

# Ranchers still skeptical of safety of National Bio-Lab coming to Kansas

SALINA (AP) — Although he made no promises, the dean of agriculture at Kansas State University told a cattlemen's group that he believes a new federal laboratory to study livestock diseases is no threat to their herds.

Fred Cholick on Friday assured the Kansas Cattlemen's Convention that he would not be afraid to live next door to the National Bio and Agro-defense Facility, which is expected to open on the Kansas State campus in five or six years.

"I wouldn't be concerned if my brother-in-law had a beef and sheep operation next to it," Cholick said.

The government made the best choice when it chose the Kansas State campus as the site for the \$450 million, ultra-secure laboratory, Cholick said.

"We do have the expertise, vision and passion to protect the food industry," he said.

But Cholick's presentation left "a lot of unanswered questions," said Brandy Carter, executive editor of the KCA, which is

based in Junction City with 1,500 members in 24 states. The cattlemen's group wanted the lab to stay at its current site in Plum Island, N.Y. Now that it will be built in Manhattan, KCA members intend to learn more.

"When something happens, we want to make sure there's protection for producers," Carter said.

Cattlemen are concerned about building a lab that researches many of the most deadly diseases for animals, including foot and mouth disease, and some that could infect humans, such as West Nile virus.

No strains that can be passed between humans will be researched at the laboratory.

The group plans to take its concerns to the Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"It depends on the answers we get. We will take it to Congress," Carter said.

Members asked Cholick about compensation if herds, or the food system, are contaminated.

"I just don't have an answer for you (about liability)," Cholick said. "I just don't know."

Cattleman also expressed concerns about potential flooding or a possible terrorist attack on the lab.

And Paul W. Henningsen, of Wamego, asked if foot and mouth disease could be stopped, or if such a scenario would lead to stopping cattle from Mexico to the United States.

Cholick said the NBAF would look at the migration of disease and how to reduce the effects.

"We can't build a wall around us. We have to understand the organisms and develop countermeasures. It's an approach we need to take," Cholick said.

John Edwards, cattleman from Hamilton, recalled his grandfather's stories about a case of foot and mouth disease that required the killing, burning and burying of livestock in the early 20th century.

"We went through this once, fellers. Let's not let it happen again," Edwards said.

# Ranchers hear of what administration may mean for the cattle business

The new presidential administration, a changed political climate and the implications for the cattle industry were discussion topics for a National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Issues Forum during the 2009 Cattle Industry Convention held recently in Phoenix, Ariz.

Sharing some of their views and expectations with NCBA members were speakers Charlie Stenholm, former congressman from Texas, and Sara Wyant, veteran agricultural policy reporter and president of Agri-Pulse Communications Inc.

Stenholm said he fears the congressional agenda will continue to be complicated with rampant partisan politics. The environment in Washington, D.C., he said, "is the worst that I've seen it." On the positive side, he believes President Obama has made some good choices of people to fill his cabinet.

"Tom Vilsack is a pretty good choice," Stenholm said. "I think he should make a good hand. He seems very teachable." Stenholm said implementing an economic stimulus plan presents a huge challenge, for there is a limit to how much money the world will lend to the U.S. Fundamentally, he added, the country has to make changes in the way it does business. The former congressman warned that U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) must "get its act together" and become the poster child for agency efficiency or face losing regulatory authority over food safety to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). On the issue of

country-of-origin labeling (COOL), Stenholm said he can't see how creating trade barriers will benefit the beef industry. However, he called repeal of COOL impractical.

"Let's see if we can somehow make it work as passed — at least for awhile," he advised. Neither is Stenholm optimistic about repeal of the death tax. He does sense, among members of Congress, some willingness to increase exemption levels. He believes a \$6 million to \$10 million exemption would allow most family farms and ranches to pass to the next generation.

In her comments, Sara Wyant said, "President Obama is off to a very good start in carrying out his pledge to be transparent. Many of his cabinet picks are very centrist, which could be favorable for agriculture and rural America." However, Wyant expressed uncertainty and even concern regarding some of the new president's choices for advisors and regulatory "czars." Noting how some appointees have extreme environmentalist and animal rightist leanings, she worries about how much weight their extremist views will carry in the new administration. Wyant said she also worries about some of Obama's own statements, which suggest he may be listening to those who unjustly accuse agriculture of contributing to dangerous greenhouse gas emissions, high food prices and diet/health issues that increase health care costs. Obama may be off to a good start, but Wyant wonders where he will land on a number of "wild card issues."

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Mayer Ranch	Alta Vista	85 blk str	611 @ 112.00
Martin Dornberger	Leonardville	9 blk str	605 @ 112.00
Steve Brecheisen	Vassar	12 blk str	563 @ 111.00
Harland Schuster	Morrill	26 blk str	530 @ 108.50
Raymond Rickstrew	Belvue	16 blk str	577 @ 107.50
Philip Matile	Americus	53 blk str	645 @ 107.10
Doug Frohberg	Waterville	12 blk str	612 @ 106.10
Randy Niedfeldt	Belvue	7 cross str	714 @ 105.25
Dennis Smith	Whiting	14 blk str	653 @ 104.75
Steve Brecheisen	Vassar	21 blk str	643 @ 104.50
Murrfield Farms	McLouth	24 blk str	648 @ 102.50
Sunshine Farms	Morrill	15 blk str	697 @ 101.25
Martin Dornberger	Leonardville	8 blk str	701 @ 100.00
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Jerry Britt	White City	24 blk str	730 @ 98.85
Doug Frohberg	Waterville	21 mix str	732 @ 98.10
Andrew Strathman	Goff	15 blk str	710 @ 97.75
Don Hamilton	Burlingame	6 blk str	723 @ 97.75
Dennis & Claudia Heller	Hoyt	6 herf str	583 @ 96.00
Bruce Kaump	Randolph	7 blk str	685 @ 96.00
Adam Kuckelman	Seneca	8 cross str	569 @ 95.00
Murrfield Farms	McLouth	33 blk str	770 @ 94.35
Steve Brecheisen	Vassar	8 blk str	766 @ 93.75
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Mayer Ranch	Alta Vista	137 blk str	792 @ 93.25
Tim Summerville	Marion	57 mix str	869 @ 92.25
Andrew Strathman	Goff	7 blk str	850 @ 92.00
Scott Powelson	Richmond	6 blk str	843 @ 90.25
Dennis Braddock	Olsburg	28 mix str	908 @ 89.50

HEIFER CALVES — 500-550 LBS.

Loyola Seth	White City	10 blk hfr	506 @ 106.75
Sunshine Farms	Morrill	13 blk hfr	527 @ 105.75
Dennis Smith	Whiting	18 blk hfr	534 @ 105.75
Steve Brecheisen	Vassar	11 blk hfr	462 @ 105.00
Raymond Rickstrew	Belvue	8 blk hfr	446 @ 104.50
Ron Say	Alta Vista	9 blk hfr	530 @ 101.00
Martin Dornberger	Leonardville	6 blk hfr	549 @ 100.75

FEEDER HEIFERS — 550-900 LBS.

Dennis Smith	Whiting	91 blk hfr	569 @ 102.00
Sunshine Farms	Morrill	22 blk hfr	605 @ 101.00
Tom Steinberger	Wamego	10 blk hfr	560 @ 100.50
Harland Schuster	Morrill	8 blk hfr	563 @ 100.50
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Steve Brecheisen	Vassar	10 blk hfr	627 @ 96.00
Murrfield Farms	McLouth	16 blk hfr	570 @ 95.25
Andrew Strathman	Goff	10 blk hfr	654 @ 93.75
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# Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow. Demand strong for alfalfa pellets, moderate for dairy, stock cow and grinding alfalfa, and prairie hay. Mild weather has returned, dry conditions are becoming more serious as the wheat and cool season grasses start breaking dormancy. With beef cattle and dairies losing money lower offers for hay have slowed the trade on remaining supplies. 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 with a softer undertone. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square, 210.00-250.00; Dairy, Supreme 185.00- 200.00, Premium 170.00-185.00, Good 150.00-175.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa shipped in 125.00-150.00, at the edge of the field, 150.00-160.00. Ground-on- the-truck 169.00-175.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 165.00-195.00. The week of 1/26-1/30, 10,399T grinding alfalfa and 2,325T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, good large bales 55.00-60.00. Sudan/Cane large bales 70.00-85.00. Milo stalks, large bales 55.00. The average paid by feedlots on February 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 165.47/T, up 3.18 from last month, usage was 987T/day, down 3%, total usage was 30,587T.

South Central Kansas: Dairy alfalfa mostly steady. Grinding alfalfa steady to 5.00 lower. Alfalfa pellets steady to 5.00 lower. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square 200.00-230.00, mid or large square 185.00;Dairy, Supreme 185.00-200.00; Premi-

um, 170.00-185.00, Good 145.00-170.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 100.00-120.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 130.00-155.00. The week of 1/26-1/30, 3,239T of grinding alfalfa and 600T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15% protein 180.00- 195.00; Sun Cured 17% 185.00-200.00; Dehydrated 15% 220.00 and 17% 235.00-240.00. Straw, good large bales 55.00-60.00. Milo stalks, large bales 55.00-60.00. Cornstalks, large bales 50.00. Cane/Sudan large bales 70.00. The average paid by feedlots on February 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 136.26/T, down 1.15 from last month, usage was 332T/day, down 11%, total usage was 10,305T.

Southeast Kansas: Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay mostly steady, spots a softer undertone. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, 180.00-200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Premium-Supreme 175.00-185.00, Good 130.00-150.00, Fair 115.00-130.00. Bluestem: Good, small squares 90.00-105.00, mostly 95.00-100.00, mid and large squares 75.00-85.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00, Mulch, large round 45.00 to mostly 50.00. Brome: Good, Small square 100.00-110.00, mid and large squares 80.00-95.00, large round 50.00-70.00.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square 200.00-250.00. Dairy, Premium-Supreme 175.00-185.00, Good 165.00, Fair 120.00-135.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 100.00-110.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 130.00-150.00. Milo stalks Large bales 55.00-65.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse small square 200.00, Mid

square 165.00-185.00; Dairy, Supreme 170.00-200.00, Premium 160.00-180.00, Fair-Good 130.00-150.00. Utility- Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 70.00-90.00, alfalfa ground-on- the-truck 90.00-110.00, ground and delivered 130.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small square, Good 95.00-110.00, Mid square 70.00-85.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00, some 20.00-40.00/large round delivered. Brome: Good, small square, 100.00- 130.00, Mid squares, 90.00-110.00, large round, 50.00-75.00, fair 40.00-50.00, some 20.00-45.00/large round delivered. Straw small square 3.00-3.50/bale, large bales 50.00-55.00/T, 30.00 per bale.

\*\*\*Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.

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# Analyst paints a grim year ahead at national cattle meeting

With a slowing economy and consumers keeping a closer eye on their spending, some of the dynamics in the beef industry are shifting in 2009. Cattlemen attending the annual CattleFax Outlook Seminar here heard that cattlemen face softer beef demand to start 2009, but that could change if the financial markets begin to stabilize.

As in previous years where market volatility was prevalent, risk management will be an important strategy this year. "Know basis," says Randy Blach, executive vice president for CattleFax. "It needs to become second nature. We've got to learn to understand risk."

Consumer are making more meals at home and eating out less at nicer restaurants. That has lowered the value of the higher priced middle meats like the rib and loin. At the same time, the chuck and round are claiming a larger share of carcass value (21 percent vs. 19 per-

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cent) compared to a year ago.

Overall cattle supplies are expected to decline in 2009, following a 1.5 percent dip in 2008. Beef cow numbers have declined 600,000 head to 31.9 million in response to drought in some areas and marginal profitability elsewhere. Beef cow slaughter is projected to be at a liquidation pace in 2009. As a result, the calf crop for 2009 and 2010 is projected to shrink by 2 percent.

A decline in cattle inventory means a smaller beef supply and that could bump beef imports to 2.7 billion

pounds for 2009, also encouraged by a stronger dollar that makes the U.S. market more attractive than it was a year ago. Supplies of competing meats also are projected to be lower in 2009, marking the first time in decades that all the major protein supplies have declined. This is happening partly as a result of higher feeding costs in the livestock industry.

Even with softening domestic demand for beef, worldwide demand for protein is increasing, says Brett Stuart, a CattleFax analyst

specializing in exports. While the credit crunch will limit exports to some top markets, U.S. beef exports should post some growth, led by gains in the South Korean market as Mexico continues to be the No. 1 export destination for U.S. beef. For the year, CattleFax projects that beef exports will reach 2.3 billion pounds. That figure taken with net imports represents an improvement in the beef trade gap as U.S. exports continue to rebuild from the 2003 BSE incident.

