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Cattle drive draws city riders to benefit at-risk youth

By Frank J. Buchman

Horseback riders got a bit of a feel like it was when the West was really wild.

Well, actually it was only a small tinge, but they did get the warm inner satisfaction of knowing their experience in the lush Flint Hills was benefiting a most worthwhile cause.

The occasion was the sixth annual Big Brothers Big Sisters Cattle Drive, and 11 riders, several walkers, an occasional bicyclist and a superb cow dog participated in the fun, heartwarming activity.

"Shamrock Angus Farms and the Downey Ranch, Inc., which also has a purebred Angus operation, again joined efforts to host the authentic roundup and cattle drive," according to Roy Crenshaw, executive director of the sponsoring group.

Riders could either pay a participation fee personally or have a group of businesses and/or individuals sponsor their opportunity to ride the scenic Wabaunsee County trail in the nationally historic Wabaunsee region, Deep Creek and Tabor Valley.

Additionally, a number of other groups, persons, corporations and businesses made contributions for t-shirts provided to each rider, a campfire meal on the trail and special transportation for some participants.

Title sponsors were listed on the long-sleeved t-shirts, appropriately tinted green and yellow, the Shamrock Angus Farms colors and that of the prairie with freshly blooming spring flowers.

They were McDonald's of Manhattan and Junction City, and the Jim Kleve Memorial. Mrs. Christy (Crenshaw) Kleve was one of the hikers, and her daughter, Coye Crenshaw Kleve, rode a horse.

Supporting sponsors were Farmers Union Co-op of St. Marys and the Kansas Livestock Association.

"All funds generated will directly benefit at-risk children in Geary, Pottawatomie, Riley and Wabaunsee counties served by the privately funded Big Brothers Big Sisters," explained Crenshaw.

Trailers with horses arrived before 8:30 a.m., at the Shamrock Angus Farms' Manhattan headquarters where George and June Crenshaw provided homemade cinnamon rolls and other refreshments to get riders ready for the trail.

Roy Crenshaw's daughter, Valeri, assisted with registration in the hayloft of the barn, neatly renovated into living quarters.

As the temperature was rising, Downey Ranch owner Joe Downey encouraged the group to get on the trail



The sixth annual Big Brothers Big Sisters Cattle Drive in Wabaunsee County benefited at-risk children in four counties. Riders gathered and moved an Angus cow herd several miles to their summer pasture in the Flint Hills. Shamrock Angus Farms and the Downey Ranch hosted the day's activities.



Valeri, Roy and June Crenshaw helped host the recent sixth annual Big Brothers Big Sister Cattle Drive. Roy is executive director of the sponsoring group.

before the 9 o'clock starting time.

Joe Carpenter, foreman of the Wamego-based Downey Ranch, was mounted, along with his two daughters, Laura Cate and Anna. Wife and mother Barb Downey was on foot along with their Australian Shepherd/Border Collie cross dog, Hambone.

Abe Shanholtzer and Garrett Preedy, ranch cowboys, led the guest riders into a nearby quarter section pasture to round up a herd of 140 commercial Angus cows and their spring calves.

While some lack of skill and experience was apparent, the horseback riders had no trouble guiding the sleek cattle across the rangeland to and through a corner gate for the 10-mile drive down the country roads to their summer pasture home.

Although the trail followed the gravel road most of the way, there were no

fences along several miles in addition to a timber border in a number of places. Disposition of the cow herd was apparent whenever mommas or babies would wander off the route, and slow prodding and persuasion by riders guided them back into correct order.

No small assistance was provided by the dog Hambone, who upon Barb Downey's command would handily direct any wayward cattle back under broken barbed wires they found and went through. Likewise, any brush and timber in which the critters would try to escape proved quite inadequate for hiding from the smart, well-trained canine.

Walking the entire trail on foot would have been too much for many people, but it was all in a day's work for Barb Downey, award-winning runner and Boston Marathon qualifier.

"I usually run over five

miles a day now, but when I start getting ready for the major races I'll pick it up," noted Downey, wearing her running shoes, but also donning a hat and sunglasses like most riders.

After watering in a spring-fed stream, the cattle were penned in a makeshift, electric-fenced corral for pairing babies with dams. Participants also had bottled water, before riding several more miles into the steep Flint Hills, with a number of wild flowers identified along the way.

When the riders pulled into the camp along clear-running Deep Creek, a trail dinner was being prepared over the fire and was readily served after horses were watered in the stream and tied to nearby fences.

Friends (who had been strangers just a few hours earlier at the start of the ride) congenially visited about their diverse lives and interests.

Jerry Reece of Mission Hills has a real estate company in the Kansas City area, but also has ranchland in Wabaunsee County. "I've been on this ride several times, and each time it is even more enjoyable," Reece contended. "There is nothing in the world like these Flint Hills, especially in the month of May."

Horses, of course, are important to trail riders, and Reece was mounted on a buckskin mare he'd acquired through rodeo announcer Dr. Lynn Phillips, Enid, Okla., and Charro Jerry Diaz, renowned hispanic horseman and rodeo entertainer from Braunfels, Texas. "I have a couple of these horses, and they are really outstanding," Reece credited.

After participating in a trail ride last fall on the Keith Ranch near Allen, Frank Male of Eudora and his daughter were anxious to participate in another such activity in the Flint Hills. Production manager with a landscape firm at Lawrence, Male expressed special appreciation of being so close to nature on the ride.

"I've been on several outdoor experiences, but riding horseback out here in the Flint Hills truly makes one feel close to God," insisted Male, who also is a motorcyclist. "I like them both, but riding horses is a slower, more natural relaxation," he admitted.

An old home on the Downey Ranch has been restored to serve as a bed and breakfast and was toured by some of the trail riders. A dugout built in 1870 is next to the house and shows the

way pioneers set up homes when moving into the area. An arrowhead collection on display includes artifacts from at least 800 years ago.

Two horse barns, one modern structure and a workhorse stall facility from early last century, were also shown. "We just had a group stay over last weekend. They rode in the Flint Hills during the day, put their horses in the barns and were overnight guests in the house," noted Joe Carpenter.

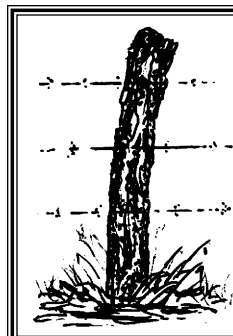
Some of the group then tightened their saddle cinches and headed back to the starting point, while others, already feeling stiffness from riding earlier in the day, opted to accept the offer to jump their horses into trailers and ride back in an air-conditioned pickup.

"Those who rode the en-

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Joe Carpenter, left, showed a primitive dugout on the Downey ranch that was used as early settlers came to the area.



The Learning Post

By Gordon Morrison
Concordia Rancher and
Former Agriculture Educator

Solutions To Our Problems

For the past several months I have been watching too many news broadcasts that leave me wondering what is going to happen to our way of life in this country and even the world. Are we going from a recession to a depression to inflation and to socialism? I have been dwelling too much on the negatives and feelings of despair, allowing a black cloud to hover over my thinking.

Last weekend May and I were driving into north Wichita after having attending a wedding reception. Darkness was upon us and a light rain threatening when suddenly our car gave off a loud thumping noise. We were on Interstate 135 in heavy traffic, not a good place to have a flat tire. I pulled off to the side close to a muddy shoulder. As I opened my car door, cars were whizzing past us, going 70-plus miles per hour and only a few feet from where I was standing, looking at a very flat tire on the driver's side next to the traffic. I had never had to fix a flat on this car so I wondered where might I find the jack and tire wrench. My back was tender from an adjustment, and a constant string of cars was missing us by just a few feet. I was beginning to feel very old.

Then suddenly a car pulled up behind us, shielding us from the traffic and with bright lights flashing. This was a time when I was very glad to be approached by a highway patrolman. He inquired as to our problem and with his flashlight could see what it was. He then took charge of the situation, asking me to put on my hazard lights and open the trunk door. He proceeded to take out the tools that were needed, knowing exactly where they were located. Soon he had the dirty donut tire on the ground, the lug bolts loosened, and the car jacked up. In a very short time, we were ready to travel again. When he learned our destination, he recommended a route that allowed us to avoid the busy 96 Expressway and drive at a prudent speed with the little tire to reach our daughter's home. It was then we exchanged greetings and expressed sincere appreciation to a courteous, considerate, and efficient patrolman. He was an angel in our time of distress.

It was time to put the alfalfa down. I needed to service the swather and fill it with gas, but after a back treatment the previous day, the doctor recommended I not lift anything with much weight. I knew May should not handle those big gasoline jugs alone, so I called Daniel, my part-time helper, to see if he could stop by on his way to work. I was too late. He was already north of town when he got my call, but he called his parents. His mother soon arrived at our house to help us get ready to go to the field. Then his dad stopped by on his way home to swath his own hay to make sure my machine was ready to go. It was reluctant to start but he quickly solved that problem, and I headed to the field. After a couple of rounds, a chain came off and was badly damaged. My neighbor stayed by me to repair the damages and re-

place the chain before he went to his own hay field. But other problems manifested themselves. A new part that I needed had to be ordered, which meant it would not be available for three days.

