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Washington County native celebrates Sunflower State in documentary *Kansas – The Center of It All*

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

Growing up on a farm in southwestern Washington County, Audrey Kalivoda recalls many family trips both within the state and outside its borders. Her parents, Jim and Ramona Kalivoda, always made sure their family took time to appreciate the sights and scenery along the way, and weren't afraid to get off the beaten path to see something noteworthy. Always interested in photography themselves, they presented their daughter with a small box camera when she was six, not suspecting that the gift would one day combine with her love of travel and sightseeing to form her career.

Although Kalivoda has called Nashville, Tennessee home for the last several years, her appreciation for Kansas has been the subject of two documentaries, *The Arikaree Breaks* and *Kansas – The Center of It All*. Originally a still photographer, she broke into videography when she was asked to do a documentary featuring Palo Duro Canyon in Texas. She had taken a detour on the way home from a photo shoot in New Mexico and casually commented to a staff member that someone should capture the beauty of the place on video. Her comment was met with, "Why don't you do it?" A year and a half later, her first documentary was complete and the beauty of Palo Duro was captured on film.

About a year later, she saw a photo of the Arikaree Breaks in northwest Kansas and decided to journey there to see them in person. Soon she was in the midst of doing a documentary on them as well. "Things find me, I don't seem to find them,"

she said. "They track me down."

The Arikaree Breaks are located in the far northwestern part of the state and are the only three miles of the Arikaree River in Kansas.

A documentary on Nashville was her next project, but it wasn't long before the Sunflower State beckoned for her talents once again. As the 150th anniversary drew near in 2011, someone at the Kansas State Historical Society mentioned that a documentary on Kansas would be a good way to commemorate the event.

For traveling partners for the project she chose the very people who instilled an appreciation for off-the-beaten-path adventures – her parents. "It was wonderful traveling with my parents and seeing the state," she said. "We just had the best time. They were really good sports." Even when getting to their destination included things like bumping over miles of dusty gravel roads and driving through a pasture to get to Mount Sunflower, the highest point in the state, Jim and Ramona kept their humor and enjoyed the experience "It's really cute what he's done with it," Kalivoda says of the rise in the pasture with an iron sign that marks Mount Sunflower.

While the more well-

known sites in Kansas are featured, such as the Eisenhower home and museum in Abilene and the Cathedral on the Plains in Victoria, those Kalivoda finds most fascinating are the ones that are more obscure. Take the Pfeifer church just ten miles down the road from Victoria, for example. Known among locals as the 2-Cent Church, it got its name because each of its parishioners committed two cents of every bushel of wheat they sold to see it built.

The unknown stories of the towns she traveled fascinated her – the stories behind the story – as she calls them. "Did you know that Waterville was once a cow town?" she asked. "And back in the day there was a farmer in Republic County that drove hundreds of turkeys to Waterville to put them on the train to send them east."

Telling the stories of Kansas comes easy for Kalivoda, but she points out that not everyone shares her appreciation for the state. "The media doesn't have a lot of good to say about us sometimes, and we're known as a fly-over state," she said. And it's not just those outside of Kansas that sometimes miss the state's virtue. "It's true with every state and not just Kansas, but all of us are so uninformed about what we have in our



Wildbirds Unlimited owner Diane Gover welcomed James, Audrey and Ramona Kalivoda to her store as part of their journey documenting the sights and stories of Kansas.

own back yard. I think we suffer from low self-esteem in our state."

Narrating the beautiful imagery is a voice that may still be familiar to some. Jerry Minshell, who sang with the Plainsmen Quartet on several radio stations around Kansas, reads the script for the documentary.

With thousands of images and stories captured in her travels – which she estimates covered four to five thousand miles – and only 45 minutes for the film, Kalivoda says there were many things that just couldn't be included. "Almost every



Mount Sunflower is the highest point in Kansas and warranted a visit by the Kalivodas.

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The story of the Pfeifer Cathedral enthralled Kalivoda as she learned that it's known as the 2-Cent Church because of the pledge made by parishioners to donate two cents from each bushel of wheat they sold to pay for construction of the church.



Of all the images she captured, one of her favorites is this old combine. "This is the first thing I see when I come up Mom and Dad's road," she says. "I know I am home!"

Lyons-Blythe selected as regional winner in America's Farmers Mom of the Year contest

Debbie Lyons-Blythe, White City, has been named Monsanto's 2012 America's Farmers Mom of the Year regional winner for the Southwest. One of five regional winners, Lyons-Blythe was selected by judges from American Agri-Women and Monsanto in recognition of the contributions she makes to her family, farm, community and the agricultural industry. Along with the four other regional winners, Lyons-Blythe's nomination will be featured on www.AmericasFarmers.com until May 12, where online voting will determine the national winner.

Debbie and her family

run Blythe Angus, near White City, where her husband's family homesteaded in 1890. Today, they raise 250 registered Angus cows and sell registered bulls. In addition, they operate a commercial heifer development program and grow diversified crops, including hay, for their cow herd. All five of her children work on the ranch and her husband works in town, but Debbie provides the primary daily labor on the ranch.

"It means a lot to me to have my family be so supportive of my efforts in our operation, as well as of my work advocating for agriculture," she says. "I'm humbled to be singled out,

because there are so many farm moms out there who work every day to build a legacy for their children. I'm proud to represent the Southwest region!"

Nominations were submitted on each regional winner's behalf by a friend, family member or loved one who shared a brief essay telling judges about their favorite farm mom and why she should be "America's Farmers Mom of the Year." Each regional winner received a \$5,000 cash prize from Monsanto. The farm mom receiving the most online votes by May 12 will receive an additional \$5,000 and the national title, to be announced on Mother's

Day. "Debbie Lyons-Blythe, along with our other regional winners, personifies a passion for agriculture and the farming lifestyle," says Consuelo Madere, America's Farmers Mom of the Year spokesperson. "It's an honor to recognize her for all she does to support agriculture and to reinforce within her community that the food on grocery store shelves is grown in the fields of rural America."

In the nomination they submitted on their mother's behalf, children Meghan, Allie, Trenton, Tyler and Eric wrote, "It doesn't take long to figure out what is in her heart... Her love for agriculture is evident when reading her blog, hearing her speeches and seeing her work." Her nomination is posted in its entirety at AmericasFarmers.com.

Monsanto's America's Farmers Mom of the Year is an extension of the America's Farmers program, which celebrates the contributions of America's farmers, who provide food, energy and clothing for a growing planet. Visit AmericasFarmers.com to vote for the 2012 national farm mom winner and to read about other ways Monsanto is recognizing the contributions of American farmers.

Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure... than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.

-Theodore Roosevelt

and tried to get them to go into the squeeze chute. They were just jaded enough to know they didn't want to stick their heads into the head catch but just tame enough to not move. Eventually they were persuaded to give in (after much tail twisting and name-calling). Loading them on the trailer to go to pasture was much easier, I am convinced they knew where they were going then.

Finally we came to the herd of our five- to eight- year old cows, cows in their prime. They were full of sass and vinegar and their calves were, too. While they didn't give us too much trouble, they couldn't make things too easy either. Their calves were full of energy too; the bruises on my legs match most of their hoof prints. As the day wore on we reached a mutual agreement and they made their way onto the trailer and through the chute. Then back onto the trailer and out to pasture.

All of a sudden we were done. As Dad and I picked up the debris from the week's work I noticed how quiet it was. All week the working facility was enveloped in a deafening din of cows checking on their calves and calves letting their mommas know where they were. Now you could hear the birds chirp and the wind rustle across the trees. The winter pasture was suddenly empty and quiet, bale feeders sat hollow and the pen once bustling with cows eager to escape seemed to be asleep.

Two times each year bring a big sense of relief and this was one of them. There are few things in this life more satisfying to me than to see my cows on pasture. Nothing is better than to open the trailer door and let them out on the new spring pasture. Some of the cows immediately duck their heads down and munch on the new grass while others hurriedly find their calves then turn to eating.

The only other feeling that is just as satisfying is in the fall when we bring them back home. That week is just as hectic and just as demanding but it is every bit as satisfying. However, I think I will just sit back and enjoy the silence and let my bruises heal for a couple of days. On second thought maybe I ought to go check them and start baling the alfalfa for next fall. Always something to do, but then again, I guess that is job security.



I should have written this column last night, but the honest truth was that I was too tired and beaten up to think. One would assume that I had a bad day. Quite the contrary, I sat in my easy chair admiring all my new bruises and feeling tired, but it was a good tired. Dad and I had successfully vaccinated and delivered the last of the cows and calves to their summer pastures.