Increased production costs for corn, estimated to be as much as 30 to 40 percent more than 2008, will impact planting decisions. The current crop is forecast at 12.5 billion bushels, and increased production is needed to meet ethanol demands, although that market is softening. U.S. and world stock levels remain historically low, which tends to support prices.

"You better have a disciplined approach to how you manage risk or you will not like the results," Blach says.

Over the last two years the average price of a bushel of corn has increased \$2.70. CattleFax projects that the overall U.S. price for a bushel of corn in 2009 will be lower than 2008, \$4.25 vs. \$5.30.

"Economic conditions and credit availability, especially in foreign markets, are going to affect us a lot this year," Blach says. "We'll get through this and those who do a better job of managing their risk will get through a little better than the rest of us."

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## LAND AUCTION

**57.89 Acres Coffey County Cropland  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28 — 2:00 PM**

**4-H Building in BURLINGTON, KANSAS**



**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** A tract of land located in the Southwest and Southeast Quarter (SW 1/4, SE 1/4) of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 15 East and the Northwest and Northeast Quarters (NW 1/4, NE 1/4) of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 15 East, of the 6th P.M., Coffey County, Kansas.

**PROPERTY:** This parcel contains 57.89 acres according to legal survey completed on 1-24-09, with 53.63 tillable acres.

**LOCATION:** This property is 9/10 mile South of Burlington on Hwy. 75 on East side of the road across from 75 Lanes Bowling Alley. Watch for signs.

**TERMS:** 10% down as earnest money on sale day with the balance due at the time of closing which shall occur within 30 days. This sale is not subject to financing and buyer should have arrangements made prior to bidding on the property.

**TITLE INSURANCE/CLOSING:** A Title Insurance policy will be issued for the amount of the purchase price with the costs split equally between the buyer and seller. Should a buyer need Mortgage Title Insurance, it will be their own expense. Administrative closing fees will be split equally between the buyer and seller. The 2008 taxes on this tract were combined with other tracts, therefore we will prorate the 2009 taxes to the date of closing based on an estimate in the amount of \$205.88 from the Coffey County Appraisers Office.

**POSSESSION:** The Buyer will receive full possession of the property at the time of closing.

**MINERALS:** All the seller's mineral interest will transfer with the property at the time of closing.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** Here is a great opportunity to pick up a good smaller tract of farm ground with 93% tillable. Good location, good access from Hwy. 75, and with full possession on closing, farm it yourself this year.

**All information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable but cannot be guaranteed by the seller nor the agents.**

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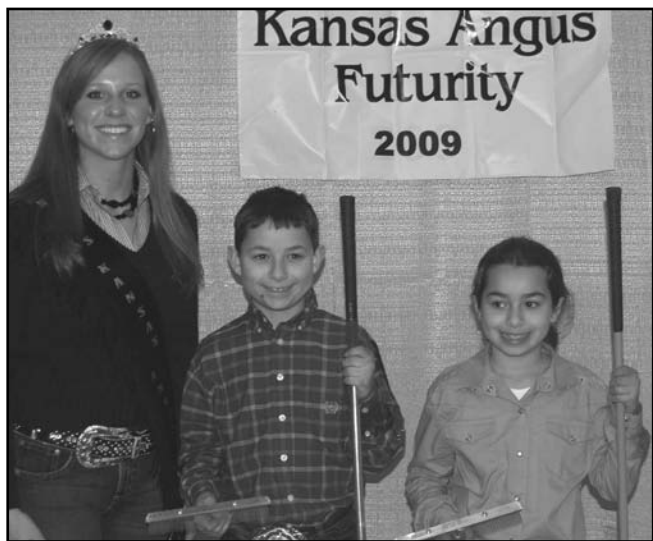
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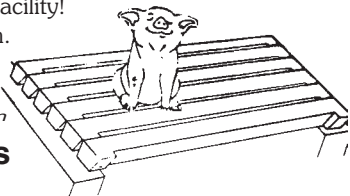
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## CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

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**LOCATION: 2 miles East of — EFFINGHAM, KS**  
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**Consigning Now! We are looking for skid loaders, ATV, tillage & hay equip., tractors, all livestock supplies, lawn & garden & high quality tools! Call 913-833-4125 or 913-370-0747. Great time to sell. Check with us for low commission rates on big high end items.**

### TRACTORS & LOADERS

IHC 1086, 5400 hrs., cab, air, big steps, duals, none nicer; IHC 756, WF, 3 pt., cab w/Westendorf loader, good; AC WD45, not running; JD 2010, not running complete, parts tractor or restore, WF, 3 pt.; AC rubber tired loader w/2.5 yard self-leveling bucket, shuttle shift, 4x4.

### TRUCKS, TRAILERS & ALUMINUM FLATBED

1996 Ford Ranger 4 cyl; 2006 Hillsboro 93x108 alum. flatbed for dually pickup, headache rack, toolbox & GN hitch, great; VW 6x16 GN stock trailer, good and solid; 1973 Ford F-750 lime truck w/12' bed, clean and good, field ready; 1983 Ford F-150 pickup, runs good; 8x15 older tilt bed trailer; 8-bale hay trailer w/super single tires and 2-5/10 ball, good; 1983 16' WW BH stock trailer, no title; Farmhand 5-bale self-loading and unloading big bale trailer; 1974 Rawhide 6x16 bumper hitch stock trailer, excellent, new paint.

### MACHINERY & HAY EQUIPMENT

Krause 1904 21 ft. disk; Krause 13 ft. IHC hay rake; JD 435 22.9 ft. disk, great; JD 1010 24' field cultivator; JD 8' tandem disk; IHC 153 6-30 3 pt. cultivator, Vibra-Tine w/roller finders; Kewanee 1010 disk, 18'; JD 18-4-38, 92 mil dules; IHC 810 15' platform; NH 456 9' PT sickle bar mower; NH 273 sq. baler, shedded; Dura-Built 10-wheel V-Rake, PT; Kinze 5-30 DF 2000 planter w/monitor, field ready; Grain-O-Vator wagons; Case 14' field cultivator; JD 494 4-row planter; New Idea 5-wheel hay rake; PT 3-btm. plow; AC WD loader w/cylinders; IHC 125-grinder mixer, good; Sunflower 23' field cultivator w/harrow; HD 4-

wheel running gears; IHC 110 silage wagon w/top; 20-25' header trailer on New Idea gears; (2) 3 pt. 9-knife hyd. shut-off NH3 applicator w/gauge wheels; 2 PT 7-knife NH3 app. w/600-gal. tanks; (2) 200-gal. fert. tanks of 6-row planter w/elect. pump; 2 John Blue 6-row squeeze pumps; pair of AC steel wheels; Rhino DB 150 3 pt. bale mower, good.

### LIVESTOCK

BJM 2912 mixer wagon w/sale auger discharge, good outfit; new gates: 4', 6', 10', 12', 14', 16'; 12 corral panels; 16' cattle panel; (2) 14' steel feed bunks; 6.0 & 6.5 T posts; 2x2x4 stock tank; 8' round stock tank; 2 Farmmaster 14' gates; bale spikes; Farmmaster 10' gate; 2 good saddles; 60" Treadbrite alum. dolly show box; other show supplies; cattle loading chute on wheels.

### HAY

(100) 4x5 big bales of 2008 brome; (120) 4x5 big bales of 2008 native grass; (50) 4x5 Clover, 1st cutting.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Lots of 6' tall metal shelving & parts bins; file cabinets & desks; (150) 2x8x16 concrete blocks; (2) 500-gal. poly tanks; Craftsman jumper air box; rear bumper for '65 Ford pickup; '73-'79 Ford chrome grill guard; near new push mower; Huskvarna 123 DL string trimmer; 40' aluminum extension ladder; Warm Morning wood stove; 2 skil saws; (4) 8-hole alum. wheels for Ford; 2 rolls of 2x4x100' welded wire; chemical tanks & pumps; 10' rock truck bed & hoist; truck frame; 1100-gal. poly tank; truck frame w/18' flatbed; dimension lumber; pickup of dry mixed wood; portable bilt gas powered air compressor, near new.

**Consignments expected and accepted until auction time. Go to website to see pictures and updates of items as they come in.**

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## Rise in Kansas farm count first since WWII

HUTCHINSON (AP) — A five-year agriculture census finds that the number of Kansas farms rose for the first time since World War II.

The 2007 Department of Agriculture census released Wednesday says Kansas is seeing more small farms and a growth of its biggest operations, but fewer middle-sized farms. Donn Teske of the Kansas Farmers Union said the drop in mid-sized farms follows a recent trend.

"It's concerning, very much so," Teske said.

The census, required by law, tallies all aspects of farming, including the number, size and value of farms, as

well as the age and gender of operators and the kinds of livestock and crops raised.

Since the 2002 agriculture census, Kansas has 65,531 farms, up 1,117 farms, or about 1.7 percent. Nationally, farm numbers are up 4 percent.

More people are moving from bigger cities to small parcels of land where they are raising small herds of livestock and acres of crops, said Carol House, deputy administer for programs and product at the National Agricultural Statistics Service. There is also evidence of more hobby farming.

The number of farms valued at

\$500,000 or more increased by 2,201 from 2002 to 2007.

But the number of Kansas farms with values between \$2,500 and \$100,000 declined.

Teske said while the mid-sized farm is disappearing, large farmers are getting larger with fewer operators.

"This shows where the trend is going to continue, that, over the stretch, we'll see a mass concentration of everything," Teske said. "For an organization, and myself, who wants to see competition in a lot of different markets, the current economic downturn is going to speed up concentration, I'm afraid."

# EARLY SPRING MACHINERY AUCTION

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21 — 9:00 AM**

**AUCTION LOCATION: At Mugler Auction Building and lots at 109 South 4th Street in CLAY CENTER, KANSAS. One block West of Deli Truck Stop at the South end of Clay Center on Harriett Street and Highway 15.**

**ATTENTION ALL BUYERS: All items removed in 20 days from auction date or will be disposed off by Mugler Auction Service. Loading at no charge first five days after auction. Fee for loading on sixth day.**

**GUNS (TO SELL AT 10:00 AM):** Winchester Model 90, 22 cal.; Winchester Model 61, 22 cal.; Winchester Model 63, 22 cal.; Browning Camo, 22 auto pistol; Browning Belgium, stock fit semi auto, 22 cal.

**TRACTORS:** 1981 JD 4440, diesel, cab and AC, power shift, very good; 1981 Int. 1086 cat and AC, rear rubber 50%; 1980 Int. 1586, cab and AC, runs good; David Brown 990 tractor, diesel, 3 pt., PTO; JD 60, PS, live PTO; Farmall H, runs good; 1948 Ford 9N tractor with Sherman overdrive, runs great.

**BACKHOE:** 1998 Case 555E backhoe with loader, diesel, roll bar, runs great.

**LOADERS:** Dual 250 hydraulic loader with single cylinder on bucket.

**LAWN MOWERS:** Marty J lawn mower, 38 inch cut; JD 145B push mower, self propelled acts up, motor runs good.

**ATV RELATED ITEMS:** ATV loading ramps.

**SEMI:** 1994 Ford LN 9000 single axle, Cummins diesel, 9 spd.; 1993 White Volvo tandem axle, twin screw with Detroit 60 Series 111.1L, set of 350 hp., Eaton 9 spd. transmission, day cab, 637,000 miles, good clean tractor; 1989 Volvo with bun behind, wet kit, 3406B Cat diesel engine, 9 spd., 380,000 miles since motor with overhauled; 1985 White Volvo, day cab with 300 Cummins w/big cam, 9 spd., 36,000 miles on underhaul, 5,000 miles over-head ran, good rubber, ready to run; 1980 Int. 2275 tandem axle, twin screw with 6V92 detroit diesel engine, 340 hp., 9 spd, Road Ranger, new rubber on rear, day cab, under 700,000 miles, overhauled at 600,000 miles.

**SEMI TRAILERS:** 1974 Merritt 40 ft. hopper grain trailer.

**PUP TRAILER:** Shop built pup trailer tandem axle.

**WINCH TRUCK:** 1966 Chevy C-60 winch truck, 6 cylinder, 4 and 2 spd. on propane.

**TRUCK MANURE SPREADER:** 1977 Mack, tandem axle, diesel engine just been overhauled, two stick shaft with 20 ft. BGM manure box.

