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Corn harvest woefully short due to drought

(AP) - Extreme heat and a severe water shortage have chopped this year's corn crop drastically across Kansas, especially for dryland corn.

This time of year usually is hectic across the state as grain trucks line up to dump harvested corn at grain elevators. But those trucks are only trickling in as farmers come to grips with a grim harvest they hope is only a one-year anomaly.

"There is not much full swing here," said Joe Schauf, manager of the Nickerson Farmers' Co-op Elevator. "I don't think there will be such a thing."

The Hutchinson News reports that in the past two years, Schauf said his elevator has taken in 900,000 bushels of corn annually, including some days when 100,000 bushels came in.

During the current harvest, the best day so far was Sept. 12, when 40,000 bushels were brought into the elevator.

"This year will be lucky to hit 300,000 bushels total," Schauf said. "There is no dryland corn to speak of. It was chopped early for feed."

In southwestern Kansas, some farmers are reporting average to good corn yields, but only in a few fields. Independent crop consultant Loarn Bucl said Haskell County, where he lives, had 1.8 inches to 3.8 inches of rainfall from August 2010 to this August,

when typical rainfall for that period is 18 inches.

Bucl said he has never seen a year so dry, including 1980 when there was record-breaking heat. The difference between that year and now is producers were pumping a lot more water from irrigation wells three decades ago.

"I didn't see the poor yields we're seeing today because our irrigation pumped three to four times as much as they are today," he said. "If we had 10 more inches of rain, we would have had near normal yields."

Instead, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reports Kansas lost nearly 138 million bushels of corn worth more than \$965 million last year.

"We can absorb one bad year," Schauf said. "But two to three years make it tough not just for the producer, but the grain elevators."

The USDA estimates Kansas lost more than \$1.77 billion in wheat, corn, sorghum and soybeans in 2011, based on a comparison of current USDA production estimates and average historic production.

The bad numbers are expected to continue through sorghum and soybean harvests, which start in a few weeks.

Even with the drought, at least the wheat crop came in better than expected, Schauf said.

"We hit a five-year average, which was better than we expected," he said. "That won't happen with corn. Our five-year average at this elevator is 600,000 bushels in the elevator. We'll be lucky to hit 50 percent."

Larry Goerzen, grain coordinator at Mid Kansas Co-op Association in Moundridge, said farmers are protected against the poor yields.

"Most people take out crop insurance," he said. "Even if they are hit hard with a drought, crop insurance should give them some guarantee on their income. Everyone is disappointed, but most farmers will weather the storm."



Glen Swartz drives the H Farmall, originally owned by Everett Zimmerman, pulling the Dearborn-Wood Brothers corn picker, harvesting one row at a time during the demonstration in his field.

Corn picking of yesteryear demonstrated at Ag Heritage Park

Ag Heritage Park in Alta Vista hosted an old fashioned corn picking demonstration September 24 in conjunction with the town's Old Settler's Day fall celebration. 1940s and 1950s implements were put into operation on the Glen Swartz farm near the park location. Visitors to the town's celebration and Ag

Heritage Park went to the field for the hands-on demonstration and rode in the wagons to get a close up view of the old-fashioned corn picking process.

The machines used in the demonstration are part of the display at Ag Heritage Park. Chase Kesl, friend of Ag Heritage Park from Grantville, owns the late 1940s Dearborn-Wood Brothers and 1950 New Idea 300 corn pickers as well as the John Deere Number 71 corn sheller that were part of the demonstration.

Hazel Zimmerman, founder of Ag Heritage Park, and board members Calvin and Kirby Zimmerman, Connie (Zimmerman) Larson and Hazel's grandson Matt Easton were thrilled with the turnout for the Saturday event. Many Ag Heritage Park Friends were involved with its success.

The farm implements used in the corn picking demonstration are only part of the display available for viewing at the Ag Heritage Park, located at 103 S. Main, Alta Vista. The park is open by appointment and on special occasions by Mrs. Zimmerman. You may visit the park at www.AgHeritagePark.com, as well as on Facebook.



Chase Kesl pulls the 1950 New Idea 300 corn picker with his Farmall 400.

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By Ace Reid



"No it ain't always terrible hot here, sometimes it's miserable windy or unbearable cold!"

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Guest Editorial

By Adrian Polansky, State Executive Director USDA - Kansas Farm Service Agency

America needs real solutions for reducing our dependence on imported energy. It's no secret that answers can be found on the farms and in the forests of Kansas rather than oil fields overseas. In 2007, Congress enacted the Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS), requiring 36 billion gallons of biofuels by 2022, of which no more than 15 billion gallons can come from corn starch. Whereas more than 13 billion gallons of ethanol are now in the national fuel pool, only 3 million gallons of non-corn starch fuels might be made next year. That's a dilemma.

While it has taken America more than 20 years to produce more than 10 billion gallons of ethanol using a crop grown for centuries, now we have just 10 years to produce another 20 billion gallons using new feedstocks. What feedstocks are available? Last month, the Department of Energy issued "The Billion Ton Study," which estimates up to 1.6 billion tons of energy biomass could be harvested sustainably by 2030 from America's farms and forests without affecting food, feed and fiber. So the real question isn't how much, but when. Many existing farm and forest residues - corn stover, cobs, bark and broken limbs - are uneconomically retrievable. Newly grown crop supplies may need years to mature before harvesting. Producers unfamiliar with new cultivars need education, training, practice and financial assurance to venture from known commodities with time-tested markets. The chicken-or-egg challenge is whether crops can be grown before facilities are built, or whether facilities can be financed without enough crops established? Somebody must go first.

The Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP), created in the 2008 Farm Bill, takes those first steps. By helping farmers and forest landowners with the start-up costs of creating and harvesting energy biomass, BCAP ensures that enough non-food crops will be established in time for next-generation biorefineries to operate. This summer, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced more than \$80 million for farmers to grow crops like miscanthus, switchgrass, poplar and camelina, sowing the seeds of up to 7,000 new jobs. Here in Kansas, producers in eligible counties of two

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Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

There is a scripture that loosely paraphrased says we are to be ready at all times to give an answer when asked about our faith. I think the same can apply to the responsibility that ag producers have to educate the general public when questioned about some of the practices that might seem counter-intuitive to someone who has no background on the subject.

"Why are we paying farmers not to farm?" was a question I read online last week regarding a story on agriculture in Kansas.

Good question. In response I would suggest reading a history book - specifically one about the Dust Bowl. Be sure it has plenty of pictures so that as you look at the dark clouds of dust enveloping homesteads and the desperate faces of people forced to migrate out of the state just to survive, you can grasp the magnitude of an event so foreign and far-removed from our pristine lives today. Severe drought along with decades of intensive farming practices left the top-soil extremely vulnerable to the fierce winds for which Kansas is so well known. As the topsoil blew as far east as New York and Washington D.C., millions of acres of Midwest farmland became useless.

This year a large portion of the Great Plains has experienced extreme drought. Yet, thanks to conservation practices developed and implemented

following the Dust Bowl years, we have not seen the same devastation. That is not to say there hasn't been suffering, as many of our neighbors in southwest Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas can sadly attest. They've watched their land, and in many cases their livelihood, fall victim to lack of rain, scorching heat and out-of-control wildfires. Our hearts break as we hear the stories and see the pictures, and our prayers go out to them along with many relief efforts. But were it not for conservation efforts enacted by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1933, which over time evolved into today's Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and other programs, the situation could be much worse.

We aren't paying farmers not to farm. Because we live in a country that generally recognizes property rights and the individual's ability to utilize their land as they see fit, our government typically has not stepped in and told landowners with environmentally sensitive land that, for the purpose of the greater good, they can't farm it. Instead, the government offers, according to the Farm Service Agency, "annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland."

Now, once again, I realize I am preaching to the

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The Learning Post

By Gordon Morrison
Concordia Rancher and
Former Agriculture Educator

You May Not Agree

While attending Concordia's Fall Fest last weekend, I met a friend I had not seen in quite some time. We had much to talk about. He assured me that he reads my column every Tuesday; then he went on to say that he does not agree with everything I write. I immediately thought to myself, "This is probably good," for I know full well that I surely do not have all the answers to life's questions, but this does not stop me from writing and expressing my ideas.

Now, I am going to stick my neck out and suggest something that many of you will likely not agree with, but I will say it anyway. In the early history of America, most of the population lived on farms, and farming was the main source of their income. Today there are over 300 million people living in these United States, and fewer than a million of them are farmers. It has been the survival of the fittest, a group small enough to band together.

I can recall in the '40s, '50s, and '60s, how inefficient many farmers were, compared to today's practices. Their feeders were so poorly designed that about half the livestock feed would be tromped on or wasted. When I was growing up on the home farm, we put up a lot of very good alfalfa hay. A large part of the ration for our beef cow herd was this alfalfa. I now realize how inefficient this was, for the cattle did not need such an expensive ration. I guess we fed what we had. Our little tractor, which pulled only two 14" bottom plows, required us to spend a lot of time sitting on that tractor going round and round. These are only three examples of the inefficiencies I could name from that time period.

The students I taught at CCCC in the '70s and '80s are now shouldering the main burden of food production in our region. After 20 years of retirement, I find they are now teaching me. I am impressed with how knowledgeable they are and progressive in keeping up with production trends such as the best in no-till equipment, hybrid seeds, marketing skills, and other efficient practices.

My next comment is one that may cause some of you to jump up

and down and cry, "No, no, you are wrong, wrong," but here it is. I believe it is time for the farmers of America to be weaned of most of the government farm programs. By now, we know that whenever our government gives us a handout, there are many rules and regulations that go with it. Conforming to these regulations may require unnecessary costs that cut into the farmer's net profit. After the product (wheat, for example, which is the golden egg) is sold and leaves the farmer's hands, industries such as truckers, storage elevators, exporters, manufacturers, bakers, and retailers scramble to move it into a finished product. They can pass their increased costs on to the consumer, who pays for the bread, cereal, or doughnut.

While we need laws to protect the industry, the less government intervention, the better. It would seem that many of those involved in writing the regulations have had no practical experience to know what measures are realistic and beneficial or which ones are merely hindrances to progress.

I am beginning to think that our government, through czars and other appointees, is fast making regulations, even circumventing laws that were enacted by legislators, that will not benefit those in industry (not just farming) but will enslave them. For the strings that are attached, some government farm programs and handouts can be a detriment.

I believe most American farmers are now well-informed, financially stable, intelligent, and willing to cooperate. It is time for us to stand tall and to work toward determining our own destiny rather than having it imposed up on us by those who do not have our well-being at heart or do not understand what it takes to keep a country well-fed.

Note: In situations of dire need such as those caused by floods, severe drought, wildfires, and other such calamities, government assistance is needed for those affected, including farmers.

If you have strong feelings about the ideas expressed in this week's column, (pro or con), I welcome your comments. We could discuss them, perhaps in another weekly article.



