



# Aflatoxin in corn raising concerns as harvest progresses

By Amy G. Hadachek

Critical advice is being issued to Kansas farmers preparing to haul corn to the grain elevator, especially in the wake of some aflatoxin seeping into a few north central Kansas cornfields from southern parts of the state.

"Don't leave your trucks loaded overnight, nor over a weekend," cautioned Randy Nelson, north central Kansas facilities manager for Hansen-Mueller. "I just had three loads come in from locations in Republic County that we had to reject during the last week of August, because the level of the aflatoxin fungus was too high," Nelson said. "We had one farmer who combined his corn on a Friday before it rained that night, but he left it on the truck, and by Monday afternoon — the fungus level had already grown too high."

In fact, Nelson warned that fungus can keep growing whether corn is held in a truck, or inside a grain bin. He recommends pushing air through it, so moisture stays below the necessary 15%. Nelson calculated that he's received about 20 loads of corn, but three loads had to be rejected.

"At 20 parts per billion of aflatoxin, we discount the load. But, over 150, we won't take it," Nelson said, noting the trucks they had to



Hansen-Mueller employee Clint Strait demonstrates the lab work to test for aflatoxin in trucks hauling corn.

turn away had loads with more than 150 ppb.

Hansen-Mueller recently ordered new equipment to test for possible aflatoxin at their six locations in Kansas; including Belleville East, Scandia and Courtland in Republic County. The other three locations with new testing equipment are Oberlin and two locations in Sublett.

Meanwhile, Todd Whitney, district Extension agent at the River Valley Extension District with Kansas State

University advised being aware of the possibility of aflatoxin, but that the jury's still out regarding predicting any doom and gloom.

"I've seen some mold on the tips of ears of later-planted corn in some Washington County fields, but we can't yet confirm that we're dealing with any high levels of the *Aspergillus Flavus*, which would be the yellow-green color mold," Whitney said. "I don't think we should start living in fear now. We always have a cer-

tain level of molds each year, but it's not practical to go out and spray the crop."

Aflatoxins are a group of chemicals produced by certain mold fungi. The risk of aflatoxin contamination is greater in damaged, moldy corn. In potential cases of large amounts, it's considered harmful to livestock and humans.

Recommendations about aflatoxin recently came to light from a Kansas State University plant pathologist at a Kansas City, Mo. health

and safety seminar attended by Nelson. Although aflatoxin has been found mainly in southern Kansas, Nelson felt strongly about getting the message out to corn producers in the northern Kansas region. If any aflatoxin is calculated over the federally mandated limit of 20 parts per billion of corn, Nelson advises them to contact their crop insurance agent.

Nelson said they're actively testing at Hansen-Mueller, and hiring ten new people to help conduct those tests.

"When the farmer brings in the truck to us, or probably any other elevator, we'll test it. If it's over 20 ppb, and he gets a dock on it, we will save a sample for him," Nelson said. "If the farmer then decides to submit it for a claim against his crop insurance, he can advise his insurance agency that Hansen-Mueller tested it."

What if aflatoxin is detected? Nelson recommends acting quickly.

"At that point, the farmer should take immediate steps to advise his crop insurance agent, because the elevator's sample in a bag can only be held here for just three-four days," Nelson said. While elevators may be using a black light to determine any presence of aflatoxin, Whitney doesn't believe the black light could be a completely accurate test.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Risk Management Agency establishes crop insurance guidelines. Paul Bachle, a North Central Kansas-area crop adjuster claims supervisor with NAU Country Insurance said those guidelines about aflatoxin are detailed in the farmer's policy, known as the actuarial document.

"When a farmer signed up for crop insurance, that's just part of the policy," Bachle relayed. "Discount factors, such as any aflatoxin higher than 20 parts per billion, are detailed in the insurance policy."

If you see yellow-green mold, that could be a concern. Older animals, such as in a feed lot, can handle higher levels of aflatoxin than younger animals, according to Whitney.

"If fed to larger animals over 800 lbs, the maximum usable level of aflatoxin could be as high as 300 parts per billion, Whitney said. "But, aflatoxin is more of a concern for dairy producers than feedlots, because their acceptable level of aflatoxin in milk is much lower than a feedlot's," added Whitney. "If you see a yellowish-green on the husk or tip of the ear or on kernels, that could raise concern. If you see black or blue, we're not as concerned about that," Whitney said. "We usually have that around, anyway."

# Drought spurs interest in grass management

By Mark Parker

Getting to know your pastures better is the critical first step toward more profitable grazing, especially when drought slashes forage supplies, according to a nationally known grazing expert.

Speaking to Kansas farmers and ranchers recently, Jim Gerrish noted that each

farm and ranch has unique resources. Matching grazing animals to forage resources is far more cost effective than adapting pastures to fit a certain class of grazing animal and it's particularly critical during a drought, the Idaho-based grazier and consultant said.

Gerrish shared his expertise during two-day workshops in Topeka and Hays produced by the Kansas Rural Center through a grant awarded by the USDA Risk Management Agency.

"Here's what you need to know about your pastures," Gerrish said. "How much forage you can produce, when is that forage available, what is its nutritive value at specific times of the year, and how much does it cost to produce that forage?"

Gerrish, a former University of Missouri beef-forage systems scientist who has authored two books on grazing, emphasized that regular pasture inventories to determine available forage are important, he said, noting that, "Training your eye to figure out how much forage you have is no differ-

ent than counting bales in the barn."

