop farm pollution from washing off fields and pastures during rainstorms or oozing from the ground. Soon, those nutrients began flowing to Cheney Lake.

The main culprits, phosphorus and suspended solids, helped feed algae blooms at the lake, with Wichita residents reporting odor and taste problems with the water coming from Cheney Lake.

Krehbiel himself began noticing the erosion of the Ninnescah's banks, and anglers told him they could wade out farther into the lake because of the increased sediment buildup.

Krehbiel, who serves on

the Reno County Conservation District board, worked with members to take measurements and water quality samplings. They presented their findings to Reno County commissioners and a water basin board.

"It seemed every place we went we'd run into a dead wall," the 69-year-old said. "I don't know how many years we were knocking on doors and trying to get people to listen. Then we finally went to Wichita. That's when we started getting some attention."

Wichita wanted to pro-

tect the drinking-water source, French said.

Although the lake sediment was not exceeding predictions made at the time of the reservoir's construction, excess soil loss on fields in the watershed indicated reductions in erosion could extend the life of the lake from an expected 100 years to 200 years.

The two groups formed a task force in 1992, French said. By 1995, the watershed began issuing funds to those who implemented conservation in the watershed.

Last year alone, the watershed handed out \$259,000 in project funding, French said. Some of the money comes from Natural Resource Conservation Service programs, as well as from other state and federal sources. The city of Wichita granted another \$42,000.

The city also helps pay the watershed office's operating expense, French said.

"I'd say a vast majority in the watershed have implemented some type of

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conservation practice," she said.

That could be anything from fencing off streambeds to creating buffers and grass waterways.

Others have implemented some type of reduced tillage system, French said, noting that farmers in the past 10 years have converted about 42 percent of the watershed to no-till farming.

Meanwhile, Kansas State University researchers are in the middle of a three-year study, funded by the U.S. agriculture department, on how practices have helped water quality.

Even without findings from the research, there's improvement in the water quality, said Sig Collins, a Partridge-area rancher who serves on a citizens' committee that oversees the watershed.

"Every time a producer does a project, it helps a little bit," said Collins, who has implemented rotational grazing and built alternative water sources for cattle on his own land.

"We're not going to cure this in 10 years," he said. "It takes time."

Unruh, who farms with his brother, Stacy, calls the family conservation project a work in progress.

He implements new conservation efforts each year. The Unruhs planted a field,

once tilled for farm production, to grass. He divided pastures into paddocks, using intensive grazing methods and continuously monitoring the grass to decide when to rotate cattle.

And instead of having the herd drink from the Ninnescah, previously their only water source, he's created an alternative watering hole by using solar power and storage tanks.

The cattle still get to the river, depending on the rotation, but Unruh now can manage how long they stay there. Also, by keeping the nutrients of the cattle's manure on the grass instead of in the water, the grass now has a natural source of fertilizer. There's a perception that farmers and ranchers don't care about the land, about the environment, he said. He hopes he and others are proving that's not true.

They want clean air and clean water, he said, adding that the project is a model for the nation of how a voluntary urban/rural partnership can work.

"What Cheney Lake Watershed is doing is the right way to do things," he said. "The neat thing is this isn't something we have to do, but it is something we want to do. And what I'm doing here is just a little piece of a big puzzle."

Industry fact sheets on beef released

In this world of information overload where a Google search generates thousands of results, wouldn't it be nice to have all the requested information in one place, neatly packaged together and professionally presented? That's exactly what the beef industry can find with the release of the latest checkoff-funded product enhancement topical literature reviews. Each review contains information from past research projects, historic data and a component of checkoff-funded research.

The newest fact sheets available are: Beef Packaging by Chance Brooks, Ph.D. — the functions and technology behind packaging techniques; Marinating of Beef for Enhancement by Brooks — refining marinating techniques, equipment and terminology; Color Changes in Cooked Beef by James R. Claus, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison — beef color chemistry and cooking; Ranking of Beef Muscles for Tenderness by Chris R. Calkins, Ph.D. and Gary Sullivan, University of Nebraska — muscle structure and factors that influence tenderness; and Adding Enzymes to Improve Beef Tenderness by Calkins and Sullivan — methods to improve tenderness of middle meats and upgrade other cuts.

"Great strides have been made in the safety, taste and tenderness of our beef products. The checkoff-funded fact sheets are just one more way for the beef industry to package this information together in an effort to assist producers, processors and retailers with ways to improve product consistency," says Paul Parker, vice chair of the Joint Industry Product Enhancement Committee. "By doing this, we're taking one more step toward ensuring a quality eating experience and ultimately aiming to increase beef demand."

Highlights from the lit-

erature reviews include: Recent advances in case-ready packaging provide increased case-life as well as the opportunity for increased safety; the 2004 National Meat Case Study found that 16 percent of whole-muscle beef cuts in U.S. retail cases are enhanced; color alone is an unreliable way of assessing product doneness; tenderness and flavor are the most important palatability characteristics relating to consumer satisfaction with beef; and consumers will pay a premium for a guaranteed tender product.

For more information, or to view the full fact

sheets, visit www.beefresearch.org and click on Product Enhancement Research Fact Sheets.

The Beef Checkoff Program was established as part of the 1985 Farm Bill. The checkoff assesses \$1 per head on the sale of live domestic and imported cattle, in addition to a comparable assessment on imported beef and beef products.

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PICKUP: 1995 Chevy 2500, 4x4, 454 V-8, Silverado, CD player w/AM & FM radio, electric windows, B&K flip over gooseneck ball, swivel hitch on bumper, 140,000 miles, good clean truck; 1991 Chevy, 1 ton, 454 V-8, 4x4, 4 spd., extended cab, flatbed, one pulling truck; 1988 Ford F-150, 1/2 ton, 6 cylinder, 5 spd., lots of miles but clean.

ATV'S: 2000 Grisley 600, 4x4,

less 1000 miles, new rubber.

STOCK TRAILERS: Hale 6x20 gooseneck stock trailer,

HEADERS: 20' L Gleaner rigid head w/bat reel.

TILLAGE EQUIP.: Vicon power harrow, 16', 3 pt., good condition.

HAY EQUIPMENT: Hesston 5580 big round baler w/monitor.

SWATHER CAB: Cab for Hesston 6600 swather w/AC, good glass.

BALE PROCESSOR: Dee Wes Supper Slicer bale processor.

GRINDER/MIXER: Gehl 95 grinder/mixer.