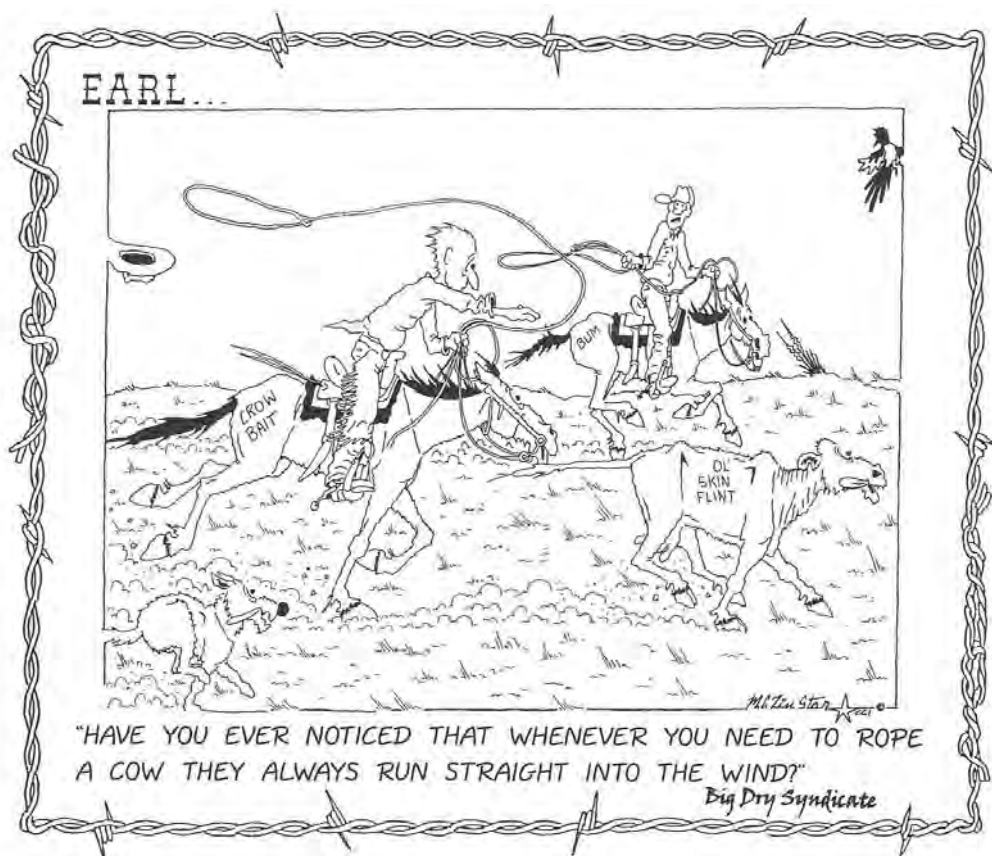
I now wished I had checked the swather over better before hay season arrived as it appeared to be needing some adjusting, welding, a new bearing, and a sprocket. Two days later the rural water operator, also a neighbor, came by to take samples for testing water. When I told him of my predicament with the swather, he immediately offered to come that afternoon and repair it. I picked up the parts, and with his skills as a mechanic, I will be able to swath with confidence, with the chains staying on and the crimper running smoothly. Besides, the delay has caused us to miss getting our hay crop wet and yet be able to benefit from the much-needed rain.

We are hosting a fishing party for the men and boys of our church this Saturday, and the boat dock needed to be put in the pond with four barrels attached underneath so it will float. This time it was Daniel and his friend who stopped their fence-building to launch the boat dock. It was a job way beyond my ability.

This early morning I am looking at mud instead of dust because of the good rain, a car with two new tires, a swather ready to run, and am anticipating a great day of fishing with fellows from church. Instead of staring at problems over which we have no control, many folk are going out of their way to help others who are frustrated or needing help and encouragement. Hey! If we will pull together and help one another in need, we will get through whatever we are going through.

There are many people who are in need and there are many people with talents and the means to help those in need. It is when they come together that blessings occur for all. We are not meant to be an island but to receive and to give help. This is the solution to our problems.

Very recently, I received a nice letter from Mrs. Krump from Marysville, expressing appreciation for my column and for the years she has enjoyed reading it. Although elderly and getting around with a walker while living in a rest home, she is still an encouragement to others. We all have abilities we can use to help one another. Seeing me writing, May just now stopped at my chair and stroked my hair, rubbed my sore back, and said nothing. She didn't need to say anything.



Over the Barn Gate

By Beth Gaines-Riffel

There are weeks when this space is filled up more easily than others. This would be an edition when I have a hard time making a decision about what I most want to share about. Because there has been enough going on to fill up several pages — both in the world of agriculture and in fray of where my personal life meets my professional one. In reality, the divide between the two really isn't very deep at all.

I am often amazed at how the seasons and chores morph from one to another in agriculture. From wheat breaking dormancy, nearly in a blink of an eye at the end of winter when the landscape is painted a bright, lush green after months of browns and yellow as far as the eyes can see. That green carpet is then made over into a green rolling sea as the heads emerge and the crop continues to mature. And just as suddenly as it turns from brown to growing green, the transformation to gold occurs.

During the last week one could guess that harvest isn't far off as the green quickly disappeared from the fields and the golden hue began to shimmer in the sun. Yes, change can and so often does happen rapidly, and usually when we least expect it.

My family had a pretty big scare over the last week as the family patriarch had a bout of heart-health concerns that prompted a fairly stressful stint at the hospital. And, while all eventually turned out all right, it certainly brought us face-to-face with some realities that aren't always so nice to come to terms with.

Stress can do wicked things to people. Stresses that cannot necessarily be controlled — such as health emergencies, weather and markets — can prove to be menaces. It would seem to me that most in agriculture could stand a few classes on how to appropriately manage stressful circumstances, since those stress-causing

agents aren't going anywhere, anytime soon.

And, let's face it, with harvest mere weeks away one of the most stressful times on a farm is right around the corner. Weather — with the potential of hail that could wipe out a crop in a matter of minutes, machinery failure and too much to do, with not enough time to do it — are only a few of the stress-causing factors that right now working on farm families.

So, that being said, it is important to recognize that you are under stress and deal with it effectively. I found this list of suggestions put out years ago during the farm crisis of the 1980s. It still is as relevant as ever.

Talking about problems is a good way to relieve stress. Choose someone you can be honest with, and then share your problems and discuss solutions with them. Sometimes just addressing the problems out loud is enough to lighten the load.

Learn how to recognize stressors. These might be a tightening of the neck and shoulders, stomach problems, or changes in behavior or relationships. The body is equipped with a complex system that give warning signs when the stress level is too high.

Look at the list of things that cause you stress and think about how serious each of them really is. Pick out things that no one can control, such as prices and the weather. Then, when feeling stressed, evaluate the cause. Is it something minor or something you have no ability to control?

When dealing with a major problem, try to break it down into smaller parts. If the barn needs repair, pick out one job and concentrate on getting it done. Once that task is completed, go on to the next one.

Schedule the time realistically. Don't try and squeeze more work into a day than can be completed.

Take occasional short breaks from work. A few minutes will provide a refreshing start at the job.

Learn how to relax. This is a hard one for many. Just sitting down for a few minutes or enjoying a coke or a coffee can do lots for one's outlook.

Stress on farm families can be considerable, but if it isn't dealt with appropriately it can lead to some serious health complications or worse.

That's all for now. I'll chat with you next week, "Over the Barn Gate!"



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Don't overlook blackleg

When planning a herd health program for your cattle, don't overlook blackleg vaccination says Eldon Cole, a livestock specialist with University of Missouri Extension.

The disease is caused by *Clostridium chauvoei* which occurs naturally in the animal's intestines.

"It can remain viable in the soil for many years. It normally shows up in the summer and hits cattle that are in the six month to two year old range," said Cole.

However, much younger calves and even adult cattle can be stricken, according to Cole.

Excellent protection against the disease, which commonly results in death, can be attained by vaccination.

If vaccinated for blackleg before 3 months of age calves should be revaccinated at four to six months of age or at weaning. A booster is suggested in the two to six week range. The cost of the vaccine varies from 25 to 50 cents per dose.

Death losses from blackleg generally occur without warning symptoms unless the cattle are being observed closely.



Joe Downey of the Downey Ranch at Wamego and George Crenshaw of Shamrock Angus Farms, Manhattan, welcomed participants in the sixth annual Big Brothers Big Sisters Cattle Drive. Horseback riders joined for breakfast provided by George and June Crenshaw and then gathered an Angus cow herd, owned by Downey Ranch, and moved it several miles to summer pasture.

Weather can be hard on wheat

The fact that Kansas is known as the Wheat State and as the Breadbasket of the World is kind of a miracle - every year.