**PICKUP & CARS, PICKUPS:** 1992 Ford F-150, 6 cylinder, 5 spd., 2x4, 240,000 miles; 1989 Chevy 1500, 4x4, AT, V-8, 118,000 miles, good body and paint; 1975 Ford F-250, 4x4, V-8, 4 spd., 58,937 actual miles, coming from Green Rural Fire Dist.

**SNOW PLOW:** Meyer snow plow and brackets converted to front of Ford tractor, mostly there.

**FIRE FIGHTING UNIT: (SOLD SEPARATELY):** 200 gal. sq. tank; 10 hp. engine with electric start.

**GOOSENECK & BUMPER MOUNT TRAILERS:** Stock: Titan 7 ft. x 24 ft. GN stock trailer, no rust; Ponderosa 6x12 ft. bumper pull stoke trailer with additional fold down ramp to load ATV or lawn mower; Flatbeds: 2008 Load max GN,

34 ft. with dovetail and foldup ramps, triple axle, 16 inch wheels, like new; triple axle 20 ft. flatbed, bumper pull, painted wood deck, heavy duty.

**HEADER TRAILERS:** 25 ft. header trailer with tricycle front end, new.

**BALE TRAILER:** 6 bale GN big round bale trailer, dumps on both sides, 16 inch tires, single axle.

**HOPPER BOX TRAILER:** 5th wheel hopper box with 8.25 duals.

**FOUR WHEEL TRAILERS:** 4 wheel trailer chassis with flatbed.

**TWO WHEEL TRAILERS:** 1993 Chevy two wheel pickup box trailer with stock racks; 2 wheel trailer with box 4 ft. wide x 8 ft. long and 2 ft. tall.

**GRAIN CART & AUGER WAGON:** UFT 400 bu. grain cart; Grain-O-Vator auger wagon.

**SCRAPPERS:** Eversman 2 1/2 yd. scrapper, pull behind.

**AA APPLICATORS:** 20 ft. AA applicator, pull behind with 300 gal. liquid tank and squeeze pump.

**MANURE SPREADERS:** 1500 gal. Better Built liquid manure spreader; NH Model 300, 4x10 ft. PTO driven manure spreader.

**HAY & FORAGE EQUIPMENT:** **Feed Wagons:** Grain-O-Vator 60 chuck wagon on JD running gear, very good; Kelly Ryan 4x10 feed wagon; chuck wagon, 2 beaters, 8 ton running gear; **Big Round Balers:** Vermeer 605J big round baler, very good; JD 430 round baler, very good, field ready; Gehl 1850 big round baler; **Sickle Mower:** Case tractor mounted mower with 7 ft. bar.

**GRINDER/MIXER:** NH 358 grinder/mixer with scales.

**TUB GRINDER:** Bear Cat tub grinder, PTO driven.

**GRAIN DRILL:** Int. 510 red box grain drill, 8x16, hydraulic lift fertilizer, press wheels, always stored inside.

**ROTARY MOWERS:** Land Pride 6 ft. rotary mower, 3 pt.; JD 6 ft. rotary mower, 3 pt.; 7 ft.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** New items coming daily. Still have room for more consignments. Will run two rings at 9 AM, one in building selling tools and misc. and one outside selling hedge posts and then livestock equipment. Starting at 10:00 AM selling hay outside and irrigation pipe. Guns inside heated building, small items not sold in building before 11 AM will sell after the farm equipment is all sold. Start on farm machinery tractors and vehicles at 11 AM. Hope to see you at the auction.

**NEXT AUCTION:** Spring Machinery and Farm Related Consignment Auction, Saturday, April 4, 2009.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** Still taking consignments or for more information call Harold Mugler, Auctioneer and Sale Manager at 785-632-4994 or office 785-632-3994 (Office is no longer at auction site).

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# 'PorkBridge' continuing education series allows swine producers to learn from home

Kansas State University is teaming with other universities and industry experts to provide swine producers with the latest growing and finishing information in the comfort of their own homes or offices.

PorkBridge 2009 is a series of short, call-in sessions that focus on a different topic at each session.

"Participants only need a telephone and a computer with a CD drive," said Joel DeRouchey, K-State Research and Extension livestock specialist who is helping to coordinate the series. "An internet connection is not necessary, although participants will need e-mail access if they wish to participate in discussions about the topics."

With the theme "A

World of Knowledge Brought Directly to You," PorkBridge 2009 involves six 90-minute sessions, each focusing on a topic important to today's swine industry, DeRouchey said. Each call-in session will begin at 12:00 noon Central Time. The dates, topics and presenters for this year's series include:

March 5, 2009 - Current Swine Health Challenges and Solutions - John Waddell, DVM, Sutton Veterinary Clinic, Sutton, Neb.;

May 7, 2009 - Managing Water - Tom Guthrie, Michigan State University;

July 2, 2009 - Energy Use and Conservation for Swine Barns - Jay Harmon, Iowa State University;

Sept. 3, 2009 - Manure Value and Alteration of Composition - John Lory, University of Missouri;

Nov. 5, 2009 - Packer Perspective on Quality of Hogs - Collette Schultz-Kaster and Roger Johnson, Farmland Foods, Kansas City, Mo.; and

Jan. 7, 2010 - Marketing Your Hogs at the Ideal Weight - Mike Tokach, Kansas State University.

About one week before each session, participants will receive by mail a packet containing a CD with session materials, including that session's presentation and any spreadsheets, video clips, publications and activity lists provided by the speaker.

At noon Central Time on the day of each session, participants call a toll-free telephone number to participate in that day's lesson. At about 12:05 p.m., the session will begin. Participants will follow along via the CD on their computer as the speaker goes through the presentation. Time is available after each presentation for questions and discussion.

In addition, DeRouchey said, throughout the year, participants can ask ques-

tions or respond to other producers' questions via an e-mail discussion group.

The cost to participate in the PorkBridge series is \$125, payable by Feb. 20 to ensure the CD arrives in time for the first session. Payment should be sent to Sherry Hoyer, Iowa Pork Industry Center, 109 Kildee, Iowa State University, Ames, IA, 50011-3150 or call (515) 294-4496.

In addition to K-State and Iowa State, other universities sponsoring the PorkBridge series include the University of Nebraska; South Dakota State University; University of Minnesota; Ohio State University; Purdue University; University of Illinois; Michigan State University; University of Missouri; and North Carolina State University.

More information, including a printable brochure and registration form is available on the K-State Research and Extension website: <http://www.asi.ksu.edu>.

Click on Swine, then click on PorkBridge (right side of screen).

## Sprayer calibration and technology school at Salina

The Central Kansas Extension District will sponsor a Sprayer Calibration and Technology School on Thursday, February 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the 4-H Building, Kenwood Park in Salina. The focus of the school will be on farmers who do their own spraying and will update them on the latest information on sprayer calibration, nozzle selection and new sprayer technology. There is no fee for the school but participants are asked to RSVP to the CKD3-Salina office at (785) 309-5850 so enough hand-out materials are available.

Bob Wolf, K-State Extension sprayer application technology specialist, will lead the school. Wolf speaks to farmers throughout the country and is recognized as a leading expert in agricultural spraying. Topics that will be discussed include: basic equipment discussion, nozzle types and a demonstra-

tion using the spray table and computer, calibration, droplet size — coverage vs. drift, review of studies — efficacy and drift, calibration for droplet size and new sprayer technology.

All area farmers who do their own spraying and other interested persons are invited to attend this free program. For more information contact Tom Maxwell with Central Kansas Extension District-Salina.



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Oak kitchen cabinet with crown; heavy carved oak sideboard with back splash; walnut parlor table; oak record cabinet; oak hibo; Victorian walnut arm chair; oak rockers; Duncan Phyfe chest on chest; 45" sq. oak table with 6 legs; oak kitchen chairs; walnut hall stand with umbrella holder; oak bed with heavy relief; walnut 3 door stand; 3 pcs. 1930's bedroom set with bed, chest and vanity; oak desk chairs; solid walnut drop front desk by Davis Furniture; mahogany chest; chrome drop leaf kitchen table with 2 chairs; pine blanket chest; maple drop leaf space saver table; mahogany game table; oak dresser with heavy relief and bow front; Hard Rock maple Decans chair; other furniture including some for the handyman.

Westmoreland 47 pcs. sterling flatware; 5 place setting service for 8 plus 7 serving pcs. w/case; nice oak hump back trunk with tray; coal hod with brass relief; pocket knives; ink pens; UP Railroad jack; pictures and prints including Fox; quilts; linens and needlework; oak cased National Cash register; set Tudor plate flatware service for 6 with case; various sterling pcs.; medical floor sealer; postcards; old albums with photos; old Crosley console TV; table radios; mirror with Pelligan motif; Mr. Peanut jar; nice black powder rifle; hankerchiefs; child's kitchen appliances and dishes; Highway Patrol No. 802 pedal car; selection of Vintage toys and games including a Buddy L Spearmint truck, missing rear wheels; child's school desk; child's oak rocker; Remco Little Red spinning wheel with org. box; Wagner cast iron kitchenware; mounted Buffalo head; chandelier with prisms; advertising tins; pictures and paper goods; other collectibles and primitives; nice variety of collectible glassware and pottery including European, Depression and glass in various patterns and colors; kitchenware, crystal and etched glass; Roseville, McCoy, Shawnee and other pottery; Flow Blue.

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### Results from Wednesday, February 4

#### FAT HOGS

Burdick, 17 mix	238@39.75
Burdick, 5 mix	244@39.75
Burdick, 10 mix	252@37.75
Marion, 21 mix	276@37.35
Eskridge, 5 mix	279@37.30

**Sows weighing 345-495 were selling \$25.00-\$46.00 per cwt.**

#### COWS

Lincolnville, blk	850@71.50
Wilsey, blk	980@70.00
Cedar Point, blk	910@67.00
Wilsey, blk	1270@47.00
Burdick, blk	1415@46.50
Wilsey, blk	1380@45.50
Marion, blk	1175@45.25
Burdick, blk	1435@45.00
Council Grove, bwf	1155@44.75
Canton, hol	1660@44.75
Wilsey, char	1425@44.50
Canton, hol	1840@44.50
Marion, blk	1265@44.25
Canton, hol	1485@44.00
Canton, hol	2035@44.00
White City, rrmf	1260@43.75
Council Grove, blk	1285@43.50
Burdick, blk	1350@43.50
Lincolnville, wf	1565@43.25
Cedar Point, bmf	1360@43.00
Marion, char	1810@43.00
White City, bmf	1540@42.75
Burdick, blk	1370@42.50

Canton, hol	1760@42.50
Marion, bmf	1350@42.25
Burdick, blk	1345@42.00
Cedar Point, blk	1485@42.00
Marion, bwf	1130@41.75
Eskridge, blk	1250@41.75
White City, wf	1100@41.50
Wilsey, blk	1430@41.50
Council Grove, blk	1245@41.00
Ramona, wf	1310@41.00

**Butcher bulls weighing 1635-2175 were selling \$52.00-\$60.00 per cwt.**

#### HEIFERS

Council Gr., 4 mix	486@100.50
Cedar Point, 11 blk	642@100.00
Cedar Point, 5 red	395@97.50
Hillsboro, 3 mix	317@96.00
White City, 6 blk	520@95.00
Hillsboro, 3 blk	525@93.75
Wilsey, 9 mix	547@93.25
Lincolnville, 7 mix	591@90.00
Great Bend, 8 blk	661@89.10
Burdick, 13 blk	600@88.00
Lincolnville, 16 blk	693@87.25
Marion, 13 blk	703@86.25
Herington, 4 blk	734@86.25
Lincolnville, 6 blk	734@85.25
Lost Springs, 10 blk	635@85.00
Dwight, 35 blk	741@84.85
Herington, 69 blk	825@84.85
Herington, 6 blk	836@84.35

Herington, 58 blk	855@84.35
Burdick, 13 blk	917@80.00
Osage City, 11 mix	936@80.00

**STEERS**

Council Gr., 3 blk	418@120.00
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Council Gr., 9 mix	518@113.00
Burdick, 9 blk	601@103.00
Lincolnville, 14 mix	603@102.50
Tampa, 10 mix	584@100.00
Herington, 3 blk	612@98.50
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## Ford County Feedyard honored as Hereford Industry Innovator

Ford County Feedyard Inc., was presented the AHA Hereford Industry Innovator Award by the American Hereford Association (AHA). Danny Herrmann, yard owner and manager, was presented the award at the National Western Stock Show Hereford Carload and Pen Show in Denver, Jan. 15.

