With record crop prospects, growers believe plenty of corn for all

Kansas corn producers are expected to harvest a record 518 million bushel corn crop this year as part of the nation's 13 billion harvest. The projected US harvest will just about tie the record 2007 harvest of 13.1 billion bushels. Farmers continue to prove they can meet the needs of their customers, according to Kansas Corn Growers Association Executive Director Jere White.

"What is interesting is that in 2008, the year of the so-called corn shortage, we produced 12.1 billion bushels which at the time was the second largest crop in history," White said said. "So in the last three years, we are seeing the three largest corn crops in history in the United States.'

The 2009 U.S. corn crop is expected to have an average yield of 162 bushels per acre, a record yield. Kansas Corn Commission Chairman Mike Brzon of Courtland pointed out that farmers are using improved technology and growing practices to

produce more corn per acre.

"I wish people would look at the great advances we have made in agriculture that allow us to grow more corn on fewer acres and at the same time substantially reduce our use of fertilizers and pesticides, and we've reduced erosion as well," Brzon said. "We don't seem to get credit for any of that."

In 2008, many predicted a corn shortage, and some groups called for a stop in the use of corn for ethanol to prevent the shortage. Cornbased ethanol was blamed for sharp spikes in consumer food prices. Markets joined the clamor, with speculators raising the price of corn near \$8 per bushel for a short time in the summer of 2008. That fall, corn producers harvested the second largest crop in history, and ended the year with a significant corn carryover of 1.7 billion bushels.

"Many special interest groups have found that fear is the best weapon," White said. "Last year, anti-ethanol

groups used fear to attack corn producers and the ethanol industry blaming ethanol for a fictitious corn shortage. In the end, it was corn's customers as well as consumers who were hurt by speculators who bought into the fear and elevated crop prices to record levels."

Higher prices across the board were blamed on corn and ethanol last year. The AMC movie theater chain blamed an increase in ticket prices on higher popcorn

"You can imagine the markup on popcorn at a movie theater when you pay more than \$5 for a bag of popcorn. That was simply a bogus excuse," White said. "But what concerns me is that while commodity prices have dropped dramatically, consumer food prices have not dropped that much. Last year food prices increased 5.1 percent and food companies blamed corn and ethanol while they pocketed record profits. They were in a hurry to raise the prices, but seem a little slower to lower them even at a time when consumers are suffering through a recession."

The Kansas Corn Commission was one of several corn grower groups that created the Corn Farmers Coalition, a national effort to provide accurate information about corn farming. The Corn Farmers Coalition used information from credible sources like the US Department of Agriculture to make sure decision-makers in

Washington, DC and others were well informed about today's corn production.

"I don't think people understand how much farming has changed especially in the last 10 years. Just like any business, technology has made us so much more efficient," Brzon said. "Last year we had floods in some isolated areas and people thought the corn crop was doomed. This year, we had late planting and a cool growing season in many

areas. By overcoming these adversities with near record results, we are proving that our growers can provide a reliable supply of corn for all of our customers year after year."

The Kansas Corn Commission is a nine member grower board that invests the half-cent per bushel corn checkoff in the areas of research, market development, education and promotion. For more information, visit www.ksgrains.com.

Braunvieh calf tops 2009 Beef Empire Days steer trial

Braunvieh breeders Mike Long of Rocking L Cattle Co. and Mike Long, Nick Long and Matt Traster of LLT Cattle Co. from Ulysses, continued their success in the Beef Empire Steer Trial (BEST) contest held in conjunction with Beef Empire Days in Garden City. They have won this contest with Braunvieh-influenced cattle for the past four years.

The champion steer posted an average daily gain of 4.569, yield grade of 2.23 and a "Choice-" quality grade. He placed seventh in the carcass division, fourth in rateof-gain and was named the overall winner with the lowest combined scores. The champion steer was 5/8 Braunvieh and 3/8 Angus.

The reserve champion steer had an average daily gain of 4.277, yield grade of 2.25 and an "Average Choice" quality grade. This steer was 1/2 Braunvieh sired by PFI Forecast, a fullblood Braunvieh bull, and out of a commercial Angus cow. The second and third place overall steers as well as the second, third and fifth place carcass steers all graded choice and were also sired by PFI Forecast owned by Rocking L and Pella Farms, Inc., Adams, Neb.

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Larry Schmale	Linn	5 blk strs	423 @ 116.00	
Terry L. Johnson	Olsburg	7 blk strs	467 @ 115.00	
Stan Hartwich	Onaga	6 blk strs	543 @ 115.00	
Stan Hartwich	Onaga	5 blk strs	475 @ 114.50	

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Larry Schmale	Linn	6 blk strs	570 @ 109.75
Rockhold Farms	Ottawa	13 blk strs	562 @ 108.00
Terry L. Johnson	Olsburg	5 blk strs	622 @ 106.00
Kenneth Suther	Blaine	7 blk strs	699 @ 102.00
Hess Ranch	Alma	19 blk strs	743 @ 100.60
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Chris McClelland	McLouth	5 cross strs	831 @ 99.50
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Dennis Hodges	St. George	7 blk strs	784 @ 98.00
Chaunzey Tenbrink	Berryton	40 blk strs	796 @ 97.35
Johnathan Berges	Onaga	17 blk strs	844 @ 97.25
Chris McClelland	McLouth	8 cross strs	736 @ 97.00
Hess Ranch	Alma	62 blk strs	859 @ 95.25
Nera D. Handley Trust	Onaga	31 blk strs	870 @ 94.25
Justin Boswell	Onaga	40 blk strs	949 @ 92.10
Raymond Fischer	Wheaton	16 blk strs	958 @ 91 35

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Ed Budy	Nortonville	5 blk hfrs	493 @ 106.00
Terry L. Johnson	Olsburg	6 blk hfrs	474 @ 104.50
Dan Wainwright	Council Grove	9 blk hfrs	487 @ 101.25
Rockhold Farms	Ottawa	5 blk hfrs	523 @ 101.00

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Terry L. Johnson	Olsburg	10 blk hfrs	563 @ 101.50		
Woodruff Farms	Wamego	7 blk hfrs	561 @ 100.75		
Rick Yadon	Council Grove	9 blk hfrs	574 @ 100.25		
Hess Ranch	Alma	5 blk hfrs	616 @ 98.00		
Craig Johnson	Council grove	5 blk hfrs	639 @ 96.50		
Chris McClelland	McLouth	6 cross hfrs	605 @ 96.00		
Terry Geisler	Alma	7 blk hfrs	641 @ 95.35		
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Kenneth Suther	Blaine	10 blk hfrs	727 @ 92.25		
Hess Ranch	Alma	23 blk hfrs	731 @ 92.00		
Jim Whittredge	Benton	105 cross hfrs	824 @ 92.00		
Jeff Litke	Council Grove	5 blk hfrs	721 @ 91.50		
Glen Allen	Americus	5 herf hfrs	828 @ 84.75		
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Jerry Stockman	Tonganoxie	1 blk bull	1810 @ 57.25		
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EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, OCT. 2

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1 blk bull

1 herf bull

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2245 @ 53.75

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EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, OCT. 9

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Ron Pope	Olsburg	1 blk cow	1135 @ 42.50
Floyd Kochenower	Princeton	1 cross cow	1005 @ 42.00
Justin Boswell	Onaga	1 blk cow	1095 @ 41.50
Terry L. Johnson	Olsburg	1 blk cow	1380 @ 41.25
Terry Geisler	Alma	1 cross cow	1540 @ 41.00
Byron Biesenthal	Onaga	1 blk cow	1185 @ 41.00
Chris Sankey	Council Grove	1 blk cow	1445 @ 40.25

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, SEPT. 18

140 choice blk & bwf steers & heifers, 1 round shots, 600-700 lbs.

110 black & red feeder steers, 925-975 lbs.

90 blk & bwf feeder heifers, 750-800 lbs.

80 black & bwf feeder heifers, 750-800 lbs.

20 mix strs & hfrs, weaned, off grass, all shots, bunk broke, 600-750 lbs.

20 mixed steers & heifers, weaned, 600-700 lbs.

20 fancy Angus steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs. 19 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 550-600 lbs.

15 blk & bwf strs & hfrs, pre-wean shots, 500-650

lbs.

12 Herf. steers, 600-750 lbs.

10 black steers, weaned 30 days, 2 rds shots, bunk broke, 500-600 lbs.

8 black steers, weaned 30 days, 2 rds shots, bunk broke, 500-600 lbs.

(1) 4-year-old Jersey Holstein cross nurse cow. heavy springer

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

263 mostly black feeder heifers, off grass, 750-850 lbs. 95 black & xbred feeder steers, 800-950 lbs. 65 choice reputation Angus steers & heifers, 500-625 lbs.

25 black & red steers, preweaning shots, 550-625 lbs.