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distinct project areas can receive USDA funds to begin growing new crops. In one project area, they can grow switchgrass, big bluestem, Illinois bundleflower and purple prairie clover, or existing suitable stands of native grasses, legumes and forbs for bio-fuel pellets made by Show Me Energy of Centerville, Missouri. In a second project area, perennial native grasses such as switchgrass or existing native grasses meeting certain criteria can be grown for Abengoa

Bioenergy LLC, Hugoton.

USDA estimates that to meet national biofuels targets by 2022, BCAP could create up to 700,000 jobs in rural America. New energy crops underscore the enormous economic potential for family farms and rural towns. But as the song says, we have a long way to go and a short time to get there. In the interest of national security, shouldn't we begin now? Without programs like BCAP, though, our goal remains out of reach.

Prairie Ponderings

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choir — most of you already know this. But many of your friends, neighbors, colleagues and acquaintances do not. When you hear the question, "Why are we paying farmers not to farm?" take the opportunity to enlighten the person. Most arguments and misunderstandings have their root in misinformation and lack of knowledge, and unfortunately, we live in a society that spreads misinformation like the wind carried that

pervasive dust all those years ago.

Through conservation efforts and good farming practices, ag producers have become, in most cases, very good stewards of the land. Now become good stewards of your story — make it your personal mission to educate and enlighten, so that a permeating cloud of inaccuracies and misinformation doesn't roll over agriculture, leaving the industry a barren wasteland in its wake.

Abilene rodeo one of top five in the nation

For the fifth time, the Wild Bill Hickok Rodeo has been nominated as one of the five best medium-sized rodeos in the nation in the Pro Rodeo Cowboys Association.

The Abilene rodeo, which always takes place the first weekend of August, was up against 130 other medium-sized rodeos, and was nominated by PRCA contract personnel and rodeo committees.

Rodeo chairman Jerry Marsteller was pleased when he received the phone call. "It's something the committee strives for each year. It's an honor to be selected." In addition to Abilene, rodeos in Deadwood, S.D., Estes Park, Colo., Gunnison, Colo. and Ogden, Utah were also nominated in that category. This is a back-to-back award for the rodeo, which received a nomination in 1995, 2001, 2002, 2010, and this year. Marsteller expressed gratitude to local businesses and the community. "We thank our sponsors and the local community for the support they've given us. Without them, we wouldn't have the caliber of rodeo that we have."

Other PRCA personnel who have worked or currently work the Abilene rodeo also received nominations in their categories. Announcer Mike Mathis was nominated, as were rodeo clowns Mark Swingler, Robbie Hodges, and Keith Isley, and dress act John Payne, who



The Wild Bill Hickok Rodeo committee poses with the 2010 plaque from the PRCA designating them as one of five medium rodeos of the year.

have worked the rodeo in the past.

The official year end award will be given at the

PRCA's annual awards banquet in Las Vegas on November 30. The medium-sized designation is based on

purse size of \$3,000-\$9,999 per event. The award is voted on by the entire PRCA membership.

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***** By G&G Area Cooks *****

Hannah Gerberding, Mayfield, Takes The Prize In 'Our Daily Bread' Contest

Winner Hannah Gerberding, Mayfield:
SPAGHETTI BAKE

1 pound ground beef, ground sausage, ground turkey or ground pork or mix half & half
1/2-pound cooked spaghetti noodles (or any type of noodles)
1 jar spaghetti sauce
1 package mini pepperoni slices
1 package Canadian bacon slices
1 can of mushrooms, drained
1/2 bag pepper & onion mix
12-ounce bag shredded casserole cheese
1/2 block Velveeta cheese, cubed into little squares

Mix pasta, meat and sauce together in mixing bowl. Cover a 9-by-13-inch dish with small cubes of Velveeta cheese. Spread pepper and onion mixture over cheese. Spread pasta/meat mixture evenly over cheese and pepper/onion mix. Top with cheddar and mozzarella cheese. Cover with foil and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Freezes great.

Carol Ricketts, Clay Center: "It's about time to take care of our extra green tomatoes. This recipe was given to me by our neighbor lady when we moved to the farm 40 years ago. I also use this in potato salad."

GREEN TOMATO SANDWICH SPREAD
1 quart ground tomatoes, no juice

4 green peppers, ground
4 red peppers, ground
2 teaspoons salt
3/4 cup water
1 dozen sweet pickles, ground

Combine vegetables with salt and mix. Let sit 30 minutes then drain off juice. Put in kettle and add water. Boil until tender. Add sweet pick-

les. Keep warm while making dressing.

Dressing:
1 cup sugar
4 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons mustard
1 cup vinegar
2 cups Half & Half, soured
6 eggs, beaten

Combine all and boil, stirring constantly, until thick. Pour over warm green tomato mixture. Just stir enough to mix. Put in jars while hot. Process 10 minutes in hot water bath.

Lucille Wohler, Clay Center:

FRENCH TOAST
1 cup milk
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 beaten egg
4 slices stale or frozen bread

Mix in shallow bowl. Lightly dip bread and fry in buttered skillet. When golden turn and brown other side. Sprinkle with powdered sugar.

Rose M. Dietz, Hoisington:
GRANDMA'S SOUR CREAM PEACH PIE
2 1/2 cups fresh peaches, sliced
1 egg, beaten
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup sour cream
3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

Topping:
1/2 cup butter
1/3 cup sugar
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon cinnamon

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Peel and slice peaches. Mix peaches with other filling ingredients and pour into an unbaked 9-inch pie shell. Bake for 30 minutes until pie is slightly brown. While the pie bakes prepare topping by blending butter, sugar, flour and cinnamon with pastry cutter until crumbs are the size of small peas. Sprinkle topping evenly over pie. Bake an additional 15 minutes. Cool completely before serving. Serves 8. Chill pie in refrigerator before serving.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Okla.:
SKILLET LASAGNA
1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
1/2 cup finely chopped green pepper
1 onion, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
16-ounce jar spaghetti sauce
1 pound ground chuck, browned & drained
6 lasagna noodles, cooked & cut in half

12-ounce container cottage cheese
4 slices mozzarella cheese
1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

Saute green pepper, onion and garlic in olive oil. Transfer to a bowl. Stir in sauce and meat. In skillet layer 1/3 of sauce mixture, half of noodles, half cottage cheese, 2 slices mozzarella and half parmesan. Repeat layers. Top with remaining sauce. Make sure to cover noodles all over. Cover and simmer over medium low heat 10-15 minutes. Remove from heat do not uncover and let stand 10 minutes.

Sandy Hill, Eskridge:
HERBED SQUASH CASSEROLE
4 cups yellow squash, sliced
1 onion, chopped

2 tablespoons butter
3 cups herb-flavored bread crumbs
1/2 cup margarine, melted
2 cups sour cream
8-ounce can golden mushroom soup
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
2 carrots, grated

Saute squash and onion in butter until tender; drain. Mix together bread crumbs and margarine and place half of mixture in the bottom of a 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Spread squash and onions over top and set aside. In a bowl mix together sour cream, soup, salt, pepper and carrots. Pour over squash. Top with remaining bread crumb mixture and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Serves 6.

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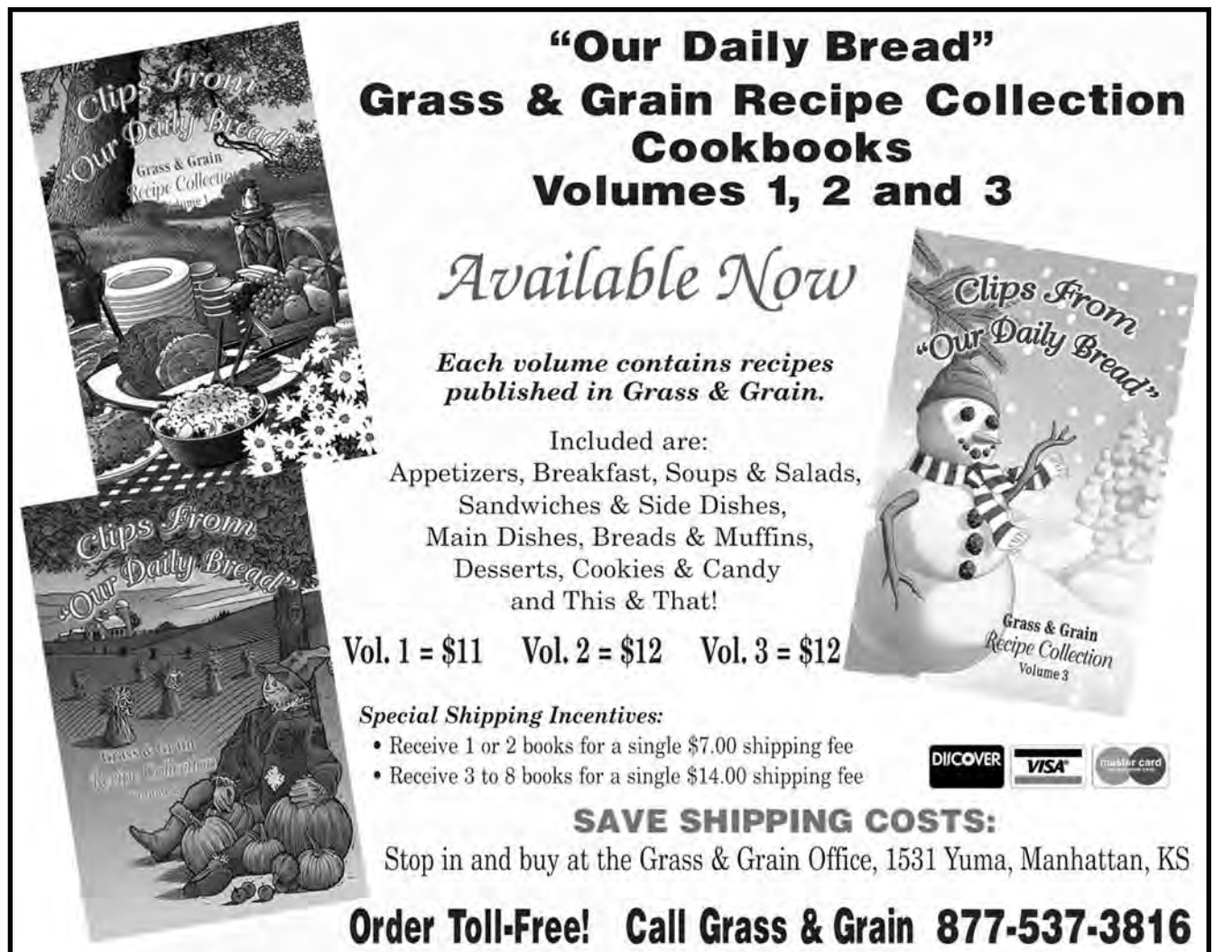
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Home is Where the Heart is for Healthy Eating

Kellee Rogers, Topeka:
PORK SALAD
 4 cups shredded pork
 1 cup match stick carrots
 1 cup bean sprouts
 3/4 cup sliced green onion
 1/2 cup slivered almonds
Oriental Dressing

In a large bowl combine all ingredients but dressing.