If nothing else, the weather Kansas is known for is the weather that can damage wheat. The crop's major hazards include high and low temperatures, drought, wind and hail, said Rick Snell, agriculture agent for Barton County's Kansas State University Research and Extension office. "Ironically, the winter wheat that we grow

here is a cool-season crop, which means it thrives in cool environments," Snell said. "So, during its flowering and grain-fill stages — in other words, right now — it doesn't do well in hot, dry, windy weather. "The ideal temperature range for those critical stages is between 68 and 72 degrees — which probably is why agronomist Gary Paulsen's research found that over time, Kansas has lost more yield to heat during grain fill than it has to freeze injury."

At higher temperatures, wheat plants may abort flowers and thus produce fewer kernels, he said. And, in very warm temperatures that last for more than three days, wheat plants in the grain-filling stage will actually "senesce" — prematurely ripen. This effect is most pronounced when nighttime temperatures are above 60 degrees. "High If windy weather enters the equation, it will sap the wheat plants' moisture and may lead to heat scorch.

Trail ride through rough, yet beautiful Flint Hills benefits kids

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tire cattle drive and back to the ranch were on horseback nearly 20 miles," according to Carpenter.

Roy Crenshaw evaluated the day's activities: "This was an opportunity for those of us in the livestock and agricultural industry

to enhance and improve our community.

"Compared to their peers, youth in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program are: 46 percent less likely to start the use of drugs; 27 percent less likely to start drinking alcohol; 52 percent less likely to skip school; and 33 percent less likely to engage in violent behavior."



All ready to go for the sixth annual Big Brothers Big Sisters Cattle Drive in Wabaunsee County are Joe Carpenter and his wife Barb Downey and their daughters, Laura Cate and Anna.

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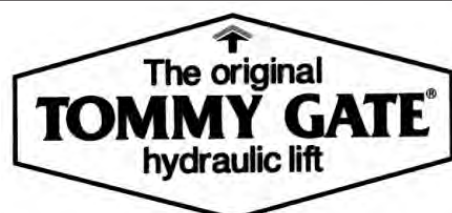
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His skills were put to the test by a wide variety of sandwich occasions, such as the "Ready to Rock" sandwich (a portable version of ham and eggs) created for a rock-star production manager who needed nourishment in his crazy, 14-hour day. The site can provide a wealth of sand-

wiches to suit just about any occasion, mood and personality trait. Many of the sandwiches are made with Hellmann's® or Best Foods® Real Mayonnaise, since Flay maintains it doesn't get more simple than its real ingredients of eggs, oil and vinegar.

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- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh chives
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- 3 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 loaf Ciabatta, sliced in

- half lengthwise
- 8 thin slices country ham or prosciutto
- 4 large eggs

Whisk together lemon juice, zest, mustard, mayonnaise, chives, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper in a medium bowl. Whisk in the canola oil until combined. Brush the cut side of the bottom half of the bread with 2 tablespoons of the oil and season with salt and pepper. Grill on a grill pan, oil-side down, over high heat until lightly golden brown, about 20 seconds; or place the bread on a sheet pan, oil-side up, and toast under the broiler until lightly golden brown, about 45-60 seconds. Reserve the remaining half for later use. Heat the remaining tablespoon of canola in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the ham and cook until just warmed through on both sides, about 30 seconds per side. Gently crack the eggs onto the ham, season with salt and pepper and cook until the white is set and the yellow is slightly firm, about 2 minutes. The yolk should still be slightly runny.

Place the toasted bread on a flat surface and spread with a few tablespoons of the dressing. Top the bread with the ham/eggs and then top the eggs with the arugula.

Drizzle with more of the lemon-chive dressing and serve immediately.

Women, Stress And Heart Disease

(NAPSA) — When it comes to heart health and women, the role played by stress can't be stressed enough. This is in addition to other factors, such as diet, physical activity, and genetics that are known to contribute to heart disease in women.

According to the American Psychological Association's (APA) 2008 Stress in America survey, women report experiencing higher levels of stress than men — 33 percent of women report an average stress level of 8 or above on a 10-point scale (versus 27 percent of men).

"The link between high levels of stress and heart disease is well known and very real," says Katherine Nordal, Ph.D., executive director for professional practice at the American Psychological Association. "The good news is that by being proactive in their health care decisions and making healthy lifestyle choices, women can successfully manage their levels of stress and minimize their risk of heart disease."

In fact, the tools used to

prevent stress are also those often employed to prevent heart disease. A healthy diet full of fruits, vegetables and whole grains, as well as regular physical activity such as walking, yoga or dance, all contribute to a healthy mind and body.

APA offers the following tips on how to manage your stress:

- Understand how you experience stress. Everyone experiences stress differently. How do you know when you are stressed?

- Identify your sources of stress. What events or situations trigger stressful feelings? Is there anything you can do to change the situation or reduce your stress?

- Learn your own stress signals. People experience stress in different ways. Learn to gauge your stress signals.

- Recognize how you deal with stress. Determine if you are using unhealthy behaviors (such as smoking, drinking alcohol and over/undereating) to cope.

- Find healthy ways to

manage stress. Consider healthy, stress-reducing activities such as meditation, exercising or talking things over with friends or family.

- Take care of yourself.

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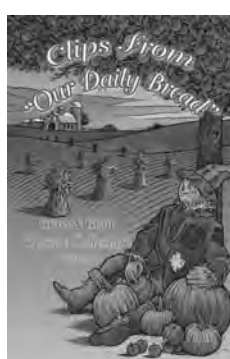
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State 4-H project awards recognize effort, but there's more to it than baking a cake

Although founded to supplement educational opportunities for rural youth, contemporary 4-H youth development focuses on helping young people build life skills that will help them interact as responsive citizens in a global society, said Gary Gerhard, Kansas State University professor of 4-H youth development.

The basics, such as public speaking, foods and nutrition, and personal management, are staples within 4-H programs. Newer projects that also are pleasing to youth and families focus on GPS (Global Positioning Systems), robotics and the environment, Gerhard said.

While students can choose from more than 30 different projects, some also choose to tailor a project to their interests, he said. This year, Lauren Gregory, a Johnson County, 4-H member, focused her project on computer technologies and robotics.

"Math and science come easily for me. I'm happy to develop these interests and to share these interests and skills to help others learn," said Gregory, who gives 4-H high marks for helping

her develop a variety of interests, while also providing opportunities to meet others who share the interests.

For her efforts to grow and willingness to help others — which has included teaching technology to students during a six-week summer camp — Gregory has been tapped as this year's Kansas 4-H Self-Determined Project state award recipient, Gerhard said.

State award recipients are selected by a statewide application process, during which project work the previous year, personal growth, development and leadership are considered, said Gerhard, who serves as the chairperson for the state awards, which were presented at the Emerald Circle Banquet in Manhattan, June 4.

While earning the top award in a project is meaningful in itself, such awards include a highly sought after invitation to attend National 4-H Congress, which, this year will be Nov. 27-Dec. 1 in Atlanta, Gerhard said.

Attending the professional development confer-

ence for youth often is the highlight of a 4-H member's career, Gerhard said. In many instances, attending the conference is a life-changing experience, as youth build new skills in the larger world and begin making national connections.

A 4-H member must earn the opportunity to attend, but is eligible to do so only once during his or her 4-H membership years, Gerhard said. For that reason, if a state project award recipient has previously earned the opportunity to attend Congress in a different project, a project runner up (or alternate) is eligible to attend.

Award recipients also earn a commemorative medallion, certificate and a \$400 travel award (toward expenses), provided by the Kansas 4-H Foundation Patron Sponsor Fund.

The 2009 Kansas 4-H Project Award recipients (and, when appropriate, alternates), listed alphabetically by project are:

Beef: Kendal Clawson, Finney County; first alternate, Meghan Blythe, Morris County.

Citizenship: Genna Stam-

baugh, Miami County; first alternate, Hannah Davidson, Leavenworth County.

Clothing & Textiles: Kendra Baumberger, Central Kansas District; first alternate, Misty Lethcho, Miami County; second alternate: Rose Bear, Thomas County.

Communications: Melody Routh, Butler County; first alternate: Laura Florey, Atchison County.

Dairy: Austin Schmitz, Marshall County; first alternate: Maggie Seiler, Sedgwick County.

Dog Care & Training: Anna Wenner, Shawnee County; first alternate: Sara Winkel, Post Rock District.

Electric Energy: Ryan Yenni, McPherson County; first alternate: Skyler Glenn, Scott County.

Energy Management: Jesse Huber, River Valley District; first alternate: C.J. Bunce, Meadowlark District.

Entomology: Wade Gutierrez, River Valley District; first alternate: Alexandra Hall, Shawnee County.

Family Studies: Mariah Woolsoncroft, Central Kansas District; first alternate:

Jordan Wallace, Hamilton County.

Fiber Arts: Brittany Joerg, Post Rock District.

Foods & Nutrition: Samuel Fishburn, Reno County; first alternate: Charla Norquest, Finney County;

Geology: Stephanie Waln, Miami County; first alternate: Katherine Vasper, McPherson County.

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Pets: Alisha Rogers, Grant County; first alternate: Morgan Michels, Lyon County.

Photography: Erin Johnson, McPherson County; first alternate: Marta Blecha, River Valley District.