GRAIN AUGERS: 8"x52', PTO, transport type.

ROTARY MOWERS: 6' rotary mower, 3 pt.; Woods 5' rotary, 3 pt.

REAR BLADES: Land Pride 7' rear blade, 3 pt., very good.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2008 — 11:00 AM

Clarion Hotel, 530 Richards — MANHATTAN, KANSAS

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES, MODERN FURNITURE, COCA-COLA & SODA FOUNTAIN ITEMS, HOUSEHOLD

Antique barber chair; large Oak & glass display case; green & ivory Magic Chef gas kitchen stove (very nice); Mahogany dropfront secretary; tin punch pie cabinet; Victrola; treadle sewing machine; Boone wooden kitchen cupboard; Mahogany corner game table; German stereo; vanity with oval mirror; 2 tall ice cream chairs with rests; ice cream chairs; 3 tall Oak swivel bar stools; various tables & stands; wood & iron swivel chair; 1950's dropleaf Formica table; sewing machine; plant stand; tall wood radio cabinet; wood table with bamboo legs; primitive display cabinets; wood magazine rack.

MODERN FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD

Very nice divan; glider/swivel chair & ottoman; matching sofa table, end tables & coffee table; china cabinet; dropleaf table; Oriental dresser, chest & stand, daybed (very nice); swivel rocker; TV's; console stereo; folding bookcase; plant stands; **K-STATE CANOPY;** storage cabinet; microwave & stand; lamps; fans; dishes; household items.

COLLECTIBLES

Ornate brass and marble cash register; banana box; Barber-shop display shelf; various antique waffle irons & toasters; records; wood ironing boards; copper pot with handles; old scales; 1950's lamps; pool table light; wooden barrel; 2 advertising cases with glass hinged lids; wash boards; lunch pails; lanterns; oil lamp; Fireking; graniteware; antique games; Japanese teapot & saucers; powder boxes; Marigold Carnival berry set, plates & compote; variety of kitchen collectibles; milk bottles; Barbershop items; erector set; various framed advertising prints; Royal Copley; Jurassic Park toys; '45' record player; leaded stain glass dragonfly lamp.

COLLECTION OF COCA-COLA ITEMS including ice maker machine, Oak cabinet, 3 coolers, bench top, 60's Coke bottle/can cooler-electric, 1930's wooden menu board with original coke emblem, 1946 original wooden frame(25X40 7/8) and cardboard sign(20X56), original wooden frame with emblem(31

1/2X20 7/8), assorted bottles, AM/FM radio, 1994 Michael Garmon 50's jukebox figurine, 1996 bear figurine, ceramic bathroom set, soda Jerk hats, assorted advertising items, signs, 1961 original tip tray, tip tray (reproduction), round neon sign, Fishtail clock, 1951 round maroon clock, card sets, ivory dominos, wooden checkers set, 2 ceiling lights, signed NASCAR bottles, wooden hinged Coke box, cardboard game punch cards, thermometers, framed Anniversary Olympic sports pins, assorted ceramic scene figurines, 1941 math book with Coca-Cola cover, 1950 books of newspaper articles, 1940 11 Guide-book set for Salesmen, 1949 4-set binders of Route management, 1949 merchandising book.

SODA FOUNTAIN ITEMS

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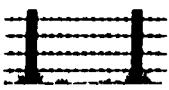
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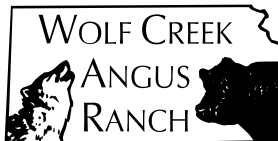
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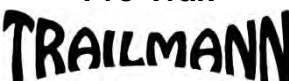
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1100 hrs.Coming In
JD 8300 drillCall
NH 575 square baler w/accu-
mulatorComing In
1998 Krause 45' field cultiva-
tor.....Coming In
MF 596 cab, 4WD, low hours..
.....\$36,000
2004 Challenger 670 combine
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MF 1359 9' disc mower cond.,
200 acres.....\$16,250
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1994 JD 1600A, 16'
JD 1600, 16'
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'92 JD 9600
JD 930 rigid
JD 920 flex head
JD 454 row head
1996 JD 9500
USED TRACTORS
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COMBINES
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1998 Case 2366, 3670 hrs.
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Tips for teaching teens money management

The scene plays out on college campuses at the beginning of every new school year. Credit card companies line up their exhibits and offer free t-shirts to students who sign up for a credit card.

But that "free" t-shirt may prove costly, according to a family economics specialist.

Credit-card carrying students may not realize that their inability to pay for purchases can tie up future earnings and impact their borrowing power for the basics - a dependable car or deposit for an apartment needed to begin their career, said Marilyn Bischoff, Extension family economics specialist at the University of Idaho, Boise.

In 2000, Nellie Mae, lender of educational loans, found that 78 percent of students aged 18-25 applying for credit-based loans with their company had at least one credit card. Thirty-two percent of the undergraduates had

four or more cards. Undergraduates carried an average balance of \$2,748, and 13 percent had credit card debt between \$3,000 and \$7,000. Nine percent had credit card debt greater than \$7,000.

Bischoff, in Manhattan for Kansas State University Research and Extension agent training sessions, offered tips for parents to help teens build money management skills:

Take them to the family's financial service provider with you so they can see you making deposits and withdrawals as needed.

Help them open a checking account, possibly with a debit card. Explain how a debit card can be used in place of a check, and, for using either a check or debit card, how to record the amount of the transaction and balance the account regularly.

Let them be responsible for account charges and overdraft or other fees.

Encourage savings for short-term (a school trip is an example) and long-term (such as a down payment on his or her first car) goals.

Encourage comparison shopping for purchases and major expenditures. Shopping for an auto loan or insurance also can be an eye-opening experience for teens.

If considering a credit card, encourage reading the fine print to compare card programs and benefits, and ask for a low limit, such as \$250.

And, if a teen typically runs out of money before his or her next paycheck or allowance, suggest tracking spending for a week or two to trim overspending.

Agronomy meeting in Randolph

Mike Woolverton, K-State Research and Extension agriculture economist, will be the featured speaker at the February 14 Coffee Shop Agronomy meeting, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Fleetwood Grille in Randolph. Crop markets and bio-fuels will be the discussion topics.

This is the third in a series of Coffee Shop meetings held every other Thursday this winter through February 28.

Art Barnaby, K-State Research and Extension's resident crop insurance expert, will discuss crop insurance strategies at the February 28 meeting.