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Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crotts

The September Supply and Demand Report came out almost exactly as expected. USDA is now projecting a record US corn yield of 161.9 bu./ac. and a near record soybean yield of 42.3 bu./ac. It seems like as soon as the August Supply and Demand report was out traders were already talking about the probability of seeing a record high corn yield estimate in the September report. With no threatening weather for the past month and with crop conditions not making their normal seasonal decline, a yield increase had to be expected. A record corn yield estimate is bearish, but the rest of the numbers in the report weren't all that bad. USDA increased the feed usage estimate and the export estimate which put total demand at a new record high of 13.025 billion bushels. The increase in demand also meant that the ending stocks estimate only grew by 14 million bushels to 1.635 billion, which is still below last year. So, if all the current estimates are correct, we will have a record yield, but less corn at the end of the year. That isn't terribly bearish considering the current price level. As long as the yield estimate doesn't go up next month, the worst the December corn will probably do is test last year's low of \$2.90. If Informa is right and we end up at 168, well, then we are going to \$2.60, but we will also probably set a record for exports and the ethanol industry will be printing money. Right now, a bounce back to the \$3.30 level in the December corn is a definite selling opportu-

The soybean report had several interesting changes and non-changes. Old crop exports were increased to a new record high of 1.280 billion and there was a corresponding cut in residual usage so that ending stocks were left unchanged. New crop exports were also increased to 1.280 billion and crush was increased by 20 million bushels, which was nearly enough to offset the yield increase. Ending stocks increased by 10 million to 220 million bushels. 220 million is a more than comfortable level of ending stocks, but since we have already sold nearly half of the export estimate there is a strong possibility that the export estimate will continue to grow. The strong demand

gives the soybean market good upside potential once we get past harvest. That is especially true if USDA's yield estimate happens to be too high. After all, we have to keep in mind that crop development is behind normal and the skeptics keep pointing out that the crops are still way behind on growing degree units. The problem is that we need to get past harvest and find out what the yield really is and if the demand is going to keep up, so in the mean time look for more pressure in the soy-

There were no changes to any of the wheat numbers, but I would look for a few next month. Unless the export market improves there will probably be a cut in the export estimate. I also think there is still potential for a production increase sometime in between now and the January report. There is little positive news to report in the wheat other than the facts that the market is very oversold and due for a correction and the wheat posted a reversal higher on the charts Friday. There is typically

some follow through after a move like that, so I look for some strength in the wheat next week. However, I think the strength will create a better opportunity to sell call options.

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At the Morris County Fair in Council Grove, Beau Peterson, left was named the reserve champion bucketcalf showman while the championship went to Tristin Fetters. Nick Atchinson served as the judge and is also pictured.



Grand champion breeding beef entry at the 2009 Morris County Fair in Council Grove was an entry shown by Sarah Loomis. Also pictured is judge Trey Hinkson.

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Ark. Sen. Lincoln new head of Senate ag committee

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) U.S. Sen. Blanche Lincoln was picked to head the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry on Wednesday, making her the first woman to serve as the panel's leader.

The Arkansas Democrat will take over for Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa. Lincoln has served on the Senate committee since January 1999. When she was a congresswoman, Lincoln served on House Agriculture the Committee from 1993-

"As a seventh-generation Arkansan and farmer's

daughter, I know my father is smiling down on me today," Lincoln said.

She said implementing the federal farm bill and ending the Cuba trade embargo are among the top issues facing the panel.

"I've always supported opening up trade with Cuba, and I'll continue to do so. I can't single-handedly make it happen as chairman of the committee," she said, adding that she would do her best to keep the issue front and center.

Lincoln said the committee has always been a top choice for her during her time in Congress.

going to again enjoy an elevated opportunity to really help our state, and that's exactly what I'll be aiming to do," she said.

Farm advocates in her home state praised the move, saying they hoped it would increase the state's clout on agricultural issues.

"Agriculture is the largest industry in our state," said Randy Veach, president of the Arkansas Farm Bureau. "Her being in that position gives us an opportunity to keep agriculture financially sound and stable."

Lincoln said she ended up first in line for the job because other more senior senators - Sens. Max Baucus, Kent Conrad and Patrick Leahy — already serve as chairmen of other committees.

"The ag committee is a very old committee, and it's also a very senior committee in the sense that most of the members have been on

"As the chairman, I'm there for quite some time, and that means there's not a lot of turnover in terms of chairmanship," she said.

In a conference call with reporters Wednesday, Lincoln downplayed the notion that the new role would make her more politically powerful as she runs for reelection next year.

"I fully expect there'll be many challengers out there. It's kind of the season for that, I suppose," she said.

Six Republicans have announced bids for Lincoln's seat, and state Senate President Bob Johnson says he's considering challenging her in the Democratic primary. Lincoln has more than \$3.2 million cash on hand for her re-election bid.

Arkansas Republican Party Chairman Doyle Webb said he wasn't optimistic that Lincoln would be able to help farmers in the new position, accusing the Democratic senator of not standing firm against President Barack Obama.



Grand champion market hog at the 2009 Morris County Fair was an entry shown by Austin McNorton. Judge for the show was Cody Schwartz.

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Eric Blythe led out the reserve supreme champion heifer shown at the 2009 Morris County Fair.

ODELL COMMUNITY CONSIGNMENT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — 12:00 PM Main Street — ODELL, NEBRASKA

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: 5 captain chairs & table; 3 Cane back

Thomasville dining chairs; kitchen table with leaf; oval patio table;

42" round oak table; 4 yr. old Bosh dishwasher; Whirlpool range

top; Whirlpool electric clothes dryer; 11'9" x 11'6" blue carpet; 13'11" x 11' 4" pink carpet; wicker stand; TV; stainless steel sink;

MISCELLANEOUS: Electric drill; snow fence; fishing poles; 2 Sears HP garage door openers; 400# new bolts - variety of sizes; oil filters; Ford tires & rims - good; Aladdin TR 3000 kerosene heater; L.B. White model 346H propane heater; Johnson propane tank heater; Dremel scroll saw 16" 2 speed; Stihl power washer; Forney welder; exercise bikes; road bike; tires; doors, tools, steel posts; 1933 Chrysler bumper; 1987 Dodge rebuilt carborator; iron

porch rails; 6 1/8 joiner/planer 1 3/8 HP; new heavy duty 100 ft. drop cord; jumper cables; golf bag; grinder; 20" building exhaust

fan; Electric grill; weed trimmer; air compressor; rotor tiller; Hot water Hotsey power washer; 20" building exhaust fan; electric

POULTRY & RABBITS: 7 Rouen ducks; 4 Rhode Island red roosters; 1 Blue Slate hen turkey; 1 African gander; 2 Chinese geese & offspring; 1 pair dark Brama Bantis chickens; 1 pair New Hampshire Bantis chickens; 1 pair Barred Cochins chickens; 1 black

LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT: 1 new Bextra hay feeder with rack; 2 new TSC 8' red hay feeders; 4 older feeders; chicken waters; 60

lb. hog feeder; halters; bridles; bits; saddle; complete pony and

FARM EQUIPMENT: 6 row Dakon cultivator (30 inch): 2 row Go-

Dig; 3 point - 2 row lister; 3 point - 10 wheel rake; 10" x 61' auger

- power takeoff; silage wagon; 6'3 point blade; 8" x 51' auger; 6" 35" auger; 4 stainless steel hog feeders; 350 JD sickle mower 7' bar; 158 JD 8' Westendorf quick hitch bucket; 4 1 horse power aeration fans; grain wagon; 8 x 14 hay rack (good); flatbed for VEHICLE & MOTORHOMES & TRAILERS: 1986 Chevy pickup ½ ton 4x4, 280,000 miles; 1987 Ford F150 pickup 4x4, runs good;

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Rural Life

Ag finance counselors advice: Start early, get help

A segment of agriculture, particularly dairy and pork producers, are facing tough economic conditions. Ag financial counselors have observed several common mistakes and self-defeating behaviors some farmers make when facing overwhelming challenges.

Here are six recommendations on what farmers can do differently to avoid a downward spiral of financial and emotional pain.

Seek out professional health resources for depression and/or suicidal thinking. Medication and counseling together are extremely important in treating depression. Physical ailments are one way the stress and depression are manifest. Seek out family physicians, clergy, outreach workers, and the extension service for ideas on where to go for assistance.

Keep the faith. Look to a higher power. Keep attending your church. Find support in a spiritual setting or in a support group. Hold your head up and let your friends know what is really going on with you.

Social withdrawal and shame turn the problems inward, exactly where they don't need to go. Move into the future in a proactive sense. Don't dwell on mistakes. Don't blame yourself for things you had no control over.

Keep the family together . When debts mount and obtaining a loan is difficult. there is almost always marital discord. Decisions to continue to dump income into the farm cause conflict, especially when it is the wife's off-farm income barely keeping the farming operation afloat at the expense of family living and high stress.

Couples need to be mutually supportive and work through their solutions together instead of withdrawing into isolated, aggressive or solitary positions. Ag counselors often find that by the time they arrive at a farmstead they have two clients with two opposing agendas.

Marital tension needs to be addressed quickly

through outside guidance. Get a good word-of-mouth referral on who can help you. Ag financial counselors believe that many a divorce could be prevented if couples start seeking help two years sooner than they do.

Pride is a factor. Farmers want to put up a good front with their local clergy and professionals. They don't really turn a corner and get the help they need until they stop worrying about what others think. They also need to be assured of confidentiality and, if possible, anonymity.

Start sooner to get help. Don't try to work through the process alone. Farmers in this position need help with decision-making, information about tax and legal consequences. Ideally it takes one to three years to dissolve a farming operation while winding down slowly.

Be careful to select accountants and attorneys who have a good understanding of "farm law." Too many farmers rely on "hearsay" or gossip in the farm community about how to solve their problems without actually turning to experts for second or third opinions.

Financial counselors feel they get to farmers about 1 « to two years late to prevent the financial wrecks they find when they first make contact. The financial ideas and help they offer could help salvage farmers' equity if the process were started earli-

Too many families are not realistic when it comes to their family living expenses. They guess too low. They live on credit cards. If the bank cuts them off, they turn to their credit cards as a quick fix.

Make tough family decisions. Trying to farm together — father and son operations — may jeopardize the financial viability of both operations. Too many families are trying to earn a living on too few acres.