Plant Science: Alex Evans, Shawnee County; first alternate: Greg Harris, Dickinson County.

Poultry: Hannah Fahrenthold, Central Kansas District; first alternate: Tyler Grammer, Leavenworth County.

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Space Tech: Harrison May, Johnson County; first alternate: Phillip Scheuerman, Walnut Creek District;

Swine: Tyler Tebow, River Valley District; first alternate: Cody Holmes, Coffey County.

Visual Arts: Rachael Mayhill, Morris County; first alternate: Christy Peterson, Shawnee County.

Wildlife: Michelle Waymire, Morris County; first alternate: Carl Clawson, Meade County, and

Wood Science: Krystal Duer, Shawnee County; first alternate: Jared Rogers, Riley County.

In addition to the state project award recipients, five state Standard of Excellence award recipients also have been selected to attend National 4-H Congress, Gerhard said. The 2009 recipients of that award, listed in alphabetical order, are: Elizabeth Forsyth, Dickinson County; Abby Guenther, Franklin County; Chastin Leggett, Cherokee County; John E. Roberts, Lyon County; and Kenneth Tharman, Doniphan County.

Agriculture Hall of Fame struggling for money, attendance

BONNER SPRINGS (AP) — A sharp drop in its investment fund and in attendance is forcing the National Agriculture Center and Hall of Fame to look for some new ideas to raise money.

If the 100-acre student and tourist attraction cannot find a new business plan by June 1, some or all of the facility in western Wyandotte County might have to close, said Executive Director Tim Daugherty.

"We are in search of a new business model that can help us address financial shortfalls and at the same time tell the story of agriculture," Daugherty said. "Our role is more important than it was 15 years ago."

Despite the opening of the Kansas Speedway, the Village West shopping and dining complex and a stadium used by the Kansas City T-Bones and Kansas City Wizards, attendance at the Hall of Fame has dropped significantly.

And an investment fund used for about half of the facility's operating budget was reduced significantly last fall when the stock market fell, Daugherty said.

"We will have a significant shortfall," Daugherty said. "Those funds have been decimated." He said officials at the hall would like to hear any ideas the public might have to help finance the facility, which was created by Congress in

1960 to showcase agriculture and the country's agriculture history and leaders.

The hall receives no government support. It raises much of its money from donations, contributions, rentals on facilities and admissions. The investment fund provided about half of the operating budget of \$500,000. The ag center

charges up to \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and military personnel and \$3 for children 5 to 16.

Attendance, which once averaged 20,000 a year, has dropped to about 10,000. Daugherty said the hall's attendance was particularly hurt when Future Farmers of America convention left Kansas City in the 1990s.



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Walnut Council Field Day to show ways to improve profits

Key topics at this year's Kansas Walnut Council Field Day, June 11, will be how landowners can improve walnut stands through genetic selection and careful thinning. Black walnut trees already are growing in plantations and in the wild on close to 30,000 forested acres in Kansas, according to Bob Atchison, rural forestry coordinator with the Kansas Forest Service. As a species, the black walnut already is the most economically valuable tree in the state. Yet, many landowners are just beginning to recognize their trees' full economic potential.

"Every session at the field day will include ideas about how to improve on that — from planting through the post-harvest handling of stumps," Atchison said.

The site for the Walnut Council's field day will be a secluded Kansas State University experiment field near Manhattan. Known as the Tuttle Creek Forestry Research Area, the site is rarely open for visitors. It's where K-State Research and Extension scientists are working to produce and provide genetically superior black walnut seeds for Kansas growers, Atchison said. Other research being conducted there is shedding light on a current controversial topic in commercial forestry: crown-release thinning — when and how much to remove. A link to the field day's program brochure, which includes a registration form and driving directions, is available on the Web at <http://www.kansasforests.org/calendar/index.s>

html. Part of the event's \$12 registration fee will cover a hot lunch, catered on-site. Field day participants will see the black walnut seed orchard in development at the research area. K-State forester Keith Lynch and silviculturist Wayne Geyer will describe the project, the study that first helped to identify their superior walnut stock, and the genetic trait assessment that identified which trees to keep and which to remove. In addition, K-State nut crop specialist Bill Reid will provide information about the best black walnut root stocks and cultivars to use in Kansas and then will demonstrate how to graft superior cultivars onto root stocks. Plus, Extension forestry specialist Charles Barden will explain a newly researched "hot topic" of harvesting trees so as to create multiple stump sprouts, for use in burning wood for energy.

"Related to that, understanding how many trees to thin from walnut stands and when to do so is still one of the most-debated topics among silviculturists," Atchison said. "Unfortunately, thus far, not much growth response to thinning research has been accomplished in walnut plantations."

Nonetheless, KSU Professor Emeritus Gary Naughton and silviculturist Wayne Geyer will discuss how walnuts responded with growth, following a crown-release thinning study conducted at the Tuttle Creek Forestry Research Area.

"Crown release" means removing some or all of the competition for sunlight from around the crown of a tree you want to grow well and more quickly. Whether you decide to do that more than once would probably depend on the amount of space you initially leave be-

tween a released tree and the other crowns around it," Atchison explained. In other field day sessions:

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KSRE names summer interns, assignments

K-State Research and Extension has named nine university students as 2009 summer interns. The interns will assist Extension agents and staff in planning and implementing educational programs for residents in Kansas counties.

All of this year's interns attend Kansas State University.

The interns — in alphabetical order by last name, followed by their academic major, Kansas hometown, and (in parentheses) district or county where they're working as interns — are: Nicole Allen, animal sciences and industry, Tonganoxie (Barton County); Roberta Barthol, agricultural education, Wellsville (Leavenworth County); Chelsy Coen, agricultural education, Wellsville (Central Kansas District); Cassandra Cook, dietetics, Wichita (Reno County); Heather Frisch, animal sciences and industry, Wichita (Russell County); Holly Gurss, family studies and human services and psychology, Louisburg (Seward County); Rachael Heck, family and consumer sciences, Linn (Douglas County); Krista Rice, agricultural education, Horton (Shawnee County); and Ashley Vann, agricultural education, Topeka (Miami County).

K-State Research and Extension, based at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan., conducts research and offers programs, publications and newsletters focused on improving the quality of life for Kansans and others, using science-based information. It has offices in all 105 Kansas counties.

More information about K-State Research and Extension is available at any of its county or district offices and on its website: <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu>. Links to the individual county and district sites are available on that site.



Winners of the showmanship contest at the Kansas Charolais Junior Show include standing: Audrey Hambright, champion senior; Taylor Schotte, champion intermediate; Hadley Schotte, champion junior, Claire Krehbiel, champion peewee. Front row: Tessa Schotte, reserve senior; Maci Schlehuber, reserve intermediate; Drew Krehbiel, reserve junior; Weston Schrader, Anna Schrader, reserve peewee.

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New rodeo contractor to produce Plainville Rodeo

The cliché “it’s not my first rodeo” doesn’t hold true for the 2009 Plainville Saddle Club Rodeo, June 12-13 in Plainville. It is the first rodeo for new stock contractor, Roberts Pro Rodeo, Inc. But with a family steeped in professional rodeo history, Roberts has recruited to Plainville marquee names like three-time World Champion Bronc Rider, Monty Henson two-time National Finals Rodeo (NFR) announcer, Roger Mooney and top bull fighters Frank Newsom and Lance Brittan from the Professional Bull Riders (PBR).

“Change is always a little intimidating,” commented Billie Ayers of the Plainville Saddle Club, “but when Roberts Pro Rodeo offered to take Plainville to the next level we wanted to do that for our community. We are very excited to be a part of this Kansas family’s historic return to the arena.”

Monty Henson of Fort Worth, Texas won the World title in 1975, 1976 and 1982. His record of four Average Titles from the NFR has yet to be beat. He is in five hall of fames, including the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs. Today Henson is a rodeo judge, musician and legend who shares his knowledge with young contestants. In addition to being one of the judges at Plainville’s Rodeo, Henson will be performing at Tina’s Bar & Grill following Saturday’s rodeo performance.

When asked about Roberts Pro Rodeo, Henson recalled his first memory of Gerald and Ken Roberts in Strong City, “It was at the rodeo dance and Gerald stood up and recited a poem called ‘Dangerous Dan McGrew’ that lasted 45 minutes and then Ken got up and recited a poem called ‘Sam McGee’ that lasted 50 minutes. I never knew

poems could be an hour long. I knew I met a kindred spirit.”

Mooney also remembered the famed Roberts family for their rodeo prowess, “I am really looking forward to Plainville and working with Roberts.” Unlike most rodeo announcers tucked away in the crowd nest, Roger Mooney is easily recognized horseback in the center of the arena on his Paint horse, Flash. Born and raised in Ellijay, Georgia, Mooney’s career began by accident in 1984 when in college, he stepped in for the scheduled rodeo announcer who had a heart attack. In short time, Mooney went from being a contestant to one of the best announcers on the circuit with announcing accolades that include two-time NFR, five-time Calgary Stampede, five-time Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo and the Women’s Professional Rodeo Association Announcer of the Year. When not rodeoing, Mooney can be found in the recording studio making radio and TV commercials, riding his

Harley or one of his many tractors. For PBR bullfighters Lance Brittan and Frank Newsom, Plainville’s rodeo offers them a chance to stay busy while the rest of the PBR circuit takes a three-week break. Brittan is a headliner for Rodeo Austin while Newsom has been featured among “one of the bravest athletes in America... who makes an NFL middle linebacker look like Richard Simmons” according to a 2007 Sports Illustrated article.