Ford County Feedyard, Ford, has been a licensed Certified Hereford Beef cattle feeder since 2004 and a participating Hereford Verified yard since the program's inception in 2005.

Danny is one of the most prolific buyers of Hereford feeder cattle in the country. He annually feeds 20,000-25,000 Hereford-influenced cattle. Jim Williams, Certified Hereford Beef (CHB) LLC vice president of supply, says, "The impact made by Ford County many times goes undetected with the countless times it was runner-up bidder, whether in the country, at the sale barn or on the video. Ford

County has helped re-establish the bar for Hereford feeder cattle bidding on thousands of loads of Hereford-influenced cattle."

Danny has managed the yard since 1990 and says he enjoys feeding Herefords. "The performance on them has always been good and we have built a unique marketing arrangement with National (Beef Packing Co. LLC) that has been advantageous."

While Ford County Feedyard buys some of the Herefords to feed, Danny says many of the cattle are from producers who want to retain ownership. Either way, the feedyard can get performance and carcass data back to the raiser. "I enjoy getting data back for these producers, it helps these guys identify a problem if there is one and correct it, or continue to find ways to improve their genetics."

Ford County Feedyard is a family-owned, custom feeder with a 50,000 head

capacity, marketing more than 120,000 head per year. The operation was founded in 1972 by Danny's father, George, and partners. The Herrmann family maintains full ownership of the facility, which also includes a 3,000-head starting yard managed by Danny's brother John, and a farming enterprise managed by his brother Ronnie.

The American Hereford Association, with headquarters in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the largest U.S. beef breed associations. The not-for-profit organization along with its subsidiaries — Certified Hereford Beef (CHB) LLC, Hereford Publications Inc. (HPI) and American Beef Records Association (ABRA) — provides programs and services for its members and their customers, while promoting the Hereford breed and supporting education, youth and research. For more information about the Association, visit Hereford.org.

## Ethanol processing co-product should not be fed to horses, says specialist

Distiller's grains have become a staple in some bovine diets, but a Kansas State University researcher is not recommending that they be used in horse rations.

"People have asked 'can I feed dried or wet distiller's grains with soluble (DDGS) to my horses?'" said Teresa Slough, equine nutrition specialist with K-State Research and Extension.

Given the information researchers have so far, Slough said she would not recommend feeding DDGS to horses.

There has been little research done in feeding DDGS, a byproduct of the ethanol production process, to horses, she said. So far, the studies that have been done examined feeding DDGS for only a short period of time.

"There is no information available so far on the long-

term effects of feeding DDGS to working horses, mares or foals," she said.

The upside of feeding DDGS to horses is that they will eat it and, in fact, they like it, said Slough, who is an assistant professor in K-State's Department of Animal Sciences and Industry. In addition, it is sometimes a less expensive source of protein.

But Slough warns that the disadvantages outweigh the advantages. "Horses are very susceptible to fumonisin poisoning from moldy corn. Fermentation during ethanol production doesn't destroy the mold, rather it is concentrated.

"Feeding DDGS contaminated with fumonisin just once could cause death," she said.

Another disadvantage, the researcher said, is that DDGS has a high phosphorous content.

"Unless the other feed-stuffs in the horse's diet are very high in calcium, the potential exists to create a diet inversed in its Ca:P ratio and negatively affect bone development," Slough added. "This is of particular concern with broodmares and foals."

DDGS has a high sulfur content, which also makes it problematic for horses.

"Sulfur toxicity in horses, although rare, can result in colic, jaundiced mucous membranes, labored breathing, cyanosis and convulsions, followed by death," she said.

"The bottom line is, feeding DDGS to horses is not recommended unless it's been tested for fumonisin and contains less than 5 parts per million, and then it should only comprise a small percentage of the total diet.

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# Obama administration sends trade signals

President Barack Obama wasted little time in sending messages that the U.S. trade agenda has changed.

U.S. Trade Representative Designate Ron Kirk and his staff will take a hard line in compliance with commonly accepted trade principles, such as currency manipulation; and monitoring and enforcing trade agreements, says Rebecca Bratter, Trade Policy Specialist with U.S. Wheat Associates.

Democrat members of the House Ways and Means Committee have proposed legislation that beefs up enforcement of U.S. trade laws, including imposing sanctions on countries that violate trade agreements. The Trade Enforcement Act of 2009 also would give the U.S. Trade Representative's office more resources for fighting unfair trade practices of other countries.

House Democrats also outlined expansion of the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program as part of the \$825 billion economic stimulus proposal, Bratter says. Bi-partisan support for the bill exists, and an agreement is close

on the bill, which would expand TAA benefits to cover workers who lost their jobs because of trade.

"The bipartisan, bicameral plan will expand TAA benefits not just to services workers, but also communities impacted by trade," Bratter says. "It also will improve current health insurance benefits under the program. If finalized in time, the plan will be added to the stimulus package as an amendment when the legislation goes to the Senate floor."

Bratter reports that President Obama wants to win Congressional approval of stalled free-trade deals with Colombia, Panama and South Korea, but more work is needed. Upon conclusion of his term, President Bush said his failure to win approval of the three agreements was one of the biggest disappointments of his second term. The issue threatening the free-trade deal was whether the administration was prepared to insist on the protection of labor leaders in Colombia. Now that Democrats are controlling both the White House and Congress, it should be possible to work out a solu-

tion with Colombia that resolves concerns.

President Obama is committed to upgrading NAFTA to strengthen labor and environmental provisions shared by the United States and Mexico. He proposes creation of a consultative group to work on a host of issues important to the United States and Mexico, including NAFTA, energy and infrastructure.

"NAFTA has been an important success for the US wheat industry and for US agriculture," Bratter says. "With talk in Mexico of extending NAFTA tariff concessions to other wheat exporting nations, it is crucial that an upgrade of the agreement does not include reopening the text nor changing the terms."

Bratter says Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack has weighed in on trade, saying that the USDA must make sure the interests of U.S. farmers are "not bargained away." He also pledged to review the Bush administration's initial implementation of the 2008 farm bill and resolve longstanding racial discrimination issues at USDA.

Vilsack's choice for Ad-

ministrator of the Foreign Agricultural Service, which provides funding to U.S. Wheat Associates the Market Assistance and Foreign Market Development programs, will be a good indicator of the department's stance on trade. USW will continue to work closely with the USDA and the Foreign Agricultural Service.

Vilsack, meanwhile, has introduced his priorities for the USDA. He told the Senate Agriculture Committee he would "make a serious effort to market good eating habits as a way of helping your country."

He also noted during his confirmation hearing that farmers across the country share concerns over the lack of control over input costs, the weather and other production factors. All farmers, Vilsack says, deserve "multiple opportunities" to benefit from a variety of USDA programs, including subsidies, conservation and trade programs. Conservation programs, he emphasizes, create rural jobs.



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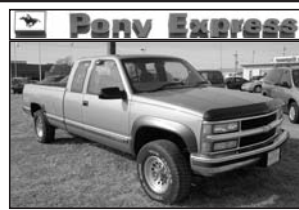
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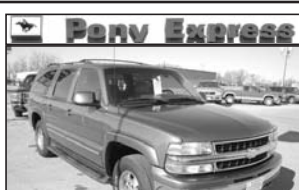
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2 blk, Inman	418 @ 124.00	25 blk, Clyde	525 @ 106.00
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4 blk, Bennington	431 @ 122.00	5 blk, Concordia	515 @ 105.50
3 blk, Inman	493 @ 122.00	8 blk, Wilson	527 @ 105.50
26 blk, Jewell	504 @ 121.00	7 blk, Wilson	540 @ 105.50
6 mix, Salina	501 @ 120.25	6 blk, Malta Bed, MO	533 @ 105.00
8 blk, Jewell	419 @ 119.50	40 blk, Clyde	550 @ 103.50
2 blk, Marion	413 @ 118.00	4 blk, Salina	574 @ 98.00
3 mix, Marquette	533 @ 116.00	12 blk, Brookville	609 @ 96.75
5 blk, Windom	532 @ 115.50	20 blk, Salina	595 @ 95.60
7 blk, Lincoln	556 @ 115.00	4 blk, Concordia	628 @ 94.00
2 blk, Lincoln	520 @ 113.00	33 blk, Clyde	591 @ 93.85
5 blk, Tescott	578 @ 111.00	13 mix, Salina	620 @ 93.75
4 blk, Nickerson	609 @ 104.50	9 blk, Malta Bend, MO	622 @ 93.25
16 blk, Bennington	611 @ 103.75	6 blk, Chase	622 @ 92.75
16 blk, Windom	611 @ 103.50	7 blk, Lincoln	647 @ 92.75
3 blk, Lincoln	603 @ 103.00	7 blk, Marquette	614 @ 92.75
7 blk, Lincoln	630 @ 101.00	18 blk, Wilson	624 @ 92.00
25 blk, Jewell	635 @ 100.50	57 blk, Salina	662 @ 91.85
19 mix, Lincoln	618 @ 99.75	20 blk, Beloit	691 @ 90.25
22 mix, Clay Center	655 @ 99.50	26 blk, Salina	731 @ 90.00
6 blk, Bennington	704 @ 98.75	9 blk, Chase	699 @ 89.00
21 blk, Tescott	690 @ 98.60	7 blk, Delphos	763 @ 89.00
8 blk, Malta Bed, MO	703 @ 98.50	6 mix, Marquette	717 @ 89.00
7 mix, Marquette	723 @ 97.75	8 mix, Yates Center	722 @ 89.00
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7 blk, Bennington	666 @ 97.50	14 blk, Concordia	705 @ 88.00
13 mix, Salina	699 @ 97.00	5 red, Assaria	733 @ 88.00
7 blk, Nickerson	702 @ 96.75	6 blk, Lincoln	725 @ 88.00
2 mix, Salina	723 @ 96.75	44 blk, Delphos	714 @ 88.00
10 blk, Wilson	730 @ 96.25	13 mix, Gypsum	760 @ 87.00
3 blk, Chase	715 @ 96.00	12 char, Hillsboro	777 @ 86.00
18 mix, Clay Center	748 @ 95.75	8 blk, Ada	812 @ 85.10
40 blk, Little River	1063 @ 94.60	65 blk, Beloit	846 @ 85.10
14 mix, Beloit	811 @ 92.50	12 blk, Wilsey	800 @ 85.00
5 blk, Ada	809 @ 92.50	63 mix, Hunter	837 @ 84.75
14 mix, Hope	804 @ 92.00	4 blk, Concordia	824 @ 84.25
11 mix, Wilsey	817 @ 91.75	5 blk, Marquette	851 @ 84.10
3 blk, Nickerson	800 @ 91.50	62 mix, Cedar Point	860 @ 84.00
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24 mix, Hope	846 @ 90.60	3 hols, Salina	668 @ 63.00
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5 bkmx, Salina	233 @ 340.00	1 red, Wilson	1905 @ 63.50
2 bkmx, Salina	270 @ 330.00	1 blk, New Cambria	2220 @ 60.50
1 blk, Lincolnville	260 @ 310.00	1 blk, McPherson	2385 @ 58.50
4 bkmx, Salina	239 @ 290.00		
1 char, Delphos	240 @ 265.00	HOGS RECEIPTS THIS WEEK 126	
1 rwf, Ellsworth	240 @ 250.00	BUTCHER HOGS	
1 blk, Lincolnville	120 @ 240.00	14 mix, Abilene	259 @ 38.35
2 hol, Carlton	105 @ 90.00	13 mix, Alton	255 @ 38.25
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1 wf, Gypsum	1205 @ 43.00	1 wht, Salina	625 @ 48.00
1 blk, Marquette	1410 @ 42.00	4 mix, Superior, NE	661 @ 47.50
1 blk, Geneseo	1355 @ 42.00	1 blk, Tampa	640 @ 47.50
BUTCHER BULLS		1 hamp, Newton	610 @ 46.00
1 blk, Glasco	2385 @ 65.50	FEEDERS	
1 bwf, New Cambria	1775 @ 65.00	14 mix, Hillsboro	57 @ 25.00

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Bred heifers 225 blk/bwf/red Angus Nebraska origin, bred to low birth eight bulls, start calving February 15 for 60 days; 112 Angus bred Angus start calving March 1st for 60 days; 20 Char bred Angus, start calving March 1st for 60 days; 12 Red angus hfr. pair red Angus calves at side. Bred Cows, 90 blk bred Angus, 100/30 blk/bwf/red/char 5-9 bred Angus or Char, 10 reg. Angus start calving March 1st for 60 days; 50 blk/red bred to Hereford or Angus bulls; 250 blk 3-6 yr. old pairs with November calves at side Wyoming origin; 25 blk bred cows; 12 running age bred cows; 100 blk/bwf 3-5 yrs., home raised, closed herd for 40 yrs. Benoit breeding bred to Benoit or Lyons bulls; 3 blk cows 3-7 hrs.; 8 Angus pairs.