Monitoring forage supply is especially critical in preparing for drought impact. Gerrish said diversifying pastures and stockpiling forage can dramatically help producers deal with dry periods but he also suggested establishing forage inventory "trigger points" that dictate when it's time to destock. Prioritizing the herd helps ensure that the culling order reflects the goals and needs of the operation.

The goal of any grazing management system, Gerrish said, should be to extend the grazing season and reduce or eliminate the need for hay. Identifying weak links in forage supply throughout the year helps producers re-evaluate traditional management practices.

"Normally, we've responded to forage supply issues by feeding hay," he noted. "Today, however, the costs associated with hay have risen five to ten times faster than the price of cattle. A lot of times, feeding hay is just a bad habit."

Year-round grazing is

more than a matter of supply and demand, though, Gerrish explained. "Knowing the nutritional requirements of different classes of cattle — or other grazing species — enables you to match forage resources to animals and determines your production schedule. Cows have their highest protein requirement at peak lactation and highest energy demand from calving to rebreeding. At 90 days of age, pasture becomes a more important nutritional source to calves than their dams' milk. How does that fit with the nutritional content of the pastures you're grazing? Compare when your cows require peak forage with when your forage peaks."

Gerrish pointed out that many operations manage for the cow's diet without keeping the calf's needs in mind. "That's why so many later-born calves are dinks," he said. "Three months after they're born, there's not adequate quantity or quality of forage left for them."

For cow-calf producers, forage quality and availability should determine the production schedule, Gerrish



Extending the grazing season and reducing reliance on mechanically harvested forage were among the topics discussed by May, Idaho grazing expert Jim Gerrish at recent workshops in Topeka and Hays.

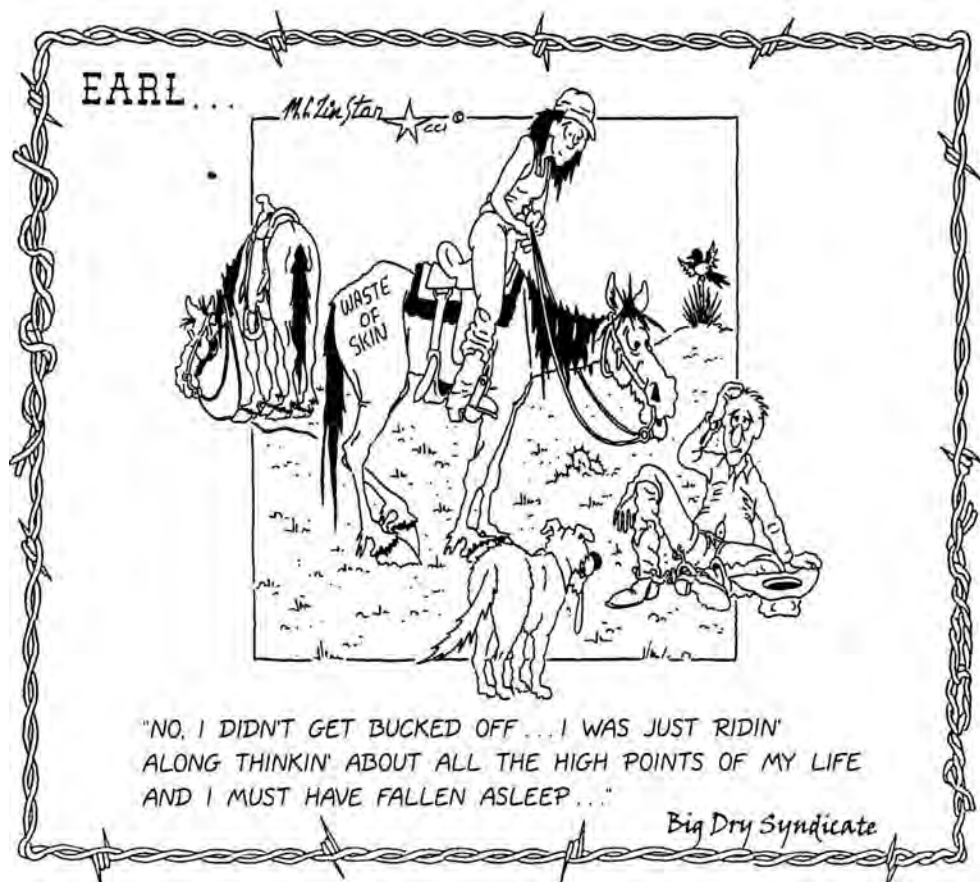
said. "Think in terms of whether your calves are born on green grass or dormant grass," he said. "February is not spring calving and August is not fall calving. Peak lactation should synch with

peak forage supply."

Cow type also plays an important role, Gerrish told the stockmen and women. The nutritional requirements

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I was waiting in the parking lot to pick my kids up after sports practices on the first day of school. Both kids ran to the car when they saw me. At first I thought they really missed me and I could barely contain myself. But as they got in the car I found out why they had been in such a hurry. In unison they both said, "Dad, we're hungry, can we stop for a snack?"

Talk about deflating your ego. Maybe that made me a little defensive or maybe it was the tightwad Dad in me coming out. Either way, my response was; "I pay good money for your school lunches and Mom has supper ready at home, you can wait." Again a unison response, "We're so hungry we can't wait until we get home!"