The last week of April is one of the most hectic and stressful weeks of the year. There is just no way around it. The grass is greening up; the cows realize it and they are no longer happy to occupy their formerly comfortable winter pastures with a plentiful supply of hay. They are lured by the tantalizing green, lush grass across the fence. The rancher, on the other hand, is tired of delivering the now-unappetizing hay to the ungrateful bovine who long for the lush, green grass across the meager fences. It becomes a battle of wills.

We started working the cows last week, beginning with the replacement heifers. There are few things in this world as goofy as yearling heifers. They are eager to go somewhere, but they have no idea where that somewhere is. It takes forever to work them; they each get a new ear tag and freeze brand, as well as, the obligatory vaccinations. Then it's off to their own little corner of the ranch until fall and their assimilation into the rest of the cow herd.

After that we start in on the older cows. They are also sorted by age. The younger cows were the first bunch we worked. I have to admit that they were not too hard to get in and run through the chutes. I guess it was ignorant bliss about what was to come. They got to stay where we worked them, so getting them to pasture was no more than opening a gate. Few things in life are as satisfying as watching the cows and calves walk through that gate into the green grass.

The old cows were next. While most of them did not put up any kind of a fight, several were hard to catch. They were wary and cautious but eventually the lure of the alfalfa we used to bait them into the pen was too much and they gave in. I like to think they knew what was coming (the green grass, not the shots). That changed when we unloaded them

Kansas – The Center of it All

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county in our state has a museum or a historical society," she said. "And so many small towns have festivals to bring people home or celebrate their heritage. I wasn't able to even touch on those because there wasn't enough room." She is considering writing a book to go along with the video so that some of those stories and photos can still be used.

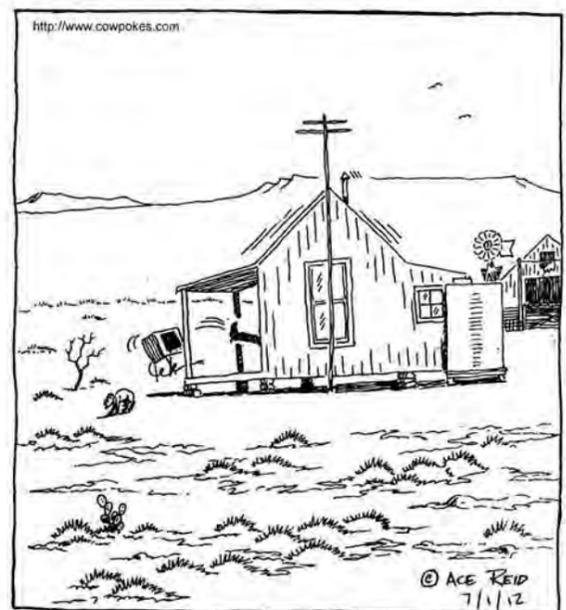
A surprising turn for Kalivoda has been the way many schools have ordered the documentary. "There have been a lot of high points in making this, but that's one of the most flattering things, that the schools think it's good enough to use in the classroom," she said.

The documentary can be ordered on her website, www.mesquite90.com or by calling 615-948-9469.

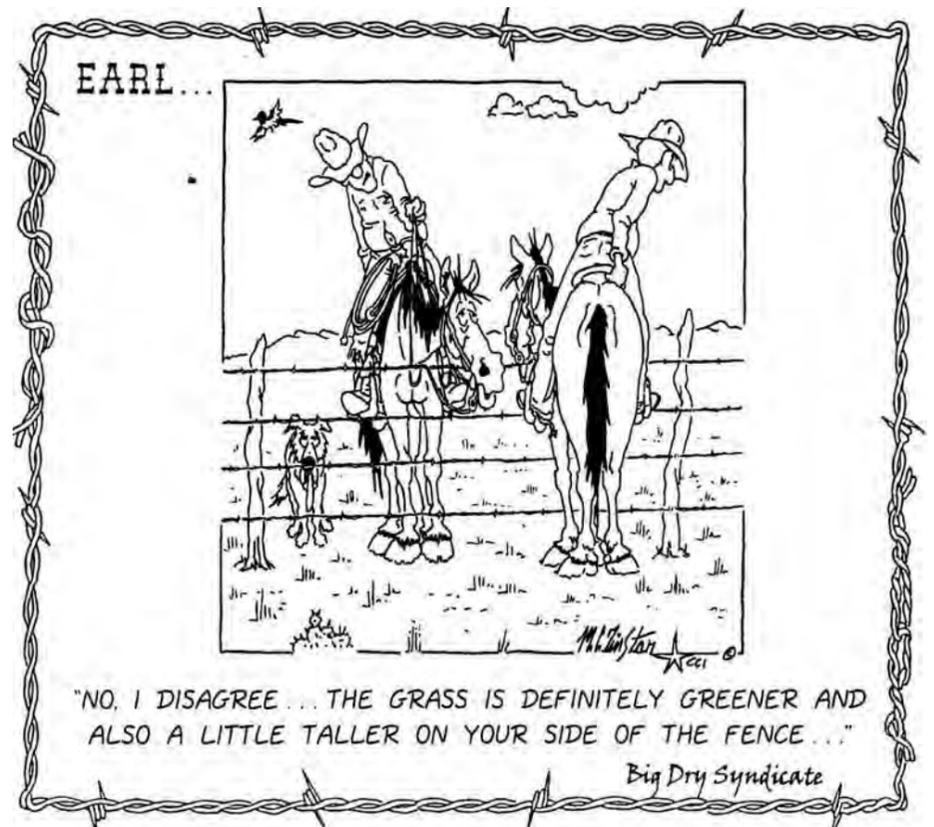
Kalivoda concedes that she can sometimes be as guilty as anyone of sticking to the highways, or driving by places many times, always thinking, "I should stop there some time." But she encourages Kansans to go ahead and make that stop, maybe dig a little deeper even into subjects they think they already know about. "Get off the highway and take the time to see what we have to offer," she challenged.

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House bill halts administration's expansion of water regulation

WASHINGTON - Legislation was introduced in the House recently to halt the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) and the Army Corps of Engineers' attempts to illegally expand federal power under the Clean Water Act and extend the government's regulatory reach to every ditch, puddle and pond in the country.

Leaders of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Agriculture Committee introduced H.R. 4965, a bill to prohibit the Obama Administration from finalizing or implementing the EPA and Corps Clean Water Act "guidance" in order to significantly broaden the scope of federal jurisdiction under the Act. This guidance would allow the unprecedented regulation of waters, occasionally wet areas and land use decisions not previously subject to federal regulation. Any regulatory expansion under the Clean Water Act must follow proper, transparent rulemaking procedures - not the unlawful, backdoor conversion of publicly unvetted agency guidance into de facto federal regulation.

"The Obama administration is doing everything in its power to increase costs and regulatory burdens for American businesses, farmers, and individual property owners," said the bill's sponsor, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman John L. Mica (R-Fla.). "This federal jurisdiction grab has been op-

posed by Congress for years, and now the administration and its agencies are ignoring law and rule-making procedures in order to tighten their regulatory grip over every water body in the country. But this administration needs to realize it is not above the law."

"The public has a right to be heard on federal actions affecting their lives," said Transportation and Infrastructure Committee ranking member Nick J. Rahall II (D-W.V.). "The voices of our constituents should, and must, have an impact on the decision-making process; yet, here again, the EPA is seeking to impose its will via interim guidance and then asking for the public's views after the fact. This method of operation leaves citizens with little faith that the government understands or cares about the effect its actions have on their lives, and it leads to unworkable, inequitable federal regulations that undermine the people's faith in their own government."

"The new authorities granted in this guidance would allow the EPA and the Corps of Engineers the authority to regulate almost any body of water in the U.S.," said Agriculture Committee chairman Frank Lucas (R-Okla.). "That means farm ponds, stock tanks, and seasonal runoff ditches could conceivably be included under new regulations. The economic impact on farmers, ranchers, and

rural communities would be devastating. This legislation allows us to restore and protect our natural resources by working together and balancing state and federal authority. President Obama and his EPA must stop this pattern of over-regulation and intrusion into individual and state rights."

"I believe in protecting our waterways, and that the Clean Water Act is the law of the land," said Agriculture Committee ranking member Collin Peterson (D-Minn.). "This policy is too important to be done administratively and should go through a formal process, that's why I am joining my colleagues on both sides of the aisle and supporting this bill. I was opposed to this Clean Water Act expansion when the Bush administration tried it and now when the current administration is trying it. We should not be regulating every puddle, pond and ditch. We need to provide certainty in our permitting process so agriculture and businesses can predict and plan for the future."