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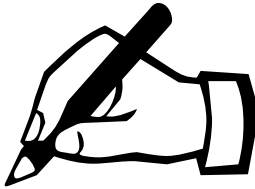
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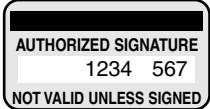
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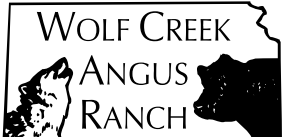
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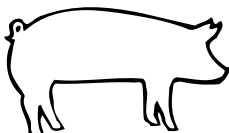
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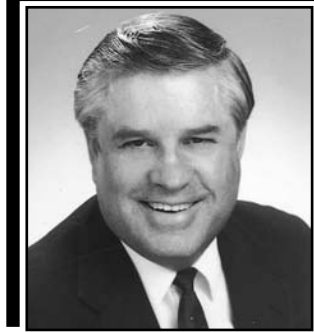
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## Farmers, how do you live with risk?

An awesome responsibility of farmers is to reduce risk in a business environment that is inherently competitive and risky. Production has to be good. Cash flow is important. Marketing is crucial. The potential is there to make good money and have really good years.

The downside is that farming can have major losses even when the decisions are sound. It is a nervy, high stress way of making a living. Add to that how much farmers love their profession and rural, family based lifestyle, and strong emotions enter the decision-making process.

What to plant? When to plant? How to market? How to deal with equipment repair and replacement? What to spray and when? Fertilizers? Major land purchases? Is there enough work and income to support additional families? What about new technology and new ideas?

With the mainstream economy in recession, how will agriculture be affected? Where is alternative energy headed? Where are prices going to go? Will the cost of inputs come down? Has the boom gone bust too quickly? What will the weather bring?

Depression and anxiety can paralyze the decision-making process. Depression needs medical and psychological attention. Some farmers develop excessive worry or anxiety about their fears and decision-making. Obsessive worry can take the fun out of farming.

How do you reduce psychological risks as well as business risks?

Seek information. Consult with knowledgeable people. Be a good listener. Attend conferences. Get "big picture" information about weather, markets, new technology, etc. Do a "pro" and "con" list but also take your "gut" feeling into account.

Have consensus decisions on big ticket items. Persuade, educate and give your farming partners time to think through the issue and give their ideas. A family business meeting is ideal for drawing out ideas and developing a unified strategy on key decisions.

Some decisions (land, major equipment) may take months and even years

before they are enacted. If decisions are made this way, there will be no "I told you so's." Family members will share in the responsibility. Both sides of an issue need to come out with plenty of comparison information and shopping around to be done.

Control business risks. Carry out experimental decisions on part of your operation before converting the whole enterprise to new ideas. Innovations need to be proven with first hand experience or based on proven results and research data from a trusted source.

No second guessing. It is a matter of controlling the controllable and letting go of the uncontrollable. Once a decision has been made, detach from it and have the patience to sit back and wait. To second guess or blame oneself puts unnecessary agony and anxiety into farming.

There are plenty of day-to-day decisions to worry about without revisiting a decision you've already made. Make the tough decisions and then work hard to make the decisions the right ones. The time to rethink major decisions is only after new developments occur.

Mistakes are normal. Mistakes are useful information upon which to make future decisions. Success is based on paying attention to mistakes and correcting them. Nobody is perfect. By trying things, people learn and improve what they are doing. As one farmer said, "We try not to make the same mistake twice."

Look at your track record. You also benefit from your inner confidence in your overall decision making. Success builds on success. If over the years your decisions have generally been good, then new circumstances cannot intimidate you as easily.

You may not know the immediate answers, but you have confidence because you have risen to the occasion over and over again. Your experience in farming gives you the security of making decisions under stressful circumstances. Basic optimism goes a long way in life and in farming.

Don't farm on the edge. Decision-making is easier when you have an equity base and savings that enable you

to withstand the bad years and capitalize on the good years. A lot of pressure can be relieved when you set aside savings or investments that can buffer hard times. The conservative use of money and the retirement of debt after good years sets you up for a calmer existence in the future.

Seek advice. Farming on the edge has higher levels of stress as the threat of loss becomes more real. If you have high debt loads and a tenuous foothold in farming despite your best decisions, you will battle depression and anxiety.

If you are in this position, consult with outside sources for an analysis of your situation and be open to options and alternatives. Stress will moderate when people have hope and confidence that they have a good plan and that it is working.

Step away from farming. Take time for quality family life, hobbies, community involvement, church activities, friendships, leisure and develop an ability to relax. Be a team with your spouse and make your marriage a source of pleasure.

You manage personal stress better by having outlets that go beyond work and farming. It will bring perspective to farming. If something needs to be done then you do it.

Decisions are the building blocks of life. The big ones take thought, communication and work. Then take a step back, watch, learn, adjust, have fun and go easy on yourself as circumstances unfold. Life is serious but not that serious.

*For more information on stress and coping, visit Val Farmer's website at [www.valfarmer.com](http://www.valfarmer.com). Val Farmer's book, "Honey, I Shrunk the Farm," can be purchased by sending a check or money order for \$7.50 to: The Preston Connection, Honey, I Shrunk the Farm Book, PO Box 1135, Orem UT 84059.*

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# Quilts turn barns into works of art

HATTON, Mo. (AP) — To the untrained eye, the old barn on Margot McMillen's Callaway County organic farm is merely a relic. A faded memento to an agrarian life better suited for history books — if not the wrecking ball.

McMillen had another notion. With the help of a local artist, a colorful and prominent quilt now adorns the barn's side. The afterthought is now a work of art, part of a growing movement to promote rural tourism through driver-friendly quilt trails along the nation's back roads.

"These buildings are valuable and wonderful and precious. We can't let them die," said McMillen, a Westminster College English instructor. "An awful number of barns have disappeared, or are just falling apart."

The preservation effort remains a work in progress in Missouri, with a smattering of barn quilts in Call-

away and further west near Boonville and Marshall.

Organizers hope to some day match the ambitions of Tennessee, home to an 81-quilt driving tour in the Appalachian region; or Ohio, Iowa and Kentucky, which each boast more than 250 barn quilts.

The Tennessee project stretches through six counties in the rugged Appalachian Mountain foothills in the state's Northeast corner. The effort enjoys state support, draws inquiries from as far away as Japan and has proven so popular that the state has commissioned a Tennessee Appalachian Quilt Trail license plate.

"We originally thought it would be something local people would enjoy," said Roy Settle, coordinator of the Appalachian Resource Conservation and Development Council, the quilt trail's organizer. "We had no idea it would take off like it has."

In Tennessee, school-

children paint the colorful patterns on 8-by-8 plywood squares. In Callaway County, members of a local food circle fill in the blanks once artist Jenny Czyzewski outlines the pattern.

Most credit the creation of modern barn quilts to Donna Sue Groves of Adams County, Ohio, who embarked on a project in 2001 to honor her mother's agrarian heritage. Word quickly spread among avid hobbyists and farm preservation types in surrounding states.

Quilt barn organizers hope that roadside travelers will do more than slow down to snap a photo. They see the project as a means to promote greater appreciation of rural history and culture, as well as funnel money into related businesses such as roadside produce stands, farmers' markets and community-supported agriculture purchasing clubs.

Mary Humstone, a University of Wyoming re-

search scientist in American studies, helped start a national barn restoration program a decade ago called Barn Again! She sees the barn quilt projects as a related effort to preserve history.

"There's a nostalgia for barns," she said. "They're a limited resource, and one that is disappearing fast."

For Carol Raynor, 69, the gable-roof barn she has decorated near Marshall is more than just a roadside distraction. It's the place she toiled in as a child, a landmark on the 140-acre cattle farm that has passed through three generations of women in her family and will soon be taken over by a fourth generation — one of her adult daughters.

"I grew up when that barn was used for every imaginable thing," she said. "When I was a kid, I stayed in that barn all the time. It was just a wonderful part of my growing up years."

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**AUCTION LOCATION: Community Building, Swope Park COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANSAS**  
**(Turn East at Casey's Store on Hwy. 177 in Cottonwood Falls and take first right into Swope Park).**

**PROPERTY LOCATION:** From Strong City, Kansas, East on Hwy. 50, 2.7 miles to V Rd. then North 1 mile to 240 Rd. to the SW corner of Tract 1. Watch for signs.

**TRACT 1:** Approximately 308.17 acres.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** S/2 of Sec. 1, Twp. 19, Rge. 8 east less a 10 acre tract in the SE corner, all in Chase Co., KS.

**TAXES:** \$1,161.22.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** (Approx.) Cropland: 83.39 Acres; Pasture: 201.65 Acres. Timber and Creek: 23.13 Acres. Cropland soils: Reading Silt Loam, Loamy Lowland No. 1 Soils for cultivation in Chase Co., Ks.

Rolling Flint Hills with Peyton Creek through the middle of the property. Bluestem pastures of 123.20 acres on the West and 78.45 acres on the East. The West pasture is watered by 2 ponds, the East pasture is watered by a year round spring. The fences are newer steel and 5 barb wire on the South and average barb wire on the West, East and along the fields.

Wildlife habitat is tops where Peyton Creek snakes its way through the property. Deer and turkey are predominant with quail, prairie chicken and dove also present.

Electricity, road access and rural water combine to make this an ideal building site. This property has it all, recreation and ag production.

**TRACT 2:** Approximately 300.43 acres. Joins Tract 1 on the North.

**LEGAL:** N/2 of Sec. 1, Twp. 19, Rge. 8 East Chase County, Kansas.

**TAXES:** \$871.58.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** (Approx.) Cropland: 64.81 Acres. Pasture: 181.37 Acres. Timber and Creek: 54.25 Acres. Cropland soils: Approximately 80% Reading Silt Loam, 20% is Martin Silty Clay Loam.

Peyton Creek invites the Bluestem hills to join it in the journey through Chase County, just like Tract 1, the pastures are split East and West. The West Bluestem has 39 acres and the East pasture has 136.25 acres. The West pasture is watered by a pond and the East pasture is watered by a pond and a spring. Near the old home site is 6.12 acres of Bluestem grass. Fences are newer steel and barb wire on the North with average barb wire on the East, West and part of the South. The old stone house and wood frame barn tell stories of days gone by. Wildlife is abundant as in Tract 1. Good road access, electricity and rural water - come together again to offer many opportunities to you, the buyer.

**INSPECTION:** Anytime by appointment with Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service LC. See numbers listed below.

**TOTAL FARM FSA INFO:** Base Acres: Wheat 55.3, Corn: 13.7, Sorghum: 49.10. **Total farm payment both tracts is \$1,764.00.**

**REAL ESTATE TERMS:** Earnest money deposit due upon signing of contracts (Tract 1: \$40,000.00, Tract 2: \$40,000.00) in certified funds payable to Griffin Real Estate & Auction Trust. Balance on or before April 2, 2009 at which time Kansas Warranty Deeds will be given. Title insurance shall be split equally between the buyer and the seller for the owners policy. Buyer will receive all the 2009 income and is responsible for all 2009 taxes. Property is free of all leases. Sellers mineral rights pass with the property. All statements made evening of the auction take precedence over advertisements. All information has been gathered from Chase County sources and is deemed reliable, but not guaranteed. Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service LC is representatives of the sellers. All financing arrangements must be made prior to the auction.

**BOUNDARIES:** If Tract 1 and Tract 2 sell to one buyer then fences and boundaries are as is. If two different buyers are involved, the boundary between the two tracts shall be surveyed by the seller and paid by the seller. The two buyers shall split the cost of an approximately 5/8 of a mile division fence (5 barb wire, steel posts and steel corners) 50/50, unless both parties agree to other terms. Early possession shall be considered to qualified buyers for normal agricultural use for crop preparation and pasture and fence management. Property is sold as is.