Home is only six miles away and I am used to the eating habits of teenagers; 1) there is never enough food and 2) the food is never good enough. So I asked, "What did you have for lunch?" Child #1's response was, "It was really good, but they didn't let us have as much to eat as we got last year." I pondered all of this while the kids ran into the convenience store for snacks.

When we arrived home the kids told their mother about their plight while devouring the supper she had made. Of course, Jennifer was on top of the issue and had witnessed it at the elementary school level earlier in the day. The culprit seemed to be new guidelines for school lunches.

This led me to a discussion with many other parents in many other school districts in several other states and the problems all seemed the same. A one size fits all dietary solution to kids of all sizes, shapes and activity levels. Protein is limited to 10 to 12 ounces per week for grades 9-12 and with a calorie level of 750 to 850 per meal. The problem seemed simple enough; not enough protein and not enough calories for active kids in sports and other activities. However, like most problems, it was not simple and the solution was far more complex.

The idea behind the new guidelines was great. Childhood obesity is a very real problem and leads to further problems as those children be-

come adults. As a society we have developed terrible eating habits, we consume too many processed food and too few servings of fresh fruits and vegetables. On top of that many kids get too little physical activity. The idea of limiting calories and fat and introducing more fruits and vegetables is one I whole-heartedly agree with, but I am also concerned that our very active growing teenagers need more.

I know that the kids and parents are frustrated by the portion size. I know the cooks are frustrated trying to balance preparing meals for hundreds, in a timely manner, and meeting the guidelines. I know the people implementing the guidelines are frustrated because they have spent a great deal of time and professional effort coming up with them. This is how a simple problem (hungry teenagers) becomes a much more complex problem in meeting the many different levels of nutritional needs, teaching good, healthy eating habits, preparing those healthier foods in mass quantities and doing all of this on a more limited budget.

Add into the mix kids who don't get enough physical activity, families with very limited financial resources who struggle to provide adequate levels of nutrition at home and a generation of parents who work more, cook less and have poor nutritional habits themselves. The portion problem becomes even more exacerbated when the kids won't eat the fruits and vegetables on their plates because they have never learned to eat them in the first place.

All of this sounds really frustrating and maybe even daunting, but there is hope. I have talked to many, many parents, school personnel and officials in charge of the school lunch program and we all want the same thing. We want youth who are healthy, happy and learning good eating habits that will serve them well as they become adults and eventually parents. We just have to work together to find those complex solutions. So just like we should all do each night at the supper table, let's all pull a chair up, sit down and talk.



**By John Schlageck,  
Kansas Farm Bureau**

With every passing year, farm machinery becomes larger and larger. Some of this new equipment is so large it extends into the oncoming traffic lane and far beyond the tractor pulling it. Farms are also larger today than in the past and farm operators are forced to travel longer distances on the highways between fields. Fewer people have farm backgrounds. Many do not recognize that caution must be exercised when approaching farm equipment on the roadway.

There is also more and more traffic on today's roadways. Farm equipment without side markings may not be seen, especially in low-light conditions. That's why colored, fluorescent film is the latest innovation to help make rural life safer. Properly placed on farm equipment these vibrant-colored, acrylic safety devices immediately attract the attention of approaching motorists.

Sometimes referred to as "perimeter marking materials," the micro prism used with fluorescent films uses up to 75 percent of its surface to reflect incoming light. Some of the glass bead reflective elements use only about 25 percent of the surface to return light.

"These new, long-lasting safety strips were not designed to replace slow-moving-vehicle emblems," says Holly Higgins, Kansas Farm Bureau safety and health programs director. "Our farmers, ranchers and rural people could use them for their own protection and for those who may be traveling near them."

Higgins notes approximately 50 percent of all accidents with farm equipment are sideswipes. The longer lasting reflective tape can provide greater safety by increasing visibility when approaching slow moving farm equipment from behind.

"The ideal scenario is to use yellow reflectors on the side and front of the equipment while red and orange strips should be placed on

both sides of the back with the slow-moving-vehicle emblem in the middle," Higgins says.

Until recently, most fluorescent materials used outdoors faded quickly – in a matter of months. Some of the new products on the market today will last a minimum of two years and as long as three to five years, depending on weather conditions.

The most critical time to provide high visibility for slow-moving farm machinery is in poor lighting conditions, including twilight, and

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## Prairie Ponderings

**By Donna Sullivan**

You may have seen in the news that PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) is suing the Kansas State Fair over their insistence that graphic videos depicting animal slaughter and instances of animal abuse be shown behind partitions so that fair-goers have to choose to look at them rather than being subjected to them by merely walking by. PETA and their attorneys say the partitions violate their right of free speech. Since the State Fair starts three days after this paper comes out, the issue could already be resolved by the time you read this.

But partitions or no partitions, the PETA video, "Glass Walls," will be shown at the Kansas State Fair. That begs the question, what are those in the livestock industry going to do about it? Will

we take another public relations hit on the chin, or will we make sure our side of the story gets told?

I propose that the various groups work together to set up booths on both sides of the PETA booth. Show video of animals being raised and slaughtered in the humane way that is the norm in our industry, not the exception. Distribute literature that describes the lengths to which producers go to ensure their animals are handled properly each day of their life on this earth. And just for added value, hand out free beef, pork and lamb samples. Have the grill fired up right there, so the wonderful aroma of cooking meat wafts around the booths. Be ambassadors – engage the crowds about our industry. If it's too late to get booth space, be a walking display. However it's done, make your presence known.