Oriental Dressing:
 1/4 cup rice vinegar
 2 tablespoons soy sauce
 1 tablespoon sesame oil
 1 teaspoon crushed red pepper
 1 teaspoon minced garlic
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon sugar
 1/2 cup oil

Mix all ingredients except the oil well with whisk. Add oil in a slow steady stream with whisk.

Melissa Byrd, Independence, Mo.:

MAPLE ROASTED PORK & SQUASH
 4 bone-in loin chops, about 1/2-inch thick
 1 medium unpeeled butter-nut or acorn squash, cut into 4 wedges
 Salt & pepper

1/4 cup real maple syrup
 2 tablespoons butter, melted
 Heat oven to 425 degrees. Spray 15-by-10-by-1-inch pan. Place pork chops and squash in pan. Sprinkle with salt

and pepper. In bowl, mix syrup and butter. Brush about half of mixture over pork and squash. Cover with foil. Bake 40 minutes. Turn pork chops over. Brush pork and squash with remaining maple mixture. Bake uncovered 10-15 minutes longer or until pork is done and squash tender.

Mary Rogers, Topeka:
HAMBURGER HASH SKILLET SUPPER

1 pound ground chuck
 1 pound 4-ounce package refrigerated diced potatoes with onions
 1/2 cup chopped red onion
 1/3 cup whipping cream
 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
 1 teaspoon celery salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

1 1/4 cups chopped tomatoes
 In skillet cook meat, potatoes and red onion over medium heat for 15 minutes or until meat is thoroughly cooked and potatoes are tender, stirring frequently. Drain well. In bowl, combine cream, Worcestershire sauce, celery salt and pepper; blend well. Stir into beef mixture. Cook until mixture is bubbly around edges, about 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Gently stir in tomatoes.

(NAPSA) — Heart-healthy eating at home can go a long way toward protecting your family from cardiovascular disease (CVD), the leading cause of death in the U.S.

The problem can start early. Childhood obesity is growing at an alarming rate. Research proves that obese children are at higher risk of being overweight or obese as adults — and obesity is a risk factor for CVD — so the urgent link between healthy habits in childhood and prevention of CVD later in life is clear.

"Scientific evidence shows that CVD risk factors can have cumulative effects over time," said Suzanne Steinbaum, D.O., preventive cardiologist, Heart and Vascular Institute, Lenox Hill Hospital, New York. "This underscores the importance of developing healthy habits at an early age."

Statistics from a 2011 American Heart Association report in Circulation show that:

- More than 67 percent of American adults and about 32 percent of U.S. children

ages 2 to 19 are overweight or obese.

- Caloric intake among U.S. adults increased by 22 percent in women and 10 percent in men in one generation, mainly due to larger portion sizes and greater intake of starches, refined grains and sugars.

- Only about 9 percent of American adults are meeting the ideal saturated fat intake level of 7 percent or less of total energy.

To help combat these trends, Alison Lewis, cookbook author and mother, created a "Home Is Where the Heart Is" recipe collection that both parents and children can enjoy. The recipes include breakfast tacos, fish sticks, mini calzones, chicken pasta salad, quick dark chocolate brownies and this one:

No-Bake Peanut Butter Granola Bars
 2 cups granola cereal
 1 1/4 cups crispy brown rice cereal
 1 cup uncooked quick-cooking oats
 2 tablespoons chopped almonds
 1/4 cup dried cranberries

or dried blueberries
 1/2 cup honey
 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter

1 tablespoon canola oil
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 In large bowl, combine granola, rice cereal, oats, almonds and dried berries; set aside. In small saucepan, stir honey, peanut butter, canola oil and vanilla over low heat for five minutes or until blended. Pour over cereal mixture, stirring until coated. Press into a lightly greased 9-by-13-inch pan. Press mixture down tightly with wax paper. Cover and cool completely in pan in refrigerator at least one hour before slicing into 16 bars. Yield: 16 servings.

Nutritional analysis per bar: Calories 160, Total Fat 7 g, Saturated Fat 1 g, Choles-

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"It can be a struggle to create healthy meals my kids will eat," Lewis said. "I succeeded by using healthy ingredients to recreate classic kids' dishes that offer fun with every bite."

Her recipes and an interactive game promoting heart health are available at www.CanolaInfo.org and Facebook.com/CanolaInfo, respectively, as of September 1, 2011.

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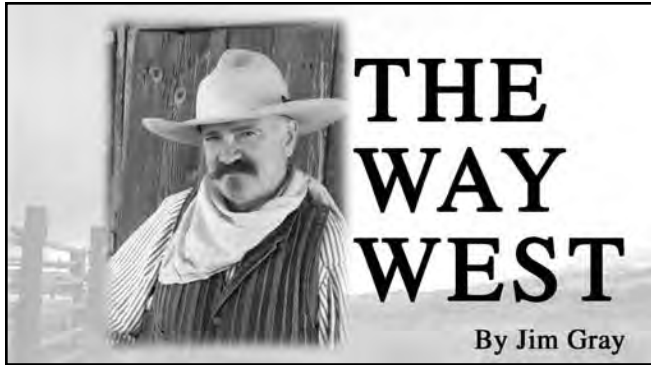
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THE WAY WEST

By Jim Gray

The Capture Of An Iron Horse

General Hancock's campaign to force peace upon the plains tribes backfired when the Cheyenne chose to fight for their way of life. The fires of war ignited across Kansas. Raids brought the stage and freighting business to a halt along the Santa Fe and Smoky Hill Trails. Construction of the Union Pacific Eastern Division Railroad in west central Kansas was briefly discontinued to be resumed only with military protection.

The Cheyenne and Sioux knew no state boundaries. The only borders they recognized were the natural course of rivers. With that in mind the war of 1867 was not confined to the state of Kansas but extended across the Great Plains all the way to the Powder River in Montana.

The Cheyenne turned north from the Hancock debacle to raid along the Smoky Hill Trail. From there they moved north to the Platte River and turned east along a freighting trail known as the Nebraska City Road.

Neighbors were gathered together for harvest on July 24th when a horseman charged into the field with dire news. Indians were attacking settlers in the area. Peter Campbell and his oldest son, John, were amongst

the harvesters. Campbell and his family had come from Scotland in 1865. Mrs. Campbell died not long after the move in January of 1866. The widowed Campbell carried on, raising their six children by himself. While he and John were harvesting, the other five children remained at home, tending to daily chores. The harvesters immediately started for their homes. Time moves so slowly when trouble is near and even more slowly when death is at the door.

Peter and John Campbell finally reached the Warren cabin one quarter of a mile from their own home. Mrs. Warren and her infant son lay dead at the threshold of the cabin. A fourteen-year-old son was found wounded but alive.

Rushing on to the Campbell cabin, Mr. Campbell and his son found the place destroyed and abandoned. While searching through the ruins a neighbor arrived with news that nine-year-old Agnes Campbell had hidden in a field of grain. Agnes had witnessed the capture of her two brothers and two sisters and got away safely by crawling for a quarter of a mile unseen before running another four miles for help.

West of the Campbell cabin Hepzibah and Anna

Martin were paying a neighborly visit to a new neighbor, Charles Jerome, only a short distance from the Martin Ranch. The girls had just left Jerome's cabin to return home when a band of Indians attempted to capture them. The commotion alerted Mr. Jerome, who being only a short distance away shot at one of the Indians, knocking him from his pony. The warrior's companions carried him away and the Martin girls were saved.

A week later a Cheyenne raiding party led by a Dog Soldier leader known as Turkey Leg barricaded the tracks, derailing a Union Pacific train west of Plum Creek (Lexington), Nebraska. The engineer and fireman were killed on impact. A linesman, William Thompson, and a crew of five section hands were sent out to repair the track but they also were derailed. The section men were all killed and scalped. Thompson was scalped and left for dead. As he lay helplessly by, another train traveling eastbound crashed into the barricade. The entire crew was killed.

The booty taken from the trains must have seemed like a treasure trove to the Dog Soldier warriors. There were bolts of fabric, top hats, wool pants, and Spencer carbine rifles. And there was liquor. As the warriors celebrated in high style they overlooked the

light of life that was still burning in the broken body of William Thompson. He survived the ordeal and eventually went back to work for the railroad.

Major Frank North and thirty-five Pawnee Scouts were dispatched to the scene of the attack to find and punish the marauding band. The Pawnees tracked Turkey Leg's band and in a running battle killed seventeen warriors and scattered the rest over the plains. A Cheyenne woman and a nephew of Turkey Leg were taken captive.

The captured Campbell children were recovered in an exchange for the two Cheyenne captives taken from Turkey Leg's band. They had suffered greatly from hunger and ill treatment during their two month ordeal. Counting his blessings Peter Campbell moved eastward into the safer surroundings of Saunders County, Nebraska, where he and his children could grow old and recount their harrowing tale of captivity on The Way West.

"The Cowboy," Jim Gray is author of *Desperate Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier* and also publishes *Kansas Cowboy, Old West history from a Kansas perspective*. Contact *Kansas Cowboy*, Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058 or www.droversmercantile.com.



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Homeground & Other Geographies by Tom Parker

The Invisible Cage

Guy stops me on the street to say the meeting has been moved from morning to afternoon. "That a problem?" he asks.

Only that I have to be in three places at the same time. Other than that, no problemo.

Back at the office I pore over my daily planner. September is bleeding away but apparently determined to squeeze the life out of every minute, and the following day's penciled notations seemed to have mutated like some self-propagating bacteria so that they spread page by page to the cradle of November. One memo, written in red to highlight its importance, proved utterly indecipherable, and no amount of rotating, retracing or shaking would realign the letters into a semblance of legibility. I wondered if that

meant I could skip whatever it was I was supposed to attend.

Somewhere in the back of my mind was a recollection of a favorite passage in a book by Jim Harrison where he arrives at a cabin in the wilds of northern Michigan, only to find a clock on the wall. The cabin is rustic, almost primitive, tenuously connected to the outside world by a slender thread of rutted road, an ideal place to shuck off the trappings of civilization and commune with the written word and a nearby trout stream, neither more nor less than the black bears and badgers in the yard or the wolves that howl at night. And here's this clock, ticking and tocking to the beats of his heart, rhythmic and unwavering until he gingerly removes it from the wall, takes it out-

side and sets it on a stump. It's still ticking when he returns with his shotgun.

When I used to go backpacking it took me three days to become acclimated to life without the artificial contrivances of timekeeping. Though I had a rough idea of what day of the week it was — mostly through the amount of food in my pack — my days were broken down into morning, evening and the the sunlit gap separating the two. Time as defined as a moment measured in hours and minutes had been left behind at the trailhead. It wasn't merely the city I was escaping from, but the invisible cage of the calendar.