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For more information please contact John Harsch, Midwest Dairy Association industry relations manager, at jharsch@midwestdairy.com or call (620) 256-6511. Completed applications should be sent to John Harsch at Midwest Dairy Association, 3205 W. 325th, Lebo, KS 66856.

Plant pathology ranks eighth nationally

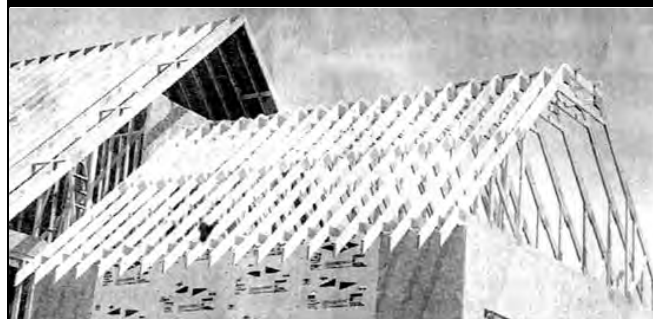
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John Leslie, department head, says the high ranking is especially noteworthy coming as it does in a year when the department is recovering from the departures of several senior

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MU horticulturist says homemade mixture makes for long-lasting roses

Roses by the dozen are delivered to sweethearts across the nation on Valentine's Day. On Feb. 14 more than 150 million long-stemmed roses will be delivered to significant others. The meaningful gesture soon wilts, but according to a University of Missouri horticulturist some lemon-lime soda could breathe extra life into the beautiful bunch.

Florists sometimes include preservatives with the purchase of roses. If not, a homemade preservative for long-lasting, sweet-smelling roses can be made by mixing 12 ounces of lemon-lime soda (regular, not diet), 12 ounces of water and a half a teaspoon of bleach or mouthwash. For hard

water, a drop of dishwashing liquid should be added to the solution. "Any brand of lemon-lime soda will work," said David Trinklein, associate professor of horticulture in the MU College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Sciences. "The soda has sugar that feeds the plant and acid that works to lower the pH level. The bleach or mouthwash works to kill bacteria. One drop of dishwashing liquid is enough. It works to break down the polarity of the water - to make it slicker so in translocates inside the tissue."

Water uptake is vital in order to keep roses fresh. Bacteria are the chief culprits hindering that process. Leaves harbor bacteria so it is important

to remove any leaves that may be under water, according to Trinklein.

"Hold the base of the stem under water and make a diagonal cut about one inch from the end with a sharp knife or shears," Trinklein suggests. "If this is not done under the water, the stem will take in air which will create blockage."

Roses require a lot of water. It is a good idea to make sure the vase is full and add water often along with the homemade preservative mixture. Premature wilting does not mean the roses are old, just that they are no longer taking water. Re-cutting the stem may help the roses begin to take water again. Choose a cool area away from direct sun-

light to display fresh-cut roses.

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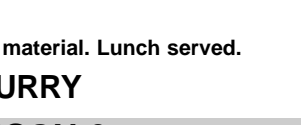
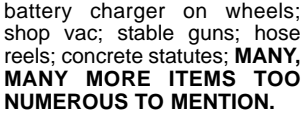
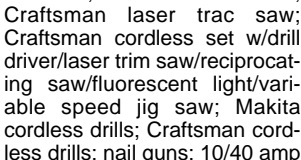
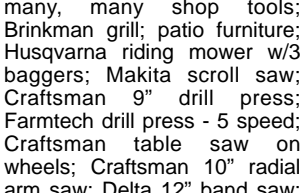
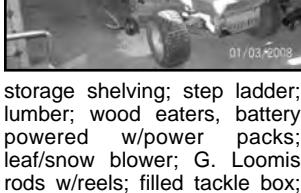
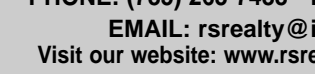
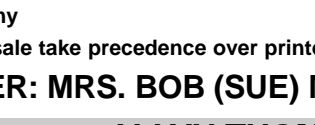
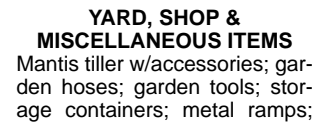
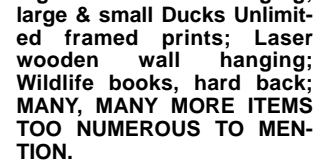
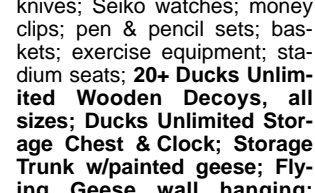
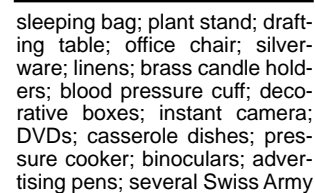
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Large number of bald eagles spend winter in Kansas

LAWRENCE (AP) — The eagles have landed — perhaps “nested” is a better word.

Each winter, from 2,000 to 2,500 bald eagles migrate to Kansas to avoid severe weather and scarce food supplies in Canada and northern states, wildlife experts say. They begin arriving in November and head back north in mid- to late March.

“They move into Kansas in winter months because it’s cold up north and that pushes the bald eagles south to open water,” said Marty Birrell, director of Prairie Park Nature Center in Lawrence.

Bald eagles can be seen along the Kansas River as well as at Clinton Lake, Milford Lake, Tuttle Creek Lake and Perry Lake. The birds mostly feed on waterfowl and fish.

Many of the bald eagles set up housekeeping in nests they’ve built during earlier migrations, Birrell said. The female lays eggs in early February and sits on them until they hatch about 35 days later. The pair remains at the nest until the offspring have fledged. Multiple nests have been spotted along the Kansas River, she said. Three nests have been documented at Perry Lake, three at Clinton Lake and two at Milford Lake. Last year, a new nest was sighted on private property near Cedar Crest, the governor’s mansion in Topeka.

“There are two from that nest that can be seen up and down the (Kansas) River,” said Dennis Dinwiddie, director of the W. Clement Stone Nature Center at the Villages Inc. in Topeka.

Bald eagles can be seen occasionally at the Stone Nature Center, a 372-acre nature preserve. The most eagles seen at the nature center came during a morning hike when 12 bald eagles — a group of eight and a

group of four — flew overhead.

“One day they’re here, the next they’re not,” Dinwiddie said. Birrell said bald eagles build “the largest nests in the world,” adding one nest at Clinton Lake measures 8 feet by 10 feet. The nests, typically constructed of limbs and lined with grass, must be sturdy enough to withstand Kansas’ wind storms.