The simple truth is, not every fair-goer takes time to walk through the livestock barns. They won't talk to the 4-H'ers caring for their animals or watch any of the breed shows. For many, the images they see at the PETA booth is what they will go home believing animal agriculture is all about. We cannot afford to let that happen. It really matters very little what the courts decide in the case. What matters is whether we allow a sick, twisted, adulterated version of our story to be told by people determined to put us out of business, or whether we stand up and show up to tell the true, accurate story ourselves.

I guess the ball really is in our court.



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of high milk producing cows can nearly double from the dry cow phase to peak lactation, he said, and that effectively doubles the stocking rate in terms of forage requirements.

"The worst thing that ever happened to the cow-calf industry was when we started chasing high milk production traits beyond what's necessary to profitably produce a calf," Gerrish noted. "You add in today's tendency toward larger cow size and many ranches have their pastures stocked at two to three times higher than they once did even though cow numbers are actually the same."

Orchardgrass will work as stockpiled forage, Gerrish said. For warm season perennials, big bluestem is a good choice because it weathers well and maintains a reasonable level of palatability. Bermudagrass can also be utilized, he said, although its protein content drops faster in winter and should probably be considered a dry cow feed.

For legumes, alsike clover and birdsfoot trefoil stockpile well because they retain leaves better than other legumes, Gerrish said. Legumes are also an important component because they provide nitrogen. Graziers can also extend the grazing window with winter annuals. Rye, oats, wheat and triticale can add a month or more of quality grazing. For fall forage production, Gerrish suggests oats. To add grazing time on the spring-side of

winter, he recommended rye for its rapid early spring growth. Brassicas such as turnips and radishes should be considered as a transition crop between summer and winter grazing.

Noting that stockpiled winter grazing is frequently of higher quality than producers think, Gerrish cautioned that a pre-established stocking rate quickly eliminates the highest quality forage from the pasture because of selective grazing. "It's not just about the quality of what they eat on the first day," he said. "What about the hundredth day?"

Strip grazing, Gerrish said, not only extends grazing quality through the winter, it also limits traffic and degradation of the forage. Daily strip grazing moves, he said, can result in twice as much grazing as a set stocking rate and moving cattle every three days, to match the cow's rate of passage, can be used to eliminate or reduce the need for supplemental protein because the cow gets a protein boost with every move.

Depending on individual situations, producers may also be able to use a leader-follower system, allowing stockers with higher nutritional requirements to have first exposure to forage, followed by dry cows with lower nutrient needs.

Making it all work requires a positive attitude, Gerrish told the workshop attendees, adding that extended grazing can only take place by following a plan. That assessment should also

examine personal and business priorities.

"Keep a daily log of what you're doing for a period of time and determine if what you're doing is moving you toward your goals," he advised. "You need to ask yourself, 'Is this really necessary?' Those ruminants out there are employees of the ranch and you shouldn't be doing the jobs that the cows are supposed to do."

Graziers attending the workshop found plenty of good information to take back home. Council Grove rancher Norm Triemer said he appreciated Gerrish's knowledge of cattle as well as forages and said he has incorporated many of practices discussed in his operation.

Although most of those in attendance were veteran stockmen and women, Austin Jensen, a student at the Farm and Ranch Management program at Cloud County Community College in Concordia, took advantage of the workshop to further his education. "I'm interested in management intensive grazing and there was a lot of good information presented here," he said. "The techniques for extending the grazing season and how to identify the best grazing options for a particular operation were especially interesting."

Kansas Farmers Union, Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition and Kansas SARE joined KRC as co-sponsors of the event. More information on Gerrish is available at [www.americangrazinglands.com](http://www.americangrazinglands.com).

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(2) 10-ounce packages frozen pureed winter squash

1 1/2 cups grated extra-sharp cheddar cheese (4 ounces)

2 cups low-fat milk

2/3 cup grated Monterey Jack cheese (2 ounces)

1/2 cup part-skim ricotta cheese

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon dry mustard

1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

2 tablespoons plain dry bread crumbs

2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese

1 teaspoon olive oil

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Coat a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with cooking spray. Cook the macaroni according to package directions. Drain and transfer to the prepared baking dish. Meanwhile, place the frozen squash and milk in a large saucepan and cook over low heat, stirring and breaking up the squash with a spoon until it's defrosted. Turn the heat up to medium and cook until the mixture is almost simmering, stirring occasionally. Remove the pan from the heat and stir in the cheddar, jack cheese, ricotta, salt, mustard and cayenne. Pour mixture over the macaroni and stir. Combine the bread crumbs, parmesan and oil in a bowl. Sprinkle over top of the macaroni and cheese. Bake until the cheeses are bubbling around the edges, about 20 minutes, then broil for 3 minutes so the top is crisp and nicely browned. Yields 8 servings.

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Millie Conger, Tecumseh:  
**FRIED GREEN TOMATOES**  
2 medium-size green tomatoes

1 cup buttermilk

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup crushed saltine crackers

1/2 cup cornmeal

Vegetable oil for frying

Cut tomatoes into 8 1/4-inch slices. Shake buttermilk and pour into deep dish. Place tomato slices into buttermilk and let stand for 30 minutes. In a second dish, whisk flour, cracker crumbs, and cornmeal. Remove tomato slices one at a time from buttermilk and dredge in flour mixture. Shake off excess breading. In a large skillet pour oil to a depth of 2 inches, heat oil to 350 degrees. Fry tomatoes in hot oil for 2 minutes per side or until golden brown. Remove to paper towels to drain, and sprinkle each with a pinch of salt.