I'm certainly no expert in the history of calendars but from what I've gleaned the earliest examples of timekeeping were based on harvests, important events,

solstices and phases of the moon. In some parts of the world, Egypt, for instance, calendars were created to chart seasonal fluctuations timed to favorable planting periods, such as the flooding of the Nile. The Romans tried perfecting the regulated system of days and weeks into a cohesive whole matching the solar cycle but superstitions about even numbers foretold certain doom. Nor do solar and lunar cycles synchronize, leaving today's Gregorian calendar an awkward haphazardness with shortcomings that require the occasional leap year as corrective.

How mankind went from timing seasonal, solar or lunar cycles to a slavish adherence to the calendar and the clock puzzles me. I

suspect at heart we crave symmetry with the uneven and unequal gyrations of celestial objects, also that the Industrial Age ordained an almost religious onus on regularity and timeliness. We've debased this to the point where social status often hangs on promptness or habitual tardiness. The early birds gets the worm, we're bribed, which as we all know is rarely the case.

I shouldn't complain, for my workweek doesn't require time clocks or traditional hours of operation but instead consists of deadlines, some critical and others more lenient depending upon, of course, the day of the week. But like Harrison I prefer a life without constraint, however much it has eluded me

in the past. As I write this I'm surrounded by reminders of the month, the day of the week, the hour, the minute and the second, which results not only in keeping me focused but sometimes induces guilt for dallying when I should be laboring. More problematic is the constant awareness of the shortening of my time on this earth. Too much knowledge is a two-edged sword, the yang to the yin. I long for the day when I can take my daily planner and toss it in the trash, when I at long last live for myself and for the things that sustain me, when I can say with all honesty that I'm busy that morning/afternoon/evening, sorry, that particular time just doesn't work for me.

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Taiwanese trade delegation signs wheat purchase agreement

Jay Armstrong, Kansas wheat commissioner from Muscotah joined Gov. Sam Brownback and Taiwanese trade delegation officials recently in signing a joint communique that Taiwan will buy \$484.5 million of Kansas-grown Hard Red Winter wheat over the next two years. The signing ceremony in Topeka reflects the Taiwanese group's intent to purchase 62.5 million bushels of hard red winter wheat in 2012 and 2013.

"The agreement to buy

high-quality Kansas wheat is a significant contribution to our state economy," Brownback said. "My administration will continue to work with Kansas farmers, grain elevators and universities to ensure that Kansas continues to produce the highest quality wheat in the world."

Armstrong, who witnessed a similar signing in 1991, said that his father addressed the Taiwanese delegation at that time, and he was proud to follow in his

father's footsteps. "It is truly a testimony to the good relations that Kansas, the number one wheat state in the U.S., has had with Taiwan. Further proof that nations like individuals, when finding if they trade and do business together it is the salve that soothes our differences and strengthens our trust in one another," Armstrong said. "This relationship has quadrupled U.S. wheat exports to Taiwan since these agreements began in 1978." Taiwan is the world's sixth biggest buyer of American agricultural products.

"(This agreement) helps ensure the success of our two countries. I am sure the relationship will continue to flourish," said I-Tsung Chen, leader of a delegation representing the Taiwan Flour Mills Association,

who signed the communique with Mr. Armstrong. Brownback and Jacqueline Liu, director general of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, witnessed the signing.

Taiwan is not a wheat-producing country and is expected to import 42.3 million bushels of wheat this year. In 2009, Kansas accounted for 13.6 percent of the nation's wheat exports. The value of that export crop was \$1.1 billion, or 25% of the total value of Kansas ag exports. Prior to the signing event, the Taiwanese delegation toured the Kansas Grain Inspection Service in Topeka.

Brownback said hosting the trade delegation was important to building relationships that could benefit other Kansas producers of goods suitable for export.



Ben Gleason exhibited the reserve grand champion steer at the Shawnee County Fair.



The grand champion steer at the Shawnee County Fair was shown by Alexa Tenpenny.

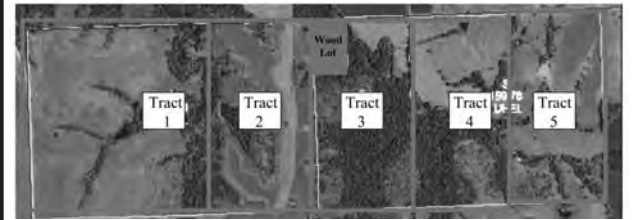
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This tract has approximately 160 acres, is all grass at this time. This tract has been hayed for several years. Fences are good, electricity and rural water are close. Soils include Pawnee and Burchard-Steinauer, which are conducive to crop production. This tract is located along O road.

TRACT 2: W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 9 T2S R13E of 6th P.M.

This tract has approximately 80 acres. This tract has 2 ponds for water, good fences, and consists primarily of brome grass. This tract has been used for hay and pasture in the past. Soils include Pawnee and Burchard-Steinauer, which are conducive to crop production. This tract accessed via an easement from 184th Rd & P rd.

TRACT 3: E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 9 T2S R13E of 6th P.M.

This tract has approximately 75 acres. This tract is primarily trees and creek bottom with an approximate 6 acre bottom currently in grass. A tributary of deer creek runs through the property and there is a 5 acre woodlot located in the North-West corner of the property that does not sell with the property. This property has old growth timber, providing excellent wildlife habitat. Property lines are evident, fences are very poor.

TRACT 4: W 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 10 T2S R13E of 6th P.M.

This tract has approximately 80 acres. This tract has 1 pond, is about half open pasture and half trees and creek. The pasture is primarily brome. This tract has about 40 acres that could be cropland, soil types include Pawnee, Kennebec, and Burchard-Steinauer, which are all conducive to crop production. The south half of the property has great wildlife habitat, and some old growth timber.

TRACT 5: E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 10 T2S R13E of 6th P.M.

This tract of approximately 80 acres, is primarily pasture with some bottom ground currently being hayed. There is an old farmstead on the property with a barn and other outbuildings. A pond and creek on the property provide water for stock and wildlife. Soil types are Kennebec, Pawnee, and Burchard-Steinauer, some of this property has cropland potential.

TRACT 6: this tract contains approximately 475 Acres, it consists of tracts 1-5. This is a large tract with good perimeter fences, good water, and easy access. There is potential for approximately half of this tract to become cropland. There is old growth oak, walnut and other hardwood trees, two tributaries of deer creek run through this tract along with other miscellaneous drainages. There are several good building sites along the roads and access to electricity and water is nearby. Tracts of this size are hard to come by.

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Washington/Clay County farm tour and dinner planned for October 11th

"A Conservation Journey to Improve Water Quality and Grazing" is the title for an upcoming farm tour and educational program on October 11th, 2011. Lucinda and Sheila Stuenkel will be hosting the event on their farms, which are located on the boundary of Washington and Clay counties. The tour

will begin at the Stuenkels' farmstead at 1835 Parallel Road, Palmer.

"The Stuenkel families have been very progressive in their grazing and cattle management techniques as well as conscientious of water quality and environmental impact," stated Mary Howell, Kansas

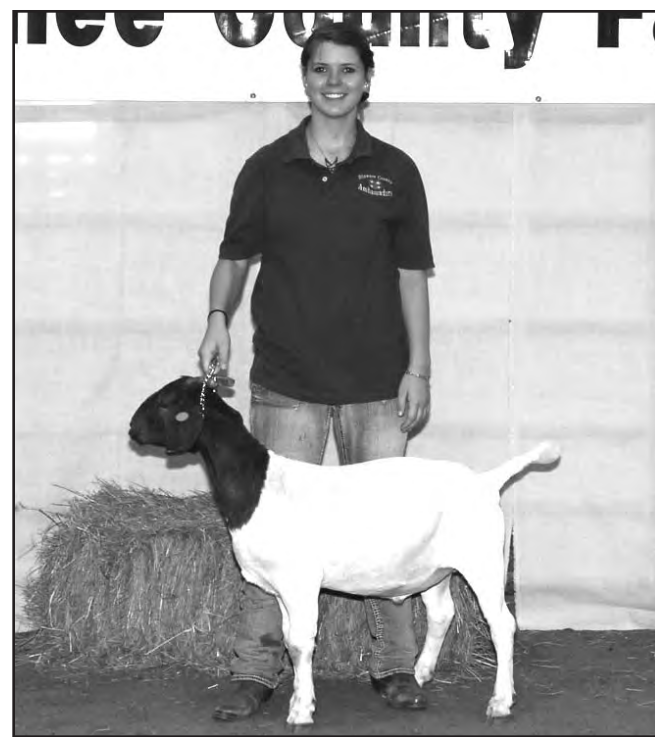
Rural Center Field Organizer. "They would like to share their newly completed projects with other farm families and discuss visions for the future."

Conservation projects featured will be: geotextile use for watering and feeding sites, grazing cover crops, converting expired CRP into productive pasture, planning windbreaks and summer cattle shade, and streambank stabilization and sediment basins. Educational speakers attending include John Henry, NRCS Range Management Specialist, Dale Strickler, Star Seed Inc., Thad Rhodes, Kansas Forest Service, and Will Boyer, K-State Watershed Specialist. Registration will begin at 2:00 pm with a hayrack ride tour starting at 2:30 pm. A free dinner will follow.

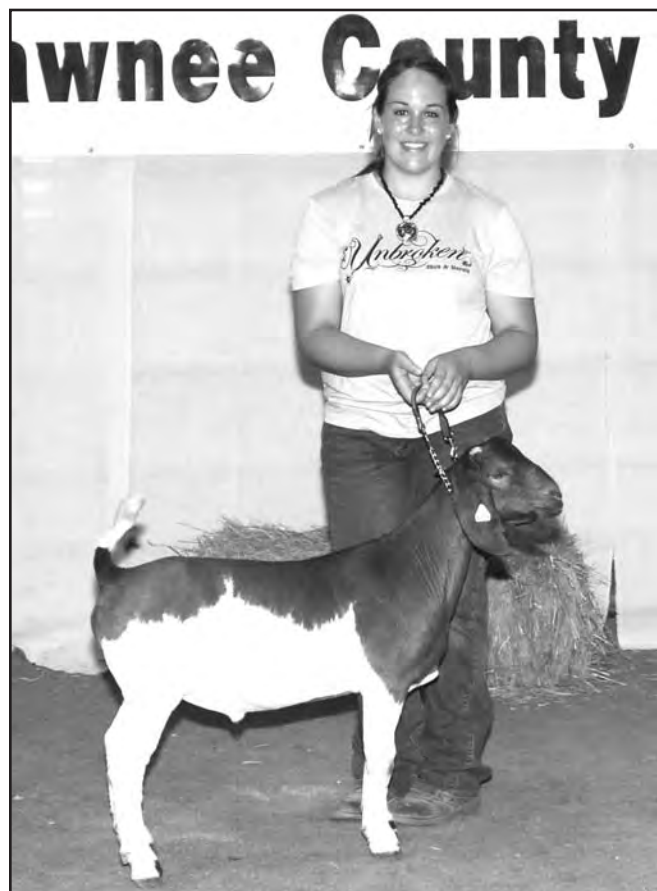
Please RSVP to the Washington Extension office (325-2121) or e-mail at rslat@ksu.edu by October 7th. The rain date for the tour is Nov. 7th and participants registering in advance will be notified the morning of October 11 if the weather is questionable. This program is jointly sponsored by Tuttle Creek WRAPS program, Kansas Rural Center, and K-State Research and Extension.