"This bipartisan effort should be a message to not only the EPA, but to all federal agencies that it is unacceptable for unelected bureaucrats in Washington to expand their authority on their own initiative," said Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee chairman Bob Gibbs (R-Ohio). "This legislation is critical to beat back the overreach of the EPA and I am proud to

sponsor it alongside the chairmen and ranking members of both the Agriculture and Transportation committees."

In February, EPA and the Corps sent a final guidance document entitled "Guidance on Identifying Waters Protected by the Clean Water Act" to the Office of Management and Budget for regulatory review. Mica, Lucas, and

Gibbs joined Senate Republicans in writing to the Office of Management and Budget to oppose changes to the scope and meaning of the Clean Water Act sought by the administration through guidance.

Statutory changes to the Clean Water Act must be submitted to Congress for legislative action, and regulatory changes require a notice and comment rule-

making, according to the Administrative Procedure Act.

The legislation prevents the administration from skirting the law and would require a formal rulemaking for any attempt to change the definition of "waters of the United States" and increase the federal government's power under the Clean Water Act.



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LOCATION: Northeast corner of the Clay Center Community High School, 1630 9th Street in CLAY CENTER, KANSAS.
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This house is the major technology project of the Construction Technology, Drafting Technology, and Ag Structures classes at Clay Center Community High School, under the supervision of Jon Schooley, Mike Beying, David Sislo and Steve Debenham (Supervisor of all electrical work). Construction meets required city building specifications. This house was constructed of good quality materials with excellent workmanship.

DESCRIPTION: Overall the dimensions are 28' x 52', which provides 1,464 sq. ft. of living space. This house has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a utility room, and a great room. The master bedroom has a vaulted ceiling with a walk-in closet. There is a box window in the great room. The great room features a Cathedral ceiling throughout and consists of living and dining areas and a kitchen. The windows are Simonton double-glazed vinyl clad with low E glass. Some are tilt and wash, while others are sliding. One bathroom features a tubular skylight. The house has four ceiling fans along with a whole house attic fan and hard-wired smoke detectors. The baseboard and all door casings are solid oak, which have been milled by students. All exterior doors are thermal insulated and fire rated. The kitchen cabinets are constructed of solid oak with raised panel cathedral doors, slide out bends, and one lazy-susan. These are all made by All Woods Techniques and installed by the students. The bathroom cabinet tops are made of Onyx. The Service entry panel is 200 amps and the house is wired with Cat5e and coax cable for computers, phones, and cable TV. Most of the electrical outlets are either tamper proof or ground fault and/or on arc fault break-

ers. The floor joists are Engineered Truss Joists that are 9 1/2" x 28 ft. long on 16 inch centers. The exterior is sided with Royal Woodland vinyl and vinyl shakes around the front door area. Both have a transferable Lifetime Guarantee. The exterior is sheathed with 1/2" OSB. The sub floor is 3/4" OSB tongue and groove. The house is fully insulated with 12" R38 fiberglass bat insulation in the Cathedral ceiling area, R38 in the flat attic area with additional insulation on top, 6" R19 fiberglass insulation in the walls and R6 foam board along the rim joist, and all windows and doors had foam sprayed around them to stop air flow. Also, there is insulation for sound between the kitchen-bathroom wall and both walls next to the living room. The bathrooms, utility room and foyer have vinyl flooring. The bedrooms and living room have carpet, and the kitchen and dining area have vinyl plank flooring.

The house will be sold as exhibited on May 12, 2012 at 10:00A.M. The house must be moved from the present building site by July 31, 2012. Moving the house is the buyer's expense and in accordance with city ordinances.

TERMS OF PURCHASE: Ten percent to the total purchase price and all the sales tax on the total cost of materials must be paid to USD 379 on the day of auction. The balance is to be paid on, or before July 31, 2012, or prior to the removal of the house from the school premises. The sale is subject to school board approval and the buyer must sign a written contract prior to June 1, 2012. Statements made the day of sale take precedence over all printed material.

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Carol Ricketts, Clay Center, Wins Weekly Grass & Grain Recipe Contest & Prize

Winner Carol Ricketts, Clay Center: "This past Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning we attended our District 5 Good Sams Rally where each evening we enjoy a potluck evening meal. On Thursday evening one of the dishes I took was this sheet cake thinking maybe I would downsize the dish with leftover cake for Friday evening. **WRONG!** Nothing was left but crumbs; so much for downsizing."

BANANA CAKE W/PEANUT BUTTER FROSTING

- Cake:**
 2 cups flour
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 3/4 cup oleo, softened
 1 1/2 cups sugar
 2 eggs
 1 cup mashed bananas, 2-3
 1 tablespoon vanilla
 1/2 cup buttermilk (I use powdered buttermilk)
 1/2 cup chopped pecans

- Frosting:**
 4 ounces cream cheese
 1/4 cup oleo
 3 tablespoons milk
 1 pound powdered sugar
 1 tablespoon vanilla
 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter (I was out of creamy peanut butter so I used crunchy and it was good)

In a large bowl mix flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. In a medium bowl cream together soft oleo, sugar, eggs, vanilla and buttermilk. Next add mashed bananas and then the nuts. Combine wet ingredients to dry ingredients and mix well. Put in your choice of cake pan and bake at 350 degrees (9-by-13-inch bake 30 to 35 minutes. I baked the sheet cake for 20 to 25 minutes). Test with a toothpick for doneness. While baking cake, cream together soft oleo, cream cheese, vanilla and peanut butter. Next alternate milk and powdered sugar in frosting mixture. Let cake cool and then frost with cream cheese frosting. Keep in refrigerator.

Kellee Rogers, Topeka: HERB CARROTS

- 1 1/2 lbs. carrots, peeled, cut diagonally into thin slices
 1/2 cup chicken broth
 1/4 cup chive & onion cream cheese
 2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives

Bring carrots and broth to a boil in large skillet. Cover and simmer on medium low heat 8-10 minutes or until carrots are crisp-tender. Uncover and simmer 8-10 minutes or until most of the broth is absorbed and carrots are tender. Remove from heat. Add cream cheese and stir until melted. Sprinkle with chives.

 Gin Fox, Holton: "Very yummy and kids love it too. Sort of tastes like you are eating caramel apples."

TAFFY APPLE SALAD

- 3 Granny Smith apples, chopped (don't peel)
 1 cup mini marshmallows
 8 ounces fat-free whipped topping
 1 package sugar-free butterscotch instant pudding
 1 large can pineapple tidbits
 Peanuts or walnuts, optional
 Mix the pudding & whipped topping together then add the pineapple tidbits, juice & mix all together. Stir in chopped apples and marshmallows into the mixture. Add nuts if you want.

NOTE: This could be made with regular whipped topping and pudding as well.

Lucille Wohler, Clay Center: GOOSEBERRY DEEP DISH PIE

- 1 1/4 cups sugar
 1 tablespoon cornstarch
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 tablespoon melted butter
 1 quart gooseberries (washed & sorted if picked in your patch)

Pie crust top
 Blend sugar, cornstarch, salt and melted butter. Sprinkle 1/3 on bottom of 2 1/2- to 3-quart casserole dish. Put gooseberries over that. Add rest of blend over gooseberries. Cover with crust. Bake at 325 to 350 degrees for 45 to 60 minutes.

NOTE: I like to make this in a deep-dish rather than pie plate. May save cleaning the oven since some gooseberries create more juice than others. I don't like cleaning the oven.

Loretta Shepard, Helena, Okla.: "This recipe is from a friend of mine. It is the best pecan pie."

- PECAN PIE**
 1 stick butter
 1 cup sugar
 1 cup white syrup
 1/4 teaspoon salt

Bring this to a boil and cook for 2 or 3 minutes. Cool and add:
 4 eggs, beaten
 1 cup pecan pieces
 Bake in a 9-inch pie pan at 325 degrees for 50-60 minutes.

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- 1 cup 1% low-fat cottage cheese
 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
 1 cup shredded Italian blend cheese

(NAPSA) — Whether you are cooking for your family, friends or guests, you don't have to look far for quick and easy meal inspiration, just check your pantry. There, you can find simple solutions using some of your favorite foods.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Spray 8-by-8-inch glass baking dish with cooking spray. Place spinach in microwave-safe bowl. Cover with plastic wrap and microwave on high 2 minutes; squeeze spinach dry. Combine ravioli, drained tomatoes and Italian seasoning in medium microwave-safe bowl. Cover with plastic wrap and microwave on high 3 to 4 minutes or until mixture is hot. Combine cottage cheese, spinach and black pepper in small bowl. Place half of ravioli mixture in bottom of baking dish. Top with half of cottage cheese mixture and 1/2 cup shredded cheese. Repeat layers. Bake 15 minutes or until cheese is hot and bubbly.