Joining the bullfighters is rodeo clown Scott Cameron of Golden Colorado. When asked if scared when fighting bulls, Cameron replied, “Sure I’m scared, but you have to keep it in perspective, as far as I know, there’s not one carnivorous bull in the whole world. So they might kill ya, but they can’t eat ya.”

Roberts Pro Rodeo is owned and operated by Jared Roberts, a professional saddle bronc rider and instructor. Roberts, is the fourth generation to carry on his family’s legacy. He is the grandson of two-time All-

Around World Champion Gerald Roberts and the great-grandson of E.C. Roberts, dubbed “Mr. Rodeo” by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA). The Roberts family founded Strong City’s Flint Hills Rodeo in 1937. The Flint Hills Rodeo is the longest consecutively run rodeo in Kansas.

Roberts’ parents, Jim and Susan, own Roberts Cowboy Outfitters in Salina. Jim Roberts will also be a judge at the Plainville Rodeo.

It wasn’t always all rodeo. Gerald became the first professional cowboy to endorse Wrangler jeans that eventually became the signature clothing line for the industry. The Robertses also have ties to Hollywood as stuntmen. And in 1959, Gerald was offered the role of “Rowdy Yates” for the pilot series of “Rawhide” but he turned it down to tour Europe with Casey Tibbs in a wild west show. Clint Eastwood signed on to play the role of Rowdy instead.



Taylor Schotte, Marysville, exhibited the Champion Steer at the recent Kansas Junior Charolais Show held in Belleville.

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New Twin Creeks Extension district formed

Beginning July 1, Decatur and Norton counties in northwest Kansas will form the K-State Research and Extension Twin Creeks Extension District.

The move is the latest in a trend begun several years ago to help county Extension agents be more specialized in particular subject areas, rather than serve as the "generalists" they often are when devoted to one county only, said Chris Onstad, director of the Northwest Area K-State Research and Extension office.

For example, rather than having a county agriculture and natural resources agent who would be responsible for educational programs on livestock and agronomy, under the district model, there might be one agent responsible only for agronomy and another who focuses on livestock.

In the case of the new Twin Creeks District, the change means that Decatur and Norton counties will have two fulltime agents splitting similar responsibilities. The district will also have a family and consumer sciences specialist 40 percent of the week, Onstad said.

Extension offices will continue to serve clientele in both counties, he said. The Decatur County office is located at 120 E. Hall St. in Oberlin, and the Norton County office is at 100 S. Norton St. in Norton. The two agriculture and natural resources agents are Keith Van Skike and Byron Hale. Family and consumer sciences specialist Tranda Watts, who currently covers a five-county area including Norton and Decatur counties, will continue to deliver programming in those counties.

The Twin Creeks Extension District was approved several months ago by the Kansas Attorney General's office. It will be the ninth Extension district formed in Kansas. Other districts include: Meadowlark (Nemaha, Jackson, and Jefferson counties); River Valley (Clay, Cloud, Republic and Washington counties); Phillips-Rooks (Phillips and Rooks counties); Sunflower (Sherman and Wallace); Post Rock (Jewell, Osborn, Mitchell and Lincoln); Walnut Creek (Lane, Ness and Rush); and Central Kansas (Saline and Ottawa).

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K-State Beef Conference set for Aug. 13 in Manhattan

"Making Money in Hard Times" is the theme for this year's K-State Beef Conference, planned for Thursday, Aug. 13, at the Frick Auditorium in Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

"The conference is especially geared for cow-calf producers and designed to provide take-home knowledge that will enhance their ability to improve profitability," said K-State Research and Extension veterinarian Larry Hollis. Beef producer and BEEF magazine contributing editor Troy Marshall will be the featured speaker. His presentations, "Issues Facing the Beef Industry" and "Opportunities Facing the Cow-Calf Producer," will open and close the conference.

Marshall has been a market analyst for Cattle-Fax, director of commercial marketing for two breed associations, editor of The Seedstock Digest and recipient of the 2003 Beef Improvement Federation Ambassador Award.

The conference will begin with registration at 8 a.m., and the program will start at 9 a.m. The registration cost is \$60, due by July 31. The fee includes morning and afternoon refresh-

ments, a noon meal, and conference materials. More information and registration forms are available on the Web at <http://www.asi.ksu.edu/beefconference> or by contacting Linda Siebold at (785) 532-1281 or lsiebold@ksu.edu.

Other conference presentation topics and presenters will include: Replacements: Raise them or buy them? — Sandy Johnson, K-State animal scientist. Animal welfare: It's your business! — Dan Thomson, K-State Beef Cattle Institute. Management strategies affecting calf marketability — Karl Harborth,

K-State animal scientist; Lee Schulz, K-State agricultural economist; and Kevin Dhuyvetter, K-State agricultural economist. Options to extend the grazing season: Cool season annuals — Stacy Gunther, University of Arkansas animal scientist. Options to extend the grazing season: Crop residues — Rick Funston, University of Nebraska animal scientist. Mineral needs to complement ethanol by-product feeding — Justin Waggoner, K-State animal scientist. Managing price risk in cow-calf operations — Kevin Dhuyvetter, K-State agricultural economist.

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Kansas 4-H awards scholarships at annual banquet in Manhattan

Newly announced Kansas 4-H scholarship recipients will share educational awards totaling more than \$35,000, a Kansas 4-H spokesperson said. The 4-H Foundation scholarship recipients are selected by a statewide application and review process, said Gordon Hibbard, president of the Kansas 4-H Foundation, which funds the scholarship program.

The awards were presented at the Emerald Circle Banquet held in Manhattan, June 4, and recipients represent a cross-section of the state, including 21 of Kansas' 105 counties and six Kansas State University Research and

Extension Districts. "Kansas 4-H Foundation scholarships carry awards in varying amounts and are designated to fund post-secondary education," said Hibbard, who expressed pride in 4-H Foundation donors who, despite current economic ups and downs, continue to recognize the value of education and joy in making such opportunities available to deserving young people.

"The 4-H Foundation is, for example, pleased this year to announce and award a new \$1,000 scholarship honoring Frances W. Dunbar," Hibbard said. Frances Dunbar was an alumna of Indiana 4-H, active in the 4-

H foods and nutrition and clothing projects, and, later in life, was a gourmet cook. She passed away recently, and the scholarship has been endowed by John Dunbar, her husband, and the couple's daughters: Elaine Dunbar and Kathleen Later. Choosing to establish a scholarship honoring Mrs. Dunbar and her interests helps to make educational opportunities available to young people who share similar interests and ideals, said Hibbard, who noted that the Kansas 4-H Foundation is pleased this year to present academic awards to 47 students and travel awards to assist 33 state project winners in attending the National 4-H Congress this fall.

"Our focus is education, the teaching of life skills that encourage today's young people to explore their talents and abilities and use them as responsive and contributing members of their community and the larger world," Hibbard said. The Kansas 4-H Foundation typically helps to fund more than \$100,000 in educational opportunities for Kansas youth annually, he said.

Designated 2009 4-H scholarship award recipients are listed in alphabetical order by county or Extension district, followed by the student's name and scholarship donor:

Allen County: Michelle Kretzmeier, Orschlen Farm

and Home 4-H Scholarship; Sarah Works, Master Farmer-Farm Homemaker 4-H Scholarship.

Brown County: Joseph Chadwell, John Jr and Ula Armstrong Scholarship; Ethan Noll, Gary and Lorraine Kilgore 4-H Scholarship.

Central Kansas Extension District: Joseph Bernhardt, Mary Lou Gibbs 4-H Scholarship; Andrea Everhart, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Emily Schneider, Glenn M. and Rosemary Busset Scholarship; Lane Trautwein, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Dickinson County: Jacob Mueller, Cecil and Merle Eyestone Scholarship; Hannah Miller, Orschlen Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship.

Finney County: Brittany Barrett, A.B. Mahieu Scholarship; Kyla Clawson, Oscar W. Norby 4-H Scholarship; Kendal Clawson, Orschlen Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship; Troy Krehbiel, J. Clifton and Helen F. Ramsey Scholarship.

Ford County: Cassadie Copeland, J. Harold and Laverne Johnson Scholarship.

Franklin County: Nicholas Gloshen, Roy B. and Elizabeth Curry Oyer Scholarship.

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Linn County: Lexie Raitinger, Lois Redman Leisure Studies Scholarship.

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Meade County: Ann Clawson, Extension Step Ahead Scholarship, Southwest Kansas recipient.

Meadowlark District: Mollie Nelson, Winter Family Grants Scholarship.