Big mistakes are made when the parents go out on a limb to keep their children in farming and end up losing their own farm. Farmers may ignore reality in order to keep a son or a son-in-law in farming. An outside consultant can help take emotion out the decision-making process and explain various options based on what the numbers actually mean.

Waiting until the last minute. Don't put off paperwork to the bank until the last minute. Farmers may end up getting the bank decision about the status of their operational loans too close to spring planting. By then they have made decisions and commitments so, if they are denied their loan, they try to farm with main street credit and credit cards.

Alternate ways of financing are shaky if not shady. Be careful of financing schemes coming from non-traditional sources.

Later filers are often so busy with day-to-day operations that they ignore the future and long term planning. Putting off decisions or reviewing their finances is a way of continuing to deny their problems.

The later they file their loan applications and financial statements, the greater the likelihood is that they haven't discussed their plans with anyone and haven't rehearsed their answers or presentation. By preparing early, they have a chance to get some input from an advisor before trying to "sell" the bank.

Ag financial counselors are truly on the front lines for mental health, family well being, and financial concerns. My experience is that they listen, they care

by same vet crew

and are patient. They understand the referral network and make good referrals. The main thing they wish is that they could be on the scene a lot sooner to prevent some of the pain and suffering they encounter.

Resources available. I have a book, "Honey, I Shrunk the Farm," written for farmers and ranchers facing financial pressure. The book is available for \$9.50 including shipping and handling through my website,

www.valfarmer.com or by sending a check or money order for \$9.50 to: The Preston Connection; Honey, I Shrunk the Farm, PO Box 1135, Orem UT 84059. You can also read my past columns on stress and farming at my website.

In addition I also have a booklet, "The Rural Stress Survival Guide," available for free online by typing the title on an internet search. It can be purchased for \$3.50 including shipping and handling through The Preston Connection.

Val Farmer is a clinical psychologist specializing in family business consultation and mediation with farm families. He lives in Wildwood. Missouri and can be contacted through his web-

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Kansas Hay Market Report

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Demand moderate for dairy and stock cow alfalfa, alfalfa pellets, grinding alfalfa and grass hay. It has not been good having weather the last couple of weeks, even before the rains started, heavy dew and high humidity made for poor drying conditions. Corn silage vields and quality have been excellent in most areas. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange www.kfb.org/havandpasture/default.htm.

Southwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa, Horse, small squares, 190.00-250.00; Dairy, Premium to Supreme 120.00-130.00; Premium 115.00- 125.00; Good, 100.00-115.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 85.00-95.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies 105.00- 130.00, ground-on-the-truck 100.00-115.00. The week of 8/31-9/5 11,952T grinding alfalfa and 1,725T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Bermuda good, large square 125.00, some 150.00 delivered, small square 210.00 delivered. PM6 good, small squares 150.00, fair, some weeds 100.00-110.00. BMR Sudan, good large round 60.00. Straw, Good, large bales 37.50-55.00. The average paid by feedlots on September 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 135.08, down 67 cents from last month, usage was 1,167T/day up 15%, total usage was 36,162T.

South Central Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady, alfalfa pellets steady to 5.00 lower. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa, Horse, mid square 195.00; Dairy, 65-85 cents/point RFV, Premium to Supreme,

120.00-150.00; Premium 110.00-130.00; Stock cow, mid square or large round, no test 90.00-110.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 70.00-80.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 100.00-120.00. The week of 8/31-9/5, 3,720T of grinding alfalfa and 1,225T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15% protein 135.00-160.00; Sun Cured 17% 159.00-160.00; Dehydrated 17% 205.00. Straw, small square 3.50/bale, mid square 50.00-60.00/T. The average paid by feedlots on September 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 110.61, down 3.70 from last month, usage was 323T/day up 33%, total usage was

Southeast Kansas: Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, mid square 140.00-200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Good, 100.00-127.50; Stock cow, mid square, no test 90.00-120.00; Bluestem: Good, small squares 85.00-100.00, mostly 90.00-95.00, mid and large squares 60.00-90.00, mostly 75.00, large rounds 40.00-60.00. Mulch, large rounds 45.00-50.00. Brome: Good, Small squares 100.00-110.00 mid and large squares 80.00-90.00, large rounds 50.00-70.00.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares 200.00-250.00. Dairy, no trade. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 75.00-100.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 120.00-130.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse small squares 220.00, mid square 130.00-200.00; Dairy, Supreme, 130.00-140.00; Premium 120.00-130.00; Stock cow, mid square, no test 100.00; Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 60.00-75.00, alfalfa Groundon-the-truck 80.00-95.00, Ground and delivered 90.00-110.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small squares,

Good 90.00-100.00, Mid squares 70.00-80.00, large rounds 45.00-60.00. Brome: Good, small squares, 4.00-4.50/bale, 90.00- 120.00/T, Mid squares, 75.00-85.00, horse quality 110.00, large rounds, 12.00-30.00/bale, 50.00-60.00/T, fair 40.00-50.00. Grass Mulch, large round 45.00/bale delivered. Straw, small squares 3.25-3.50/bale, mid and large bales 45.00-60.00/T.

**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.

The Kansas Hay Market Report is provided by the Kansas Department of Agriculture with technical oversight from the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service.



Grand champion steer at the Morris County Fair was shown by Justin Loomis.

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pans; Avon bottles in boxes; Christmas tree/decorations: record players, 8 tracks, cassette, radio; kids toys; metal truck; kid's videos; kitchen items; Elvis and other LP records; metal toys; pen and pencil collection; MANY, MANY MORE ITEMS TOO NUMER-OUS TO MENTION.

YARD, SHOP & **MISCELLANEOUS**

New BBQ grill; 2 small water tanks; trouble light; extension cords; Santa Fe gas can; yard and hand tools; gas weed eater; live trap; Murray 22" push mower; bicycle; 6' aluminum ladder; paint ladder; steel shelving; round wash tub; hand sprayers; shop vac; play house; hand fertilizer spreader; box fan; saw horses; fishing pole; tank heaters: holiday decorations; step ladder; hand sander; 3/4" socket set; B&D commercial duty 10" radial arm saw on metal cabinet; miter saw; 16' Skil power scroll saw; router table with router; wooden tool cabinet on rollers; hand tools; garden tools; 10" table saw; metal lawn chairs; lawn chairs; yard gate; MTD snow blower: Stihl 16" chain saw; smoker; wagon wheels: wood truck box: MANY, MANY MORE ITEMS TOO NUMEROUS TO MEN-

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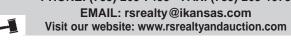
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Cassie Kniebel showed the reserve grand champion market steer at the 2009 Morris County Fair held in Council Grove.

Experts give guidance to those who want to sell meat directly to the consumer

health department regarding

any regulations governing

the sale of food in your com-

Custom-exempt process-

ing is an option for meat in-

tended for exclusive use by

the owner, members of the

owner's household, nonpay-

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by the department's Food

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5051 or your local MU Ex-

tension center.

For more information,

An MU Extension guide,

"Selling Strategies for Local

Food Producers" (G6222), is

available for purchase or

free download at exten-

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ice at www.fsis.usda.gov.

A list of state-inspected

munity, she said.

for sale."

'Direct marketing meat is an attractive option for many producers, but they need to be aware that they will have to adhere to state or federal guidelines for processing, storage and tax collection," said an MU Extension specialist in community development and local food systems.

"If you plan to sell your meat to consumers or to retailers such as restaurants, grocery stores and farmers markets, you need to arrange for it to be processed by a facility inspected by either the Missouri Department of Agriculture or the USDA," said Crystal Weber.

You also will need to create a product label and submit it for approval by the facility's inspection agency. Required information on the label includes your name, the name of your product, an inspection legend identifying the processing facility, and safe-handling instruc-

Check with your local



Champion market heifer at the Morris County Fair was shown by Justin Loomis.

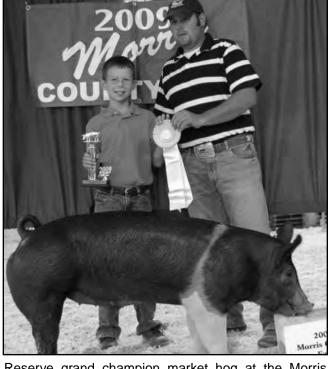
Ag scientist Norman Borlaug dead at 95

DALLAS (AP) — Agricultural scientist Norman Borlaug, the father of the "green revolution" who won the Nobel Peace Prize for his role in combating world hunger and saving hundreds of millions of lives. died Saturday in Texas, a Texas A&M University spokeswoman said. He was

The Nobel committee honored Borlaug in 1970 for his contributions to highvield crop varieties and bringing other agricultural innovations to the developing world. Many experts credit the green revolution with averting global famine during the second half of the 20th century and saving perhaps 1 billion lives.

Thanks to the green revolution, world food production more than doubled between 1960 and 1990. In Pakistan and India, two of the nations that benefited most from the new crop varieties, grain yields more than quadrupled over the period.