For example, here's an unexpected twist on classic lasagna that uses Chef Boyardee as an ingredient. It's a wholesome meal that is easy enough for the kids to help make and even easier for the entire family to enjoy.

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Oktoberfest Strudel with Mustard Sauce

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- 3/4 cup melted German butter
- 1 cup minced onion
- 1 large Granny Smith apple, peeled, cored & diced
- 1 1/2 cups drained German Wine Sauerkraut
- 2 teaspoons caraway seeds
- 8 phyllo sheets
- 1/4 cup German sweet mustard
- 1 pound authentic German Deutschländer or bratwurst, thinly sliced

Mustard Sauce:

- 1 tablespoon German butter
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 cup light cream
- 3 tablespoons German sweet mustard
- 1 teaspoon paprika

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a large skillet, over medium heat, warm 2 tablespoons butter and sauté onion for 3 minutes. Add diced apple and sauté 3 more minutes. Remove

from heat, stir in sauerkraut and caraway, and mix well. On a large baking sheet, lay out one sheet of phyllo, fold in half lengthwise and brush with about 1 tablespoon butter. Repeat layering. Spread mustard over last layer of phyllo. Then spread sauerkraut filling lengthwise along the long side to the center of the dough, leaving a 1 1/2-inch border around the edges. Top sauerkraut with Deutschländer sausage or bratwurst slices; roll jelly roll style, folding in the short edges. Place seam-side down on pan; brush top with butter and bake 25 to 30 minutes or until golden brown. Meanwhile, prepare mustard sauce. In a large skillet, melt butter over medium-low heat, stirring in flour to form a smooth paste. Slowly stir in cream and continue stirring to keep lumps from forming. Whisk in mustard and heat through. Slice warm strudel and serve in a pool of mustard sauce. Sprinkle mustard sauce with paprika.

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Hanging it out to dry

By Lou Ann Thomas

When I was growing up, everyone had a clothesline. Ours was strung between two steel T's in the backyard and every Monday, my mother's wash day, the metal lines would sag with sheets, socks, jeans and the rest of our laundry.

I feel sorry for anyone who hasn't experienced the smell of fresh, outdoor-dried sheets. I'd often help my mother get the laundry off the line and as we folded those sheets I'd press my face into their crisp whiteness, breathing deeply of the sweetness that was now a part of them.

You don't see many clotheslines any more. I suspect it's simply easier to toss everything in the dryer and be done with it, but I missed the smell of line-dried sheets, shirts and socks, and seeing those

large, white sheets snapping in the breeze like billowing sails on the prairie. So when my nephew came for a visit recently and asked if there was anything he could do to help me, I gratefully accepted his assistance in rebuilding the old clothesline.

Once up and functional again I remembered that Mom always had a special technique for hanging the clothes on the line. Sheets needed to be doubled over the line and clipped tightly so they wouldn't drag on the ground. Socks were hung in matching pairs with just enough toe folded over the line to secure them. Shirts were clipped at the side

seams after being stretched tightly and my father's jeans were hung by the waist with metal stretchers in the legs to create a straight crease in each one.

The first day warm enough for my mother to hang the laundry on the clothesline signaled that it'd soon be warm enough for outdoor play, mowing the lawn and going barefoot again. It also meant a good night's sleep was ahead. I could hardly wait for bedtime so I could crawl between those line dried sheets, and when I did the sweet smell of musky earth, hyacinths and spring breezes floated around me. I rarely slept so well.

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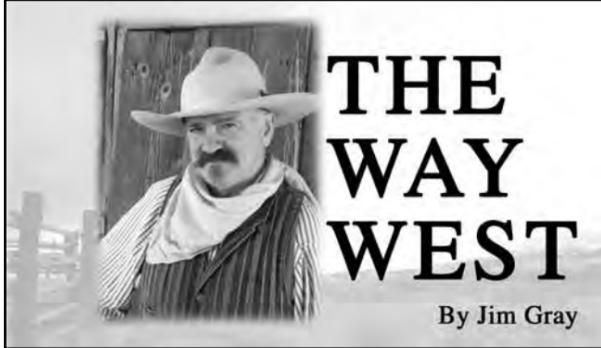
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By Jim Gray

A Texas "Droveress"

"There is a Texas droveress at Wichita with 1,000 cattle." So noted the Ellsworth Reporter of June 26, 1873. Women were not entirely unknown on the trail. Wives often accompanied their husbands and sometimes brought the children along. But as far as I know Margaret Heffernan Borland was the only woman referred to in print as a "droveress."

Mrs. Borland was no ordinary woman. She was born Margaret Heffernan, April 3, 1824, in New York City. Her family immigrated to Mexico's Texas frontier where they were to adhere to the Roman Catholic state religion and

required by law to speak the Spanish language.

Her father was killed by Mexican and Indian raiders on his brother's ranch in 1836. In 1843 Margaret married Harrison Dunbar, a young stockman from Victoria, Texas. Their daughter, Mary Dunbar, was born in 1844, shortly before Harrison was shot to death in what has been termed "a private dispute."

Margaret married another rancher, Milton Hardy, in 1845. Eliza was born early in 1847. Julia was born a year later. Eliza died before her third birthday. Sadly, Margaret's mother died at about the same time. Two more ba-

bies were welcomed into Margaret and Milton's family by 1852.

But misfortune seemed to follow Margaret through every aspect of her life. Milton and their youngest son, William, died of cholera in 1852.

Through her marriages the cattle business had been the one constant in Margaret's life. It was only natural that ranching drew Margaret and Alexander Borland together. Borland's holdings included more than eight thousand head of cattle. Their marriage in 1856 produced four more children. But death's hand was destined to knock again at Margaret's door. The yellow fever epidemic of 1867 killed Alexander Borland, four of their children, and a newborn grandson.

Margaret assumed management of the ranch with the help of a brother. There was money to be made trailing cattle to Kansas and if the cattle were going, Margaret was going, too.

A twenty-five-year-old nephew, John Heffernan, Jr. served as the trail boss.

Alex, sixteen, and Jesse, fourteen, worked as trail hands. Nellie was eight and a half and Margaret's granddaughter, Julia, was six. As she prepared to point her family and trail herd toward the North Star Margaret knew that she would mark her forty-ninth birthday somewhere on the trail April 3, 1873. Most trail drivers were young boys. Owners often took a steamship up the Mississippi, followed by a comfortable ride on the rails in a passenger car.

There would be no such comforts for Margaret Borland. After more than two grueling months on the trail Margaret and her trail-driving family arrived safely in Wichita. She checked into the Planters Hotel in early June. The Wichita Beacon, June 4, 1873, recorded the historic event. "Mrs. T.M. Borland of Texas, with three children, is stopping by the Planter house. She is the happy professor of about one thousand head of cattle, and accompanied the herd all the way from its starting point to this place, giving evidence of a

pluck and business tact far superior to many of the 'lords.'"

Operating in a man's world, Margaret's ladylike character endeared her to all who met her. The rigors of the trail brought about the need for every trail-hand to purchase a new set of duds at the end of the trail. Margaret was no different. At Jake Karatofsky's mercantile Margaret purchased a new chemise and skirt.

But the specter of tragedy continued to haunt Margaret's every move. The punishing drive left the "droveress" exhausted. After a couple of weeks she showed distressing signs of weakening.

Some called her condition "trail driving fever." Her symptoms suggested "congestion of the brain" recognized as an accumulation of blood in the brain's vessels. As she worsened Margaret fell into delirium before her terrified family. The Wichita Beacon announced her death from "mania, superinduced by the long, tedious jour-

ney and over-taxation of the brain."

Her family carried her body by wagon to Victoria, Texas, where she was buried in the Evergreen Cemetery. Her children erected the marker in remembrance "Our Mamma, Margaret Heffernan Borland, Born Apr. 3, 1824, Died July 5, 1873, Gone but not forgotten"

Her son-in-law Victor Rose wrote in tribute "Educated in the school of adversity, and in intimate acquaintance of trials, Mrs. Borland was a woman of resolute will and self-reliance; yet she was one of the kindest mothers." It was a tribute to a special lady, but one that represented the struggle of many frontier mothers who forged their lives on The Way West.

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Dairy title in new Farm Bill cuts volatility, MU economist tells congressional committee

Dairy programs in the draft 2012 Farm Bill can reduce milk-feed margin volatility, which has plagued milk producers in recent years. Yet the proposed law does not cut milk supplies and continues the U.S. role in milk export markets.