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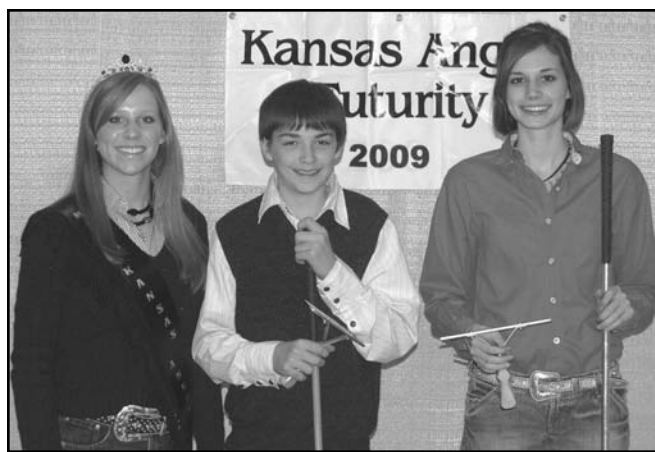
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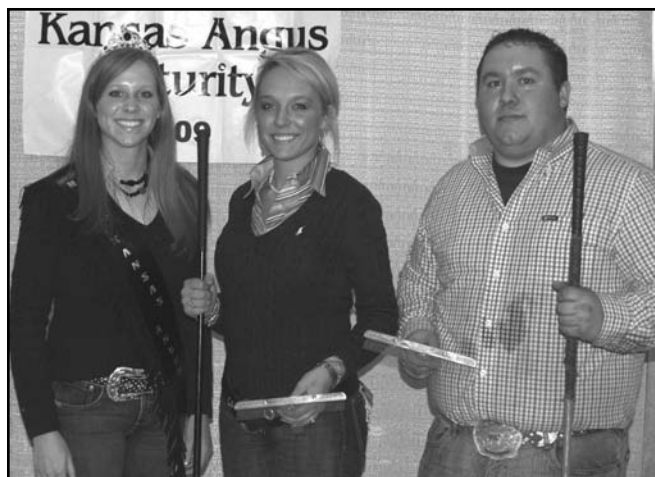
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These Angus members won intermediate showmanship at the 2009 Kansas Angus Futurity Junior Show. Pictured from left includes Hannah McCabe, Miss Kansas Angus; Weston Groth, Healy, champion; and Meghan Blythe, White City, reserve champion.

*Photo by American Angus Association.*



These Angus enthusiasts won senior showmanship. Pictured from left includes Hannah McCabe, Miss Kansas Angus; Mycah McColm, Baxter Springs, champion; and Samuel Rucker, Burdett, reserve champion.

*Photo by American Angus Association.*

## Ethanol plants saw no profit in December

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — As the price of corn tumbled in the last six months of 2008, so did the price of ethanol, leaving producers with little profits.

That trend turned worse in December. Iowa State University Extension economist Don Hofstrand says the average ethanol plant made zero profit that month.

And Hofstrand isn't opti-

mistic about 2009. He says higher corn production costs will increase the cost of production.

The news isn't much better for corn producers.

The National Corn Growers Association was looking to use the economic stimulus package to pay for rebuilding locks and dams on the upper Mississippi River to speed movement of grain barges.

## Water heater replacement can significantly impact home's energy use, says expert

Residential water heaters typically use 13 to 17 percent of the energy consumed within the home, yet more than half are purchased without the benefits of comparison shopping simply because they can be easily installed after the sudden failure of the old heater, a Kansas State University specialist said.

A residential water heater will usually carry a five- or 10-year warranty, but many will provide satisfactory service long after the warranty has expired, said Bruce Snead, a K-State Research and Extension residential energy specialist.

So, how can a homeowner know when to replace an aging water heater?

The volume of use and water quality usually factor into the life of the appliance, Snead said. A residential water heater will have to work harder when a growing family has several teens taking lengthy showers. And, in a hard-water area, build-up of minerals in the water tank also can clog water lines and shorten the life of the appliance.

While the failure of the appliance can catch a homeowner off guard, cold water from a hot water tap, a leak, an inability to produce the amount of water needed or to produce hot water consistently may be signs that it's time to look for a new water heater. Other signals such as regular clanging, popping or other noises also can signal the need to call a plumber and, most likely, shop for a replacement, Snead said.

His tips for choosing and using a water heater include: Water heater storage tanks typically range from 40- to 80-gallon capacity, with a 50- to 60-gallon water heater most commonly sold. The size of the household, needs of the family, and first hour rating, which is the amount of hot water in gallons the heater can supply per hour (starting with a tank full of hot water), should be considered in gauging the capacity needed.

Look for appliances that have earned the "Energy Star" rating and label with the estimated operating cost, and compare expected performance and warranty.

The EnergyGuide Label on the appliance lists the first hour rating in the top left corner as "Capacity," and also shows the energy factor (EF) indicating the unit's overall energy efficiency. Energy efficiency is based on the amount of hot water produced per unit of fuel consumed over a typical day. The Energy Star website is: [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

Consider the availability and cost of fuel. In Kansas, natural gas and electricity are commonly used to fuel a water heater. Other options are a heat pump, which draws heat from the air within the home and transfers it to the water; a solar

water heater, which can provide up to 100 percent of residential hot water needs during summer months and up to 25 to 35 percent of the hot water needed during winter months, potentially meeting 50 percent of annual residential hot water demand; or a tankless hot water heater, which can heat water on demand and increase the availability of hot water in a high-use area. Locating a tankless hot water heater near a kitchen sink is an example.

Replacement/installation of a water heater can cost \$500 to \$1,000 or more, depending on the size and type of water heater, timeliness of the installation and the location of the installation in proximity to the water system. For example there may be an installation price difference for a basement versus a second or third floor, near bedrooms, a bath or laundry area.

Set water temperature at 120 degrees F to hold down utility costs and reduce the risk of accidental scalding, particularly for children and older adults. Check the water temperature periodically by running hot water into a glass measuring cup and measuring the temperature with a kitchen thermometer.

Installing an insulated "jacket" on an older residen-

tial water heater can help to hold down energy costs, especially if it is located in an unheated or colder space. Insulating pipes, particularly within a crawl space, can be helpful in reducing energy costs.

Choosing an energy-saving appliance can yield long-term savings for a homeowner, who may qualify for a low-interest loan to assist with the purchase of the new energy-efficient appliance, Snead said.

More information on residential water heaters and other appliances is available at county and district Extension offices and on the K-State Research and Extension engineering website: [www.sustainable-energy.ksu.edu](http://www.sustainable-energy.ksu.edu).

More information on the Kansas Energy Efficiency Program, which offers low-cost loans for Kansas consumers purchasing energy-efficient appliances, is available by contacting Christine Reimler (785) 296-4818 or by checking the Web at [www.kshousingcorp.org/programs/keep.shtml](http://www.kshousingcorp.org/programs/keep.shtml).

Energy-saving household improvements and other high-efficiency appliances (refrigerator, dishwasher, clothes washer or dryer, for example) also can qualify for the low-cost loan program.

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# Agency issues guidelines to assist with crop insurance coverage decisions for land just out of CRP

Federal crop insurance policies require that acreage must have been planted and harvested in at least one of the three previous crop years unless such acreage was left unplanted in order to comply with any other USDA program. Therefore, acreage coming out of a Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contract would be insurable.

To establish a production guarantee for the acreage emerging from CRP, the policyholder may provide acceptable production history for the year(s) the crop was grown prior to the acreage's enrollment in CRP.

If the crop was grown prior to enrollment in CRP; but, acceptable production history is not provided, yields are established differently based on whether the CRP acres are a separate unit.

For acreage emerging from CRP that will be a separate unit:

Coverage will be based on a percentage of the Transitional-Yield (T-Yield). The T-Yield percentage will be based on the number of years of production records the producer has on other land for the same crop and county.

For example: If a producer has 4 years of actual production history for the crop in the county on other acreage, the acres

emerging from CRP would receive 100% of the county T-Yield.

If the entire farm operation (all cropland acres) were enrolled in CRP, the percentage of the T-Yield will be 100 percent.

If the CRP acreage is part of an existing unit, it will take the approved yield of the existing unit.

All carryover policyholders must provide production reports.

One thing that producers need to be aware of is that in certain counties (counties west of U.S. Highway 183), insurance for nonirrigated wheat acreage is rated separately for summerfallow and continuous cropping practices. There are also some counties in Kansas that do not have a continuous crop practice established for wheat.

To qualify as summerfallow for fall 2009 planting, the land must have been broken out of CRP by fall 2008 and lie fallow for a full crop year.

Based on this definition, anything broken in the spring to be planted in the fall would be considered a continuous cropping practice.

Land broken in the fall of 2009 prior to fall planting would be eligible for coverage as summer fallow for the 2011 crop year.

# Grass strips help curb erosion, herbicide transport

Grass filter strips placed in riparian zones not only curb soil erosion, but can help block and degrade the widely used herbicide atrazine, Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists report.

Atrazine has been used extensively to suppress weeds in corn production for decades, but because it's applied directly to soil it's especially prone to losses in surface runoff. The contamination of surface water by atrazine and its less-toxic breakdown components has raised ecological concerns.

Riparian zones are transitional areas between upland areas, such as crop fields, and water bodies. The grasses and other vegetation in these zones help reduce pollution in streams and lakes.

Bob Lerch, a soil scientist in the ARS Cropping Systems and Water Quality Research Unit in Columbia, Mo., is working with colleagues in the unit and with University of Missouri research assistant professor for forestry Chung-Ho Lin to study the effect of different grass species on herbicide transport and degradation in field and growth chamber studies.

In the growth chamber, the grasses studied were orchardgrass, smooth brome-

grass, tall fescue, Illinois bundle flower, ryegrass, switchgrass, and eastern gammagrass. Plants were allowed to grow for 3 months, to maturity. The rhizosphere soil—the soil zone that surrounds and is influenced by the roots of plants—was then separated from the plants and roots. Atrazine was then added to the rhizosphere soils and incubated in the dark for 100 days at 77 F. The researchers then measured atrazine degradation and mineralization—the conversion of atrazine to carbon dioxide.

Among the plant species, eastern gammagrass

showed the highest capacity for promoting atrazine degradation. More than 90 percent of applied atrazine was degraded to less-toxic forms, compared to 24 percent in the control. Rhizosphere soil of orchardgrass, smooth bromegrass, and switchgrass also enhanced atrazine degradation.

The studies have shown that grass buffers reduced the transport of herbicides to shallow groundwater and in runoff. These buffers can reduce herbicide transport through trapping of sediment and by increased infiltration of water into the soil.



Bohi Land Cattle, Wellsville, consigned grand champion female at the 2009 Kansas Angus Futurity. Mike Horrell, Welch, Okla., evaluated the 18 entries. Photo by American Angus Association.

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**Cecil, 660-744-2384**  
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# Schwieterman Market Outlook

*A marketing commentary by Bret Crotts*

Tuesday is the February supply and demand report. I don't expect to see a great deal of changes in the U.S. numbers. We could see another increase in the soybean export estimate and perhaps another cut in the crush estimate. For the corn and wheat, I won't be surprised to see no changes at all. The world numbers are a different story. We could see significant cuts in the South American corn and soybean production estimates and therefore cuts in world ending stocks.

The natural gas market posted a weekly reversal higher this week, which is a good sign that a bottom has been made, but we have seen moves like this before and never got any follow through higher. We definitely have to keep a close eye on this market for a hedging opportunity.

The March corn lost 1 1/2 cents last week. The market started the week poorly, but finished off strong on Thursday and Friday.

Better than expected rainfall in South America pressured the soybeans and in turn the corn, but by the end of the week the drier forecasts and strength in the stock market changed traders attitudes. We also had another good week of export sales. Last week's total was 1.16 MMT and was the third marketing year high is a row. Another interesting fact is that this

week's sales were above year ago levels for the first time this crop year.

Things have definitely improved on the demand front and if we can keep export sales above 700,000 MT a week another month or so, analysts will start talking about the need to increase the export estimate. With the problems in South America we have a realistic chance of seeing exports end up being much better than USDA has estimated. Keep in mind that the current export estimate of 1.750 billion bushels is the lowest since the 02/03 crop year and even if it were raised by 300 million bushels it would still be the lowest since 04/05. In other words there is plenty of room for improvement.

The wheat market was the weak link last week. The March KW lost about 14 cents despite the lack of bearish news.

Export sales were ok at 326,800 MT. That is more than adequate, but not enough to impress a speculator. We are also still dealing with competition from Russia, which is one thing keeping us from having impressive sales totals. Every week we get closer to the Russians being sold out, but we aren't there yet.