Equal parts scientist and humanitarian, the Iowaborn Borlaug realized improved crop varieties were just part of the answer, and he pressed governments for farmer-friendly economic policies and improved infrastructure to make markets accessible. A 2006 book about Borlaug is titled "The Man Who Fed the



Reserve grand champion market hog at the Morris County Fair held earlier this summer at Council Grove was shown by Blake McNorton. Also pictured is judge Cody Schwartz of Washingon.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — 12:30 PM

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Ashley leather couch with recliners and matching loveseat (very near new); 50" LG LCD/Plasma TV-very good; large entertainment center; Whirlpool Deluxe automatic washer & dryer (like new); Queen headboard with matching chest and dresser with mirror: 3 pc blonde bedroom suite; slate top with iron coffee & end tables (Ashley-near new); Elliptical machine; dropleaf table & 2 chairs; 13"

TV with DVD; computer desk; dressing screen/divider; microwave; wood stool; wicker loveseat; patio table & 2 chairs; baby bed; high chair; crib; stroller; Play Station II; X Box; VHS; DVD's; CD's; Qualitv Nikon & Cannon 35MM cameras with zoom lens: Kodak digital camera; 4 KSU-MU FOOTBALL TICKETS-NOVEMBER 14; large Japanese decorator egg; Dutch china houses; bone china fig-

urines; large candleholders; pictures; pots; pans; quilts; kitchen appliances; games; toys; Corningware; kitchenware; sleeping bag; cooler; coal bucket; log rack; dog head fireplace tools; luggage; hand tools: Household tools; Household miscella-

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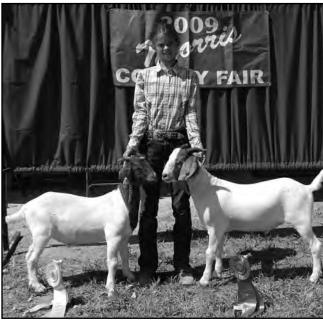
These young people were the top showmen at the Morris County Fair. Pictured from the left are Justin Loomis, Michaela Peterson, Erin Carroll, Wyatt Buchman and Trent Blythe.



Wyatt Buchman had the top gilt shown at the Morris County Fair.



Makenzie Downes (left) showed the grand and reserve grand champion breeding does at the Morris County Fair. Judge for the show was Sam Funk. Rhiannon Downes, right is also pictured.



Erica Auchard swept the meat goat show at the Morris County Fair, leading out the grand and reserve grand champion entries.

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STEERS Herington, 10 mix 374@123.00 Herington, 25 mix 494@115.50 Ramona, 3 mix 498@112.00 Ramona, 11 bwf 632@104.00 Lincolnville, 6 mix 683@99.25 Council Gr., 3 blk 520@97.00 799@96.00 Council Gr., 8 mix Ramona, 18 bwf 733@94.50 816@93.25

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

58 steers, 800-900 lbs.

60 steers, off grass, 900-950 lbs.

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As fall arrives, cattle producers are getting ready to wean and market their calves. At the same time, producers are deciding which cows met performance expectations and which cows they will cull. Many producers sell their culls immediately, but that might not be the most profitable marketing strategy, said a University of Missouri Extension livestock specialist.

"When deciding whether to sell cows when culled or at a later date, first consider the seasonality of cow prices," said David Hoffman. "Typically, cull cow prices are lowest during the fall and early winter and highest in late winter and early spring."

Hoffman recommends adding weight to thin cows. "With an abundance of high-quality fall forage, cull cows can rapidly replenish their muscle and body mass," he said.

Adding cheap weight gains with proper supplementation will result in a greater carcass grade. Higher-yielding cows typically earn a premium currently \$5-\$8 per hundredweight, Hoffman said.

You will want to sell cull cows before they become excessive in their body condition (BCS of 8 or higher), as they will be discounted. Plan to market cull cows at an optimum

BCS of 5-6. When adding value to cull cows, select the best candidates to retain, he said. Heavy-conditioned, unhealthy or older cows are generally poor candidates for adding value.

Consider cull cows as a valuable asset to your operation, Hoffman said. Generally, adding weight or changing marketing time will increase the value of your cull cows and result in greater return for the cow-calf producer.



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- 60 steers & heifers, 600-800 lbs.
- 70 steers, 450-650 lbs., worked in spring
- 15 heifers, 450-650 lbs., worked in spring
 12 black steers & heifers, 500-550 lbs.
 75 steers & heifers, 650-750 lbs., weaned 75 days
 80 black steers & heifers, 400-600 lbs.
- 60 black steers & heifers, 700-800 lbs., all shots, off grass
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Receipts for the week totaled 2,892 cattle. We had no hogs or baby calves to report due to no sale for Labor Day.

300-400 lbs. \$123.00-\$133.00

400-500 lbs. \$120.00-\$125.00

500-600 lbs. \$108.00-\$121.00

80 blk, Hope

53 mix, Solomon

58 mix, Gypsum

61 mix, Minneapolis

600-700 lbs	\$103.00-\$110.00	63 mix, Hope	867 @ 95.75
700-800 lbs \$		13 char, Guide Rock, NE	861 @ 95.50
800-900 lbs		9 mix, McPherson	731 @ 95.00
900-1,000 lbs	.\$85.00-\$92.85	130 blk, Wichita	853 @ 95.00
		55 mix, Hope	894 @ 94.75
HEIFERS	6	13 blk, Barnard	876 @ 94.50
300-400 lbs	3105.00-\$112.00	17 blk, Lincoln	906 @ 92.85
400-500 lbs \$		21 blk, Barnard	925 @ 92.10
500-600 lbs	\$98.00-\$104.75	32 mix, Courtland	979 @ 90.75
600-700 lbs	\$95.00-\$101.75	HEIFERS	,
700-800 lbs		17 blk, Peabody	389 @ 112.00
800-900 lbs		3 blk, Peabody	317 @ 110.00
		14 blk, Peabody	498 @ 109.00
STEERS	;	35 blk, Peabody	456 @ 107.50
6 blk, Peabody	267 @ 141.00	5 blk, Sylvan Grove	578 @ 104.75
7 blk, Peabody	353 @ 133.00	8 bwf, New Cambria	579 @ 104.25
24 blk, Peabody	494 @ 125.00	3 blk, Ellsworth	627 @ 101.75
17 blk, Peabody	438 @ 124.00	8 blk, Beloit	631 @ 101.50
62 blk, Peabody	535 @ 121.00	14 mix, New Cambria	548 @ 100.85
2 blk, Sylvan Grove	540 @ 116.00	25 blk, McPherson	592 @ 98.50
15 blk, Peabody	568 @ 112.50	23 blk, Assaria	604 @ 98.50
6 blk, Sterling	565 @ 111.00	77 blk, Assaria	683 @ 98.00
5 mix, New Cambria	518 @ 110.50	72 blk, McPherson	650 @ 97.25
11 mix, New Cambria	640 @ 110.00	6 blk, McPherson	723 @ 93.75
20 blk, Little River	670 @ 108.00	10 blk, Hoisington	776 @ 93.75
2 blk, Lindsborg	658 @ 106.00	11 blk, Miltonvale	745 @ 93.00
8 mix, Solomon	686 @ 106.00	9 blk, Marion	776 @ 92.50
4 blk, Assaria	708 @ 105.75	6 blk, Beloit	738 @ 92.00
8 blk, Lincoln	700 @ 104.50	12 blk, Hope	828 @ 91.25
6 blk, Minneapolis	728 @ 103.25	20 blk, Lincoln	823 @ 90.25
3 blk, Hope	707 @ 103.00	66 mix, Alma	842 @ 89.85
11 blk, Ellsworth	750 @ 102.50	7 blk, Ada	804 @ 89.75
11 blk, McPherson	719 @ 102.25	19 mix, Wilsey	840 @ 89.75
61 blk, Solomon	783 @ 100.50	5 mix, Brookville	809 @ 89.50
9 blk, Hope	792 @ 99.75	12 blk, Ada	885 @ 89.25
19 mix, Holyrood	761 @ 99.00	3 blk, Delphos	815 @ 89.00
18 mix, McPherson	757 @ 98.50	67 blk, Enterprise	807 @ 88.50
31 blk, Lincoln	817 @ 98.35	57 mix, Enterprise	854 @ 86.50

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR SEPT. 17

170 black & red Angus steers, 900 lbs.; 395 mostly black steers, 800-850 lbs.; 120 steers, 900 lbs.; 20 Holstein steers, 600-900 lbs.; 60 steers, 650-700 lbs.; 100 heifers, 825 lbs.; 45 steer & heifers, 500-800 lbs.; 200 steers, 850-925 lbs.; 150 blk steers & heifers, 525-575 lbs.

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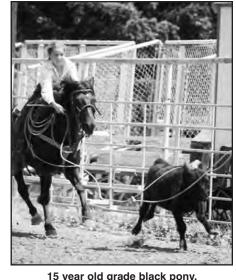
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At the Morris County Fair, Nathan Ellerman, left showed the champion halter horse. Michaela Peterson, was named reserve.



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Kansas **Profile**

By Ron Wilson

Executive Director of the Huck Boyd *Institute*



Steve and Becky Tipton Country Creek Honey

Busy as a bee. If you soon bought two hives of have observed a hive of bees at work, you know that saying is accurate. It seems bees are always working, going after nectar for the hive. Today we'll meet a family in rural Kansas that started raising bees and found that the enterprise is keeping them quite busy as well.

Steve and Becky Tipton are the owners of Country Creek Honey near Meriden,

Steve is from north Topeka originally. His parents bought a farm near Meriden in 1967. Steve went to Washburn, married Becky, went to work at Goodyear and moved back to the farm. Becky is a teacher at Seaman High School. She has always been interested in bees and had read lots of bee journals, but hadn't tried raising bees.

One day in late 1988, Steve went to a farm store in Emporia to pick up a part for a tractor. Steve said, "It was three days before Christmas, and the store had a sign that said, 'Beginning beekeeper kits - everything you need to get started." He said to himself, "Yes! My Christmas shopping is done."

Now isn't that a guy's dream - to Christmas shop for his wife at the farm store? Anyway, Steve bought that beekeeper kit and gave it to Becky. They

bees and have raised bees ever since.