Directions to Lucinda Stuenkel's farm: From Hwy. 15: Turn East on Clay County 30th Road (aka 362 or Fact Road) for 3 miles, then north 1 mile on Quail Rd., and East 1.5 miles on Parallel Rd.; or From Hwy 119 or Utah Road: Turn west on Clay County 30th Road (aka 362 or Fact Road) for 4 miles, then 1 mile north on Quail Rd., and 1.5 miles east on Parallel Rd.

The workshop is funded in part by the Tuttle Creek WRAPS Watershed with financial assistance from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment through EPA Section 319 Non-point Source Pollution Grant funds or Kansas Water Plan Funds.



Showing the reserve champion goat at the Shawnee County Fair was Anna Hutchison.



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Certified Hereford Beef experiences growth in 2011

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Fiscal year 2011 was excellent for Certified Hereford Beef (CHB) LLC, posting the second highest year in volume at 40.5 million lb. sold. Foodservice was the big winner with 47% growth and a total of 11 million lb. sold.

“2011 proved to be a very successful year in both growth and exposure for the brand,” says Craig Huffhines, American Hereford Association (AHA) executive vice president. CHB LLC is a subsidiary of the AHA with its fiscal year ending Aug. 31.

This year also proved to be a success in both growth and exposure for the brand. Volume increased this past fiscal year by 6.4%. Total tonnage reached 40.5 million lb.

According to the Food Marketing Institute, 50 cents of the U.S. consumer dollar spent on food is spent at restaurant establishments. Even though the foodservice industry has seen a dip in consumer spending during the recession, CHB has witnessed tremendous growth across the U.S. in this category.

This year, CHB® licensed processors sold 11.3 million lb. of CHB into the restaurant trade, up 3.6 million lb. from a year ago – a 47% increase. The most impressive growth came from three Sysco Food Distribution centers located in Baraboo, Wis.; Minneapolis, and Nashville, Tenn.; and Kohls Foods located in Quincy, Ill. The Minneapolis center was licensed at the beginning of the fiscal

year and marketed 1.2 million lb. in its first year of selling the brand. The Baraboo and Nashville divisions marketed a combined 1.35 million lb. this year.

Another highlight of the program this year was the licensing of Sysco Food Distribution in Sacramento, Calif. This new relationship in California has made CHB

product available in Reno and Tahoe, Nev., and a large area of northern California. Finally, in its second year of selling CHB, Kohls Food Service located in Illinois grew its business by nearly a million pounds.

215,000 total carcasses were certified as CHB in 2011, and the pounds used from each carcass in-

creased 11.4% to 190 lb.

Currently CHB is offered in 233 retail supermarkets in 35 states, as well as 37 foodservice distribution centers serving restaurants in 25 states. Since the incep-

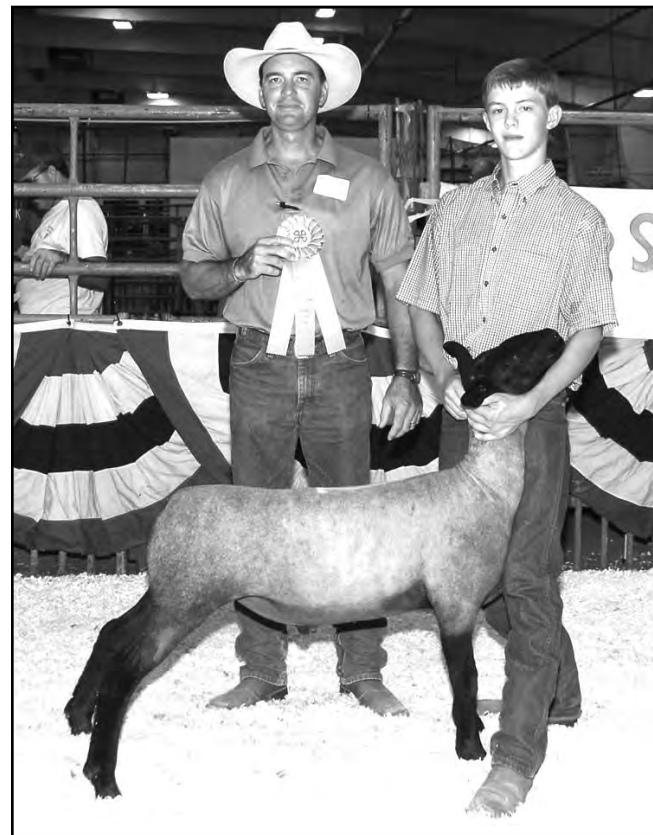
tion of CHB, 3.9 million head of cattle have been identified through licensed packing plants as meeting the live animal specifications to carry the CHB name.



Taegan Miller drove the champion market hog at the Shawnee County Fair.



The reserve champion market hog at the Shawnee County Fair was shown by Trace Davis.



Jason Logan led the grand champion sheep at the Shawnee County Fair.

PUBLIC AUCTION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 — 9:00 AM
CLAY CENTER, KANSAS

We are moving to Apollo Towers and will sell the following items at public auction at our home located at 923 Dexter in Clay Center, Kansas.

FURNITURE, & APPLIANCES (SELL AT 1:30 PM), ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES (AFTER FURNITURE), GLASSWARE (LATE AFTERNOON), HOUSEHOLD (AFTERNOON), SPORTING GOODS (LATE AM OR EARLY PM), YARD ITEMS (LATE AM OR EARLY PM), TRAILER (11:00 AM), TOOLS & SHOP ITEMS (SELL FIRST).

See last week's Grass & Grain for full listings.

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Some discounts lead to profit — Counter-intuitive keys to feeding cattle expensive corn

By Miranda Reiman

Corn is high. Logically, that means feeders will sell cattle lighter with fewer days on feed, right?

Not exactly. That's what Shawn Walter, Professional Cattle Consultants (PCC), told attendees at the recent Feeding Quality Forum. "Every time we see another spike in corn prices you hear another analyst talking about how the higher ration prices are going to force fewer days on feed and cut carcass weights. I don't think that's ever happened," he said. "Our dataset goes back to 1971 and every time the corn prices increase, we see a resulting increase in out-weights as a result."

PCC research shows it's a sound strategy for those selling on a carcass basis.

"With the high costs of gain, do we need to sell cattle earlier and avoid the grids?" Walter asked. "Actually, it's the opposite."

He explained "carcass transfer." As cattle get heavier, a higher percentage of the live weight gain goes to the carcass.

"Putting on carcass weight becomes more efficient than putting on live

gain," he says. As feed costs climb, that's magnified.

In their database, using a \$340 ration price, it is profitable to feed cattle for a live endpoint up to 100 days — which means every day you feed cattle beyond that point, your breakeven selling price is increasing instead of decreasing. However, cattlemen can continue to feed for another 60 to 90 days for a carcass endpoint.

PCC sorted cattle records into high, middle and low-profit thirds and compared their characteristics. "Average daily gain is obviously the most important factor in overall profitability," he said, noting the highest money-getters put on 3.3 pounds per day, compared to 2.8 for the least profitable.

"But as you dig into the data, as cattle improved their grade, we also saw improvement in that average daily gain," he said. "Those two are positively correlated."

That makes sense, he said, because, "Cattle that are able to gain efficiently are also able to gain fat deposition and increase grade. If you think about it, grading and performance should

go hand-in-hand, especially with the improved genetics we have today."

The high-graders, gainers and profit-getters also had a common, perhaps surprising, theme. They also had the most discounts.

"There tends to be an aversion toward having any heavyweight carcasses, any yield grade (YG) 4s and 5s or any discounts on the grid," Walter said. "If you don't have some discounts, you haven't taken the entire pen to the level you need to."

Those penalties are balanced by increased pounds sold.

"Because of the additional days on feed and weight, you're going to get additional grade, including higher percentages of CAB (Certified Angus Beef®)," he said. "That's good, but you can't just weigh premium versus discount. You're actually going to get a premium on heavier cattle that are going

to get a premium on heavier cattle that are going CAB and that more-than offsets the few YG 4s and 5s you're going to get as a result." Walter's main mes-

sage was that times have changed and management and marketing strategies need to match these new economic times.

"If you've never sold cattle on a carcass weight basis, you've always been a live seller, maybe this is the one time you need to look for opportunity to sell cattle on a carcass basis," he said.

"Regardless of the market, there are cattle that make money and cattle that lose money," Walter said, noting the average \$200 spread in monthly profit or loss.

Knowing cattle history can help feeders make sure they hit the top end of that range.

"When you know how the cattle are going to grade and perform, you can put all that together and use that to push the envelope," he said.

The meetings, held in Omaha, Neb., and Garden City were sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health, CAB, Purina Land O'Lakes and Feedlot Magazine.



The champion poultry pen of three at the Shawnee County Fair was exhibited by Frank McMaster.

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TOOLS

Shopsmith Lathe; Bench grinder; Beaver pipe bolt

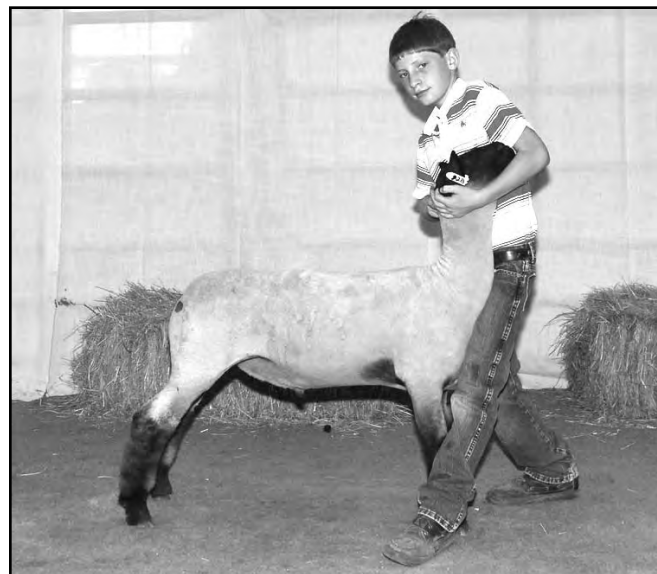
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Exhibiting the reserve champion lamb at the Shawnee County Fair was Sam Gleason.



Gracie Braden exhibited the reserve champion poultry pen of 3 at the Shawnee County Fair.