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Phillips-Rooks District: Shayne Runion, Extension Step Ahead Scholarship, Northwest Kansas recipient.

Post-Rock District: Claire Thiessen, Orschlen Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship; Pottawatomie County: Monica Ebert, Orschlen Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship.

Reno County: Jessica Grinstead, Extension Step Ahead Scholarship, Northeast Kansas recipient; Alex Spence, Jack and Lindy Lindquist 4-H Youth Council Scholarship.

River Valley District: Aaron Kadavy, Andrew J. Clawson 4-H Scholarship; Sedgwick County: Alexander Crownover, Winter Family Grants Scholarship.

Shawnee County: Brenna Koch and Lori Patton, each a recipient of the Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Rachel Webb, Georgia Wertzberger Scholarship; Stafford County: Brennan McNickle, Roscoe M. and Winona Starkey Scholarship.

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Kansas 4-H honors Hundley family, legacy

A former Atchison County family — Clay and Pearle Hundley, and their eight grown children — have been selected as the Kansas 4-H Family of the Year. The one-of-its-kind state award is presented annually by Kansas 4-H at the Emerald Circle Banquet, which, this year, was held in Manhattan, June 4, said Gary Gerhard, Kansas State University professor of 4-H youth development and chairperson for the state 4-H awards program.

Award recipients are selected by a statewide nomination process, he said. The Hundley family was previously honored as the 2007 Atchison County 4-H Family of the Year, and encouraged by K-State Research and Extension agents in the county, Ray Ladd and Diane Nielson, to apply for the state recognition.

"Clay and Pearle Hundley chose Kansas 4-H youth development as a primary activity for their active, growing family," Ladd said. "While they benefited from the educational 4-H programs, this family of eight children also has chosen to make sharing the skills they learned in 4-H programs with youth and communities in the state a lifetime commitment."

Since first being involved with Kansas 4-H programs, Hundley family members have provided leadership and service to youth and families in 16 of Kansas' counties, Ladd said. Nineteen of the couple's 33

grandchildren have been active in 4-H, and 31 of 64 of their great grandchildren also have become 4-H members.

"Clay and Pearle Hundley are deceased, but were nominated for the award by their children in recognition of — and with gratitude for — their parents' efforts so that they, as children and young adults, could take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered through 4-H programs," Gerhard said. "The family's involvement with 4-H began when oldest son Bill joined the New Malden 4-H Club," Gerhard said. His younger brothers and sisters: Samuel (Sam); Mildred (Millie) (Hundley) Horlacher; James (Jim) and Shirley (Hundley) Nyhart followed suit, joining as soon as they became eligible.

A year after Shirley joined 4-H, the New Malden Club disbanded, and the family transferred to Atchison County's Brush Creek 4-H Club, which Gerald (Jerry); Lawrence (Larry); and Juanita (Carol) (Hund-

ley) Eckert joined when they became old enough.

In thinking about their growing-up years, the Hundley children recalled a multitude of 4-H projects, activities and opportunities that kept the family on the move.

In working together on the nomination for their parents, the Hundley children identified leadership, citizenship and building self-confidence as a public speaker as the most valuable life skills they developed as 4-H members.

During those years, the family put more than 200,000 miles on their 1937 Chevrolet. They replaced it with a 1949 model and logged 200,000 miles on it as well, with many of those miles being miles to and from 4-H events.

"We attended 4-H events as a family," said Shirley (Hundley) Nyhart. "We often participated in different projects and events, but shared the interest in 4-H programs and the opportunities to learn and grow."

"Our parents contributed countless hours as volun-

teers and project leaders helping youth in the community, and set a good example for us — and for others in the community," added Nyhart, who, remembering her mother's many efforts as a clothing construction leader, also has served as such a 4-H leader for more than 40 years.

Still, Nyhart is modest about her own and her family's commitment to "give back."

"We've not been brought up to expect recognition; our parents taught us to use our talents and skills to help others, and that has been our family's philosophy," she said.

Bill Hundley, who was the first in the family to benefit from Extension programs, has, for example, dedicated his career efforts to serving as an Extension agent. And, while many in the family have earned numerous achievement awards for 4-H projects, activities, leadership, citizenship and service, nominating their parents for the state award seemed "the right thing to do," said Nyhart, who credited her sister, Carol (Hundley) Eckert, with keeping the family on track to complete the nomi-

nation of their parents.

"Carol has logged 10 years as a 4-H member and 47 years as a 4-H volunteer, leader and parent," Nyhart said. "She knows — and appreciates — the power of 4-H youth development, and works diligently to see that youth have opportunities to grow and develop life skills."

In honoring the Clay and Pearle Hundley family as the 2009 Kansas 4-H Family of Year, Gordon Hibbard, president of the Kansas 4-H Foundation, said: "It is a pleasure to honor this remarkable family. Their ac-

complishments as a family are numerous, yet, in embracing 4-H programs, each of the children (who now are adults) has shared the life skills and lessons they learned in 4-H with their children and youth in their communities.

"The notion of giving back to community is not new to 4-H; yet, in recognizing the Hundley family as Kansas' 4-H Family of the Year, it's easy to see how the benefits learned in 4-H youth development programs live on to nurture future generations of Kansans."



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Horsin' Around

By Don Coldsmith



Meat On The Table

My dad used to tell about the years when he was starting out as a young Methodist preacher. Times were hard, and there wasn't much of a guarantee that he'd get paid. Not much guarantee that anyone would get paid, actually. But people helped each other. Church members would share garden produce, a couple of chickens, a few eggs. It was a rural western Kansas area, and most people had some connection with agriculture and the land.

In practically every family, the men and boys hunted. Sometimes the women did, too. It was for sport, yes, but probably more importantly, it provided some food for the table. In the area where my parents lived, jackrabbits were numerous and prolific, and a very real threat to crops and gardens. People didn't really "hunt" them, they just shot them. My dad carried a little Remington .22 rifle in his car on his pastoral calls, and he'd shoot a rabbit or two when opportunity offered. Sometimes, if there was more than enough meat, they'd grind it, mix it with some beef or pork fat and make sausage. Other people did the same. Nearly every family had, as part of their diet, some wild game. In addition, many trapped and sold

a few furs to supplement income . . . muskrat, raccoon, skunk, fox.

Times have surely changed. A great many families now have both parents working. They may not even have many home-prepared meals, much less food procured by a hunter. Probably there are fewer hunters in proportion to population than there have ever been.

Not enough hunters, actually. One of the best tools that the wildlife management experts have is the hunter. Hunting seasons, licenses, and limits provide not only protection, but control of overpopulation. They can increase or reduce the number of a species that may be taken each season, to increase or reduce the population, for its own protection.

Some animal populations have grown to the point of becoming a nuisance. Deer are so numerous in our area that each fall, hundreds are killed by cars on the highway. Many more than are harvested by hunters, in fact. Raccoons, rarely trapped now, are so thick that they're destructive to corn and other crops.

I'm not a hunter. I used to be. It was an excuse to get outside, away from the phone and the hassle of civ-

ilization. Now, I'm outside a lot anyway, and I don't need it. I enjoy watching deer, turkeys, and quail, but I don't feel that I need to shoot them. Maybe I should, to help the wildlife management experts do their job.

Into all of this comes a new threat, the nature-lover who calls himself/herself an "environmentalist." This person loves nature, although he/she knows nothing about it, or the careful management required to maintain the balance that will allow a species to survive and thrive. He/she may have a warped attitude by having been exposed to "Bambi" as a child. He/she now opposes any intervention or management whatever. Just let Nature take her

happy course ... you can't explain to these folks that this will result in Bambi's death by disease or by traffic (after all, Bambi's mother wasn't killed by hunters, but by Walt Disney, you know).

Look at the problems that have resulted in the buffalo herd at Yellowstone Park. The herd is too big, not enough food. They wander out of the park, carrying disease that will destroy the neighboring ranchers. Yet the "environmentalists" don't want anything done to manage that situation, (except maybe turn loose some wolves). Some of those with the nuttiest ideas seem to have the most funding. And unfortunately, funding is the name of the game.

Ironically, until this generation, the only funding for conservation and the environment came from hunters and fishermen in the form of fees paid for their licenses. The hunter was, and still is, the original environmentalist, as well as a primary means of game management for the biologist.

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As I am moving to an apartment, the following sells located 3 1/2 miles South of WAVERLY, KS at 2151 Trefoil Rd. (In the event of Main Street construction in Waverly watch for sale day signs).

OPEN HOUSE PREVIEW: Tuesday, June 9, 5-7 PM.

TRACT 1: Home with 5 acres +/- on blacktop road. Home features include 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, large living room with fireplace, 2 car attached garage with breezeway to home, formal dining room, enclosed front porch, full unfinished basement that tends to take water in rainy periods, full attic with flooring for storage that has plenty of head room to allow finishing into future living area. Out-buildings consist of concrete block 45x13' former dairy barn and attached lean-to 50x24', Butler 3 ring steel bin. There are several pear and apple trees in the yard.