“They work on their nests for months,” she said. As many as 50,000 nesting pairs of bald eagles inhabited the lower 48 states when the bird was adopted as the national symbol in 1782, according to “Bald Eagles in Kansas,” a brochure written by Mike Watkins, a wildlife biologist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Over the years, the number of bald eagles dwindled

because of habitat destruction, contamination of food sources through the use of DDT and illegal shooting, he said.

In March 1967, the bald eagle was placed on the federal endangered species list in every state where they lived, except Alaska. By the early 1970s, the bald eagle population numbered about 2,000, with 413 nesting pairs.

But the bald eagle is rebounding, Watkins said. Habitats have improved, pesticides are less frequently used and federal legislation has been enacted to protect bald eagles. Last August, the birds were removed from the endangered species list.

“Today, biologists estimate there are over 35,000 bald eagles in the lower 48 states. In 2007, there were more than 10,000 nesting

pairs, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services,” Watkins states in his brochure.

In Kansas, the rise in the number of bald eagles can be traced to a pair of raptors that decided to nest at Clinton Lake in the winter of 1989. “A pair of eagles built a nest in a tree in the Rock Creek arm of Clinton Lake about 35 to 40 feet above the water,” he said.

One of the eagles — most likely the female — disappeared shortly before the eggs hatched. The other eagle watched over the nest and two male eaglets were hatched and fledged.

“This was fortunate because males select the nesting territory and usually return to nest within 100 miles from where they fledge,” Watkins’ brochure states.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service personnel banded the two eaglets — Eagle A and Eagle B — with purple identification tags. Watkins said Eagle A and his mate returned to Perry Lake from 1994 to 2004 and produced offspring. Eagle B and his mate have been nesting at Hillsdale Lake since 1993. Eagle 3S, an offspring of Eagle A, built a nest on the Kansas River in 2004. In 1990, Watkins said, the father of eagles A and B was banded as Bird E.

“That bird has been back (to Clinton Lake) to nest every year since,” he said, adding 138 birds have been banded since 1989. “And we know where 29 of them are.”

Most of the birds are in Kansas or other states. Some of them have perished.

While DDT use has decreased and habitats have increased, man-made haz-

ards still exist for bald eagles. When they are found injured in Shawnee County or surrounding counties, they may end up in the rehabilitation unit at the Stone Nature Center.

The goal of the federal- and state-licensed unit is to rehabilitate sick, injured or orphaned animals and return them to the wild, Dinwiddie said.

Sometimes, that’s not possible. Bald eagles, with their wing span of 6 to 8 feet, often clip power lines or fences, which can result in burns or electrocution that render them incapable of returning to their natural habitat.

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Snow cover can make a difference in nitrogen applied to wheat fields

Kansas wheat growers often welcome a blanket of snow over their fields, but that snow cover may impede nitrogen effectiveness, according to Kansas State University scientists.

"We have observed in Kansas that when nitrogen (N) is applied on top

of snow cover, wheat yields are sometimes not as good as when nitrogen is applied to fields without snow cover," said K-State Research and Extension soil specialist Dave Mengel. "This applies to both dry urea and liquid UAN applications."

Why this happens is not entirely certain, because there would be no cause for volatilization, said K-State agronomist Scott Staggenborg.

One possible reason is run-off, as N applied in this manner may some-

times move along the surface of the field as the snow melts, Staggenborg said. Nitrogen could be carried off the field or redistributed within the field, resulting in some areas of the field ending up with too much fertiliz-

er N and some areas having an N deficiency. The end result would be an overall reduction in yield, compared to fields in which there was no snow cover when the N was applied.

The agronomists said

further information on this topic is available in a recent article from South Dakota State University on the Plant Management Network website: <http://www.plantmanagementnetwork.org/pub/cm/news/2007/SnowCover>.

Recent temperatures' effect on '08 wheat depends on status of seed

With some of Kansas' winter wheat yet to emerge — especially in the south central and southwest areas — growers may be wondering whether cold weather in December and January killed their crop, a Kansas State University agronomist said.

"It's possible but highly unlikely," said Jim Shroyer, agronomy state leader for K-State Research and Extension. "If the seed had germinated but not yet emerged and soil temperatures at seeding depth reached single digits, then we could have some problems."

In that situation, full emergence later in winter or spring isn't likely, he said.

"So far, though, soil temperatures have not been that cold in Kansas — even with the bone-chilling air temperatures we've had — because soils have been wet and we've had some snow cover," Shroyer said.

When seed has not germinated or started to swell, cold soil temperatures will not damage it anyway, he added.

"At this point I'm more worried about the potential for blowing in fields where the wheat has not yet emerged or has put out very little plant growth," Shroyer said. "Blowing not only will result in erosion losses from the fields in question but also could damage young, emerged wheat plants in other fields."

"The freeze-thaw cycles we're having tend to dry the soil surface and destroy the soil structure, which leaves the surface soil powdery and subject to blowing. However, timely moisture will help keep that soil from blowing."

Money management tip protects account numbers

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In 2003, the wind energy company made their first contacts with us. A \$2,000 "incentive" started the process of winning us over, a few of us at a time. The city salesman would throw out their nets, like fishermen trawling for fish. Their incentive "gift" lured some of us in at first. Then the salesmen would leave and let us talk with other farmers. When the corporate salesmen returned, there would be more of us ready to sign up; farmers had heard about the money to be made. Perhaps because we were successful farmers, we were the leaders and their best salesman. What have I done?

Sometime in 2004 or 2005, we signed \$4,000 turbine contracts allowing them to "lease" our land for their needs. Our leases favored the company, but what did we know back then? Nobody knew what we were doing. Nobody realized all the changes that would occur over which we would have no control. How often my friends and I have made that statement!
What have I done?

I watched stakes being driven in the fields and men using GPS monitors to place markers here and there. When the cats and graders started tearing 22-foot wide roads into my fields, the physical changes started to impact not only me and my family, but unfortunately, my dear friends and neighbors. Later, a four-foot deep by two-foot wide trench started diagonally across my field. A field already divided by their road was now being divided again by the cables running to a substation. It was now making one large field into four smaller, irregularly shaped plots. Other turbine hosts also complained about their fields being subdivided for multi-cable trenches requiring more land. Roads were cut in using anywhere from 1,000 feet to over a half-mile of land to connect necessary locations. We soon realized that the company places roads and trenches where they will benefit the company most, not the landowner. One neighbor's access road is right next to some of his outbuildings. Another is right next to his fence line. What have I done?