When Steve retired from Goodyear, he took over the beekeeping. Today, their business is known as Country Creek Honey.

Steve says with a smile, "This has grown into a hobby well out of control." The Tiptons own 100 hives. At 60,000 to 80,000 bees per hive, that means that the Tiptons could have some 8 million bees. As amazing as that sounds, Steve says it pales in comparison to some commercial operations in California.

"There are some California operators with a thousand hives, where they use the bees to pollinate fruit and almond orchards," he

Steve and Becky are selftaught beekeepers, and now they share their expertise with others. They teach in the master beekeeper program at the University of Nebraska (directed by Dr. Marion Ellis), do seminars for the Kansas Honey Producers, and teach beginning beekeeping classes locally. Becky has represented Kansas on committees of the National Honey Board.

Steve says, "One of the things we learned was to promote anything that comes out of the hive." In other words, the honey has value, but other related products such as beeswax can have value as well.

The Tiptons took this advice to heart. They market an amazing variety of products and flavors. For example, they offer lip balm, soap leaves, beeswax lotion, liquid soap, natural insect repellent, and - oh yeah honey.

All these products are made by the Tiptons themselves from honey or beeswax from their hives, with added flavors like raspberry cream, cinnamon, blackberry, wildflower, and jalapeno. The soaps come in flavors like honey lemon sunshine scrub, bee clean shampoo and body bar, drone scrub, bees in the garden, buzzy face, honey herb, cranberry bumble, pollen pleasure, honey rose, and many more. There is even a baby bee extremely mild soap.

In addition to the soap and lotion bars, there are soap leaves, flavored honey stix, and a natural insect repellent called Buzz Off. All these products are sold at farmers' markets, festivals, and craft fairs. One passerby at the Topeka farmers market described Steve as "the best bee person alive."

Becky teaches soapmak-They have gone to honey group meetings in locations from Texas to Delaware, but after those meetings, they return to their rural commu-

nity of Meriden, Kansas, population 701 people. Now, that's rural. How exciting to find these entrepreneurs of bees in rural

Busy as a bee. Just as bees stay busy in the field and in the hive, so Steve and Becky stay busy at promoting honey and related products. We commend the Tiptons for making a difference with their honey production and marketing. This type of agricultural entrepreneurship can help rural communities bee all that they can

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verseeding in fall can repair, improve lawn

Tall fescue still holds the title as the best-adapted cool-season lawn turf for the gamut of central U.S. weather extremes.

Even so, overseeding existing fescue lawns during September is a fairly common practice, according to Chip Miller, horticulturist with Kansas State University Research and Extension.

Typically, some homeowners are hoping to improve their lawn's thickness or fill in bare spots, following a stressful growing season. Others are trying to improve lawn quality by mixing in a new, improved fescue variety with the old standby they've already got Kentucky 31 or K-31 tall fescue.

They may or may not succeed in improving their lawn, Miller said. Most often, success depends on the seed variety they select and their ability to avoid several serious mistakes.

"For example, K-31 has been around for a long time, and it tends to have the least expensive seed on the market," Miller explained. "But, it grows so fast that it can require mowing more often than any other lawn turf grown in Kansas. It also has a tendency to react to stress by clumping.

"Simply put: K-31 is a cheap workhorse. So, it may still be a good choice for large, open areas that need to look covered, not manicured. For lawns, however, the newer varieties both look and perform better."

Each year, K-State scientists rate tall fescue varieties for color, green up, quality and texture. In their largest Tall Fescue Cultivar Trial near Wichita, they now have 113 different varieties under study. Their most recently reported recommendations included:

Apache III, Avenger, Blackwatch, Cayenne, Coshise III, Dynasty, Escalade, Falcon IV, Fidelity, Finelawn Elite,

Forte, Guardian 21, Inferno, dled right. Or, you can try a Justice, Kalahari, Matador, Padre, Picasso, Regiment II, Rembrandt, 2nd Millennium, Tar Heel, Titanium, Ultimate, Watchdog and Wolf-

"You shouldn't try to buy a specific variety, though. For one thing, every member of the trial's top 30 fescues ranked practically alike. For another, no store is going to stock all of those cultivars," Miller said. "So, you need to find a retail nursery or garden center that keeps up with the research for you and offers a local blend of several cultivars. Blends let you take advantage of different varieties' differing strengths."

Bad Planting Can Waste Good Seed

Planting good seed badly can still yield problems, the horticulturist warned. The seed has to go down evenly and at the recommended rate with good seed-to-soil contact, followed by proper wa-

Achieving good seed-tosoil contact typically requires some advance preparation. The thicker the lawn thatch and/or the more compacted the soil, the more important that prep work becomes, Miller said.

"You can do it with a level-head (bow) rake that you use to disturb and even furrow the soil. But I wouldn't suggest doing the job by hand unless you're only overseeding some pretty small bare spots," he said. "Otherwise, your best choices are machines you'll probably need to

"You can use a core aerator — which will make your lawn look littered with little cigar-shaped soil cores for a couple of weeks, but can loosen compacted soil and break through thatch. Or, you can use a power rake, which mostly is designed to cut through and pull up a thatch layer, but can tear up an existing lawn if not han-

verticutter that slices through, rather than ripping out thatch, but still needs careful handling."

A cut-through-the-thatch machine that also sows and covers seed - known as a slit seeder - may also be available for rent at some stores, Miller said. As with the other machines, however, it will require upper body strength to operate well. So, some homeowners may want to hire help.

For an existing lawn, the overseeding rate for tall fescue or Kentucky bluegrass is half or less of what's recommended for starting a new lawn from scratch. K-State's recommended full-seeding rate for new tall fescue lawns in the central Plains is 6 to 8 pounds of seed per 1,000 square feet of lawn. For new Kentucky bluegrass lawns, it's 2 to 3 pounds per 1,000 square feet.

"To avoid mistakes, you've got to do the obvious and actually determine the square footage of your yard. Then calculate the amount of seed you need," Miller said. "With tall fescue, in particular, using too little seed can result in clumpy turf that is neither attractive nor easy to mow - `abump, a-bump, a-bump. Too much seed can produce a lawn vulnerable to disease and stress damage. Sometimes, excessive seedlings can actually end up killing each other."

Few homeowners still try to achieve even distribution by carefully calibrating a seeder and then strictly following a pattern that overlaps each previous pass just by the width of the nearest wheel mark that the seeder left behind, he said.

"The easier approach with both seed and fertilizer is to load up your spreader, adjust it to a low setting and then keep covering the lawn - perhaps from north to south and then from east to west — until you run out of seed or fertilizer," Miller said. 'Overlapping each individual pass a little bit is

still a good idea, though, so you don't accidentally miss any areas."

On bare soil, a light, follow-up hand-raking will give seed some protective soil cover, he added.

"After that, you just water newly planted areas lightly, but often — keeping the soil constantly moist, but not waterlogged," the horticulturist said. "If we get some hot weather, that may mean watering three times a day. During cool weather, you may only have to water every couple of days."

"If we don't get rain as the grass plants come up, then you should gradually decrease watering to once a week. Let the plants tell you when. If you push the blades down and they don't spring back up quickly, the lawn needs water."

Lawn mowing can begin again once the seedlings reach three inches tall, Miller said.

Record bounty coming for corn, soybeans

WICHITA Kansas farmers are expecting plentiful crops as fall harvest nears.

Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service reported Friday that the corn production in the state is forecast at a record high 581 million bushels.

And the state's growers are also on track to set a record for soybean production. About 140 million bushels are expected after farmers planted an unprecedented number of acres this season.

Also faring extremely well is sorghum. Its forecast production of 221.4 million bushels would not set any records, but the expected yields for that crop of 82 bushels per acre would set a yield record.

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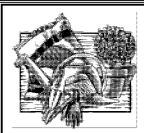
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Yard & Garden Tips By Gregg Eyestone

September is Planting Time

Now is a good time to be dividing perennials, planting new plants and finishing all your spring plans. Soil temperatures are right for root growth. Soil moisture is good this fall. Plants have this fall and next spring to get established before the normal stresses of summer will

Planting depth is critical for plant health. The crown of the plant should be at or slightly above ground level. I prefer using a woodchip mulch over the rooting zone of my plants. Therefore, the plants are slightly above grade to compensate for the layer of wood chips. A heavy clay soil is another factor to plant a little above grade.

Roots need oxygen for growth and survival. Planting in clay soil and too deep, reduces the availability of the roots to get oxygen. Mulches also reduce the plants gas exchange. The majority of many plant roots will be in the upper 18 inches of soil.

The soil should be loosened around the planting hole. This will improve the air in the soil which roots will seek. Loosening the soil below the roots is not recommended. As the soil compacts, the plant usually sinks with the soil. When this occurs, the roots are no longer where they prefer which is close to the sur-

Air is important for roots and so is good soil to root contact. The soil needs to be settled back around the newly planted plant. Some gardeners like to press the soil back into place with their foot. This may be a preferred method when forced to plant in wet soil because you have to get it

A preferred way to get the soil in contact with the roots is to run water slowly over the rooting zone. The soil will sink around the plant and fill in the large air pockets. No soil amendments are suggested, such as peat moss, to individual planting holes. Amendments are suggested only to whole planting beds to be blended into the complete rooting zone of the plants.

Most plants will be dormant through the winter and have no low temperature injury. Broadleaf plants will continue to need available moisture in the winter. The soil will need to be moist during the winter. A layer of mulch will reduce evaporation.

Get a jump on spring by planting now. You can find out more information on gardening by going to Riley County's K-State Research and Extension website at www.riley.ksu.edu And you may contact Gregg Evestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension by calling (785) 537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyeston@ksu.edu .