"It's important to note that farmer participation in the dairy program is voluntary," said Scott Brown, University of Missouri dairy economist. He testified to Congress April 26, in Washington.

A major shift in the dairy bill aims to protect producer margins rather than supporting milk prices, Brown said. In addition, producers can buy additional protection above the government base program to further reduce risks.

The new dairy bill would kick in when the price received for milk sinks too close to the cost of feed. In the past, dairy programs were tied to milk price.

Rapidly rising feed costs in a time of low milk prices hit dairy farmers hard starting in 2009, when milk receipts dropped \$10.5 bil-

lion, the biggest loss since then.

The proposed Dairy Security Act of the Farm Bill includes two programs: Dairy Producer Margin Protection and Dairy Market Stabilization. A producer choosing the margin program also becomes subject to the stabilization program. Producers can receive payments from the margin program and face restrictions under the stabilization options.

The margin defined in the law uses an all-milk price less calculated prices for corn, soybean meal and alfalfa.

Under stabilization, producers have limits on their milk production that receive market revenue. Under margin protection, producers will be paid based on their coverage level and USDA reported margin.

Generally, milk prices and feed costs are correlated, so margin payments tend not to occur often. However, when they are out of sync and margins shrink, producer payments would be triggered.

Brown said his computer

dairy model shows infrequent need for payments based on low margins, and that the stabilization program runs for short periods, unlike past dairy programs.

The new programs reduce federal payments, one goal of Congress in writing the 2012 Farm Bill.

Program payments depend on producer participation. Rather than estimate farm enrollment, Brown relied on representative-farm research by Texas A&M University. From that he assumed 70 percent of the U.S. milk would be enrolled.

Brown ran 500 options, a stochastic approach, using different market assump-

tions in the model. Results were compared with a 10-year milk-production and price baseline. Results showed only a slight decline in milk production compared to the baseline.

One finding, Brown told Congress, was that producers can reduce risk from low margins by participating. Volatility also drops.

Brown said producers should study buying additional margin protection. The base program is triggered at a milk-feed margin of \$4 or less. "Risk-averse farms can consider buying higher protection up to \$8 milk-feed margins," Brown said.

The analysis of the draft

dairy bill shows only small declines in U.S. dairy exports.

For the most part, because of the response to low margins and stabilization of volatility, the dairy program would not operate for long periods. That reduces federal spending and market interference.

The University of Missouri testimony was requested by the House Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry headed by Rep. Tom Rooney, R-Fla., and ranking member Rep. Dennis Cardoza, D-Calif.

The policy came out of Foundation for the Future,

a plan from the National Milk Producers Federation. Dairy was the first commodity group to prepare for the new Farm Bill.

Legislation based on that work was introduced by Rep. Collin Peterson, D-Minn., and Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, in 2011.

The dairy analysis can be seen at <http://web.missouri.edu/~browndo/>.

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probably have a good ride and get a lot of work done that day. If they don't like what they hear, that same rider may find himself sitting in a patch of prickly pear cactus after being bucked off and it will probably be a long, embarrassing walk home. If it is, you'll have plenty of time to pull those thorns out of your back side while you chastise yourself for not reading those ears when they signaled an explosion was imminent.

There are a whole lot of things you can think about on the way home — like how to not let that happen again. If you had a book about horse's ears, you'd be

able to learn something on that long walk.

You could say a horse's ears are like their radar system. They can detect things ahead that they can't see but sometimes can identify by smell. They are prey animals. If they detect something they feel might want to have them for dinner as the main course, they just might explode and do what all prey animals do — run away as fast as they can go.

Good horsemen watch a horse's ears to see what kind of mood they are in. It's like reading a book. Each ear movement means something different. We all know that when a horse lays his ears back, he's unhappy with something and maybe ready to do some damage to another horse or an inconsiderate rider. Get ready for something unpleasant to happen.

Those ears can go into more different positions than you can count. I've seen talented humans wig-

gle their ears to make people laugh. I can't do it and I don't know how those comedians do it because humans only have three muscles to control their ears. A horse can attain all those different positions because they have 10 ear muscles that can put their ears wherever they want them and they can move each ear individually in different positions at the same time. One ear can flop one way while the other ear can stand

straight up or flop the other way.

If both ears are at attention looking straight ahead, it means the horse is paying attention to something like someone or something coming up the trail that you can't see yet or maybe there's danger ahead. If you're riding along and both ears are just flopped over or in no particular position, your mount is completely relaxed and life must be good. If you're on

a strange horse, when you start out, you may see both ears turned back toward you. He's not sure about you and wants to study you to see how you ride. Occasionally, he may flick an ear forward to study the trail but they'll keep coming back to you again until he feels comfortable with you and decides you're harmless.

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Hunters swear by a horse's ears to indicate game ahead. They pay close attention to horses' reactions for locating game. I've got a lot closer to game on horseback than I ever could on foot. Maybe the reason is that game is less spooked by the sound of four legs hitting the ground rather than two of a person. A horse will point his ears in the direction of game just as a good bird dog will point toward the birds on the ground.

When their ears are kind of lying to the side or flopped over, the horse isn't paying attention to anything and is relaxed. He could be snoozing or dreaming about better pastures. If that's the case, you better let him know you're coming near him. Sing a little song or speak to him so as not to surprise him from his slumber.

You don't have to be on their back to learn something from their ears. Pay

attention to their ears when you're on the ground and you will learn something every time. Be especially careful of the horse that lays his ears back at you when you're in a vulnerable position like lifting a hoof off the ground or working around their hindquarters. They're dead-ly accurate when they kick or strike so it's best to pay attention. Horses will sometimes lay their ears back in a bluff to warn another horse or maybe even a rider that they don't like what they're doing. If the bluff doesn't work then most likely they will follow up with a kick or bite. If you see the ears go back and you can't talk the horse out of an aggressive move, you'd better get out of the way.

If you're on the trail or working cattle, pay attention to their radar system and your day will go a lot smoother. Most importantly, spend a little time trying to interpret the ear movements. It will help you become a better horseman.

Contact Ralph Galeano at horseman@horse-manspress.com or www.horse-manspress.com

Farm Credit Associations of Kansas, CoBank announce investment in Kansas agricultural education

Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and CoBank have announced their intent to match up to \$10,000 in donor pledges made toward the expansion of a new agricultural education building at the Kansas State Fairgrounds.

"We're proud to partner with Farm Credit Associations of Kansas to support this important project that will help today's students become tomorrow's leaders in agriculture," said Amy H. Gales, executive vice president of CoBank's Regional Agribusiness Banking Group. "We believe in giving back to the communities where our customers and our employees live and work, and we're excited to watch this program develop for the youth of Kansas."

"Farm Credit of Southwest Kansas joins with the other Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and CoBank in supporting

Kansas FFA and the Kansas State Fair with this exciting opportunity," said Mark Anderson, CEO of Farm Credit of Southwest Kansas located in Garden City. "Farm Credit believes in and has a vested interest in the future of agriculture in Kansas and we are thrilled to partner with our Kansas FFA youth whenever there are opportunities to enhance agricultural education in Kansas."

This winter the Kansas State Fair and Wick Buildings presented an opportunity to Kansas agricultural education programs and FFA chapters. The challenge was to raise funds necessary to increase square footage of a proposed new Wick 36X50 Smart Building, replacing the current agricultural education facility located by Gate 5. The initial challenge resulted in funds to build the larger building, plus finance educational displays that

will really maximize the effectiveness of the new facility.

"The Fair is excited for this opportunity for Kansas FFA. Not only will it enhance the current FFA exhibits, but it will also provide an avenue for FFA to showcase and grow its offerings," said Denny Stoecklein, manager of the Kansas State Fair. To date sixty-three groups and individuals have made a financial commitment to this project.

"We expect this building to become a gathering place for agriculture education students and showcase not only traditional agriculture but the diversity and science of today's modern agriculture. A portion of the building is similar to what we have had... this

shows the "traditional" idea of agriculture," said Harmon Bliss, Hodgeman County agricultural educator and building campaign chair. "The second part of the building is where we can showcase the diversity and science of agriculture through our educational pathways, post-secondary options in our state, and even career exploration. We are truly thankful to Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and CoBank for their investment into the future of Kansas agricultural education."

The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive animals will also be on display in the new building and cared for by Kansas agricultural education students in early September.

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Murphy Tractor & Equipment holds grand opening

Murphy Tractor & Equipment Company, Inc., hosted their grand opening celebration for their new operations facility on Friday, April 20th, in Park City, with more than 300 attendees. Customers came and went as they pleased, enjoyed lunch, registered for door prizes, viewed new products and heard more about the very best construction equipment on the market.