At a wind company dinner presented for the farmers hosting the turbines, we were repeatedly told — nicely and indirectly — to stay away from the company work sites once they started. I watched as my friends' faces showed the same concern as I had, but none of us spoke out. Months later, when I approached a crew putting in lines where they promised me they definitely would not go, a representative told me I could not be here. He insisted that I leave. The line went in. The company had the right. I had signed the lease. What have I done?

Grumbling started almost immediately after we agreed to a 2% yearly increase on our 30-year lease contracts. Some felt we should have held out for 10%. What farmer would lock in the price of corn over the next five years, let alone lock one in at 2% yearly for 30 years? Then rumors leaked that other farmers had received higher yearly rates, so now contracts varied. The fast-talking city sales folk had successfully delivered their plan. Without regard for our land, we were allowing them to come in and spoil it. All of the rocks we labored so hard to pick in our youth were replaced in a few hours by miles of roads packed hard with ten inches of large breaker rock. Costly tiling we installed to improve drainage had now been cut into pieces by company trenching machines. What have I done?

Each night, a security team rides down our roads checking the foundation sites. They are checking for vandals and thieves. Once, when I had ventured with guests to show them foundation work, security stopped us and asked me, standing on my own property, what I was doing there. What have I done?

Now, at social functions, we can clearly see the huge division this has created among community members. Suddenly, there are strong-sided discussions and heated words between friends and, yes, between relatives, about wind turbines. Perhaps this is a greater consequence than the harm caused to my land! Life is short and my friendships precious. What have I done?

I tried, as did some of the other farmers, to get out of our contracts, but we had signed a binding contract and a contract is a contract. If you are considering placing wind turbines on your property, I strongly recommend that you please reconsider. Study the issues. Think of all the harm versus benefits to your land and, in the future, to your children's land by allowing companies to lease your land for turbines.

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Ground alfalfa movement: Southwest/South Central Tonage: 13,424/4,326 Last week: 13,735/5,073 Last year: 10,899/4,276 Hay trade slow to moderate. Demand moderate to strong for alfalfa pellets and dairy Alfalfa, moderate for grinding alfalfa, stock cow quality hay and prairie hay. Wheat pasture and crop residue grazing are limited, supplemental feeding continues. Hay supplies are adequate. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange website: www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm

Southwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement of Dairy active, Ground moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square, 150.00-200.00, mostly 180.00-200.00; Dairy, Supreme 150.00-170.00; Premium 140.00-150.00, a little 170.00; Good, 120.00- 140.00; a little new crop Dairy 95.00 standing in the field; Stock Cow, Fair to Good 100.00-120.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 90.00-100.00, mostly 100.00 some 80.00-90.00 shipped in. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 110.00-120.00, mostly 120.00. The week of 1/28- 2/2, 13,424T of grinding alfalfa and 1,881T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, large squares 50.00. The average paid by feedlots on February 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 120.47/T, down 2.14 from last month, usage was 1,124T/day, down

13%, total usage was 34,842T.

South Central Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady, alfalfa pellets steady to 5.00 higher. Movement moderate to active. Alfalfa: Horse, small square 200.00, mid square 175.00; Dairy, Supreme 145.00-165.00; Premium 120.00-145.00; Good, stock cow 100.00-120.00, grassy 90.00-100.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 70.00-85.00, 85.00-90.00 delivered, Utility 55.00-65.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 100.00-120.00. The week of 1/28-2/2, 4,326T of grinding alfalfa and 1,008T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15% protein 150.00-160.00; 17% 160.00-170.00; Dehydrated 17% 205.00. Straw, good large square bales 45.00-50.00. Sudan, large square 55.00- 65.00, large round 50.00-65.00. Milo stalks large bales 55.00. Cornstalks 40.00, or 55.00 delivered. The average paid by feedlots on February 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 101.35/T, down 1.54 from last month, usage was 363T/day, down 19%, total usage was 11,252T.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement moderate to active. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares 180.00-200.00, Mid squares 160.00-175.00; Dairy, Supreme 140.00-150.00; Premium 125.00-135.00; Good, 110.00-125.00; Good Stock cow 95.00-115.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 80.00- 95.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 110.00-125.00. Sudan and Cane good large square 65.00-70.00, large round 55.00-65.00, BMR large round 70.00. Cornstalks, large square 45.00-50.00. Milo stalks, large bales 50.00- 60.00. Straw,

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DuPont crop protection and Kansas State University research foundation partner to commercialize sorghum herbicide tolerant traits

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The new traits, developed by Kansas State University researchers, include an ALS-herbicide-tolerant trait and an ACCase-herbicide tolerant trait. Both traits will provide growers with new, more flexible post-emergence herbicide options for grass control in sorghum with no restrictions on export marketing.

Growers will benefit from new herbicide solutions developed with the unique blends technology from DuPont Crop Protection for use on sorghum with the new ALS-tolerant trait. Seed companies will have the opportunity to sublicense both traits from DuPont.

“Our partnership with Kansas State will allow us to deliver solutions for grass and broadleaf weed control in sorghum that have never before been available,” said James C. Collins, vice president and general manager — DuPont Crop Protection. “We are pleased to work with

Kansas State researchers as we continue to deliver products that increase grower productivity.”

“One of the greatest challenges sorghum growers have faced over the years is control of weeds in the crop,” said Forrest Chumley, K-State Research and Extension associate director for research. “To solve the problem, we needed to work with a company, such as DuPont, that has optimal herbicide chemistry, access to good crop genetics, and the willingness to make the innovation available broadly. This is a huge step for sorghum production.”

Growers currently rely on pre-emergence grass herbicides that require rainfall for activation. These treatments can be inconsistent, especially in the High Plains where annual rainfall frequently is limited. The new ALS-tolerant and ACCase-tolerant traits will provide sorghum growers with post-emergence grass and broadleaf weed control options needed for more versatile application timing. The new traits, developed using conventional methods, will also allow growers greater rotational flexibility to sorghum from other crops.

The traits were developed by K-State agronomy researchers including Kassim Al-Khatib and his former colleague Mitch Tuinstra (currently at Purdue University).

K-State’s Chumley said the effort was made possible by strong support from the Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission and the National Grain Sorghum Producers.