TRACT II: 195 Acres +/- consisting of 80 acres +/- tillable with tenants rights through fall harvest and 75 acres +/- pasture with tenants rights through pasture season. Seller will retain landlords share of both tillable and pasture rent for 2009 and all F.S.A. payments on tillable acres for 2009. There are 37.3 acres in CRP and Buyer will receive full 2009 payment. CRP acreage drops out of program 9-30-09.

MANNER OF SALE: TRACT I & TRACT II will be offered separately and then together as a whole to determine the highest bid price.

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June 10 — Center pivot irrigation at Hoxie for Krahls Sisters. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty.

June 10 — Tractors, combine, farm equipment, trailers, trucks, vehicles, ATV's, const. equip., crane, forklift, hay equip. Online Only for Big Iron. Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

June 13 — Gas Hit & Miss engines at Lawrence for Mrs. Raymond (Fig) Ruby Newton. Auctioneers: Edgcomb Auctions.

June 13 — Dolls, antiques, collectibles, toys, tools & misc. at Abilene for Mrs. Ethis Leach. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers & Allyn Thompson.

June 13 — Antiques & household at Eskridge for Hazel Kemp. Auctioneers: Carey Macy & Steve Patterson.

June 13 — Household & antiques at Clay Center for Lois Sylvester. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

June 13 — Service station equip., office equip., power tools & inventory at Bennington for East-

side Oil Co. Auctioneers: Bacon Auctions.

June 13 — Gas engine & shop equipment, boat, vehicles at Brewster for Harold Norton Estate. Auctioneers: Nixon Auctions.

June 13 — Furniture, collectible glassware, household at Moundridge for Faye Nightingale Estate. Auctioneers: Schmidt Auctions.

June 13 — Equipment consignment at Topeka. Auctioneers: Simnitt Auctions.

June 13 — Glassware, Carnival, coins, stamps, household, antique furniture & collectibles at Halstead for Marjorie Stucky Estate. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists.

June 13 — Vehicles, furniture, appliances, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Barney & Jo Harding Estates. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auctions.

June 13 — Antiques, collectibles, glassware, pottery, appliances, furniture, household, shop tools, yard & garden at Great Bend for Nadine Davis Trust-The Adams Family etal. Auctioneers: Schremmer Auctions.

June 13 — Collectibles, collectible furniture, appliances, household, shop &

garden tools at Lyons for Mrs. Stanley Schmitz & Others. Auctioneers: Oswalt Auctions.

June 13 — Warehouse liquidation at Iola for Merchants Supply Co. of Iola. Auctioneers: Platt Auctions.

June 13 — Consignment auction at Effingham. Auctioneers: Hoffman Auctions.

June 14 — Vehicle, antiques, collectibles & furniture at Council Grove for Dele Gaston. Auctioneers: Hallgren Auctions.

June 15 — Caterpillar, tractors, truck, car, mowers, 4 wheel, machinery, household, antiques & artwork at Silver Lake for Edward Smatla Estate Trust. Auctioneers: Vern Gannon Auctions.

June 20 — Household & large antique auction at Clay Center for Marion McCollum Estate. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

June 20 — Home w/land, household, antiques & collectibles S. of Waverly for Nadine Huggard. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

June 25 — Coffey Co. land at Burlington for B.D. & Janice Simpson. Auctioneers: Stock Realty & Auctions.

June 27 — Real Estate, car,

tools & furniture at Council Grove for Wilma Olson. Auctioneers: Hallgren Auctions.

July 18 — Farm machinery, tools, misc. NE of Abilene for Duane Reilly. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

July 18 — After Harvest Machinery Auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

July 18 — Antiques, collectibles & furniture at Council Grove. Auctioneers: Hallgren Auctions.

August 1 — Consignment Auction at Lyndon for Harley Gerdes.

August 1 — Household, antiques, furniture & collectibles at Manhattan for Elsie Bammes. Auctioneers: Ivan Seele & Fred Nelson.

August 8 — Tools, shop related items, household goods, antiques & misc. at Clay Center for George Urban Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

August 15 — Farm machinery auction at Delia for Bob & Ann Macha. Auctioneers: Harris Auctions.

August 31 — Farm machinery & misc. S. of Abilene for Gene & Cindy Hoffman. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

Mistaking wind direction can create hazards

Sailors, pilots and hang gliders have to keep up with and understand what the wind is doing.

The people who don't, however, may be misinterpreting or simply missing useful information — especially when high winds or storms are in the forecast, said Mary Knapp, State of Kansas climatologist, based in Manhattan with Kansas State University Research and Extension.

"The most common mistake is probably in understanding what 'wind direction' means. It's not what logic would suggest. In-

stead, it's the direction from which the wind is coming," Knapp said.

For example, a wind described as "southerly" is coming from the south — even though the direction it's actually blowing is toward the north, she explained. An "on-shore" wind is one that's coming in from an ocean or lake and onto the shore.

Two situations can make understanding the wind direction part of forecasts important for anyone, Knapp said.

One has to do with the fact that many tornadoes

come in from the southwest (i.e., as part of storms with southwest winds). From 1887 to 1966, Americans mistakenly believed the safest place to be during a tornado was in the basement corner closest to the direction from which the twister was coming. After the destructive 1966 tornado in Topeka, Kan., however, University of Kansas researcher Joe Egleman discovered basements' southwest corner had been the least safe place to hide. People in the northeast and even the center of a basement had fared better.

The other situation concerns travel — by air, water or land — when the wind is blowing at right angles to the route plan or road. Strong crosswinds can make flying or sailing extremely hazardous, Knapp said. On highways and roads, crosswinds first create driving problems for high profile and lightweight vehicles. But, if the winds are strong enough, even low-riding, heavy cars can be affected if they don't slow down. Those crosswinds can actually send speed-limit drivers airborne on bridges and other exposed high points.

Straight-line winds can be more damaging than tornados

Tornado Alley residents may not be as respectful as they should be of winds that don't rotate, according to State of Kansas Climatologist Mary Knapp.

"The strong, straight winds that thunderstorms can bring tend to be more frequent and more widespread than tornadoes. That's one reason why straight winds also can cause more severe property and crop damage than the average tornado will," said Knapp, who heads the official Kansas Weather Data Library and its statewide array of weather stations. Both winds can be equally strong, she said. The National Weather Service defines "straight-line winds" as winds

that don't rotate — "used mainly to differentiate them from tornadic winds."

Typically, damaging straight-line winds are associated with the leading edge of a thunderstorm, when rain-cooled air in the atmosphere rides over dry, warm air near the ground. Because cool air sinks (just as hot air rises), this meeting results in a down-draft of air that spreads out at ground level, causing the gusty surface winds known as the gust front or outflow boundary of the storm. "Just to keep things interesting, though, outflow boundaries sometimes persist for 24 hours or more after their thunderstorm dissipates. Plus, they some-

times travel hundreds of miles from their place of origin. And, if they do, new thunderstorms often develop along them," Knapp said.

A gust front becomes particularly dangerous, she said, when the down-draft of air from a storm's edge is strong enough to be classified as a downburst. Then the outburst of wind on or near the ground can produce damage similar to a strong tornado's.

"Although usually associated with thunderstorms, downbursts also can occur with showers - rain storms that are too weak to produce thunder," Knapp warned. "That's why you need to be alert, watchful, anytime strong air masses are going to meet."

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ESTATE AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 13 — 9:30 AM

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GLASSWARE & POTTERY: Old carnival glass; Knowles "Palbrooke Cottage" by Thomas Kinkade — Enchanted Cottages; Hand painted plate; Painted fine china plate by Sadek "Spring Night"; Green stain glass bowl; Old water jar; Old cookie jars (apple, Grandma, black pottery, etc); Fine china, Schaelor Bavaria; Clear crystal; Stem custard dishes; Harry & David pottery pitchers; Enesco China; Inarco pottery; Teleflora cup & saucer sets; Ruby red; Plate by Lena Lin, 22-karat gold; Footed oval bowl; Milk glass; Lefton dish w/Lord's Prayer; Sterling rose pattern cup & saucer; Purple & gold carnival glass plate; Large clear Hisey bowl w/starburst pattern; KTR rose patten bowl; Willow ware by Royal China (red pattern); Pressed glass candle vase; Pitcher & bowl set; Southwest vase; Nedadj pottery; Hobnail milk glass; Old green glass salt shaker; Goebel crystal glass bell; Goebel Mother's Day crystal glass first edition 1978; Western stoneware crockery; KT&K fine china pitcher w/bowl; Edwin A Knowles pitcher; Vernon ware by Metzox Spei, sugar & creamer, cups, saucers, fruit bowls & salt & pepper shaker.

OLD BOOKS & PICTURES: Old hard & soft back books (Young Folks Library books set, Whitman Robin Hood hardback, Hurricane kids, Bonita Granville, Rex Cole Jr, "The Grinning Ghost", Tom Swift "In the Coves of Ice", "And His Airship Boots", "Mystery of the Unlucky Vase", Recipes, Cookbooks, & Others); Children's Wonder books, Tell tales & Golden Books; Framed embroidered picture of old cars; Ryan Rewman framed picture & biography book; Vladimir dePachmann, Liszt in his advanced years, Felix Borowski, Gordon Bach Novin, John Sebastian Bach.