Weather expert says crickets are a good indicator

You are outdoors without your thermometer and wonder "what's the temperature?" If you listen to the crickets, there is an easy formula to calculate it, according to Mary Knapp.

Count the chirps in 15 seconds and add 40," said Knapp, who as the state climatologist for Kansas, is a weather watcher herself. "The result is the temperature in Fahrenheit." Knapp, who is in charge of the Kansas Weather Data Library, said that a Swedish chemist, Savante Arrhenius described a similar equation in 1897

to explain chemical reaction rates and their response to temperature. Crickets' chirp rate is controlled by metabolic reactions and is faster when it is warm and slower when it is cool. "But is it accurate?" Knapp said. "Studies have shown that it is accurate to within a degree or two. "You just need to be careful in counting the chirps, and be able to hear the crickets over the noisy cicadas.'

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Researchers study factors that regulate vaccination efficiency

mune response has been an effective strategy for managing infectious diseases in humans and animals for more than a century. Now, Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists and colleagues have found that a concurrent parasite infection significantly compromises the effectiveness of a commonly administered vaccine in swine. The study was conducted by researchers at the ARS Diet, Genomics and Immunology Laboratory in Beltsville, Md., led by microbiologist Joseph Urban, working with Nina Steenhard of the Institute for Veterinary Disease Biology of the University of Copenhagen in Denmark.

For the study, 36 pigs raised on a pathogen-free farm were divided into four groups and studied for nearly three months. The researchers wanted to compare health indicators among three groups compared with an untreated control group.

The three groups included pigs that had been continuously exposed to a common worm infection; pigs that were exposed to the same worm infection, but vaccinated against Mycoplasma hyopneumoniae bac-

Using vaccination to induce a robust imteria at week three; and a worm-free group that was similarly vaccinated against the bacteria at week three.

> All pigs were infected with live M. hyopneumoniae bacteria via aerosol four weeks after the vaccine injections were administered. Another four weeks later, the tissue of all pigs were evaluated.

> All worm-free, vaccinated pigs infected with M. hyopneumoniae tested 100 percent positive for vaccine-derived antibodies, meaning they presented an optimal serum response. But only 78 percent of the vaccinated pigs that had been worm infected developed serum antibodies. The other 22 percent were considered vaccine failures. The worm-infected pigs also had a higher percentage of lung pathology than their non-worm-infected counterparts after vaccination and subsequent bacteria expo-

> These findings are an indicator of the importance of parasite control during vaccination. The next step is to conduct further field studies in environments where animals are susceptible to both worm and bacterial infection, according to authors.

Ag lender's conference to be held in October

Kansas State University Research and Extension will host the 2009 Agricultural Lenders Conference in two locations — Garden City, Kan., on Oct. 6 and Manhattan on Oct. 7.

The agenda will be the same at both locations. It's designed to provide the Kansas financial community with updates on current agricultural topics. Presentations and speakers at both locations will include:

Grain Market Outlook -Mike Woolverton, K-State Extension crops marketing specialist;

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SURE/Crop Insurance - Art Barnaby, K-State Extension agricultural economics specialist.

The Oct. 6 conference will be at the K-State Research and Extension Southwest Area office at 4500 E. Mary St. in Garden

City. The Oct. 7 conference will be at the International Grains Program (IGP) Conference Center at 1980 Kimball Ave. in Manhattan. Each will begin at 8 a.m. with registration, coffee and donuts. The program will start at 8:55 a.m. A preregistration fee of \$85 for the conference materials, refreshments and lunch is due by Oct. 1.

Registration after that date is \$95. More information and a registration brochure are available online at www.agmanager. info or from Rich Llewelyn at 785-532-1504 or rvl@ ksu.edu.

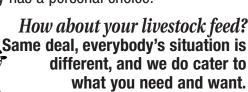
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FSIS hopes to clarify 'natural' meat claims

The USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced it will solicit further public comment as the agency seeks to define the conditions under which it would permit the voluntary claim "natural" to be used in the labeling of meat and poultry

FSIS is seeking comments to clarify and resolve issues surrounding the "natural" claim, including how best to coordinate FSIS regulation of "natural" claims with the agricultural marketing service (AMS) voluntary "naturally raised" marketing claim standard.

The current FSIS policy states that the term "natural" may be used in the labeling of meat and poultry products provided that the product does not

contain any artificial flavor or flavoring, coloring ingredients, chemical preservative, or any other artificial or synthetic ingredient and that the product is not more than minimally processed

For a detailed description of these issues, please refer to the FSIS web site at www.fsis.usda.gov/regula tions_&_policies/2009_Notices_Index/ index.asp.

Comments must be received by Nov. 13. Comments can be sent to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., Room 2-2127, Beltsville, MD 20705; or through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov.

Go to www.regulations.gov and in

the Search for Open Regulations box, select "Food Safety and Inspection Service" from the agency drop-down menu and then click on Submit. In the Docket ID column, select FDMS Docket Number FSIS-2006-0040A to submit or view public comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

For further information contact Rosalyn Murphy-Jenkins, senior technical advisor, Labeling and Program Delivery Division, Office of Policy and Program Development, USDA, FSIS, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Block A, 2nd Wing, 2nd Floor Room 2-2124, Beltsville, MD 20705, or by phone at 301-504-0868 or by e-mail at rosalyn.murphy-jenkins@fsis.usda.

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	HEIFERS		16	66	20.00
3	508	103.50	4	38	18.00
8	459	102.50	13	37	17.00
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20 crossbred fall & spring bred cows, running age	Soyez Ranch
80 xbred steers & heifers, 650-800	Ed Bachura
45 blk cross steers & heifers, 600-700	J. Groening
41 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 600-700	D. Mills
25 mixed steers & heifers, 800-900	D. Jenkins
32 mixed steers & heifers, 700-900	M. DeWeese
30 blk cross steers & hefiers, 700-900	R&J Roeser
50 blk heifers, 575-625	D. Wheeler
45 bwf heifers, OCV, 650-750	M. Anderson
71 blk, wf steers, 500-650	L. Luthi
25 blk cross steers & heifers, 500-650	R. Buchman
26 cross steers & heifers, weaned, off grass, 600-700	D. Lilly
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STEERS & HEIFERS: 4- Angus, 400-550 lbs.; 50 Angus, 400-550 lbs.; 20 blkx, 600-650 lbs.; 16 blkx, 400-500 lbs., weaned; 33 xbred, 675-775 lbs. weaned, off grass; 30 blk, 600-750 lbs., weaned, off grass; 70 blkx, 750-825 lbs., weaned, off grass; 15 blk, 750-850 lbs., weaned, off grass; 30 xbred, 600-700 lbs., weaned, off grass; 80 xbred, 600-800 lbs., weaned off grass; 60 blkx, 675-775 lbs., weaned, off grass; 40 blkx, 800-900 lbs. weaned, off grass; 30 blk, 675-750 lbs., weaned, off grass; 12 blk, 650-750 lbs., weaned, off grass; 35 blk, 700-800 lbs., weaned, off grass; 28 blkx, 550-675 lbs., weaned, off grass; 36 blk, 750-800 lbs., weaned, off grass; 30 blk, 675-775 lbs., weaned, off grass; 15 xbred, 700-800 lbs. weaned, off grass,

HEIFERS: 31 blk, 800-850 lbs., weaned, off grass; 28 blk, 675-775 lbs. weaned, off grass; 60 blk, 725-775 lbs., weaned, off grass; 30 blk, 575 675 lbs., weaned, off grass; 50 blk, 700-750 lbs., weaned, off grass. Many more consignments by sale time.

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Turf specialist advises homeowners to seed for quality

You get what you pay for" is an old adage that's a practical certainty for lawn seed, according to Kansas State University horticulturist Rodney St. John.

"Clean seed that has zero percent 'other crop' and zero percent weed seeds will always cost more. Highly recommended varieties with a good germination rate will cost more, too. But, they're worth more. You might have trouble believing, for example, how just a tiny percentage of some weed seeds can ruin a yard," said St. John, who's a turfgrass specialist with K-State Research and Exten-

strongly suggests

from a reputable garden center or landscape supply provider, not a big-box store. In his experience, retailers whose year-round business is horticulture are much more likely to know the latest research results on varieties that do well locally. They also tend to be more personally involved in supplying lawn products and advice that help ensure customers' success.

"For example, a current trend among reputable retailers is to supply blends and mixes of turf varieties, rather than to suggest people plant a mono-culture lawn. If selected well, the varieties in those products

homeowners buy lawn seed can work together to produce a stronger, better-looking lawn that's less vulnerable to pests," St. John said.

> The difference between a blend and a mix is that a blend provides several varieties of the same turf, such as a combination of three different tall fescues or a five-way blend of Kentucky bluegrasses. In contrast, a mix combines different turf species, such as a bag with both tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass.

> Because blend seeds are from the same genus and species, they can produce a lawn with a smooth, uniform appearance, St. John said. By including different varieties with slightly different traits, however, a blend also can strengthen a lawn's disease resistance, for example, or its ability to withstand stress.

A mix of different turf species can be good or bad. he said. Their quality mostly depends on how carefully the varieties were selected and how well adapted they are for local conditions.

Kansas mixes often combine the state's two top turfs — tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass. But, the good ones often contain three or more fescue varieties and two or more bluegrass cultivars - which, in turn, provide a high-quality, uniform lawn with greater strengths in drought, disease, and insect resistance.

"Typically, these mixes are a 50-50 combination of fescue and bluegrass seeds. They won't look equal on the label or in the hopper because fescue seeds are so much larger. In actuality, though, mixes that by volume are 80 to 90 percent tall fescue and 20 to 10 percent Kentucky bluegrass have roughly the same number of tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass seeds," the specialist said.