Included in the activities were presentations for Worksite Solutions by Jason Welch, Technology Specialist for Murphy Tractor. Customers were also able to hear about services Murphy Tractor provides, including the following:

- JDLink – Technology

that allows customers to access information about their machine's performance and location.

- Fleet Care – Service that interprets machine data. It allows customers to increase machine produc-

tivity and significantly lower their operating expenses. Fleet Care evaluates machine data and "thinks through" maintenance protocols before prescribing down time cures that will keep fleets and the bottom line of customers healthy.

- Service Advisor Remote – allows Murphy Tractor to connect remotely to customer's machines

for diagnostic codes, record performance data, and update software, without requiring a jobsite visit.

"Thank you to all who had a hand in putting together the celebration and to our customers for making it such a great turnout. We look forward to the opportunities to come at the new facility," said Bill Barnard, branch manager.

Murphy Tractor and Equipment Company, Inc., one of John Deere's largest North American construction equipment dealer organizations, is headquartered in Park City. The organization has 28 locations throughout the Midwestern states of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Nebraska. Find out more at: www.murphytractor.com.



A future Murphy tractor customer gets behind the wheel of a Hamm paver.

Sedgwick County Wheat Plot Tour planned for May 23

The Sedgwick County Extension Wheat Variety Plot Tour will be held May 23, 2012. The first tour is at 7:30 a.m. and located 1/2 mile south of 21st Street north on 247th St W (Andale Road). The second tour is at 10:00 a.m., located at the Clearwater Co-op. There will be a grilled hamburger lunch after the tour. There will be five speakers plus seed company representatives. For further information call Gary Cramer 316-660-0153 or go to www.sedgwick.ksu.edu.

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Kansas Profile

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Joe Works – B&W Trailer Hitches – Part 2

NBC Nightly News, March 16, 2009. The evening prime time newscast features a story about a business which was hit by the economic downturn — but instead of laying off employees, it kept them on the payroll and sent those employees out to work on projects for the community. The remarkable business which used this amazing strategy is found in rural Kansas. It's the subject of today's Kansas Profile.

Last time we learned about B&W Trailer Hitches, owned by Joe Works. Joe and co-founder Roger Baker designed truck beds and gooseneck trailer hitches which are now sold nationwide and beyond. They include the innovative Turnover Ball which revolutionized the industry. Beth Barlow, Joe Works' daughter, is marketing director for the company.

Many manufacturing companies were hit hard by the economic downturn of the past decade, and certainly B&W Trailer Hitches was affected as well.

"We did go through a lot of lean years and I know what it's like," Joe said. Beth remembers those times well. Sales were down and employees were idle.

"It was heartbreaking," Beth said. "We were looking at how to lessen the payroll, and we took a few days to learn about how the state would handle our unemployment."

But then the company took a different course.

"Joe came in one day and said, 'You know what, let's just not lay anybody off,'" Beth said. Instead, the company tried something different. Joe sent the employees into the community — with full pay — to use their skills on

various projects around the town. The labor was provided to the community free of charge.

So, instead of welding trailer hitches inside the company's plant, the workers went out to repaint churches, prune trees, spruce up playgrounds, and refurbish the baseball fields. Not only did these projects significantly benefit the community, it benefited the workers and their families as well as the local economy by keeping those workers employed.

But what about the impact on the company itself? "It was a good move," Beth said. "I think it was a forward-looking move on Joe's part. He believed (demand for products) would come back, and it has. We have an investment in training our employees. Doing these community projects utilized our employees' skills and retained them in the company."

Business has recovered for B&W Trailer Hitches. In fact, the company had record sales months in late 2011 and early 2012. At the time of the downturn, the company employed 180 people. Today, B&W Trailer Hitches has grown to 220. B&W Trailer Hitches is now Humboldt's largest employer.

Sending the employees out to work in the community is an amazing alternative to the layoffs experienced by so many manufacturers in the 2000s. In fact, it was so unusual that it came to the attention of NBC

Nightly News. A television reporter and camera crew came to the rural community of Humboldt to cover the story. Humboldt is a town of 1,964 people. Now, that's rural.

The TV reporter interviewed Joe Works and other local citizens and shared their comments about the mutually beneficial relationship of company and community.

"Because I've been blessed by a business that's been successful and made some money, I don't want to hang onto that with a greedy atti-

tude, I want to share," Joe said.

"It's Midwestern values, but this is above and beyond," said Larry Mendoza, Humboldt recreation director.

"It's like one big family," said Janet Pulley of the Poplar Grove Baptist Church. "What hurts one hurts the other, and what helps one helps the other." The reporter described it this way: "Restoring a piece of the heartland — keeping one hometown alive for the next generation."

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It's time to turn off the NBC Nightly News, but we are thankful that a television network would highlight this innovative way to utilize employees during an economic downturn. The television segment about B&W Trailer Hitches was fittingly titled "Making a Difference." We commend Joe Works for finding this creative way to benefit the community while benefiting his employees as well. To me, that result is big news.

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DAY #2

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Winchester Md. 94 30-30 rifle Buffalo Bill Commemorative, with octagonal barrel, in original box, SN1175619453B; Winchester Md. 94 30-30 rifle Lone Star Commemorative, 1/2 round, 1/2 octagonal barrel, in original box, SN2LS15168G9457L; Winchester Md. 94 30-30 rifle, new, SN3666196; Browning 30-06 rifle Belgium made in 1969, Bar Grade 3, with Redfield scope, excellent condition, SN95590M69; Ruger M77 30-06 rifle, bolt action with Redfield scope, SN70-24605; Winchester Md.320 22 rifle, 225L or long rifle, new, SND24396; Marlin "Baby Marlin" 22 rifle patent date April 1889 to November 1904; Ruger Blackhawk 357 Mag. revolver, 3 screw 4 5/8 barrel, in original box, SN131868; Ruger Single Six, 22 /22 Mag. revolver, 3 screw, SN 727040; Colt Detective Special, 38 Special CTG revolver, 2" barrel, 1930's vintage, SN 1329; Replica 45 revolver in box non-firing; Steven's Md. 240 over & under 410 shotgun, chambered for 3" shells, 2 hammers & 2 triggers; Winchester Md.12 shotgun 12ga., full choke, 1954, SN1433166; Winchester Md.50

12ga. shotgun, full choke, 3" magnum 1950's, SN130692; Winchester Md.59 12ga. shotgun, semi auto, 2 3/4 chamber, full choke, SN54793; Winchester Win-lite Md. 59 12ga. shotgun, screw in choke, SN70519; Winchester Win-lite Md. 59 12 ga. shotgun, screw in choke, SN75371; glass front gun case holds 12 guns; 200 plus pocket knives and fixed blade knives incl. Case, Schrade, Buck, Remington, K-Bar, and others mostly USA made, excellent offering. There will be a list on the website: www.hallgrenauctions.com.

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Beef consumers: flavor is at top of their list

When it comes to food, the alternatives are endless: spicy or bland; Mexican, Italian, Asian or Southern-style comfort dishes. But when it comes to beef, almost everyone agrees on a few features.

"Consumers tell us that higher fat levels are more desirable; they like it better," says Mark Miller, meat scientist at Texas Tech University. "We've found that marbling level has a really big impact on the consumer's desire for beef." He referenced a thesis by Travis O'Quinn, "Consumer Acceptance of Beef Strips," comparing strip loins from USDA Prime to Select, where overall liking declined from 95.8% to 79%. That linear downtrend mirrored the flavor ratings, which showed 97.5% of the Prime steaks were accept-

able. Those scores dropped with each successive grade break: 94.2% for high Choice, 92.4% for low Choice and 85.8% for Select. "Overall liking was most highly correlated with flavor," the thesis states, but tenderness and juiciness ratings followed similar patterns. "That shows why the CAB (Certified Angus Beef®) brand is so effective. It has increased all that market share based on flavor," Miller says. Consumers rated each steak with a "perceived quality level," such as unsatisfactory, good everyday quality, better than everyday quality and premium quality.

For Prime, 35.8% called it "premium quality" and 34.2% said it was "better than everyday quality," for a combined total 71% above average.

The high Choice had 55.8% in those two upper categories, compared to Select at just 29.2%.

The USDA quality grades do their job, Miller says.

"They're based on what will give you the ultimate level of consumer satisfaction," he says. Juiciness is controlled by degree of doneness, so that leaves flavor and tenderness. Since quality grades include a maturity component, that helps with the latter.

"On top of that we use marbling, a factor that's tremendously related to all three," he says.

Research a decade ago showed tenderness contributed half of overall beef eaters' satisfaction, followed by flavor at 40%.