“Through their checkoff dollars, sorghum farmers have provided steady support for research and educational programs aimed at improving this important crop. It’s nice to see this payoff for sorghum farmers,” he said.

Kansas has long been the leading state in grain sorghum production, accounting for nearly half of the U.S. crop. The United States is the world’s largest producer of grain sorghum

at about 300 million bushels per year. In 2006, grain sorghum sales pumped \$487 million into the Kansas economy, according to the Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association. The latest projections by the

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At last week's sale many cancellations due to inclement weather.

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR TODAY, TUESDAY, FEB. 12

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60 blk cross steers & heifers, 825-925	J. Odette
30 blk cross steers & heifers, 825-925	Anderson Brothers
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NCBA members elect officers, debate policy issues at annual convention

Members of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) held their board of directors meeting and annual membership meeting last week, as the Cattle Industry Annual Convention concluded in Reno.

Cattlemen debated a number of important policy issues, but enhancement of the Beef Checkoff Program drew the most interest and discussion. The \$1 per head checkoff — split 50-50 between the national checkoff program and the state beef councils — became mandatory in 1986. While the checkoff has enjoyed many successes, some cattlemen are questioning whether it is still adequately funded.

"Twenty plus years of inflation have really eroded the beef checkoff's ability to fulfill all the expectations we have placed on it over the years," said NCBA President John Queen, a cattleman from Waynesville, N.C. "And increases in beef production have come primarily from higher cattle weights, rather than herd expansion. That's another reason revenues don't keep up with the industry's needs. We're producing more beef, but the revenue we need to market it doesn't keep pace."

While NCBA is one of several contractors that manages checkoff-funded programs, it doesn't collect the checkoff or determine the assessment rate. Collection and expenditure of the checkoff rest with the Cattlemen's Beef Board at the national level, while state

beef councils manage the state portion. Any increase in the \$1 per head rate would require action by Congress to amend the Beef Promotion and Research Act.

Cattlemen directed NCBA to ask Congress to approve a process that will allow producers to vote on enhancements to their Beef Checkoff Program.

"All we're asking Congress to do is empower cattle producers with a referendum process, so they can control the destiny of their checkoff," said incoming NCBA Policy Division Chairman Bill Donald, a rancher from Melville, Mont. "Producers will decide whether to increase the checkoff assessment, but this will put the procedure in place that allows them to do that."

NCBA members declined to ask for a specific increase in the checkoff rate, but did request that Congress ensure that the program is adequately funded.

"The sense of the cattlemen at this convention is that \$2 per head (a \$1 increase) would adequately fund the program at this point in time," said Donald. "But that can change over time, which is why we didn't include a specific rate in today's resolution."

Other proposed changes to the Beef Checkoff Program supported by NCBA include:

Simplifying the petition process that determines whether a referendum will

be held on continuation of the checkoff. A valid petition signed by ten percent of the nation's cattle producers would trigger USDA to hold a referendum within one year.

Establish a similar petition/referendum process for future increases in the checkoff assessment. This would allow cattlemen to approve or disapprove a proposed increase, without taking the question back to Congress.

Eliminate any reference to their charter date in determining whether organizations are eligible to manage checkoff-funded programs. Currently, some livestock organizations are not eligible because they were formed after 1986.

NCBA members also discussed whether the checkoff should be used to specifically promote U.S. born and raised beef. Currently, U.S. beef is specifically promoted only in foreign markets, while domestic programs promote all beef. This is due in part to the fact that assessments on imported cattle and beef account for about 11 percent (roughly \$8 million per year) of Beef Checkoff Program revenues. Members directed that by June 1, NCBA report back to members of its Agriculture Policy Committee with amendment options to address this issue. But the res-

olution specifies that options maintaining the assessment on imported cattle and beef should be strongly considered.

For the most part, NCBA members maintained their policy on other major agricultural issues. With regard to renewable fuels, NCBA continues to favor a sunset of the 54-cent tariff on imported ethanol and the 51-cent-per gallon fuel blending tax credit. These programs are set expire in 2009 and 2010, respectively. NCBA members adopted a policy last year requesting that Congress not extend these subsidies beyond their current time frame.

NCBA still supports a voluntary, market-based approach to animal identification. But member policy was updated to recognize the legitimate benefits premises registration numbers can provide in meeting animal health emergency requirements - as long as they do not impede normal cattle movement.

In response to a number of recent food safety incidents, members reaffirmed their existing policy calling for NCBA to work with all segments of the beef industry, as well as government officials, to reduce the prevalence of E. coli O157:H7. This policy also calls for NCBA to seek the regulatory approvals necessary to implement sound safety practices across the industry.

Cattlemen also adopted

policy expressing support for several educational and financial aid programs that will help address the nation's growing shortage of large animal veterinarians.

All policies adopted are now subject to approval by more than 30,000 NCBA members nationwide. Convention results become official only after this mail-in ballot process concludes in March.

Andy Groseta, a rancher from Cottonwood, Ariz., was elected to succeed Queen as NCBA president for the coming year. Groseta says he wants to continue to grow and strengthen NCBA, especially by creating more opportunities for young people to succeed in the cattle industry.

"There is little doubt that we will retire at faster rate than new cattlemen will enter the industry," said Groseta in his acceptance remarks. "We can't stop this trend, but we can certainly make every effort to reduce it. This is ab-

solutely essential, if we are going to keep our industry strong and ensure that the next generation of cattlemen has the representation it needs to be successful."

He added that NCBA must build strong alliances with other agricultural organizations, so that livestock producers can effectively counter vocal critics who want to bring an end to animal agriculture.

"With fewer and fewer Americans having any direct connection to agriculture, these are tactics we must take seriously," he said. "If we don't let the public know about our commitment to the environment, to our communities, and to the economic vitality of rural America, others will paint a picture of the livestock industry that is ugly and distorted."

Gary Voogt of Marne, Mich. was elected NCBA president-elect.

Astoria, Ill., cattleman Steve Foglesong was elected NCBA vice president.