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Kellee Rogers, Topeka:  
**CHEESY BEEF STROGANOFF**

1 pound ground beef

2 cups water

3 cups medium egg noodles, uncooked

1/2 pound Velveeta, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

1 can mushroom soup

1/4 teaspoon pepper

Brown meat in large skillet; drain. Stir in water, bring to boil. Stir in noodles, cover. Simmer on medium low heat

8 minutes or until noodles are tender. Add Velveeta, soup and pepper, cook 5 minutes or until cheese is melted and mixture is well blended, stirring frequently.

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Carol Ricketts, Clay Center: "This is a fast, easy, good and pretty dessert. I am going to make this and use peach pie filling instead of cherry and my husband wants crushed Butterfinger candy bars instead of granola. But the cherries would be prettier in the glass."

### PUDDING PARFAITS

3.4-ounce package instant vanilla pudding mix

2 cups milk

21-ounce cherry pie filling

1 cup granola cereal or crushed granola bar

Whipped topping (optional)

In a mixing bowl beat milk and pudding mix on low speed for 2 minutes or until thickened, refrigerate for 10 minutes. Spoon half of the pudding into four parfait glasses. Top each with 3 tablespoons pie filling and 2 tablespoons granola. Repeat layers and garnish with whipped topping if desired.

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Mary Rogers, Topeka:  
**MASHED CARROTS**

2 pounds carrots, peeled & thinly sliced

1 can chicken broth

1/2 cup of 8-ounce tub chive & onion cream cheese spread

Bring carrots and broth to

boil in pan on high heat. Cover. Simmer on medium low heat 30 minutes or until carrots are very tender and most of the broth is absorbed, uncovering for last 5 minutes. Remove from heat, mash until smooth. Add cream cheese spread, stir until melted.

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Lydia Miller, Westphalia: "Use leftovers as topping for kids' hotdogs. Prepare this classic with ground pork or ground raw chicken or turkey if you want a change."

### SLOPPY JOES

1 1/2 pounds ground beef

1 cup chopped onion

1/2 cup chopped green sweet pepper

1/2 cup chopped celery

2 cloves garlic, minced

1/4 cup water

3/4 cup ketchup

1 to 2 tablespoons brown sugar

2 tablespoons prepared mustard

2 tablespoons vinegar

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

1 1/2 teaspoons chili powder

8 hamburger buns, split & toasted

In a large skillet cook beef, onion, green pepper, celery and garlic until meat is brown and onion is tender. Meanwhile in a 3 1/2- to 4-quart crockery cooker mix water, ketchup, brown sugar, mustard, vinegar, Worcestershire sauce and chili powder. Stir in meat mixture. Cover

and cook on low heat setting for 6 to 8 hours or on high for 3 to 4 hours. Spoon onto toasted buns. Makes 8 servings.

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Mary Rogers, Topeka:  
**CHEESY BARBECUED SLOPPY JOES**

1 pound ground beef

1 green pepper, chopped

1/4 cup chopped onions

3/4 cup barbecue sauce

4 buns

4 slices cheese

Brown meat and drain. Add onions and pepper, cook and stir 5 minutes or until crisp tender. Stir in barbecue sauce, cook 5 minutes or until heated through, stirring occasionally. Fill buns with mixture, top with cheese.

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## Take Dinner Outdoors With An Easy Summer Picnic

(NAPSA) — Picnics offer the perfect outdoor activity for family, friends and foodies alike. A meal under the sun provides a picturesque setting to impress loved ones with an on-the-go gourmet feast while making the most of your time outdoors.

Any picnic pro knows that a great meal includes seasonal, easy dishes that celebrate the season without causing extra work or hassle.

For many, packing food for travel and anticipating the heat can put limitations on picnic dishes. Chef Edward Leonard, Certified Master Chef and Le Cordon Bleu executive chef, offers his own picnic pointers to help anyone create the perfect alfresco meal.

"Everyone loves a picnic, but eating the standard sandwich can take the excitement out of it," said Chef Leonard. "To make the most of your picnic experience, it's essential to think about featuring seasonal foods that celebrate summer."

Le Cordon Bleu chef instructors suggest keeping

your meal light with plenty of salads and fruit. The chefs recommend making a watermelon and feta salad or creating an heirloom tomato salad with fresh herbs like basil or sage. For protein, focus on meats that are cooked slowly at a low temperature because they tend to keep well. Try cold pulled pork or roast beef. When it comes to side dishes, consider cultured, pasteurized ingredients like sour cream or Greek yogurt for the base of any sauces. This will eliminate any issues with using egg-based products that can go bad in the heat.

"Picnics are a great time to try out new seasonal dishes and enjoy fresh, local produce," said Chef Leonard. "We teach our students to appreciate local ingredients and find the best ways to showcase the flavors."

Students at Le Cordon Bleu learn the foundational techniques necessary to use their skills and passion to create exceptional dishes. Regardless of your comfort in the kitchen, picnics provide a great opportunity to

create flavorful dishes that will make for a memorable meal.

"If you are looking for fresh meal ideas or want to brush up on your cooking skills, I encourage you to attend an enthusiast cooking class at Le Cordon Bleu," said Chef Leonard. "Our campuses around the country host hands-on classes where foodies can experience a class with a professional instructor."

Visit [www.chefs.edu](http://www.chefs.edu) to learn more.