"Tenderness is by far the most important factor, but once a steak meets a

consumer's threshold for tenderness, then flavor becomes the sole driver," Miller says, explaining flavor was a main focus in the latest study. Surveys reveal more than 91% of the beef in today's retail case meets tenderness expectations.

"Tenderness is the most important factor and we need to keep on top of it—we need to keep surveying and monitoring it. We need to keep progressing," he says. "But flavor is an area where we can make a lot of progress on our competition, especially in the international market."

The Texas team is already into research that digs deeper.

"We've been working to

characterize not only what it is that makes flavor important in beef, but trying to identify the individual compounds that make a difference," Miller says, noting collaborative projects in Australia and Ireland.

Using instruments to analyze the chemical makeup of the aroma that wafts from varying qualities of steaks, for example, may help meat scientists determine what's behind taste at different marbling levels.

"The take-home for cattlemen is, we have a product that we need to keep improving so we can give it the flavor, juiciness and tenderness that the consumer wants," he says.

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2001 Chevy 2500 cargo Van, 123,000 miles, very good mechanical condition, no rust or damage, roof racks, rear view camera with 7" screen, radio, CD, carpeted & insulated cargo area.

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Nation's largest 100 agriculture co-ops post near-record sales and margins

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The nation's 100 largest agriculture cooperatives reported near-record revenue of \$118 billion in 2010, USDA rural development under secretary Dallas Tonsager announced. This was an increase of 4 percent over 2009 figures. Net income for the 100 top agriculture co-ops was also up more than 10 percent in 2010, reaching \$2.39 billion, up from \$2.16 billion in 2009.

"Farmer and rancher-owned cooperatives are a mainstay in the American economy, not only helping members market and process their crops, milk and livestock and creating jobs, but also helping producers keep more of the earnings derived from their products at home, in rural counties and communities," Tonsager said. "The end result is a huge net benefit for producers, their communities and the overall rural economy. Farmer co-ops also account for significant numbers of jobs and economic activity in many cities."

CHS Inc., a farm supply, grain and foods cooperative based in Saint Paul, Minn., topped the list with 2010 revenue of \$25.3 billion.

Land O' Lakes, a dairy foods and farm supply co-op, also based in Saint Paul, ranked second, with revenue of \$11.1 billion; Dairy Farmers of America, based in Kansas City, Mo., was third with \$9.8 billion in 2010 revenue.

USDA's top 100 ag co-op list shows that 23 co-ops had 2010 revenue of more than \$1 billion. Another 47 co-ops had revenue between \$506 million and \$1 billion. The 100th ranked co-op had sales of \$276 million. Leading the revenue increase from 2009 to 2010 were dairy cooperatives, which saw 2010 revenue climb more than 14.5 percent from the previous year, to \$29.5 billion. Dairy cooperatives accounted for more than half of the revenue increase recorded by the top 100 ag co-ops in 2010.

Gross margins, as a percent of total sales, were up slightly, from 9 percent to 9.2 percent. The increase in gross margins partially covered higher expenses. Gross margins plus service revenue climbed to \$684 million.

Total expenses for the top 100 ag co-ops were up \$575 million in 2010. The largest cost increase was for labor, where expenses

climbed by 7 percent, to \$4.6 billion. On the other hand, lower interest rates and less debt caused interest expense to drop 11 percent.

"While it is encouraging to see the nation's largest farmer-owned cooperatives reporting strong revenue and income, it is also noteworthy that the nation is seeing a surge in the formation of small-farmer cooperatives and quasi-cooperatives that have been created to meet the growing demand for locally produced foods," Tonsager said.

The asset base for the top 100 ag co-ops grew by \$2.3 billion between 2009 and 2010. Current assets accounted for nearly two-thirds of that increase. Fixed assets also showed an increase of \$600 million.

For a complete list of the top 100 cooperatives, go to www.rurdev.usda.gov.

FFA develops online TV channel

Following the successful live broadcast of its 2011 National FFA Convention, the National FFA Organization has decided to take up permanent residence on the iHigh.com platform with its own channel.

The FFA Channel, which will be powered by Alltech and iHigh, will capitalize on the latest in Web technology to bring greater unity to their membership base, which is more than a half-million students strong throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The ability of a Web channel to provide such a platform was exemplified in the October live broadcast of 2011 National FFA Convention, which was attended by more than 53,000 attendees and joined live on the Internet by an additional 550,000 viewers who would have otherwise missed the experience.

"We are very excited

about the opportunity that this channel will afford our members," said Dwight Armstrong, chief executive officer of the National FFA Organization. "Having an FFA iHigh channel will create another vehicle for us to share the FFA message of premier leadership, personal growth and career success."

In a nod to social Web trends, FFA has entered into a licensing agreement with Alltech, which will allow an element of personalization for state and local chapters. Each state chapter will have their own site, which may be used to highlight awards banquets and other special events. Likewise, each local chapter will be integrated into their high school's site, creating a

platform for the promotion of agriculture with a distinct community-focused tone. Because of the unique business model, all sites have the ability to generate revenue for their organization.

"Once again FFA has taken a leadership position in the field of agriculture," said Billy Frey, senior vice president of the Alltech/iHigh Joint Venture. "FFA chapters around the country can bridge the urban-rural divide by giving anyone with a computer an inside view to the world of agriculture. Many states such as New Hampshire and Minnesota already are spreading FFA's message by broadcasting their state conventions live and on-demand."

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scope, guns, collectibles, household & furniture at McPherson for Walt & Michelle Eis. Auctioneers: Triple K Auction & Real Estate.

May 12 — Guns, knives, lawn tractor, generator, collectibles, tools & misc. at Council Grove For Joe & Shirley McClure. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

May 12 — Commercial appliances, restaurant & cafeteria equipment at Great Bend for St. Rose Ambulatory & Surgery Center. Auctioneers: Schremmer Auction.

May 12 — Furniture, glass, collectibles, dolls, advertising & more at Manhattan for Alvin (Deak) & Edna Williams. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Es-

tate & Auctions. May 12 — Antiques, collectibles at Basehor for Ma's Country Antiques. Auctioneers: Lindsay Auction Service.

May 12 — Tractors, guns, household, old coins at Ottawa. Auctioneers: Eastern Kansas Auction Barn.

May 12 — Tractors, machinery, trucks, trailers, boats S. of Garnett for Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester Jackson. Auctioneers: Edgecomb Auctions.

May 12 — Antique furniture, glassware, old tools, advertising items, guns, WWI & WWII collectibles at Topeka. Auctioneers: Whitmore Thunderwood Auction.

May 12 — Pasture, hay meadow, pond & timber at Meriden. Auctioneers:

Countrywide Realty, Inc. Auction Services.

May 12 — Antiques, collectibles, furniture & misc. at Abilene for Elizabeth Storer. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers Realty & Auction.

May 12 — Machinery, horse/pony items, vet equip., personal property near Lawrence for Wauk-A-Way Farms & WW Wempe Estate. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates Realty & Auctions.

May 12 — House & detached garage at Wheaton for Winona Matzke Estate. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Realty & Auction Co.

May 12 — Antique tractors, garden tractors, antique tractor parts, utility cart, guns, trailers, farm equip. & tools, antiques

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May 12 — House, real estate, personal property, tools, household at Alma for Jess Greenburg. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty Service.

May 12 — Farm equipment & real estate at Maple Hill for C.F. (Buck) & Alta Hewes. Auctioneers: Pearl Real Estate & Appraisal Service.

May 12 — Labette County land at Oswego for Jerry Rickmeyer & Family. Auctioneers: Chesnutt & Chesnutt.

May 12 — 2011-2012 Clay Center High School 3-bedroom carpentry house at Clay Center for USD 379. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

May 14 — Edwards County real estate at Kinsley for Dennis & Silvia Gottschalk. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

May 15 — Coins, cargo van, Ethan Allen furniture, furniture, appliances, household at Manhattan for Doris Setterquist Estate & 2 other area estates. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

May 16 — Trucks, van, tools, concrete tools, steel at Manhattan for construction company liquidation. Auctioneers: Totally Auction.

May 16 — Tractors, trucks, vehicles, trailers, aquatic equipment, planting equipment online (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

May 16 — Dickinson County land at Junction City for OCS Investments, Inc. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service.

May 17 — Dickinson County farmland at Abilene for Carroll Sue Keating. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers Realty & Auction Co.

May 17 — Real estate at

Washington for Washington Development Company, Inc. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

May 17 — Saline County pasture & crop acreage at Brookville for Watters Heirs. Auctioneers: Omlil & Associates, Inc.