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604 @ 115.75	862 @ 97.00	691 @ 101.00
616 @ 114.25	917 @ 96.30	704 @ 99.75
663 @ 108.50		724 @ 97.00
HEIFERS		
731 @ 107.00	508 @ 110.50	741 @ 94.60
752 @ 104.75	543 @ 110.00	775 @ 95.50
768 @ 104.50	552 @ 112.00	839 @ 94.80

FRIDAY, FEB. 15 - FEEDER SALE

New Calf Hut w/Heat Sells

40 red Char-x blk cows bred Char, March calf; 12 blk bred hfrs, bred blk, Feb. 20; 25 blk 780-800 lbs.; 20 blk hfrs, 550-650 lbs.; 88 blk/red strs, 800 lbs.; 60 Char-x strs, 800-900 lbs.; 60 blk rfw str & hfrs, 775-850 lbs., 100 mile haul; 50 red, blk 400-800 lbs.; 43 blk, 400-700 lbs.; 15 blk, 600-650 lbs.; 67 blk str & hfrs, 750 lbs.; 22 str, 675-750 lbs., 14 blk str, 700-750 lbs.

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STEERS		6 red, rwf hfrs	513@107.25
6 blk, red str	538 @124.00	6 blk, bwf, red hfrs	549@105.75
7 blk, bwf, rfw str	518@123.25	5 blk hfrs	581 @104.50
11 red, rfw str	606@112.10	10 blk, bwf hfrs	618@102.75
10 blk str	678@105.75	12 char x hfrs	609@102.10
45 mxd str	647@105.50	42 mxd hfrs	632@99.60
7 blk, red str	693@101.75	6 blk, bwf, red hfrs	640@97.50
8 mxd str	730@101.75	5 blk hfrs	716@94.50
14 mxd str	710@100.85	75 mxd hfrs	713@93.85
138 mxd str	786@97.60	33 mxd hfrs	772@93.10
20 blk str	776@96.75	15 mxd hfrs	705@91.85
10 mxd str	754@96.25	30 mxd hfrs	821@91.75
58 mxd str	921@92.35	45 mxd hfrs	808@91.25
5 blk, red, grwf str	971@89.25	5 blk hfrs	891@86.85
7 mxd str	979@86.75	65 mxd hfrs	889@86.75
HEIFERS		5 blk, red hfrs	909@86.00
8 blk, bwf, gray hfrs	495@108.75	8 mxd hfrs	952@84.25

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3 hfrs @330#	\$115.00	13 strs @500#	\$122.50
6 hfrs @392#	\$112.50	6 strs @530#	\$120.00
3 hfrs @380#	\$107.00	21 strs @580#	\$118.50
4 hfrs @480#	\$116.00	5 strs @575#	\$117.50
2 hfrs @450#	\$114.00	5 strs @569#	\$116.00
3 hfrs @493#	\$111.50	5 strs @585#	\$111.50
2 hfrs @497#	\$110.50	4 strs @620#	\$113.00
4 hfrs @480#	\$108.00	3 strs @610#	\$111.00
2 hfrs @462#	\$105.50	4 strs @658#	\$109.00
6 hfrs @514#	\$111.00	11 strs @662#	\$109.00
4 hfrs @547#	\$109.50	4 strs @710#	\$100.00
3 hfrs @520#	\$108.50	5 strs @741#	\$98.60
8 hfrs @599#	\$102.50	20 strs @777#	\$98.00
2 hfrs @604#	\$104.00	7 strs @752#	\$98.00
4 hfrs @620#	\$102.00	51 strs @786#	\$97.00
3 hfrs @625#	\$98.00	10 strs @763#	\$96.25
11 hfrs @649#	\$94.25	7 strs @771#	\$96.00
2 hfrs @670#	\$93.25	36 strs @764#	\$94.50
5 hfrs @715#	\$95.10	14 strs @742#	\$94.25
53 hfrs @722#	\$94.60	11 strs @805#	\$97.00
43 hfrs @735#	\$94.00	8 strs @825#	\$96.00
9 hfrs @731#	\$93.60	19 strs @850#	\$95.50
4 hfrs @762#	\$93.00	10 strs @899#	\$95.00
2 hfrs @792#	\$91.25	7 strs @810#	\$94.50
8 hfrs @820#	\$92.10	18 strs @876#	\$92.00
22 hfrs @814#	\$91.00	6 strs @906#	\$95.25
5 hfrs @846#	\$89.00	12 strs @915#	\$94.75
22 hfrs @872#	\$87.00	55 strs @939#	\$93.00
5 hfrs @978#	\$87.75	22 strs @953#	\$93.00
3 strs @438#	\$127.10	108 strs @1040#	\$92.00
3 strs @418#	\$124.00	10 strs @997#	\$91.50
4 strs @450#	\$124.00	33 strs @1003#	\$90.50
2 strs @490#	\$120.00	4 strs @1062#	\$89.25
4 strs @530#	\$124.00		

HEIFERS

300-399 lbs.	\$107.00-\$115.00
400-499 lbs.	\$105.00-\$116.00
500-599 lbs.	\$102.50-\$111.00
600-699 lbs.	\$93.00-\$104.00
700-799 lbs.	\$91.25-\$95.10
800-899 lbs.	\$88.50-\$92.00
COWS: \$46.00-\$53.00 •	
\$40.00-\$45.75	

SHELLS: \$39.00 & down

STEERS

400-499 lbs.	\$117.00-\$127.00
500-599 lbs.	\$111.00-\$124.00
600-699 lbs.	\$105.00-\$113.00
700-799 lbs.	\$94.75-\$100.00
800-899 lbs.	\$92.00-\$97.00
900-1,000 lbs.	\$91.50-\$95.25
BULLS: \$58.00-\$61.00	

Early Consignments for Friday, Feb. 15
25 mix str & hfrs, 400-600 lbs.; 17 blk & red str & hfrs, 450-550 lbs.; 130 mix hfrs, 750-775 lbs., pending; 150 blk str & hfrs, 750-850 lbs., pending.

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NCBA pays tribute to Paul Hitch during meeting

On Friday at the 2008 Cattle Industry Annual Convention and Trade Show in Reno, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) honored Paul Hitch, a cattleman and long-time livestock industry leader from Guymon, Oklahoma. Best known for his success in cattle feeding, Hitch is president and chairman of Hitch Enterprises, Inc. and Hitch AgriBusiness, Inc. — diversified agricultural operations based in the Oklahoma pan-handle region.

Hitch is a former chairman of the NCBA Policy Division and NCBA Live Cattle Marketing Committee. He had served the past two years as vice-president and president-elect of

NCBA. But he was unable to accept a term as NCBA president, due to an ongoing bout with cancer.

NCBA officers presented Hitch with a letter of appreciation for decades of outstanding service to the association, as well as his leadership in state and local cattlemen's organizations. "At every level on which you have served, your fellow cattlemen have benefited from your knowledge, candor, and good old-fashioned common sense. It has truly been an honor to serve at your side, and we are all richer for the experience," the officers stated.