Sun-and-shade mixes tend to perform in ways that are hard to predict, St. John warned.

"In most cases, they combine lots of species, in hopes that something will emerge in all of the yard's varying degrees of sunlight. More often than not, though, the end result is a patchwork of different shades of green and differing turf textures and thicknesses. Homeowners may not be pleased," he said.

sion.

Moisture vital to seed performance Homeowners who are seeding or overseeding a fescue lawn this September could see seedlings emerge in as few as five to 10 days. Those starting or renovating Kentucky bluegrass could see germination begin in eight to 14 days.

You can only expect that, however, under ideal conditions in moisture, sunlight and temperature. And, if you live somewhere such as the central Great Plains, ideal weather is never guaranteed. So, you may have to be patient," said Rodney St. John, turf specialist for Kansas State University Research and Extension.

An important part of that will be continuing to irrigate the area lightly as often as needed to keep the soil surface moist (not wet), he said. That's vital until the seed germinates and the new grass grows 1 to 2 inches tall.

'Otherwise, you'll have a very poor germination rate," St. John said. "Plus, if you let them dry out, the new seedlings will die."

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400-499 lbs.	\$85.00-\$117.00	400-499 lbs.	\$94.50-\$107.25		
500-599 lbs.	\$90.00-\$112.00	500-599 lbs.	\$70.00-\$100.50		
600-699 lbs.	\$75.00-\$105.00	600-699 lbs.	\$85.00-\$98.50		
700-799 lbs.	\$88.00-\$102.00	700-799 lbs.	\$76.50-\$94.00		
800-899 lbs.	\$92.25-\$97.00	800-899 lbs.	\$76.00-\$90.00		
Pairs	\$800-\$925	Bred Cows	\$500-\$670		
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> MARKET REPORT FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 **WE SOLD 759 CATTLE**

STEERS		6 blk bwf bulls 518@97.29				
4 blk strs	297@137.50					
8 blk strs		22 mxd strs 13 blk strs	844@96.85			
3 blk bwf males	383@120.00	13 blk strs	873@95.85			
4 blk strs	475@115.00	2 char bulls	692@87.00			
32 blk bwf strs		HEIFE	RS			
4 blk strs 4 blk strs	543@110.75	11 blk bwf hfrs	319@111.00			
4 blk strs	603@106.50		4072103.00			
4 blk bwf strs	546@106.25	25 blk bwf hfrs	421@102.00			
5 blk strs		4 blk hfrs	446@101.00			
5 mxd bulls	426@105.00					
3 blk strs						
5 blk bwf strs	642@103.00	5 sim x hfrs	422@96.50			
14 sim x strs			612@96.35			
3 blk strs						
12 blk bwf strs						
4 blk gray strs	583@100.75	9 mxd hfrs				
4 blk gray strs						
11 blk bwf red rwf						
18 blk bwf char	758@100.00					
23 blk strs						
15 bwf rwf strs						
85 blk bwf strs						
3 bwf rwf strs	806@97.25	5 blk bwf hfrs	794@83.75			
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SEPTEMBER 15--REGULAR WEEKLY AUCTION

100 blk bwf s&h 500-700 40 hol strs 750-850 65 mix strs 900-950 40 mix s&h 500-650 62 blk & x strs 800-825 30 blk & red s&h 500-600 19 mix strs 800-650

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Controlling weeds can hurt turf

Homeowners can successfully overseed and fertilize a tall fescue or Kentucky bluegrass lawn at the same time in September or early October. Most often, though, they can *'*t control the dandelions, too.

"The only exception to that, of course, is if they dig up the dandelions by hand," said Rodney St. John, turfgrass horticulturist with Kansas State University Research and Extension.

The problem is that the commonly available broadleaf weed controls can kill turfgrass seedlings, he said. Most products require that homeowners apply the herbicide only after newly seeded lawns have grown enough to merit mowing two to three times.

K-State recommends a mowing height of 2.5 to 3.5 inches for tall fescue and 2 to 3 inches for bluegrass.

"If you get your seed going early enough, though, that's not bad timing," St John said. "An early November application of a broadleaf weed control can kill dandelions quite well - plus control henbit and chickweed. You just need to pick a day when the temperature is 50 degrees or warmer.'

He added that two controls are legal and safe to use as early as seven days after turf seedlings emerge. They are Drive 75DF (quinclorac) and Quicksilver (carfentrazone). 'They can be hard to find, however, because they re usually considered to be professional products," St. John said. 'So, homeowners who just can't wait to control broadleaf weeds in November might have to hunt around for a while or shop on the Web. Or ... hire a lawn-care professional to do the job.

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\$107.75 6 strs

2 hfrs

@370#

	4 hfrs	@410#	\$105.00	3 strs	@490#	\$107.00
ľ	3 hfrs	@435#	\$103.00	5 strs	@457#	\$107.25
	2 hfrs	@400#	\$102.00	2 strs	@490#	\$105.00
	6 hfrs	@432#	\$99.00	3 strs	@520#	\$108.00
	6 hfrs	@540#	\$97.00	2 strs	@563#	\$102.50
	5 hfrs	@524#	\$96.00	3 strs	@573#	\$99.50
	8 hfrs	@590#	\$95.75	4 strs	@593#	\$96.00
	4 hfrs	@570#	\$95.50	3 strs	@610#	\$100.00
	4 hfrs	@690#	\$95.00	2 strs	@635#	\$98.00
	2 hfrs	@680#	\$94.00	2 strs	@660#	\$96.50
	5 hfrs	@645#	\$93.00	50 x strs	@698#	\$96.75
	4 hfrs	@646#	\$88.25	5 strs	@745#	\$99.00
	3 hrs	@673#	\$87.75	11 strs	@782#	\$97.00
	4 hfrs	@636#	\$87.00	7 strs	@720#	\$97.25
	5 hfrs	@756#	\$93.25	178 x strs	@786#	\$96.85
	5 hfrs	@775#	\$92.25	74 x strs	@774#	\$96.25
	15 hfrs	@763#	\$92.00	7 strs	@795#	\$96.00
	2 hfrs	@763#	\$90.25	3 strs	@735#	\$94.50
	6 hfrs	@765#	\$88.75	4 strs	@820#	\$98.00
	7 hfrs	@824#	\$90.25	12 strs	@803#	\$96.75
	11 hfrs	@845#	\$89.50	8 strs	@838#	\$96.25
	10 hfrs	@824#	\$89.25	9 strs	@880#	\$93.25
	7 hfrs	@800#	\$89.00	42 flhy str	s@927#	\$92.70
	4 hfrs	@815#	\$88.00	28 strs	@976#	\$90.75
	11 hfrs	@942#	\$88.50	9 strs	@1064#	\$88.50
	18 hfrs	@916#	\$88.25	7 strs	@1084#	\$87.00
	4 hfrs	@936#	\$86.75	10 strs	@1035#	\$86.50
	4 hfrs	@1005#	\$75.00			
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COWS \$46.00-\$53.00 SHELLS: \$37.00 & DOWN

@460#

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\$38.00-\$45.75 BULLS: \$53.00-\$60.50

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

18 mixed steers & heifers, 400-500 lbs. 25 blk & red steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs.

14 blk strs & hfrs. 800-850 lbs. 40 mixed steers, 875-975 lbs.

125 blk & red steers, 850-950 lbs. More consignments by sale time!

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Consumers improving at food safety skills Pilot program allows new type of

Most consumers were "home-schooled" on hamburger preparation, a recent national study funded by the Beef Checkoff shows. According to surveys, 57% of consumers say a parent taught them how to cook burgers. Another 29% said their hamburger-making skills were self-taught.

Hamburgers and other ground beef products should be cooked to an internal temperature of at least 160°F, as measured by an instant-read meat thermometer. However, only 13% of consumers in this latest survey correctly identified 160°F as the proper cooking temperature for

ground beef to ensure safety, and only 9% said they learned to use a meat thermometer to determine when a hamburger is done.

"In the beef industry, we know that 'the way it has always been done' is not good enough when it comes to food safety. That's why we invest in a wide range of initiatives to ensure we continue to produce the safest food possible," said Mandy Carr, Ph.D., executive director of beef safety research for the NCBA. "Consumers can be part of the food safety innovation process by following proper in-home food safety practices, including cooking ground beef to 160°F."

The survey also showed retail establishments are getting the word out about the best in-home food safety practices. Half of survey respondents mentioned seeing information in a supermarket about proper handling and cooking of fresh meat. The top two tips or techniques consumers said they saw in supermarkets were related to hand washing and cooking meats to recommended temperatures using a meat thermometer.

The survey of 1,007 American adults included 971 beef eaters and had a margin of error of 3.2%.

Pilot program allows new type of fishing in Kansas, offers new catch

Kansas is halfway through the first year of a pilot program that's making floatline fishing legal until 2011 during the daylight hours from mid-July to mid-September at eight Kansas reservoirs. The test program's targeted species is a bottom feeder — the channel catfish. Fans say floatline fishing has long been an effective approach for those who want meat for the family dinner table. But, not every angler approves it, said Charlie Lee, wildlife specialist with Kansas State University Research and Extension. Floatline fishing typically involves setting a number of hooks and fishing in several areas at the same time. It can involve, but doesn't require using so much as a rod and reel. All that's really needed is a closed-cell, easy-to-see float, fastened to a fishing line that hangs down deep in the water with a weight at the end. Kansans have the option of adding two baited hooks somewhere along each line. They can anchor each setup in place or allow it to float with the current.