It is still dry in the HRW area and the drought monitor map looks worse than it did a week ago. There is, however, rain in the fore-

cast, so perhaps traders were watching that. There is also rain forecast for dry areas of China that have been in the news lately. The thing to keep in mind though, is that the rain is only forecast and it hasn't hit the ground yet, so a dry weekend could result in some strength next week.

Most of the wheat's problem this week appeared to be that it was the short leg of corn-wheat and soybean-wheat spreads. That weighed on the market as much as anything. A little bit of wheat specific positive news would cause those spreads to unwind.

The soybeans were very sensitive to the weather in South America last week. In the end the forecasts were dry and the March beans gained 21 cents and nearly recovered all of last week's losses.

Export sales were good at 336,600 MT and meal and oil sales were also good. Oil sales in next week's report will be outstanding. Since crush has been the biggest problem that the market has had, it is good to see large meal and oil sales getting rid of some supply.

This week the things to watch will be the world ending stocks figure, the U.S. export figure, and the forecasts in South America. Weather will probably trump the other two at this point so be prepared for more volatility.

The boxed beef market was soft last week with the choice losing about \$5. However, as of late Friday afternoon it looked like it was possible cattle in the South would bring \$83 - \$84, which is a definite improvement from the prior week. I hope they get it.

Feeder cattle charts look friendly again and the April FC gained \$3.20, a big part of which came on Monday following the bullish inventory report. Usually the inventory report doesn't matter much, but it shows us that if the economy ever improves the cattle market will go vertical.

Live cattle charts still don't look too good. The April LC keep stalling out at the 40 and 50-day moving averages. From a technical perspective there is nothing to get excited about. \$84 cash would change that.

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# 2009 offers potential for prosperity and peril in export market, says speaker

While U.S. beef exports in 2008 exceeded the expectations of many, 2009 could provide even more drama, with the potential for significant improvements as well as the risk of major setbacks, according to one industry leader.

U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF) past chairman Dan Halstrom offered his assessment of the global business climate to cattle producers attending the 2009 Cattle Industry Convention and Trade Show in Phoenix. Halstrom, the senior vice president for international sales at JBS, told members of the Joint International Markets Committee that 2008 was a strong year for U.S. beef exports, even though global economic volatility made the final months of the year very challenging.

"The first eight months of 2008 were like a dream, where all the stars were aligned for success," he said. "But during the last four months of the year, I was more of a credit manager than a sales manager." Looking ahead, Halstrom identified South Korea, Japan, Canada and Mexico as the foreign markets holding the highest priority for JBS, primarily because the stability and reliability these markets offer during times of very tight credit. He specifically singled out Japan as having the largest potential for growth if the pool of cattle eligible for export to that nation could be expanded from 20 months of age to 30 months.

"People are estimating that a 30-month age limit in Japan could be worth \$80 to \$90 per head in incremental value for cattle producers," Halstrom said. "But I think it could even exceed \$100 if we can get variety meats included. Japan really wants U.S. beef, but we don't have enough cattle that qualify. It's a situation that Australia has really been taking advantage of."

While the U.S. government has been seeking approval for beef from cattle of all ages, industry experts believe that expanding the age limit to 30 months could restore as much as 95 percent of the U.S. export business.

Halstrom cautioned cattlemen not to assume that a 30-month age limit would eliminate the need for age verification. He said retailers in Japan are likely to continue to require age verification, even if the age limit is expanded to include the majority of fed cattle. On the risk side of the spectrum for 2009, Halstrom expressed great concern over potential interruptions in

trade with Canada and Mexico because of their importance to U.S. exporters. Both Canada and Mexico have raised issues regarding the United States' implementation of Country of Origin Labeling (COOL).

"It is estimated that the loss of the NAFTA markets would cost cattle producers \$50 to \$60 per head," Halstrom said, "but I think it would be quite a bit more than that because of all the end cuts and variety meats we would have to absorb into the domestic market."

Halstrom noted that despite the severe economic downturn, U.S. beef exports through the first 11 months of 2008 increased 29 percent in volume and 40 percent in value over the same period in 2007. When all 2008 results are final, beef exports will total well over 2 billion pounds and

more than \$3.5 billion in value. Both the per-head export premium for cattle and the percent of total U.S. beef production exported are approaching the pre-BSE peaks achieved in 2003.

He cited four major challenges the beef industry must overcome in order to maximize export growth in 2009: global liquidity; risk related to specific markets; a strong U.S. dollar; and shifts in demand toward lower-cost cuts and proteins. "At JBS, we expect to grow our U.S. beef exports in excess of the industry forecast of 6 percent, but this will require a change in the way we do business," Halstrom said. "We need to manage our risk carefully, and focus on stable markets and affordable cuts. Opportunities are there, but if we don't take advantage of them, other

countries and other proteins will."

Later in the Joint International Markets Committee meeting, the committee formally addressed the age limit on beef exports to Japan by unanimously passing a resolution brought forward by representatives of the Nebraska Cattlemen. The resolution urged U.S. negotiators to pursue Japan's approval of a 30-month age limit as an incremental step toward restoring full access to the market. The following day, the resolution was approved by members of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) at its annual meeting. The directive will become official association policy if it is approved by a majority of NCBA members through a mail-in ballot process that concludes in mid-March.



David Lundgren Jr., Ottawa, left, received the Kenneth and Lorene Moore scholarship at the 2009 Kansas Angus Association Annual Banquet. Carolyn Perrier with the Kansas Angus Auxiliary scholarship committee presented the scholarship.

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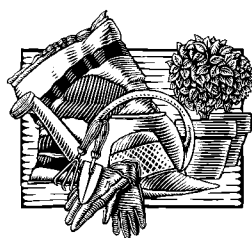
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## Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

### A Room with a View

The landscape is enjoyed from many angles. An older Extension publication addressed elements of the front entrance entitled "Landscaping the Home Entryway." This publication got one thinking about the landscape viewed from the street. The new title would be curb appeal. Besides looking from the street, we design landscapes from the bird's eye view or looking down from on top.

Recently, I was at a conference where the landscape architect was stressing the importance of designing from inside the building looking out. It resonated with me since each morning I throw open the curtains in the morning. I'm most likely checking the weather but noticing a few raindrops on a flower petal is not a bad view.

The first phase of landscaping is normally the foundation planting. The purpose of the foundation planting is to ground the building to the ground. It used to be to hide the cold and blank concrete foundation. In some buildings it is still true. We can see these

plants best when we are outdoors.

Borders, flower beds, accents, and screens are most often placed to the outer edge of the property. Not only do they identify space, they are more functional by being viewed when outdoors as well as from the house. These views are what we are wanting. In the case of the landscape architect presentation, if the view would be enhanced with a view of a lake, build a lake. My budget would allow a picture of the lake next to my window view of a natural Kansas landscape.

During these winter months, take some time looking out your windows. Do you like what you see? Spring planting will be here

shortly and you can make changes to give your room a view.

Contact your Extension office and local garden center for landscape assistance. I'm conducting a home landscape course through the UFM Learning Center. The course is three nights in February. Call (785) 539-8763 for enrollment information.

If you would like additional information on a 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 and at www.riley.ksu.edu

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# Health costs impact entire feedyard

**By Steve Suther**  
Low mortality isn't the only way to measure the success of your health program.

Pfizer veterinarian Robin Falkner told attendees at last fall's Feeding Quality Forums, held in North Platte, Neb., and Amarillo, Texas, to start thinking about disease management a little differently.

"We want to worry about things that can change and that can matter," he said.

Consider the steer with a 10% chance of living. A cowboy treats him, sends him to a holding pen and spends extra time with him — only to increase his chance of survival to 14%.

"Your total focus is on saving that one," Falkner noted. "How much of my time can I burn up on him that I could better invest somewhere else? In this situation, the bunks aren't cleaned out. The water troughs aren't getting cleaned. We don't have that extra five minute in another pen to pull one early."

A change of mindset would help the bottom line, Falkner said: "We need to move away from asking what can we do to save him to asking what he can kill."

That's because the real risk goes beyond wasting time. That one calf is shedding to the rest of the population — after all, he has pathogens that have already beaten the drugs and management at that yard, Falkner said. "That's why it's not about saving him. It's about saving the other

calves."

Rather than managing health on an animal-by-animal basis, feeders need to think of keeping disease under control in groups of cattle and their yard as a whole.

"I'm not a veterinarian who thinks the world revolves around health, but if you intentionally manage pathogens, your world will change," Falkner said. He referenced Texas Ranch-to-Rail data that shows a sick calf costs \$100, and Iowa research illustrates a 10-point drop in Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) acceptance rate for calves treated twice.

"That's not the whole story, though, because it affected the other calves in the pen," he said. Sick cattle cause problems with everything from bunk reading to final marketing, but managing health will improve both the efficiency of groups of cattle and the feedyard as a whole.

"Does health impact any decisions we make about filling pens at any point in time? I think it's the biggest bottleneck to profitability we've got," Falkner said. "We are scared to buy certain types and classes of cattle because we don't know if we can handle the health. We're scared to wreck and overload our labor."

When those health disasters happen, feeders often put off buying until they have it under control. Some try to change vaccines, nutritionist, veterinarians or even order buyers.

"Switching a good program to one you don't

know is probably not a good deal," he said.

Instead, Falkner provided some practical prevention recommendations, including not placing your hospital pen next door to receiving.

"You don't know how many feedyards I've been to where the cattle are going to stand right next to a pen of chronics, overnight, before they're processed in the morning," he said. Following up with ironic humor, he asked, "Are you just trying to inoculate them early so we can go ahead and get over it? We make sure we give our brand new, naïve, stressed-out cattle good, early access to the worst bugs we've collected in the past six months, year or 10 years."

He also suggests keeping cattle out of that treatment pen if at all possible.

"A low flow of cattle into the hospital works well, because that flushes the bugs out regularly and they don't accumulate as much," he said.

Cattle that have been in the yard for 10 to 35 days are the "most dangerous," Falkner said. "The bugs have all gone through them and they're shedding a whole lot."

Sometimes sickness doesn't show itself in one group of cattle until you mix them with another after they've had a couple of weeks to get settled in the yard.

"You create the perfect storm and you blow them completely up," he said. "This disease is going on in one group and by itself it's not any more than a runny nose, but you put it on top of another disease that's going through the other group and it's really bad."

Taking a careful look at every aspect of bio-containment could help prevent "real wrecks," Falkner said. "You're going to get the bad bugs. You're going to select for them when you use those drugs, but you don't have to accumulate them and you don't have to inoculate them."



These young ladies will represent the Kansas Angus Association this coming year and are pictured at the 2009 Kansas Angus Association Annual Banquet, January 23 in Hutchinson. From left includes Jacinda Dickinson, Glasco, 2009 Kansas Angus ambassador; Ashley Laas, Brookville, outgoing Miss Kansas Angus; and Hannah McCabe, Elk City, 2009 Miss Kansas Angus. Photo by American Angus Association.

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# More women working on Kansas farms

HUTCHINSON (AP) — Back in the 1970s, when Sue Ann Peter left Kansas for the bright lights of San Antonio, she didn't know when she'd be back.

She knew someday she'd return near the small town of Ellinwood, where she grew up. But the last thing she figured on was finding true love amid central Kansas cropland.

Nearly 30 years later, you'll find 57-year-old Peter alongside her husband, helping him run a small farm operation in Rice County between her day job at the county Farm Service Agency office.

"He taught me to pick up hay, drive the tractor," Peter said of her husband, Rollie, whom she married a few years ago. She added that her list of chores also includes checking the cattle.

Although it's still considered a male profession, the number of women who work on the state's farms and ranches has grown dramatically, according to the 2007 census of agriculture data that was recently released.

The report shows 26,794 women farm operators in Kansas, compared with

20,959 in 2002, a nearly 28 percent increase.

Moreover, 7,940 women are the farm's principal operator, up 40 percent from the 5,660 in 2002. Before 2002, the census only acknowledged women's role in the occupation if they were the primary operator.

Mark Schwarzentraub, an extension farm economist with the Hutchinson office of the Kansas Farm Management Association, said he has noticed more women taking front-seat roles on the farm. The association works cooperatively with farm families to provide production and financial management information to help with the decision-making.

"I think it is more prevalent today; they're bolder about it," he said. "Many of the women I work with have the responsibility of the banking, they work with the FSA office, they do the recordkeeping. There are many times I make these visits, and I don't see the husbands."

The growing number has created a movement of sorts as more women want to be educated about farming's daily grind. This week on Thursday through Satur-

day, organizers expect more than 300 women to attend the Women Managing the Farm conference in Hutchinson.