**Watermelon & Feta Salad with Mint**  
6 cups watermelon, cubed into 1-inch squares  
1/4 red onion, thinly sliced  
1/4 cup fresh mint, chopped  
1/4 cup fresh basil, chopped  
3/4 cup Kalamata olives, pitted & sliced  
2 ounces feta cheese, sliced into 1-inch by 1/4-inch rectangles  
1 tablespoon white balsamic (or rice wine) vinegar  
1 tablespoon olive oil

Juice & zest of 1 lime  
Dash of Tabasco  
Sea salt & fresh ground pepper, to taste

Combine the watermelon, olives, feta and herbs and mix together lightly. Whisk up the remaining ingredients in a small bowl for the dressing and set aside. Dress this dish just before serving and lightly toss.

**Peach & Heirloom Tomato Salad Recipe**  
2 peaches, pitted & sliced  
2 large heirloom tomatoes  
4 tablespoons olive oil  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons lemon juice  
3 teaspoons balsamic vinegar  
1/2 teaspoon fresh thyme  
Goat cheese, to taste

In a small bowl, combine oil, salt, lemon juice, balsamic vinegar and thyme to create the vinaigrette. In an air-tight container, assemble peaches and tomatoes and crumble goat cheese over the top. Drizzle with vinaigrette.

### Nutrition: A Key To Health For Seniors

(NAPSA) — Many believe that the idea "you are what you eat" has particular significance for seniors. That's because following a healthy diet can often lead directly to a better quality of life, including being more alert, having a stronger immune system, more energy, faster recuperation times and the ability to do a better job managing chronic health problems.

It's also said that eating well can lead to a more positive outlook and better emotional balance. Plus, it can also help to keep muscles, bones, organs and other body parts stronger over time.

#### Stay Hydrated

Part of a proper diet is making sure you drink enough water. Seniors can be prone to dehydration because their bodies may lose some of their ability to regulate fluid levels and their sense of thirst on a regular basis. Drinking water with meals can help them avoid urinary tract infections, constipation and possibly confusion.

#### Take Your Vitamins

Even those who pay attention to nutrition can sometimes benefit from taking a vitamin supplement, particularly when it comes to getting enough vitamin B and vitamin D.

• After age 50, a person's stomach produces less gastric acid, which can make it difficult to absorb vitamin B12, a vitamin needed to help keep blood and nerves vital. In order to get the recommended daily intake (2.4 mcg) of B12, it may be necessary for some to take a supplement.

• As people get older, their skin is less efficient when it comes to synthesizing vitamin D, which, together with calcium, can help to protect older adults from osteoporosis, so taking a supplement may be to your benefit.

In both cases, as with any vitamin or nutritional supplement, it's best to consult your doctor before beginning a supplement program.

#### Get an Assessment

Since poor eating habits are a primary concern among the senior population, home health care aides are playing an increasingly important role in providing support for those who might be at risk. In light of this and other issues, Interim HealthCare—one of the leaders in the home care industry, providing services to over 50,000 individuals nationwide—offers a free independent living assessment for seniors.

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# Insight

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in inclement weather such as snow, rain or fog, Higgins says. During such conditions, headlights are not always turned on promptly because they do not help to improve visibility.

Bright colors depend on direct sunlight and lose their attracting attention in marginal lighting conditions, the Farm Bureau safety coordinator says. The new fluorescent films continue to provide a high level of visibility during all lighting conditions.

The sooner you recognize a slow moving vehicle on the roadways, the better your chances are for avoiding an equipment collision, Higgins says. In Kansas during the last two years there have been 11 reports of crashes involving farm machinery on roadways.

For example, a motorist traveling 65 miles per hour

will need 4.5 seconds to perceive, react and slow down when approaching a tractor traveling 15 miles per hour.

That's why this new technology is important to adapt and use, Higgins says.

"When your life and that of your loved ones is concerned, it's important to utilize every edge you can," the Farm Bureau safety specialist says. "Using fluorescent films can give you one advantage that will help protect you and those traveling around you."

While law in Kansas does not require these reflective strips, it makes good sense to use them. Install these fluorescent strips and drive more safely today.

*John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.*

## Marshall County to host soybean plot tour

This has been a rough year for crops like soybeans. The Marshall County Soybean Plot is located in the driest part of the county, but they plan on holding the 2012 Marshall County Soybean Plot Tour.

The Marshall County Extension Service, in cooperation with Lynn Bargmann of Bremen, will be holding a tour of the Marshall County Soybean Plot on Wednesday, September 5 at 5:30 p.m.

They will have a hamburger supper following the tour, sponsored by participating seed companies and

water donated by Frontier Farm Credit.

In addition to demonstration of soybean varieties in the plots, the soybean plot will have a seed/plant population demonstration.

The plots are located close to Lynn Bargmann's home at 527 4th Road near Bremen. Directions to the tour are: go north of Herkimer about 3½ miles on 6th Road, turn west and go two miles on Deer Trail Road, then turn south on 4th Road, and cross the Horse-shoe Creek Bridge and go about an eighth mile south.

K-State Extension personnel and seed company representatives will be on hand to discuss the various soybean varieties and production techniques. We will talk about the impact of the 2012 drought and impact on markets and the economy.

Please contact the Marshall County Extension office at (785) 562-3531, or e-mail [Mvogt@ksu.edu](mailto:Mvogt@ksu.edu) if you

are interested in attending by Tuesday, September 4.

To learn the latest in soybean production practices, you should plan to attend the Marshall County Soybean Plot Tour on September 5.