"Either way, this basically becomes fishing from a boat because Kansas is requiring that anglers supervise their floatlines at all times and then remove their setups before they go home," Lee said. "Besides, if they're good at picking fishing spots,

they're likely to have things happening almost all of the time." Kansas' pilot program permits two poles and up to eight floatlines (with no more than two hooks each). Anglers also must label their equipment with their name and address.

"Down South, they usually call this kind of fishing jugline or jug fishing — perhaps because they have traditionally made their own floats and may actually have used jugs once," Lee said. "Today, you're more likely to see commercially available closed-cell or solid floats, because they help prevent the spread of zebra mussels.

"Still, jug fishing can be a relatively cheap and easy way to get into angling. For some people, it's more fun, too, because they have multiple lines going at once and multiple floats to watch for action." A Kansas floatline permit is \$2.50 (in addition to a regular fishing permit). The creel limit depends on the reservoir: Council Grove, Hillsdale, John Redmond, Kanopolis, Pomona, Toronto, Tuttle Creek or Wilson. Further details about the pilot project are available on the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks website (http://www.kdwp.state.ks.us/news/Fishing).

Program continues to grow

The Masters of Beef Advocacy Program (MBA), launched last fall by the Beef Checkoff, recently hit a major milestone: 1,000 registered course participants. Of that total, nearly 350 have graduated from the program.

MBA continues to teach (or refresh) producers, university and Extension representatives, 4-H and FFA kids and industry affiliates across the country how to be effective spokespersons for the industry. The program consists of six, one-hour core courses: beef safety, beef nutrition, animal care, environmental stew-

ardship, modern beef production and the Beef Checkoff.

A majority of the graduates are also connected via an online alumni association that enables course graduates to network and engage in responding to media issues and share personal success stories.

Producers wanting more information should e-mail MBA@beef.org or contact their state beef council. For more information about checkoff-funded programs, visit http://www.MyBeef Checkoff.com.

Dig to resume at farm of Mark Twain's uncle

FLORIDA, Mo. (AP) — An archaeological dig will resume again this fall at a Missouri farm Mark Twain called ``a heavenly place for a boy."

Samuel Clemens, better known as author Mark Twain, was born in Florida, Mo. in 1835. His uncle, John Quarles, had a farm there now owned by a retired schoolteacher, Karen Hunt. Hannibal Courier-Post the digs will begin again on Saturdays in September. She says so far items like dishes,

For the past two years, she has allowed small numbers of volunteers to help with an archaeological dig on the grounds. She told the

digs will begin again on Saturdays in September. She says so far items like dishes, marbles and square nails have been found. She hopes one day to turn the site into a living history farm for

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736 @ 95.00

833 @ 94.60

We sold 2348 cattle September 8. Steer and heifer calves met a good demand on a light test at steady prices. We had an excellent run of high quality feeder steers and heifers, for which there was very good demand at prices that were steady to \$3.00 higher. Cows and bulls sold

64 mix strs

35 mix strs

56 mix strs

9 bwf/blk strs

8 bwf/blk strs

57 mix strs

53 mix strs

59 mix strs

37 mix strs

60 mix strs

59 mix strs

67 mix strs

58 mix strs

9 bwf/blk strs

120 bwf/blk strs

16 bwf/blk strs

1 blk str	385 @ 121.00
2 blk strs	438 @ 116.00
2 blk strs	475 @ 114.75
10 blk strs	533 @ 114.75
1 red str	375 @ 114.00
2 blk strs	498 @ 113.00
1 blk bull	395 @ 113.00
2 blk/red strs	513 @ 112.50
2 blk strs	415 @ 111.00
9 mix strs	477 @ 111.00
1 blk bull	460 @ 109.50
1 blk bull	485 @ 106.00
4 x-bred bulls	501 @ 99.00
STOCKER & FE	EDER STEERS
4 blk strs	559 @ 113.75
17 bwf/blk strs	581 @ 112.00
26 bwf/blk strs	678 @ 108.50
19 bwf/blk strs	589 @ 107.50
6 bk strs	573 @ 106.75
5 blk strs	626 @ 106.75
8 blk strs	653 @ 106.25
10 blk/obor otro	659 @ 103 50

861 @ 94.00 34 mix strs 36 mix strs 886 @ 93.85 892 @ 93.75 104 mix strs 892 @ 92.00 30 bwf/blk strs 114 mix strs 899 @ 91.85 111 mix strs 951 @ 90.25 **HEIFER CALVES** 1 bwf hfr 215 @ 110.00 2 wf/hwf hfrs 288 @ 109.00 18 blk/char strs 11 blk hfrs 465 @ 100.50 658 @ 103.50 9 bwf/blk strs 701 @ 102.50 10 blk/sim hfrs 437 @ 98.25 122 bwf/blk strs 783 @ 102.35 6 bwf/blk hfrs 540 @ 97.50 5 mix strs 661 @ 102.25 17 bwf/blk hfrs 525 @ 97.00 4 hlk hfrs 17 blk strs 727 @ 101.75 548 @ 95.50 23 blk/red strs 721 @ 101.50 3 x-bred hfrs 375 @ 95.00 35 bwf/blk strs 754 @ 101.35 3 bwf hfrs 542 @ 94.50 3 x-bred hfrs 63 bwf/blk strs 818 @ 101.00 502 @ 90.00

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15 bwf/blk hfrs	628	@	93.75		
68 bwf/blk hfrs	786	@	93.60		
29 blk/char hfrs	759	@	93.35		
9 bwf/blk hfrs	592	@	93.00		
11 bwf/blk hfrs	611	@	93.00		
3 blk hfrs	665	@	92.50		
59 bwf/blk hfrs	858	@	92.10		
14 bwf/blk hfrs	770	@	90.60		
7 blk/sim hfrs	638	@	90.25		
13 bwf/blk hfrs	851	@	89.85		
6 blk/red hfrs	662	@	89.50		
17 blk/red hfrs	806	@	89.00		
cows					
1 limo cow	1715	@	49.00		
1 blk cow	1215	@	47 75		

1 limo cow	1715	@	49.00
1 blk cow	1215	@	47.75
1 red cow	1530	@	46.00
1 bwf cow	1555	@	45.25
1 blk cow	1395	@	45.00
1 blk cow	1165	@	44.75
1 x-bred cow	1220	@	44.25
1 blk cow	1240	@	44.00
1 char cow	1175	@	43.75
1 wf cow	1435	@	43.50
1 sim cow	1475	@	43.25
1 hol cow	1340	@	42.75
1 blk cow	1385	@	42.50

1 red cow

1 sim cow

1 bwf cow	1365 @ 37.00				
BRED COWS					
1 blk cow	@ 810.00				
1 bwf cow	@ 740.00				
3 blk/red cows	@ 740.00				
1 blk cow	@ 725.00				
1 blk cow	@ 625.00				
1 blk cow	@ 540.00				

1245 @ 38.75

1360 @ 38.50

COW/CALF PAIRS					
1 blk cow/cf	@ 1000.00				
1 blk cow/cf	@ 840.00				
2 bwf cows/cvs	@ 820.00				

BULLS					
1 blk bull	1765 @ 53.75				
1 blk bull	1465 @ 53.25				
1 blk bull	2450 @ 52.50				
1 hol bull	1370 @ 46.50				

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR TUESDAY, SEPT. 22

ANGUS INFLUENCE CALF SALE WITH REGULAR SALE HERD DISPERSAL: 19 Angus open replacement heifers, 800-850 lbs. 5 Angus 1st calf heifers; 12 Angus 5 year old cows; 39 Angus bwf cows, 6 years old and up, all bred cows bred to Angus bulls, start calving Nov. 1

175 Angus/bwf heifers, 500-650 lbs.

60 Angus/bwf heifers, 600-650 lbs. 59 blk cross steers, 800-825 lbs.

45 blk/bwf steers, 700-850 lbs.

More consignments by sale time.

Marys Tuesdays

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS

FOR THIS TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

50 blk, bwf steers & heifers, 450-550 lbs. 155 blk, bwf steers, 725-775 lbs., off grass 275 blk, Gelb. cross steers, 875-975 lbs., off grass 35 blk & red steers & heifers, 450-550 lbs.

35 blk & red steers & heifers, 450-550 lbs. 35 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 550-650 lbs.

32 blk & bwf heifers, 600-650 lbs., weaned & vaccinated
ed
29 Angus steers & heifers, 650-700 lbs., weaned & vac-

cinated
73 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 550-700 lbs., weaned & vaccinated

75 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 650-750 lbs., weaned & vaccinated

95 Angus steers & heifers, 700-800 lbs., weaned & vaccinated

90 Angus steers & heifers, 650-750 lbs., weaned & vaccinated

40 blk heifers, 800-825 lbs. 40 blk heifers, 800-825 lbs.

75 blk/bwf heifers, 725-750 lbs.

31 blk/bwf steers, 775-800 lbs.

65 blk, bwf steers, 800-825 lbs.

125 blk cross steers, 750-800 lbs. 60 blk cross heifers, 750-775 lbs.

125 blk/bwf steers, 800-850 lbs. 60 blk cross steers, 875-900 lbs.

110 blk cross steers, 800-850 lbs. 40 blk cross steers, 800-850 lbs. ALL ABOVE OFF GRASS

More consignments by sale time.

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

ANGUS INFLUENCE CALF SALE WITH REGULAR SALE 68 Angus steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs.

75 Angus steers & heifers, 550-650 lbs.

78 Angus /bwf steers & heifers, 450-650 lbs. 125 Angus steers & heifers, 550-650 lbs.

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