May 17 — Real estate at Lawrence for Wauk-A-Way Farms & WW Wempe Estate. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates.

May 18 — Silver coins, silver tea set, household, collectibles & jewelry at Herington for Geneva Will. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer, Bob's Auction Service.

May 19 — Tractors, farm equipment, shop items, lawn & garden, old & collectible, household & misc. at Peabody for Dorothy (Mrs. Joel) Haneman. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

May 19 — Trucks, camper, tractor, cattle equip., garden tools & tools, beauty shop equip. & more at Riley (Bala). Auctioneers: United Country Ruckert Realty & Auction.

May 19 — Tractor, pickups, yard, garden & shop equip., antiques at Chapman for Flohr, Cederberg & Cade Estates. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

May 19 — Real estate, vehicles, mowers, shop equipment & household at Moundridge for John Warren Regier. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction & Real Estate.

May 19 — Furniture, appliances, collectibles, general household, yard care & mechanic & woodworking tools, construction items, old shop manuals at Clay Center for George Davidson. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

May 19 - 20 & 21: Collectible glass & porcelain & more at Manhattan for Mary Fillman Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

May 20 — Autos, pickup, oak back bar, JD toys & items, collectibles, guns, tools, household & misc., antique furniture, coins & collectibles at Beatrice for Marvin & Emalean Parde. Auctioneers: Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

May 20 — Coins, jewelry, Blacksmith's & collectibles, furniture, household & tools at Lawrence for Tim Thurman. Auctioneers: Elston Auction.

May 21 — Kansas/ Oklahoma Stateline area, acreage in Barber County at Medicine Lodge. Auctioneers: United Country Nixon Auction & Realty, LLC.

May 24 — Gates, concrete forms, construction equip. & tools at Concordia for Ron & Kay Solt. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

May 26 — Antiques, antique furniture, collectibles at Chapman for Flohr, Cederberg & Cade Estates. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

May 26 — 30-acre Ranchette at Hillsboro for Kaylene Unruh. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

May 27 — Antiques & household at Hanover for Elvira Kruse & Others. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

May 28 — US & German military, foreign coins, Native American items, gun, tools, collectibles, automobile, household, books at Overbrook for Norman Corn Trust. Auctioneers: Edgcomb Auctions.

May 28 — 19th annual Memorial Day auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

May 29 — Woodson County Acreage at Yates Center. Auctioneers: Farms National Company.

June 2 — Auction at Lawrence for Lance Burr. Auctioneers: Elston Auction.

June 2 — Vehicles, trailers, guns, household, antiques, mowers, tools &

misc. at Belleville for Harold & Betty Johnson. Auctioneers: Novak Brothers & Gieber.

June 2 — Antiques, collectibles, household & outdoor items at Randolph for Victoria Desjardins. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

June 9 — Real estate, camper, trailer, shop equipment, household & guns at Walton for Richard Hiebert Estate, James W. (Jim) & Marilyn Martin. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction & Real Estate.

June 9 — Tractor, pickup, appliances & household misc. at Concordia for Roger & Mary Jean Colby. Auctioneers: Lar-

ry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

June 9 — Auction at DeSoto for Larry & Brenda West. Auctioneers: Elston Auction.

June 28 — National Holstein Convention Futures Sale at Springfield, Missouri. Auctioneers: Burton & Associates.

June 29 — National Holstein Convention sale at Springfield, Missouri. Auctioneers: Burton & Associates.

July 9 — Real estate at Formosa for Cynthia A. Hart. Auctioneer: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

August 4 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 3 — 17th annual Labor Day auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 7 — Fall machinery auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

September 17 — Pasture at Aurora for Maryln Swenson. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

November 3 — Harley Gerdes Consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

January 1, 2013 — Harley Gerdes 28th annual New Year's Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

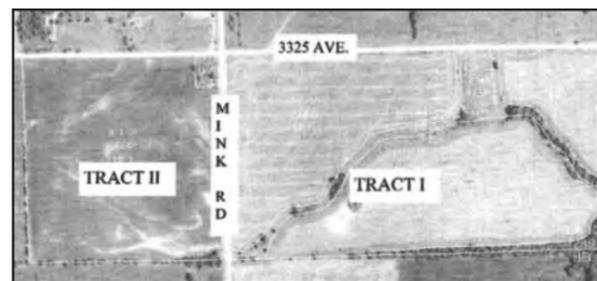
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Directions to auction site: From Maple Hill north 1/2 miles to Beaverstream Rd., 3/4 mi east to Willmet Crossing Rd., and 1/2 mile north. From east edge of St. Marys, Junction of Hwy 24 & Maple Hill Rd, south on Maple Hill Rd 8 miles following signs to Maple Hill to Beaverstream Rd, 1 mile south of Kansas River, east 3/4 mi to Willmet Crossing Rd and 1/2 mile north.

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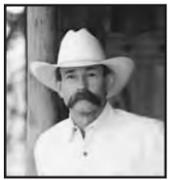
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Pink Slime Controversy

Rick and I were discussing the uproar about "pink slime." He said, "Well, I don't know much, but I'm sure not gonna buy any of their CDs!"

It's all in a name; Pink Floyd, Pink Panther, Pink, Pinko Commie, pink in the center (medium rare), pink eye, Pinky Lee and/or pinkie finger. Pink slime, as you have heard, is a predominantly lean beef that has been separated from fat and is added back to hamburger to make it leaner. It is puffed with ammonia gas to eliminate bacteria. They could have chosen to call it lean beef crystals, beeffills, red stripes, lean beef sprinkles, or recycled fresh beef calorie reducers. But they didn't, so unwittingly, they became targets.

The furor began when the drive-by media, all by themselves, manufactured a "BREAKING NEWS EXPOSE!" to fill the airwaves during the lull between the Republican primary/Jerry Springer Tour and the drumming-numbing malaise of Obam-akonomy. Somebody in the newsroom said, "Slime? They are adding slime to food? That sounds terrible, therefore...it must be bad!"

That is the extent and depth of our infotainment

media today. Someday they will give a Pulitzer Prize for Invented News! To their credit they are not doing it out of malice, remember they are in show biz. We still hear self-righteous pundits and reporters refer to cows "flatulating" more methane into the atmosphere than all the cars in the country... Oh no! If they had read the second paragraph in the news release they would realize #1) Cows do not flatulate, they belch, #2) Cows also produce more milk than all the cars in the country, and #3) All of agriculture contributes only 5.6% of the greenhouse gases while fossil fuels, their recovery and use, are responsible for 85% of all the greenhouse gases. (EPA 2007). Most of the media are speaking to an audience that seems to have the attention span of a Bartlett pear.

For all of us whose "ox has been gored," by this exaggerated deliberate effort to sensationalize the illusion of a major earth-shattering discovery, we must forego our own indignation of their ignorance. As soon as the next headline; such as another Kardashian divorce/marriage/breakup/pregnancy, or North Korean

nuclear threat, or new American Idol host is announced, pink slime's newsworthiness will plummet.

The name pink slime will eventually become accepted, to be followed by an increased use of the word "slime" in a positive way, like "Cool, Dude, so Ill, Wicked, or Sick. We'll hear teenagers using it constantly, "Slimy, Dude, really Slimniverous! He's got, ya know, like, so slimable. Oohhh, this is so slimalicious! Gimme some slime, bro!"

The ruckus will soon blow over and the name will work its way into our lexicon. And no matter what we call this good product, it will always be pink slime. Remember BSE? Bovine spongiform? The public doesn't either. It will always be mad cow disease. So we're stuck with PS, and you can bet your slime on it. It's like having the middle name Elmer, you learn to live with it.

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Governor extends suspension of motor carrier rules to aid in drought relief

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This order applies to individuals hauling hay to livestock in drought-stricken areas of Kansas and to those driving through Kansas to make deliveries in Oklahoma and Texas. Executive Order 12-06 temporarily suspends the requirements to receive over dimensional permits from the Kansas Department of

Transportation, registration and fuel tax permits from the Kansas Department of Revenue and permits from the Kansas Corporation Commission. Motor carriers participating in the relief efforts are not permitted to travel during night-time hours or during inclement weather conditions.

Oversize or overweight loads are not to be transported when visibility is less than one-half mile or when conditions of moderate to heavy rain, sleet, snow, fog or smoke exist, or when highway surfaces are slippery because of ice, packed snow, or rain.

Participating motor carriers are limited to a load that does not exceed 12 feet in width and does not exceed a height of 14 feet, six inches. Under normal circumstances, haulers are required to get a permit for loads exceeding 8½ feet in width and/or 14 feet in height. All other applicable state and federal regulations continue to apply, including the requirement of having a valid driver's license.

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