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# Cost effectiveness of ammoniating low-quality forages examined

Because of this year's drought, U.S. cattle farmers are facing a short feed supply. Farmers searching for affordable feedstuffs should consider ammoniating low-quality forages, like corn stalks, to supplement their feeding programs, says a University of Missouri agriculture business specialist.

"Ammoniating low-quality forage produces several benefits," said Whitney Wiegel. "Ammoniation increases the digestibility and crude protein content of forage. It also improves intake and inhibits mold development in high-moisture roughage."

Farmers who choose to ammoniate low-quality forage (forages with less than 50 percent total digestible nutrients) can expect digestibility to increase 8 to 18 percent depending on the type of forage ammoniated and its initial digestibility level, he said.

Ammoniation can also increase crude protein content by 4.5 to 11 percent and improve dry-matter intake by more than 30 percent.

"Because intake is one of cattle producers' biggest concerns when it comes to meeting cows'

nutritional requirements with forage, dry-matter intake is probably the greatest benefit of ammoniation," Wiegel said.

While there are many benefits to ammoniation, a farmer must also consider the added costs of ammoniating forages. "With regard to material costs, the main items required are anhydrous ammonia, polyethylene sheeting, tubing and tractor fuel," he said. Farmers may also wish to include the cost of labor in their calculations. "Of all the costs, the cost of anhydrous ammonia will undoubtedly be the greatest."

To add further detail to the cost analysis, Wiegel describes a typical scenario:

Using a 40-by-100-foot sheet of black polyethylene, which costs \$180, a farmer can ammoniate about 70 large round bales. If each bale weighs 1,000 pounds, the farmer has 70,000 pounds of forage. If the bales are 85 percent dry matter, the farmer has 59,500 pounds of dry matter. If the recommended amount of anhydrous to use is 3 percent of the dry-matter weight, the farmer needs to use 1,785 pounds of anhydrous.

"The price of anhydrous ammonia in this example is \$720 per ton, which means that it costs \$643 to purchase the recommended amount of anhydrous," Wiegel said. If tubing supplies cost \$50, tractor fuel costs \$38, and labor costs \$180, the total cost of ammoniation is \$1,091, or \$31 per ton of forage.

Will the increase in quality be worth the extra cost of ammoniation?

"To quantify the value of improved quality, reference values for TDN and crude protein must be obtained," he said.

In this scenario, Wiegel assumes that a pound of

TDN from corn is worth 15 cents and a pound of crude protein from soybean meal is worth 31 cents (based on an \$8 per bushel corn price and a \$537 per ton price for soybean meal).

If ammoniation improves TDN by 5 percent and crude protein by 8 percent, an equivalent of 100 pounds of TDN and 160 pounds of crude protein are added to a ton of forage through ammoniation.

Using the reference values of 15 cents per pound of TDN and 31 cents per pound of crude protein, ammoniation increases the value of forage by \$55 per ton on a dry-matter

basis, or \$47 per ton with forage at 85 percent dry matter.

"Compared to ammoniation costs of \$31 per ton, the value added to forage, \$47 per ton, is enough to justify the decision to ammoniate low-quality forage," he said.

For more information about ammoniating forages, contact your local Extension center.

"There are several important considerations in ammoniating forages, so please seek advice before ammoniating forages for the first time," Wiegel said.

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Keeping the lid on Caldwell

Marshals and former marshals were always good subjects for conversation in frontier newspapers. The Caldwell Journal datelined August 30, 1883, related, "A report comes to us to the effect that Bat Carr, formerly marshal of this city, was recently killed in one of the border towns of Texas. The report lacks confirmation, still it is possibly correct."

Caldwell had seen its share of lawmen come and go. Most of them went to their graves with their boots on. As Caldwell City Marshal, Carr was a vigilant officer. He had a reputation for holding the lid down tight on wayward cowboys and gamblers, while maintaining a friendly relationship with the townspeople. Bat was so well-liked that even children could be seen crossing the street "...holding his hand, chatting, and laughing merrily with this pleasant man."

However, there was a mysterious quality about Marshal Carr. George Freeman, author of *Midnight and Noonday*, noted Carr's uncommon disposition. "His whole nature was enigmatic; his traits of character were peculiar. He was, apparently, at once the polished gentleman and the daring frontiersman, shrinking from and courting danger at the same time; large in his own estimation, yet modest and most unpretentious among his associates."

Carr's deputy was equally mysterious. George Freeman recalled that Henry Brown, "...was similar in

character to Carr, with the exception that he seldom smiled, was sober, candid, and determined in expression and mind, therefore not familiar with the children, or a man with whom the ladies loved to converse." He handled himself well amongst the rough crowd.

Unknown to Caldwell citizens Brown had been an associate of Billy the Kid in New Mexico. Carr was constantly on the alert for trouble. The citizens of Caldwell were so impressed with his efficiency that they saw fit to honor him with a

"...a brace of fine six-shooters..."

Marshal Carr was no stranger to six-guns. The July 13, 1882, Caldwell Post told of an unruly fellow dangerously wielding a six-gun in the streets. When Marshal Carr asked him to relinquish his weapon the offender made his stand. The Marshal reacted. "Quicker than thought a '45' was shoved up under his nose, accompanied by a gentle request to throw up. He threw up both hands in short order, and was disarmed and taken to Judge Kelley's sanctuary and

stuck for \$12.50, and told that he had better leave his gun off, in the future."