CLOUD COUNTY LAND AUCTION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 — 10:00 AM

American Legion — CONCORDIA, KS

• 245 ACRES M/L •

DESCRIPTION: 245 Acres M/L. This land is in two different sections across the road from each other. Each tract has some cropland and some pasture. These farms are non-participating farms for any government programs. These tracts will be sold separately and not tied together.

TRACT 1: This tract is approximately 144 acres, with 89.17 acres of cropland and 54.75 acres of pasture. This tract is split by the RR tracks. The cropland is gently rolling with good soils. This tract has about 5 acres of heavy trees and wildlife habitat, a nice big pond, the balance of the tract being native grass pasture, located east of the RR tracks along 190th Rd. This property is located 3 miles east and 4 miles south of Concordia Ks. Watch for the signs, it is the SE 1/4 of Section 19 Twp 06 Rng 02 west of the 6th P.M.

TRACT 2: This tract is approximately 102 acres, with 26.52 acres of cropland and 75.31 acres of pasture. This tract also has an older rock home currently used for storage. The cropland is generally flat to gently rolling with good soils. The pasture is rolling with adequate water sources and some trees. This property is located 3 miles east and 4 miles south of Concordia Ks. Watch for the signs. The legal description is N 1/2 SW 1/4 and a tract beginning at NW corner of SE 1/4 thence East 1122 ft, South 775.5 ft. West 1122 ft. North to Point of beginning. Section 20 Twp 06 Rng 02 west of the 6th P.M.

TERMS & POSSESSION: 10% down day of the sale, balance due on or before November 30th 2011. Seller to pay 2011 taxes, and will retain the 2011 crop. 2012 taxes will be the responsibility of the buyer. Title insurance, escrow and closing costs to be split equally between buyer and seller. Possession on closing, subject to existing tenants rights. These properties to be sold as-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of the sale. This is a cash sale and will not be subject to financing, have your financing arrangements made prior to sale day. **Midwest Land and Home** is acting as a transaction broker and does not represent either party. All information has come from reliable sources; potential bidders are encouraged to verify all information independently. All announcements made the day of sale will take precedence over any other information.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8
JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS

10:00 AM:

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3 bedrooms, full bath, square footage above grade: 1174 Total sq ft: 2348 Lot size: 69x140, single detached garage, hardwood floors.



Year Built: 1930

Geary County 2010 appraised value: \$119,200

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11:00 AM:
222 W. WALNUT

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Kansas youth show champion livestock, earn scholarships

Owners of the top animals received auction premiums at the 79th Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS), while other exhibitors were presented scholarships. The event, held September 23-26 in Wichita, featured 656 youth from 89 counties showing 1,234 head of livestock.

Logan Drake of Winfield led his 1,288 lb. Charolais steer to grand champion honors. Becky Elder of Valley Center paid \$12,842 for Drake's steer during the Auction of Champions. The reserve grand champion steer, a 1,311 lb. crossbred purchased by Cargill Meat Solutions, sold for \$8,142 at auction and was exhibited by Morgan Mobley of Overland Park. A total of 102 steers was exhibited at the show. Garret Smith, Pratt, owned the 1,372 lb. reserve Charolais steer. The reserve crossbred, weighing 1,327 lbs., was shown by Hannah Talkington, Hays. Taylor Dieball of Little River led the champion Angus, weighing 1,305 lbs. A 1,302 lb. entry from Sarah Pelton of Paradise was the reserve Angus. In the Chianina division, a 1,360 lb. steer exhibited by Ryan Goetzmann, Gardner, earned champion honors. Dylan Bair's 1,408 lb. steer was the reserve Chianina. Bair is from Hutchinson. Shelby Hutchinson of Chapman owned both the champion and reserve Hereford steers, which weighed 1,274 lbs. and 1,353 lbs., respectively. Kelsie Shapland from

Ulysses led the 1,250 lb. champion Limousin steer. Reserve went to a 1,352 lb. Limousin entry exhibited by Aubrey Hilt from Louisburg. The champion Maine-Anjou, weighing 1,283 lbs., was shown by Madylien Voboril of Overland Park. Barrett Simon of Leon owned the 1,313 lb. reserve Maine-Anjou. In the Shorthorn division, Kate Hagans' 1,338 lb. steer earned champion honors. Hagans is from Utica. Jansen Parsons from Anthony owned the 1,346 lb. reserve Shorthorn steer. The champion Simmental weighed 1,251 lbs. and was exhibited by Kate Hagans of Utica. Abigail Dickinson of Gorham owned the 1,362 lb. reserve Simmental steer. The all-other-breeds (AOB) division was topped by a 1,325 lb. steer led by Grace Aust from LaCygne. A 1,311 lb. steer shown by Kacey Rieger from Powhattan received reserve AOB honors.

A Chianina owned by Hannah Talkington of Hays was named supreme champion heifer. Sierra Cargill of Isabel exhibited the reserve supreme champion heifer, a ShorthornPlus. There were 257 heifers shown at KJLS. Reserve in the Chianina division was a heifer exhibited by Kohlton Voboril from Overland Park. Shaelyn Griffin from Stockton led the reserve ShorthornPlus heifer. Grady Dickerson, Paradise, showed the champion Angus heifer. Britt Bair, Hutchinson, exhibited the reserve Angus. In the Charolais division, Ethan

Dickerson of Paradise owned the champion heifer, and the reserve was led by Augusta Marston of Canton. Gabrielle Hammer from Wallace showed the winning Gelbvieh heifer. Her sister, Grace, exhibited the reserve Gelbvieh. An entry owned by Taylor Dieball, Little River, was named champion Hereford heifer. Kati Fehlman of Junction City led the reserve Hereford heifer. Randee Corns of Eureka exhibited the champion Limousin heifer, with sister Ashlee, showing the reserve. Leading the winning Maine-Anjou heifer was Cory Craver from Gypsum, with Madison Loschke from Carbondale owning the reserve. Jake Nikkel of McPherson exhibited the champion MaineTainer heifer, with Cody Hrabe of Stockton leading the reserve. In the Red Angus division, Hunter Lanier from Walton showed both the champion and reserve heifers. The champion Shorthorn heifer was owned by Austin Shideler from Fontana. Following as the reserve Shorthorn was an entry owned by Cody Webb from Pomona. Allyson Ottensmeier, Oskaloosa, led the champion Simmental heifer, and Grady Dickerson, Paradise, showed the reserve. In the AOB division, Reagan Schlochtermeyer of Meade showed the winning heifer. Britt Michaelis of Paxico led the reserve AOB heifer. The

winning commercial heifer was an entry shown by Caleigh Iwanski from Stockton. A commercial heifer owned by Bryce Shideler from Fontana won reserve.

In the senior division of the cattle showmanship, Kurtis Clawson of Satanta claimed the title of champion. Maci Schlehner from Hillsboro took reserve. Rounding out the top five, in order of finish, were: Lauren Prill, Wichita; Cory Craver, Gypsum; and Justin Loomis, Council Grove. Jake Nikkel, McPherson, won junior cattle showmanship and Grady Dickerson of Paradise earned reserve champion honors. Following Dickerson, in order of finish, were: Tanner Walden, Tonganoxie; Hadley Schotte, Marysville; and Taylor Nikkel, Maple Hill.

The grand champion barrow was a 278 lb. dark crossbred owned by Ethan Frantz from Hillsboro. His winning entry brought \$4,154 at auction from Qualitech, Kansas Feeds, Xtra Factor, Westway, MicroBeef and The Hartford Company. Karlie Stephens of Moran exhibited the reserve grand champion, a 282 lb. light crossbred that was worth \$2,257 to Farm Bureau Insurance. A total of 264 market hogs were shown at KJLS. The reserve dark crossbred was guided by Miranda Spencer of Fontana and weighed 273 lbs. Campbell Martin of Bucklin owned the 281 lb. reserve light crossbred.

Hayden Cole from Fort Scott presented the champion Duroc, weighing 273 lbs. The reserve Duroc, weighing 280 lbs., was shown by Jonathan Duling from Walnut. In the Hampshire division, a 279 lb. barrow guided by Caitlin Dreher of Iola was named champion. Reserve honors went to a 278 lb. entry from Tristan Davis of Princeton. Caitlin Dreher from Iola also exhibited the 263 lb. champion Yorkshire. Wade Davis of Princeton owned the 281 lb. reserve Yorkshire. In the dark AOB division, Campbell Martin from Bucklin was the owner of the 280 lb. champion barrow. Ethan Frantz from Hillsboro guided the 267 lb. reserve dark AOB. The champion light AOB, weighing 263 lbs., was shown by Megan Davis of Princeton. James DeRouchey of St. Marys exhibited the 287 lb. reserve light AOB.

In the senior swine showmanship, Tristan Davis from Princeton claimed the champion title, with Katelyn Barthol from Wellsville coming in reserve. Rounding out the top five, in order of finish, were Callahan Grund, Wallace; Lauren Geis, Durham; and Samantha Leeds, Council Grove. Caitlin Dreher, Iola, won the junior swine showmanship contest, with Jenna Goetzmann of Gardner earning reserve champion honors.

Following Goetzmann, in order of finish, were Brody Nemecek, Iola; Chisum Grund, Wallace; and Gabryelle Gilliam, Washington.

A 153 lb. crossbred shown by Curtis Hewlett from Independence, was named grand champion of the 229-head market lamb show. Hewlett's entry was purchased by Ted Crist, Schooler Grain, Nutrition Research Services, Southwestern Remodeling of Wichita and Kemin AgriFoods for \$3,927. Kylie Naber from Osborne exhibited the reserve grand champion lamb, a 145 lb. natural-colored entry. Naber sold her entry for \$2,889 to the Shane Prill family of Wichita. Katy DeWeese of Americus exhibited the 151 lb. reserve crossbred. The reserve natural lamb, weighing 145 lbs., was shown by Grady Allen of Gardner. A 128 lb. lamb, owned by Macey Langvardt, Chapman, earned champion honors in the Dorset division. Reserve Dorset was awarded to a 120 lb. entry led by Sage Collins, Chanute. Taylor Stanley from Baldwin exhibited the 162 lb. champion Hampshire, with reserve going to a 152 lb. entry owned by Briggs Kerr from Dodge City. The 144 lb. champion in the speckled lamb division was shown by Emily Harris of Abilene. Jordan Moubry

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of Bunker Hill took reserve with a 140 lb. speckled lamb. The champion Southdown was led by Shelby Smith from Emporia. Her lamb weighed 135 lbs. Elliott Smith of Emporia exhibited the 134 lb. reserve Southdown. The champion Suffolk, weighing 134 lbs., was owned by Kortney Brede-meier from Colby. Kaylee Toews from Leonardville owned the 138 lb. reserve Suffolk. The 132 lb. champion AOB lamb was led by Holly Swearingen of Lawrence. Logan Van Horn of Garfield claimed reserve AOB with his 130 lb. entry.