Topics include insurance, estate planning and Farm Bill program changes, as well as organization, networking and family relationships.

Some have been involved in agriculture all their lives. Some are widows who have taken over the farm. Others, like Peter, married into the business.

Whatever the reason, the growing number has spurred women to want to be more educated, said Mary Shaffer, with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Salina, who added that sometimes women feel in-

timidated raising their hands and asking questions in a roomful of men.

It's the fourth year for the women's farm conference, but the bigger effort, Shaffer said, has spurred county and regional groups to meet about topics from crop insurance to simple meal ideas to take to the field.

Smaller groups meet in Beloit and Newton. Peter has been attending a subgroup in Rice County for the past year.

"It's good for women in agriculture to network," said Rice County Extension Agriculture Agent Frannie Miller, who formed the local group. "Many of them are facing the same obstacles, some of the same problems."

Margaret Scheufler, who

attends the Rice County meetings, said she's been farming with her husband since the 1980s. She doesn't sit on the sidelines, however.

"I'm actively involved," she said of the couple's farming operation, but added that things have changed since she and her husband started farming 20

years ago.

"I'm continually learning," Scheufler said. "I get a lot out of the group."

So has Peter, who said she is starting to learn her husband's "farm lingo."

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10 blk str 1p	598@105.25	11 blk bwt hfrs	536@96.75		
14 blk str	624@103.75	9 blk bwt hfrs	547@96.60		
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4 hfrs	@419#	\$102.00	6 bulls	@342#	\$114.00
6 hfrs	@349#	\$100.00	4 bulls	@476#	\$113.50
3 hfrs	@506#	\$104.00	6 str	@610#	\$103.00
7 hfrs	@524#	\$103.50	3 str	@630#	\$101.50
2 hfrs	@540#	\$102.00	2 str	@603#	\$98.00
4 hfrs	@526#	\$100.00	4 str	@624#	\$96.50
2 hfrs	@575#	\$96.00	4 str	@678#	\$95.50
33 hfrs	@582#	\$93.50	24 str	@689#	\$94.10
17 hfrs	@576#	\$91.60	11 str	@675#	\$94.10
11 hfrs	@592#	\$90.00	5 str	@650#	\$93.50
6 hfrs	@610#	\$95.00	7 str	@701#	\$95.50
3 hfrs	@600#	\$93.50	4 str	@740#	\$94.25
7 hfrs	@622#	\$92.00	11 str	@775#	\$93.80
5 hfrs	@668#	\$90.00	10 str	@754#	\$93.85
28 hfrs	@661#	\$88.50	6 str	@788#	\$92.10
10 hfrs	@699#	\$88.00	7 str	@744#	\$91.50
8 hfrs	@671#	\$86.50	113 str	@796#	\$89.85
6 hfrs	@730#	\$89.00	14 str	@840#	\$91.00
82 hfrs	@773#	\$88.85	10 str	@867#	\$90.75
12 hfrs	@790#	\$88.25	61 str	@802#	\$89.10
4 hfrs	@765#	\$88.25	30 str	@879#	\$88.00
5 hfrs	@859#	\$87.00	3 str	@873#	\$87.00
6 hfrs	@817#	\$85.75	10 str	@945#	\$88.00
42 hfrs	@858#	\$85.00	8 str	@947#	\$84.10
4 hfrs	@860#	\$83.50			

#### HEIFERS

300-499 lbs. .... \$100.00-\$113.00  
 500-599 lbs. .... \$90.00-\$104.00  
 600-699 lbs. .... \$85.00-\$95.00  
 700-799 lbs. .... \$85.00-\$89.00  
 800-899 lbs. .... \$83.00-\$87.00

#### COWS

\$45.00-\$54.00  
 \$37.00-\$44.75  
 SHELLS: \$36.00 & DOWN

#### BULLS

\$53.50-\$61.25

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, FEB. 13  
 14 mixed steers & heifers, 400-500 lbs.  
 37 mixed steers & heifers, 575-675 lbs.

More consignments pending weather and the markets.

We would like to welcome our new field representative Lyle Williams who lives in the Waverly area. Lyle can be reached at 785-229-5457 for any questions. Thanks Lyle!

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Larry Breuel, Wellsville, consigned the champion pen of three females at the 2009 Kansas Angus Futurity Show Sale, January 24 in Hutchinson. The August and September 2007 females were sired by G A R Prime Design. Photo by American Angus Association.



Chris and Sharee Sankey, Council Grove, consigned the reserve grand champion female at the 2009 Kansas Angus Futurity Show and Sale. Photo by American Angus Association.



Sandhill's Top 20 won grand champion bull at the 2009 Kansas Angus Futurity Show Sale. Ethan Hager, Stafford, consigned the February 2008 son of B C Sasquatch 20-20 4139 that first won calf champion. Mike Horrell, Welch, Okla., evaluated the 18 entries. The bull also won reserve grand champion bred-and-owned bull in the junior show the following day. Photo by American Angus Association.

## Digitized prairie natural history collections available

The biodiversity of the prairie ecosystem of Kansas and the Great Plains in the 19th century fascinated peers of Darwin. They collected specimens avidly and cataloged the collections, looking for patterns and interactions.

The importance of understanding the natural world led Kansas State University to establish a plant museum, or herbarium, in 1877, and an insect museum in 1879, well before farming and ranching dominated the prairie.

Scientists ever since have relied on these K-State collections as a primary source of vouchered information about what species once existed in Kansas and about species distributional changes, including changes across a significant portion of the North American prairie ecosystem that's now imperiled.

Today, the K-State herbarium ranks among the oldest, largest and most

diverse plant collections in the Great Plains with holdings of preserved plants estimated at 200,000 specimens. The insect collection contains approximately 835,000 specimens, including some extinct, endangered or declining species.

K-State has now opened an ambitious digitization project that makes about all of its core historical natural history collections accessible to anyone from anywhere in the world. The biodiversity information system Web portal BiodIS is available at <http://biodis.k-state.edu>

"The K-State Digital Prairie Plant and Insect Collection: Elevating Biodiversity and Bioinformatics to the Next Level" is a four-year, \$800,000 project funded by the university through its Targeted Excellence program. Directing the project are Greg Zolnerowich, associate professor of entomology and curator of the insect museum; Carolyn Ferguson, associ-

ate professor of biology and curator of the herbarium; Mike Haddock, professor and chair of the sciences department for K-State Libraries; and David B. Allen, associate professor and head of the K-State Libraries digital initiatives department. Early-stage support for the project came from National Science Foundation and its EPSCoR program, the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station and K-State Libraries.

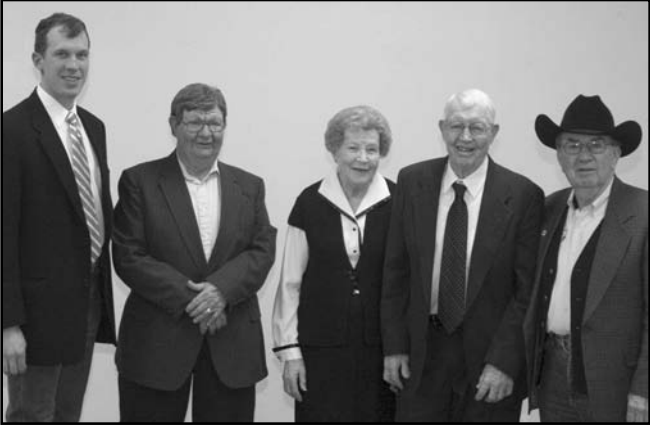
K-State's project parallels similar efforts worldwide to digitize collections at natural history museums, herbaria and universities, and eventually to link, via common access points, all the resulting databases to ever-larger networks of like collections.

The K-State databases will link via the BiodIS portal to the vast Global Biodiversity Information Facility, which currently includes 47 countries and 33

organizations as participants.

By scientific custom, every plant or insect specimen is labeled with its scientific name, where and when it was collected, the habitat associated with it, the collector's name and other details. In year two of the K-State project, data about 56,000 of the 800,000 pinned insects and 107,000 herbarium records have been entered into the database, and specimens are being moved to modern storage cabinets for safekeeping.

"Each of the million specimens in our holdings can be seen as a little snapshot of the flora and fauna of the spot where it was collected," said Mark Mayfield, the herbarium's databasing coordinator and plant identification specialist. "One of our aims in digitizing is capturing all the data from the specimens and making that data available to anyone in the world."



Willard Ericson, Marquette, was awarded Honorary Member by the Kansas Angus Association at the 2009 Kansas Angus Association Annual Banquet. Pictured from left includes Matt Perrier; Richard Molitor; Marge and Willard Ericson; and Cecil McCurry. Photo by American Angus Association.

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We sold 1442 cattle February 3, including several consignments of weaned and vaccinated cattle, for which there was good demand. We had a very good run of steer and heifer calves that sold \$2.00-3.00 higher. Feeder steers and heifers were \$1.00-3.00 higher. Cows and bulls sold \$1.00-3.00 higher.

<b>STEER &amp; HEIFER CALVES</b>		
4 blk str	424 @ 130.00	
3 blk str	458 @ 126.00	
4 blk str	504 @ 126.00	
2 blk str	435 @ 125.50	
5 bwf/blk str	535 @ 124.00	
2 blk str	358 @ 123.00	
2 char str	318 @ 120.00	
2 blk str	473 @ 120.00	
2 bwf/red st/bulls	408 @ 115.00	
2 blk bulls	425 @ 114.00	
3 blk/sim str	525 @ 112.00	
2 char str	450 @ 111.00	
4 wf str	393 @ 106.00	
3 blk bulls	528 @ 106.00	
4 blk bulls	494 @ 104.00	
2 wf str	498 @ 100.00	

<b>STOCKER &amp; FEEDER STEERS</b>		
11 blk str	580 @ 120.00	
4 bwf/blk str	551 @ 116.00	
4 blk str	563 @ 116.00	
18 bwf/blk str	556 @ 112.50	
6 bwf str	630 @ 112.00	
16 bwf/blk str	613 @ 111.50	
4 bwf/blk str	628 @ 105.00	
4 bwf/blk str	645 @ 102.00	
4 blk/bwf str	655 @ 101.00	
4 blk str	648 @ 100.00	

<b>STOCKER &amp; FEEDER HEIFERS</b>		
8 bwf hfr	557 @ 100.75	
7 bwf/blk hfr	584 @ 96.00	
11 blk hfr	619 @ 93.50	
3 blk hfr	595 @ 90.50	
32 bwf/blk hfr	677 @ 90.35	
30 bwf/blk hfr	683 @ 90.35	
7 blk hfr	599 @ 90.25	
7 bwf/blk hfr	631 @ 90.25	
9 blk/sim hfr	639 @ 90.25	
5 bwf/blk hfr	642 @ 89.50	
28 bwf/blk hfr	751 @ 89.50	
16 blk hfr	713 @ 88.25	
9 blk hfr	754 @ 88.75	
8 bwf/blk hfr	629 @ 88.25	
21 mix hfr	746 @ 87.50	
31 blk/sim hfr	652 @ 86.75	
9 mix hfr	771 @ 85.50	
5 bwf/blk hfr	846 @ 84.00	
2 blk hfr	1025 @ 77.00	

<b>COWS &amp; HEIFERETTES</b>		
1 blk hfrt	1110 @ 70.00	

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2 blk cows	@ 700.00	
2 blk cows	@ 700.00	
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1 sim cow/cf	@ 650.00	

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1 blk bull	1495 @ 65.00	

1 blk bull	1225 @ 64.00	
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2 blk bulls	1887 @ 57.00	
1 blk bull	1840 @ 54.00	
1 blk bull	1890 @ 52.50	
1 blk bull	1625 @ 52.00	

**SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR TODAY TUESDAY, FEB. 10**

90 Angus str & hfrs, 500-600 lbs., weaned & vacc.

23 blk str & hfrs, 650-850 lbs., weaned & vacc.

40 Angus str & hfrs, 750-800 lbs., weaned & vacc.

30 Angus steers, 650-700 lbs., weaned & vacc.

70 Angus Char str & hfrs, 750-800 lbs.

73 blk Sim cross steers, 775-825 lbs.

64 Angus steers, 850-875 lbs.

64 Angus Char cross steers, 875-900 lbs.

60 blk cross steers, 950-975 lbs.

58 blk cross steers, 850-875 lbs.

110 blk cross str & hfrs, 800-1,000 lbs.

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