APPLIANCES: Frigidaire 18.0 cu. ft. refrigerator (textured white front); "Sony" 42" flat panel color TV w/remote; Eight Bell & Howell Co. camera; Haier fans; Hamilton Beach mixer; Hoover Wind Tunnel Sweeper; Small kitchen appliance; Kenmore bag-less vacuum; Eureka broom sweep; CD Player; Matrix portable AM/FM stereo radio; Ice cream machine; Signature small freezer; 19 inch color Television with remote; 27 inch color television with remote; Curtis Master 27 inch portable color television; 12 inch portable television; LXI 4 head VCR.

FURNITURE — ANTIQUE & MODERN: Oak dry vanity; Old kitchen base cabinet w/flour bin & porcelain work surface; Antique magazine rack; Antique Queen Anne style side table; Crochet items; Mtl. Ice cream chairs w/wicker seats; Wall hanging mirror w/ornate decorative frame; 3-drawer old chest, wheat pattern on drawers; Old footed pillar style night stand; Drop leaf dinning table w/(4) matching cane seat-high-back chairs; Stand w/glass top; Sofa w/matching wooden upholstered chair; Desk w/4-drawers; Single/twin beds; Peg post bed; Lamps — floor, table & vanity; Piano lamp; Night stand; Leather wooden chair; Queen size bed w/spoke back head board; Embroidered oval Hummel wall hanging; Mirror w/ornate frame; Wicker side table; Seat chair; Matching set of twin beds (maple post style); Maple matching night stand w/drawer; Oak ornate framed mirror; Wicker 8-shelf display, 3-shelf & matching basket; Folding chairs; Recliner (upholstered-lavender); Wood entertainment center, roll up front; (3) Matching Queen Anne style setting chairs (Best Chair Co.); End tables; Wood couch display table w/glass top; Flex steel — quality divan; Oval wall hanging florals/zodiac; Matted oil painting by Bill O'Neal, Scenery Houses in the Woods; Trundle bed; Entertainment center; Plant stand with marble top; High back table chair; Wood game tables; Wood drop leaf coffee table; Wood 4 shelf book cases; Chairs; Kitchen table w/leaf ; China hutch; Serpentine front oak dresser; Large cherry curio; Old aqua sewing rocker; Knick-knack shelf; Oak hall mirror; Oak bible stand from Beaver Catholic Church; Small oak curio cabinet; Wood computer desk; 4 drawer metal filing cabinet.

HOUSEHOLD: Harmony House fine china; Turquoise & black enamel pan; Sewing basket; Bed, bath & kitchen linens; Linen table cloth & others; Crochet & embroidered items; Afghans; Blankets & spreads; Live plants w/stands & vases; Assorted pots & pans; Asst. Tupperware; Stainless bowls; Ceramic pitcher & bowl set; Corning-ware; Corelle set; Kitchen tools; Dishes; Glasses; Pressure cooker; Crock bowls; Peacock feathers; Post Rock decor; Glass vases; Mirrors some w/paintings; Beveled mirror; Wall Clocks; Leaded glass; Flower pots; Misc vases; Old Vaudville wicker poster stand; Silver-ware set w/box.

SHOP TOOLS & ACCESSORIES: All thread; Shop broom; Bow saw; Shop creeper; Elect. stapler; Hardware; Socket sets; ; Bench band saw; Battery tester; Palm sander; Metal saws; Old wood tools; Drill bit sharpener; Port air compressor; Jig saw; 3/8 inch variable elect. drill; Circular saw; Breast hand drill; Craftsman 10 inch radial arm saw table & lots of accessories; Craftsman drill press with 3/8 inch industrial drill; Craftsman bench grinder; Craftsman rotary bench; Craftsman rolling tool box top & lower units; Belt standers; Ratchets, extensions; Adj. wrenches (Crescent, Williams, Diamond & others); Wood chisels; Air chisel & accessories; Pipe clamps; Rigid pipe threader; Pipe cutter; Pipe die ratchet; Pipe wrenches; Brass & copper fittings; Pipe & tubing bender; Old tube patching; 12 volt revolving light; 6 foot alum. step ladder; Sledge; Pry bars; Wet/dry Shop vac; Carpenters tool belt; Old wrenches; Boomer; End & box end wrenches (Snap-on, S&K, Craftsman, etc.); Hot glue gun.

YARD & GARDEN: Post hole digger; Limb trimmer, pole type; Alum. scoop shovel; Remington electric chain saw; 2 wheeled poly yard cart; Hibachi grill; Patio rocker, swivel chairs & glass top matching table; Stainless charcoal grill (SORRY — No Steaks); Lawn chair.

SPORTS: Fishing weights & molds (some are very old); Bicycle carriers; Fishing pole.

MISC: Christmas items; Vitar camera w/case; Air loom Protestant bible; American flag; Pool cue in box; Auto car cover; Patterns & quilt scraps; Walking canes.

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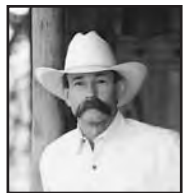
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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Beetless Tuesday

I felt a twinge of sadness when I heard that the SEAM (Social Engineers And Manipulators) had declared Beetless Tuesday in Missoula. It cast a pall over folks in Montana. Little school children begging the cafeteria lady, "Please, please, we need our beets!"

It's a three-purpose vegetable;

1) A Tuber of Play, ancient Viking children from Williston played 'Kick the Beet'

2) It is a Tuber of Art, early Scottish settlers sculpted tall statues of Mr. Potato Head in beets and made the Polish pioneers carry them long distances, thus the origin of the name 'Totem Poles', and,

3) Last but not least, the beet is a Tuber Time Piece. When left on the north side of the tractor shed a beet has a half-life

of two years. As it disintegrates, you can measure its weight and circumference to determine how much longer your representative has to serve.

Why would the SEAM pick on beets? To reduce global warming? To improve gas mileage? To lose weight?

Have they thought of No Power Wednesdays? That would have a serious impact on our use of coal, uranium, and hydroelectric dams, not to mention having to cover our solar collectors. But would people turn off their heaters, air conditioners, refrigeration, Prius, CNN news, or factories? Even for an hour?

Better yet, let's have Coffeeless Thursdays! All the Seattle's Best, Starbucks and Columbian burros would be laid off for a day. In seven years

we would save enough coffee to make it free for a year!

It would help if we understood why social reconstructionists would be calling for Beetless Tuesday, Shoeless Saturday, Deodorantless Friday, Ben and Jerryless Sundays or Meatless Mondays. Is it for the common good? If so, who's common good? The beet growers? Where shall we start these social engineering experiments? The refugee camps in Somalia? The unemployment lines in Detroit? The Turlengua Chili Festival?

If we want to do something serious as a country, instead of taking something away, how 'bout offering something BACK! How about Taxless Tuesday? Everything you earn on Tuesdays you get to keep! If you are making \$650 a week and paying 20% of your income to the government, your tax equals \$26 a day. If just one day a week you could keep all you earned you would have an extra \$1,362 at the end of the year.

Which makes more sense to you ... \$1,362 or not eating beets on Tuesday? Maybe it's just me.

Simple steps can help prevent hay bale fires

Fires that damage or destroy hay and barns — resulting in building replacement, feed replacement and lost revenues — cost area farmers thousands of dollars each year.

According to Bob Schultheis, natural resource engineering specialist, University of Missouri Extension, proper harvesting and storage practices will reduce the possibility of hay fires and reduce the associated costs.

Schultheis says that hay fires usually occur within six weeks of baling because the most common cause is excessive moisture.

"You can reduce fire and mold risk by baling small square bales at 18 to 22 percent moisture content and large round bales at 14 to 18 percent moisture content. Higher moisture levels increase microbial activity and also results in loss of dry matter and usable protein, which can reduce the feeding value of the hay by as much as one-third," said Schultheis.

Heating in hay bales will occur to some extent in all forages over 15 percent moisture content, with a peak in temperature three to seven days after baling.

"It takes 15 to 60 days for the hay temperature to decline to non-damaging

levels, depending on outdoor humidity, density of the bales and amount of rain the bales soak up. The longer it takes for the hay temperature to decline, the more damage is done to the hay," said Schultheis.

New hay that is stacked in the field or placed in a barn should be checked at least twice a day for abnormal heating. If storing hay inside, be sure the barn roof and plumbing does not leak, and that surface water cannot run into the barn.

If the hay temperature reaches 130 degrees Fahrenheit, move the hay to allow increased air circulation and cooling. If the temperature climbs above 150 to 175 degrees, call the fire department and be prepared to inject water to cool hot spots before moving the hay.

"Don't open the barn door if the hay is smoking. The added oxygen can cause the hay to burst into flame," said Schultheis.

Hay temperature can be easily checked using a garden-composting thermometer.

According to Schultheis, a probe can also be built using a 3/8-inch diameter pipe with a pointed tip screwed to the end and holes drilled in it. A thermometer can then be inserted into the pipe and retrieved and read after 10 to 15 minutes.

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