Elliott Smith from Emporia owned the Southdown entry that bested a field of 44 to receive the supreme registered ewe title. Reserve registered supreme honors went to a Dorset led by Taylor Harrison from Spring Hill. Taylor Goering of McPherson showed the reserve Southdown. The reserve champion Dorset was owned by Allison Smith of Emporia. The champion Hampshire was shown by Holly Swearingen from Lawrence, with reserve going to a ewe owned by Kashli Holthaus from Tribune. Jansyn Van Horn of Garfield exhibited the champion Montadale. The reserve Montadale was led by Katie Schrag of Haven. An entry from Logan Van Horn of Garfield received champion Shropshire honors. Reserve Shropshire was awarded to an entry from Zach Barney of Tampa. In the Suffolk division, Kelli Holthaus of Tribune led the champion ewe for the second consecutive year. Reserve Suffolk was awarded to an entry from Isaac Brunkow of Westmoreland.

The grand champion commercial ewe of the 152-head show was exhibited by Devon Grant from Columbus. Taylor Stanley from Baldwin owned the reserve grand champion commercial ewe. The grand champion yearling commercial ewe was exhibited by Jordan Moubry of Bunker Hill. Mindi Holloway of Yates Center showed the reserve yearling commercial ewe.

In the senior sheep showmanship division, Kylie Naber of Osborne was

named champion. Taking reserve was Emily Harris of Abilene. Rounding out the division, in order of finish, were Lindsey Pease, Chetopa; Mindi Holloway, Yates Center; and Macey Dinkel, Abilene. Gabryelle Gilliam of Washington won the junior sheep showmanship division. Anna Long of Olathe claimed reserve. Following the top two winners, in order of finish, were Lindsay Francis, Yates Center; Dakotah McBride, Hooker, Okla.; and Emma Stewart, Baldwin.

Beth Mercer from Galena received grand champion honors with her meat goat. The champion goat, besting 184 others to claim the top prize, weighed 88 lbs. and was worth \$1,806 to S.O.W. Corporation of Wichita. Raylee Faris from Westmoreland led the reserve, which weighed 92 lbs. S.O.W. Corporation placed a final bid of \$2,910 on Faris' goat.

For the second consecutive year, Lindsey Pease from Chetopa won senior meat goat showmanship. Blake Foraker of Burrton was the reserve goat showman. Following Foraker, in order of finish, were Shynia Peterman, Lyons; Amelia Vasko, Scott City; and Julia Wade, Olathe. The junior goat showmanship champion was Allyson Rudd from Bucklin and reserve went to Mattie Shafer from Rozel. Rounding out the top five, in order of finish, were Grant Simpson, Columbus; Rebekah Thomas, Chapman; and Erin Falkenstien, Oswego.

Prior to the Auction of Champions, KJLS awarded \$21,500 in scholarships to 11 exhibitors. Those receiving \$2,500 awards were: Taylor Harms, Lincolnville; Garrett Kays, Weir; and Logan Van Horn, Garfield. Receiving \$2,000 scholarships were Taylor Harrison, Spring Hill; Carlyn Olson, Olsburg; and Evan Woodbury, Quenemo. Randee Corns of Eureka and Wade Davis of Princeton each received \$1,750. Emily Beneda from Wilson, Tara Ellerman of Everest and Emily Harris from Abilene each were awarded \$1,500 to put toward their educations.

Since the inception of the KJLS scholarship program 18 years ago, 243 exhibitors have been awarded \$305,100 for their achievements in academics, community service and 4-H/FFA. Proceeds from the Bee-feater Barbecue prior to the Auction of Champions and private contributions are the primary scholarship funding sources.

Teams from 10 states participated in the Mid America Classic Judging Contest held in conjunction with KJLS. A team from Texas A&M University (TAMU) won the senior college competition. Second place went to a team from Texas Tech University. Dustin Frank of Colorado State University was the top scoring senior college individual. He was followed by Ryan Smoes from TAMU.

In the junior college contest, teams from Redlands Junior College (RJC) of El Reno, Okla., won both the sophomore and freshman divisions. Teams from Butler Community College (BCC) finished second in both divisions. High individuals in the junior college sophomore contest were Maverick Squires from BCC in first, and Justin Taubenhelm with Colby Community College in second. Gary Agar from RJC outscored all other freshmen. The second place freshman was Kaden Rouch from Allen County Community College.

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The rest of the afternoon was spent dressing John's wounds in the field, running to the emergency room, and answering questions from the conservation officer interview. Obviously, the day did not end as expected. Mike did not expect John to name him in a lawsuit, after all they had been friends for 25 years, but

he could have. Fortunately, Mike had purchased liability insurance to cover the hunt club members and the owner of the property where they hunted regularly.

No one expects to go hunting and get injured, but like most any outdoor activity, injury is a risk. Since firearms are typically involved, the injury may be more serious. Every year the International Hunter Education Association (IHEA) compiles a hunting accident incident report. The most prevalent "major factors" cited for these accidents include the following: "Failure to identify target, Victim out of sight of the shooter, Firearm fell from insecure rest, Failure to use safety belt, Victim moved into line of fire, Shooter swinging on game, Failure to check beyond target, Careless handling of firearm."

IHEA recommends hunters and shooters follow four basic rules of firearms safety, known as the TABK acronym.

T — Treat every firearm as if it were loaded

A — Always point the firearm in a safe direction.

B — Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.

K — Keep your finger out of the trigger guard and off the trigger until ready to shoot.

How Can Hunters Reduce Risks?

Hunting accidents of all types happen every year. Most hunting accident victims are responsible hunters who have over 10 years' experience. Although hunting accidents have trended downward as a result of increased hunter education requirements, there are still approximately 1,000 hunting accidents annually. Ten percent are fatal. What can you do to increase safety while hunting?

1. Get proper education. Read, take a hunter safety education course, watch hunter education videos, take an online course. A variety of resources exist. Taking a class can be interesting and rewarding, regardless of how long you have been hunting.

2. Practice the skills needed. It's one thing to be book smart and another to put it into play. Some students take a course, but then don't touch a firearm until opening day. Shooting arrows and firearms can be done in a number of safe, supportive places.

3. Follow state guidelines for wearing hunter orange. This universal hunter safety color will dramatically reduce your chance of being mistaken for game. Each state has its own guidelines, which can be viewed on www.IHEA.com under "Hunter Education".

4. Don't take deer stand safety requirements for granted. Follow the instructions on deer stand equipment and check for faulty equipment. In the state of Alabama alone, 2010 had a record number of deer stand accidents. Fourteen accidents were reported and four of these were fatal.

5. Establish a method for locating and communicating with other members of your hunting party. Have a map that outlines where each member will be hunting. Have an emergency plan in place.

6. Don't forget the rules of safety in your ambition to get an animal. Don't cut corners at the end of the day in order to get a trophy so that you can call it a successful day.

7. Avoid consumption of drugs and alcohol.

How Can Landowners Reduce Risks?
Landowners can assist

hunters by making sure property lines are well marked and posting "No Trespassing" signs. Hazards such as wells, cliffs, and cable gates should be well identified to help prevent accidents and injury. A safe area for campfires should be designated. Lastly, establishing open lines of communication with the hunt club can go a long way towards maintaining an accident free environment.

Is Hunting Lease Liability Coverage Needed?

Liability lawsuits can ensue as a result of the emotional and financial stress resulting from injury. If you are leasing hunting land from a private landowner, hunting lease insurance can protect you and your loved ones from financial catastrophe. With a general liability insurance policy, coverage is provided if a club member is found legally responsible for the accident. The beauty of hunting lease liability insurance is the fact that the insurance company is obligated to defend you whether it is a frivolous case or not.

What Coverage is Needed?
Most policy holders look for the following benefits to be included: Member-to-Member Coverage, Guest Liability Coverage, Fire Damage Liability, and Liability from tree-stands and ATV's. The coverage most recommended has \$1 million per occurrence general liability coverage and \$2 million general aggregate.

Who Should be Covered?
All landowners who charge a fee to hunt. Most state statutes offer a lower level of liability protection when there is compensation involved. The American Hunting Lease Association (AHLA) program is designed to protect both the landowner and the hunters and

can be purchased by either party.

How Much Will It Cost?

Prices vary from underwriter to underwriter and are sometimes based upon a number of variables. Some insurers will charge based upon number of people in the hunt club, game harvested, location of the property, size of the property, and cost of lease. Prices can range from \$175 and up per policy. At American Hunting Lease Association the price is based upon one variable: acreage. AHLA is one of the top sellers of hunting lease insurance in the country and gets low pricing due to the high volume of policies sold. Through AHLA, a policy that insures both landowner and hunting club costs only \$175 for less than 500 acres.

Does the Landowner need to be Named as an Additional Insured?

More and more landowners are requiring the hunting club to purchase insurance naming the landowner as an additional insured. If the landowners are named in a suit caused by an occurrence of the hunting club on their land, they will be covered.

What Protection is Provided to the Club in the Event of Legal Action?

If the hunting club becomes legally obligated to pay damages for bodily injury or property damage arising from claims against the club, the hunting lease liability insurance policy will pay all sums due up to policy limits.

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TOOLS, TRACTOR, EQUIPMENT, PICKUPS, GUNS, COLLECTIBLES

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Ending Nov. 1 — Farm machinery, farm related items, trucks, trailers, pickups, construction equip., lawn & garden online only (www.gehlingline.com). Auctioneers: Gehling Auctions.

October 4 — Ottawa County pasture land at Minneapolis. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

October 5 — Tractors, loader, skid loader, haying equipment, shredder at Beatrice, Nebraska for Farm Credit Services of America. Auctioneers: The Auctioneers, Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

October 6 — Antiques, MF Mdl 243 tractor, vintage signs, coins, furniture at Salina. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

October 6 — Washington County land at Washington. Auctioneers: Weigand Auction.

October 7 & 8 — Real estate, farm dispersal at Augusta for retirement auction. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

October 8 — Tractor, wooden wheel box wagon, old farm machinery, used lumber, tools & antiques E. of Enterprise for Bill & Helen Foreschler. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

October 8 — Real estate (house & lots, commercial building), personal property at Oak Hill for Meg Perry. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers Realty.

October 8 — Truck, tractors, trailers & equipment, buggy & collectibles & misc. at Lawrence for Mrs. William S. (Bill) Marjorie Markley. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Co., Mark Elston & Jason Flory.

October 8 — Pickup, mobility scooters, antiques, lawn equip., tools, misc., household at Concordia for Carl Hobbie & Shirley Laman Hobbie. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

October 8 — Furniture, tools & misc. at Junction City for Amy Lindner. Auctioneers: Brown Real

Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

October 8 — Real estate at Junction City. Auctioneers: Kull Auction & Real Estate Co., Inc.