Addressing a large audience of cattlemen, Hitch invoked the memory of New

York Yankee legend Lou Gehrig. After being diagnosed with the fatal disease that would later bear his name, Gehrig gave an emotional farewell speech to a Yankee Stadium crowd, saying, "Today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth."

"I always thought that

was odd — I thought Lou Gehrig was insane," Hitch said. "But today, I know that Lou Gehrig was the luckiest man in the world. Because today I am the luckiest man in the world, because I have you. You make me the luckiest man in the world, and I thank you for it."

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TERMS: 10% earnest money the day of the auction with the remainder at closing on or before April 11, 2008. Title insurance and escrow fees to be shared equally. The sale is not contingent on financing and all inspections should be conducted prior to sale date at bidder's expense. Tract 1 and Tract 2 will sell separately and not in combination. All information obtained from sources deemed to be reliable but not guaranteed. Statements made day of auction take precedence over printed materials.

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TRACT I
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: S/2 of SE/4 16-6-14 Osborne Co., KS being 80 acres more or less.
FSA INFORMATION: 78.9 acres cultivation.
POSSESSION: After the 2008 wheat harvest on planted wheat acres with 1/6 share of the harvested wheat delivered to the nearest elevator in the purchaser(s) name.
LAND LOCATION: From Bloomington elevator, 5 1/2 miles West on 24 Hi-way, to County Road 661, then 3 1/2 miles North.
GENERAL INFORMATION: All planted to wheat.

TRACT II
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SW/4 of 7-8-11 & N/2 NW/4 of 18-8-11 Osborne Co., KS being 240 acres more or less.
FSA INFORMATION: 239.3 acres cultivation.
POSSESSION: March 1st, 2008 on the idle cultivated acres with the purchaser(s) paying \$3,406.38 for spray and fertilizer cost on 95 acres. Possession after the 2008 wheat harvest on planted wheat acres with 1/6 share of the harvested wheat delivered to the nearest elevator in the purchaser(s) name.
LAND LOCATION: From Corinth, KS elevator 2 1/2 miles South, then 2 1/2 miles West, then 1/2 mile South.
GENERAL INFORMATION: 64 acres planted to wheat, 95 acres summer fallow, 80.3 acres milo stalks.

TRACT III
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: All of Section 36-8-14 Osborne Co., KS being 640 acres more or less.
FSA INFORMATION: 531.1 acres cultivation. 89.63 acres grassland. 26.38 acres waterway & wildlife habitat.
POSSESSION: After the 2008 wheat harvest on planted wheat acres with 1/6 share of the harvested wheat delivered to the nearest elevator in the purchaser(s) name. March 1, 2008 on grassland.
LAND LOCATION: From Osborne, KS 6 miles South to road 404 drive, then West 4 miles to Junction 150 & 155 then West again 3 miles to Avenue 180 then South 1 mile to the Northeast corner which is the intersection of 170 Drive & 180 Avenue.
GENERAL INFORMATION: 531.1 acres planted to wheat, balance grassland & waterways.

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3 blk str	423 @ 130.00	14 bwf/blk hfrs	450 @ 110.50
1 blk str	450 @ 127.00	5 bwf/blk hfrs	523 @ 107.50
1 blk bull	295 @ 127.00	2 bwf/blk hfrs	410 @ 107.00
6 bwf/blk str/bulls	469 @ 127.00	1 blk hfr	440 @ 107.00
1 blk str	420 @ 126.00	1 blk hfr	420 @ 101.50
2 blk bulls	360 @ 126.00	3 blk hfrs	530 @ 100.50
10 bwf/blk bulls	411 @ 126.00	3 x-bred hfrs	430 @ 100.00
4 x-bred bulls	370 @ 123.50	1 blk hfr	445 @ 100.00
4 blk/bwf bulls	438 @ 123.00	4 bwf/blk hfrs	339 @ 95.00
1 blk str	420 @ 126.00	1 blk hfr	380 @ 92.00
7 blk str	536 @ 118.50	1 blk hfr	360 @ 90.00
3 bwf/blk bulls	535 @ 111.00		
5 lnghrn str	492 @ 43.00		

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5 blk str	599 @ 112.00	7 bwf/blk hfrs	572 @ 108.25
6 x-bred bulls	574 @ 110.50	1 blk hfr	615 @ 98.00
2 x-bred bulls	575 @ 109.00	4 blk hfrs	681 @ 93.00
5 blk bulls	607 @ 108.00	1 blk hfr	610 @ 87.50
3 blk str	648 @ 107.00	1 red hfr	615 @ 85.00
2 blk str	670 @ 103.50	1 bwf hfr	865 @ 85.00
3 lnghrn str	700 @ 55.00		

COWS & HEIFERETTES	
1 blk hfrt	995 @ 60.00
1 blk cow	1500 @ 55.00
1 bwf cow	1355 @ 54.00
1 blk cow	1265 @ 53.50
1 blk cow	1390 @ 53.00
1 blk hfrt	1020 @ 52.50
1 sim cow	1690 @ 52.00
1 bwf cow	1660 @ 51.50
1 sim cow	1360 @ 51.00
1 blk cow	1305 @ 50.50
1 blk cow	1280 @ 50.25
2 blk cows	1238 @ 50.00
1 bwf cow	1030 @ 49.00
1 hol cow	1315 @ 48.00
3 blk/bwf cows	1510 @ 47.50
2 blk/bwf cows	1213 @ 47.00
1 blk cow	1215 @ 45.50
1 red cow	1170 @ 45.00
1 blk cow	1035 @ 44.00
1 blk cow	1075 @ 40.50
1 blk cow	1075 @ 40.00
1 blk cow	970 @ 38.50
1 blk cow	1000 @ 38.00
1 blk cow	925 @ 37.50
1 blk cow	1115 @ 37.00
1 wf cow	865 @ 36.50

BRED COWS	
4 blk cows	@ 835.00
2 blk/bwf cows	@ 710.00
1 blk cow	@ 710.00
5 bwf cows	@ 660.00
2 blk cows	@ 650.00
1 blk cow	@ 610.00
2 blk cows	@ 610.00
1 bwf cow	@ 600.00
2 blk cows	@ 510.00
4 blk cows	@ 510.00
1 limo cow	@ 500.00
1 blk cow	@ 475.00
3 red/wf cows	@ 400.00

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