October 8 — Coins, watches, vehicles, trailers, misc., tools, guns & fishing poles, antiques, collectibles, household at Neosho Rapids for Property of Dennis & Julie Buckridge and Estate of Maurice (AJ) Fager, Jr. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

October 8 — Tools at Salina for Herman Winter Estate. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

October 8 — Tractor, farm implements, kayak, quilts, horse & horse tack, antiques, quilts, prairie outtings, beef packages & more at Matfield Green. Benefit for Pioneer Bluffs. Honorary Auctioneer: Ray Sims, Auctioneer: Dave Webb, Webb & Associates.

October 8 — Tools, collectibles, household & more at Osage City for Clayton & Alice Wilkins. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

October 8 — Fiesta, Roseville, KU items, antique furniture, vintage airplane & car models, Regular clock, coins, guns, glass & porcelain, quilts, die cast banks at Abilene for Mrs. Verl "Glenda" Anderson. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

October 8 — Vehicle, household, garage items at Whitewater for Doris J. Reimer Estate. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction & Real Estate.

October 8 — Primitive tools, furniture, toys, coins, jewelry near Herington for Laura Edwards & others. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer & Dave Bures.

October 8 — Farm equipment, tractors, trucks, household at Ottawa for Riki & Diana Aulgur and Bill & Ruby Miller. Auctioneers: Eastern Kansas Auction Barn.

October 8 — Windows, car, new tools & new misc., sports memorabilia, coins, household, antiques, gift certificates, gift items & coupons at Silver Lake for the Silver

lake Lions Club. Auctioneer service donated by Kellner Realty & Auction Service.

October 8 — Farm items, haying & livestock equipment N. of Topeka for Circle B Retirement/Reduction. Auctioneers: Murray Auction and Real Estate.

October 8 — Woodworking tools, shop tools, utility pickup, furniture, antiques & misc. at Clay Center for Gary & Sue Caldwell. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

October 8 & 9 — Antique furniture, antiques, collectibles, advertising pieces, crocks coins, Depression Glass, glassware at Salina for Erle & Phyllis Bergstrom. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 9 — Appliances, collectibles, furniture, boat, mower, tools, glassware at Overbrook for Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Greenfield. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

October 9 — Pickup, boat, collectibles & furniture at Council Grove for the Vernon & Ruby Richter Trusts. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

October 9 & 10 — Railroad caboose, antique furniture, collectibles at Riley for Clyde Fasse Trust and Helen "Trix" Fasse Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

October 10 — Russell County land at Russell for Joseph & Carol Ross. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

October 10 — Mower, furniture, appliances, household, games, baseball & football cards at Osage City for Mrs. Velma Reiss. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

October 12 — Tractors, combines, harvest & haying equip., trailers, excavator, scrapers, livestock equip., snowblower, skidsteers online only (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auctions.

October 12 — Russell County CRP, grassland & producing oil at Russell for Saline River Ranch, Inc. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

October 13 — Marion Coun-

ty farm & grassland at Herington for Martha R. Melcher Trust. Auctioneers: Reynolds Real Estate & Auction. Co.

October 13 — Electrical supplies & restaurant equip. at McPherson for KDOR Tax Asset Seizure. Auctioneers: United Country Mid West eServices, Inc., Eric Blomquist.

October 14 — Flint Hills Ranch, 3 tracts at Augusta for Jim & Sally Reeves. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty Inc., and Farm & Home Realty.

October 14 — Country ranch home, acreage, farm equipment, collectibles at Niles. Auctioneers: United Country Theurer Auction/Realty, LLC.

October 15 — Ranch real estate, tractor, horses, tack, stock trailer & tools at Atlanta for J&H Ranch Dispersal. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

October 15 — Tools, tractor, equipment, pickups, guns & collectibles at Waterville for Judy Heitmann. Auctioneers: Olmsted Auctions.

October 15 — Antiques, collectibles, toys, games, Victorian & costume jewelry, decanter collection, Mary Moo Moo's figurines, furniture, household, boat & shop supplies at Clay Center for Estate of Raymond & Betty Sharp. Auctioneers: Vathauer Auction Service.

October 15 — Vehicle, implements, shop equipment, furniture, household items & toys S. of Moundridge for Ed & Kathryn Vogts. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction & Real Estate.

October 15 — Acreage, pasture, hunting N. of Seneca for Ollie Bauman Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

October 15 — Vehicles, antiques, tools & household at Washington for the Miller Family. Auctioneers: Novak Auctions.

October 15 — Real estate, car, coins, antiques, collectibles, furniture, Hall pottery, mower, tools, outdoor items at Cottonwood Falls for Jim & Deb Zeiner. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

October 15 — Farm equipment, household, collectibles near Herington. Auctioneers: Bob's Auc-

tion Service, Bob Kickhaefer & Dave Bures.

October 15 — Bar & restaurant equipment at Topeka for Rooster Tail. Auctioneers: Kull Auction & Real Estate Co., Inc.

October 15 — Tractors, Gator, skidsteer, ATV, combine, JD mower, trucks, tillage equip., implements, trailers, tools, antiques, household & misc. at Leavenworth for Ken & Shonee Metcalf. Auctioneers: Dale Douglas Auctions.

October 16 — Dolls, furniture & collectibles at Council Grove for Lola Costa. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

October 17 — Edwards County land at Pratt for Nancy Smith. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction and Real Estate.

October 20 — Dickinson County farmland at Abilene for Kenneth & Sharon Chase. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

October 22 — Furniture, oil lamps, Roseville, silver dollars & coins, Jewel Tea, collections & glassware at Overbrook for Mrs. Bus (Jeanne) Bond. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Company.

October 22 — Furniture, tools, collectibles & antiques SE of Alma for Emmett Burleson. Auctioneers: Raine Auction Service.

October 22 — Construction equip., tractors, farm machinery, trucks, trailers, cars at Spring Hill. Auctioneers: Countrywide Tractor & Auction.

October 22 — Antiques, household goods & misc. at Wakefield for Lorene Erickson. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom. October 22 — Annual fall farm machinery consignment auction at Augusta. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

October 25 — Cloud County land at Concordia for Debra Rodgers & Tammy Rogers, former farm of Gilbert & Mildred Fagan. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

October 26 — Angus & Charolais Bull sale at Randolph for Fink Beef Genetics.

October 27 — NW Wabaunsee County cropland, older farm house, farm buildings at Wamego for

William A. Martens. Auctioneers: Pearl Real Estate & Appraisal Service.

October 27 — Dickinson County real estate at Abilene for Betty R. Lang. Auctioneers: Reynolds Real Estate & Auction Co.

November 1 — Seward & Butler Counties, Nebraska real estate at Valparaiso, Nebraska. Auctioneers: Farmers National Co.

November 3 — Native grass pasture NW Shawnee County near Shawnee State Lake at Hoyt for Claire Holliday-Loomis & Bruce N. Holliday. Auctioneers: Pearl Real Estate & Appraisal Service.

November 3 — Saline County farmland & grassland at Salina for the Joe White Trust. Auctioneers: Rioridan Auction & Realty.

November 5 — Vehicles, tractor, loader, farm related items, possible antiques & collectibles, guns, household & misc. NE of Lincoln for Leonard W. & Doris E. Holl, Family Trust. Auctioneers: Post Rock Auctions.

November 5 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon.

November 6 — Shades of Red & White Show Calf Sale online bid off. Lori Hambright, sale manager.

November 6 — Angus annual female sale at Westmoreland for R&L Angus. November 10 — Pasture & cropland at Miltonvale for Heirs of Mabel Comfort Trickle. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

November 10 — Dickinson County farmland & grassland at Abilene for Harold L. & Edna M. Emig Trust. Auctioneers: Rioridan Auction & Realty.

November 12 — 20th bull sale featuring Simmental, SimAngus, Angus & Red Angus at Moser Ranch.

November 14 — John Deere machinery, farm related items & misc. S. of Waterville for Jim & Rhonda Tilley. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

November 19 — Annual Angus bull sale at Eureka for Dalebanks Angus.

November 29 — Ottawa County farmland at Salina for Stan & Jeanne Pangrac. Auctioneers: Rioridan Auction & Realty.

December 31 — Harley Gerdes 27th annual New Year's Consignment auction at Lyndon.

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The Sheep Camp

For those of you to whom the word "sheep camp" conjures up a pastoral, nostalgic, even romantic vision of shepherds watching over their flocks by night, I suspect you've never spent a night in one! Sheep camp, in the real world of shepherding, is the wagon where you sleep, live and eat. It looks like a small covered wagon. A round top on a box. There is a built-in bed with storage underneath. There is a small stove-heater propane unit and a drop-down kitchen cabinet behind. A lantern provides light. The roof could be canvas or sometimes fitted tin. The wagon has four tires and a tongue and is usually hauled or pulled to the grazing area. In its heyday, the mid 1900s, sheep camps were as common and handy as Airstream trailers! These were the best years for the sheep business.

I worked in the ION country (southern Idaho, western Oregon, northern Nevada) in the 70s near the end of good times for sheep business. I worked for an outfit that ran 20,000 sheep on the high desert sagebrush. In the summer the herd would be divided into bands of two to three thousand. One man with his sheep camp, dogs and a saddle mule or horse would watch over his band. He would keep moving them to good forage and try to protect them from predators. When it was needed, he would hook up his horse and drag his camp to a new location. The boss would drive with the supplies, including water, at least once a week, maybe more. These were self-sufficient, hard-working immigrants, often Basques from Spain. Over the years I watched the Basque improve their lot and be replaced by South Americans. In Wyoming, I

have known of white American shepherders, but that was uncommon. So, suffice it to say the kind of person who is fit to that life and can do it well, has to be a no-frills kind of person.

Fast-forward to the sheep business in the U.S. today. We import our lamb from Australia, we no longer subsidize the eco-friendly natural resource wool, and we have posted a mountain of regulations protecting predators, wildlife, grazing land, and the New Zealand shepherders.

Now this year the Department of Labor has taken it upon itself to write an official sheepherder job description and other requirements, with the object of restricting the hiring of "foreign shepherds." These regulations assure that hiring foreign workers won't deprive any of the 14 million unemployed, able-bodied Americans of a job.

My question is, what able-bodied, evicted, food-stamped, credit-revoked, receiving government checks, American standing in the unemployment line today, is going to apply for an outdoor job on Blizzard Mountain, Idaho where you are on

call 24 hours a day, knows how to bed down 1800 sheep, can identify Halogeton, and castrate lambs with his (or her) teeth? Maybe before we pile any more regulations on the overburdened handful of sheep men left, the Secretary of Labor should

spend a night on Blizzard Mountain in a sheep camp with a box of matches, a roll of Downy and a shaker of louse powder. I think he would be assured there is no real danger of foreign workers depriving our "nanny state" privileged citizens

of proper employment. Besides, any Americans that would make good shepherders are already at work on the Great Northern gas fields, Iraqi pipelines, and Afghanistan security patrols. Like I said, it takes a no-frills kind of person.

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