Throughout the frontier, lawmen generally let the gamblers alone. Towns often recruited their policemen from the gambling ranks. Bat Carr was noticeably different. The Commercial took note September 28, 1882, "Our city marshal, the other morning rounded up a lot of gamblers who had been in the habit of going around with pops (pistols) stuck down in their clothes."

Caldwell could not have been more pleased. Once again, Bat was rewarded, this time with a solid gold badge "in the form of a shield suspended from a plate at the top by chains." The badge was lettered in black enamel, "Bat Carr, City Marshal, Caldwell, Kan." The reverse side was lettered, "Presented by the Citizens of Caldwell."

But Caldwell was about to lose its illustrious marshal. Instead of falling in a hail of bullets, he "fell" for a woman. In December of 1882, he was married in Colorado City, Texas, and made his home at that place. Carr was not heard of again until

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like report. - Respectfully Bat Carr"

Bat Carr's actual death notice didn't come for thirty-two years. One wonders if when he died in 1915 the *Caldwell Journal* was finally returned with a note from the postmaster, "Not Taken"?

As he reported to his friends in 1883, the fond recollections of his sojourn in Caldwell was a time to be cherished as the lawman traveled through life on The Way West.

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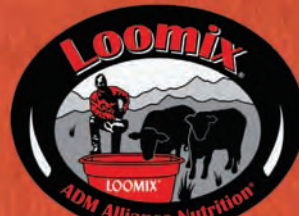
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At the battle of Antietam the men of Hunt's Battery trained their cannons on the advancing Union troops and blew them apart with solid shot and exploding rounds and, when they drew closer switched to grape-shot and mowed them down like wheat. They fired until their barrels sizzled like bacon in hot grease. They blasted apart infantry and cavalry and lobbed shells at the distant thread of opposing artillery and saw return fire arcing through the smoky air. On the afternoon of Sept. 17, 1861, hell came to a placid Maryland countryside in what would forev-

er be known as the single bloodiest day in American history. By nightfall there were 23,000 casualties including John Sherman DeKalb Armstrong, a Confederate working the cannons, who fell gravely wounded in the mud, dead horses, shattered carriages and spent casings.

He lived to fight on, his unit engaged in most of the major battles of the Civil War. According to an oath of amnesty from the Headquarters Provost Marshal General, Alexandria, Va., dated May 9, 1865, J.S.D. Armstrong, a paroled prisoner, voluntarily surren-

dered his parole in accordance to orders issued by General Ulysses Grant. He had served five years, seven months and 27 days before what remained of his light artillery unit gave it up at Appomattox.

That the memory of my great-great-grandfather would return to me on an overcast summer after-

noon above the braided channel of Cottonwood Creek seemed altogether fitting as I stared down the barrel of a 2,400-pound brass field gun. The cannon, crewed by members of the 3rd Kansas Light Artillery out of Valley Falls, was trained slightly above a narrow gravel path bisecting a lower field, about halfway between the Hollenberg Pony Express station and the visitor center. As a soldier rammed home a charge, I watched a distant couple costumed as Southern gentry languorously moving into the field of fire, utterly unaware of the activity on the ridge. An order was barked, the lanyard yanked; the couple disappeared in a wreath of fire and brimstone.

Behind me people clapped enthusiastically. Once

the smoke cleared I saw the couple walking on, unfazed by the cannonade. "Want to fire it next time?" one of the soldiers asked.

My wife and I were at the annual Hollenberg Pony Express Festival for reasons other than just wanting to be together, her to be with friends demonstrating "lost" skills such as soap-making, spinning and basket weaving, me to cover the event for the newspaper. As such we often went our separate ways which in my case usually involved chasing photo opportunities and pestering people with questions. With our hectic schedules it passes as a cheap date.

The diverse styles of attire worn by the exhibitors compressed western history

into an amalgamation that might have been disconcerting if not for the sheer pleasure of wandering amid mountain men, fur trappers, pioneers, circuit preachers, gunslingers, Southern belles, cowboys and, improbably, three colorful clowns. But it was at the top of the ridge behind the fabled station where Mark Twain once stopped that I came upon a scene so perfectly staged that it was like stepping back in time or walking onto a movie set. Before I could react the cannon rocked back on its carriage belching flame, smoke and the sound of God's own wrath, the concussive wave radiating outward like a physical blow. I jumped a foot off the ground.

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**GUNS (10:00 A.M.)**  
Ithaca model M-49 .22 Youth Lever Action rifle; W.H. Barnes/Boston Flint Lock Black Powder; Stevens model .22-.410 rifle; Mossberg model 46B(b) .22 bolt-action rifle; Enders Royal Western .410 or 12M-M single shot; old Gun Cleaning kits; vintage 24 in. J-J3 sword.  
**FURNITURE & COLLECTIBLES**  
Thomasville cherry dining room set; Queen Ann style oval table w/leaves & 8 matching chairs, lighted corner hutch, Queen Ann sideboard (Beautiful Set!); Thomasville armoire/dresser/end-table; Thomasville desk/jewelry cabinet; Lenoir Broyhill Queen Ann armoire & end table; TempurPedic Cloud Supreme king bed(Like New); North Hickory leather couch; Pearson leather chair; kitchen dinette; chest drawers; **Primitive Pieces:** "Clark's O.N.T. Spool Cotton" cabinet(RARE!!); pine 2 piece drop-front desk, hutch cupboard/book-shelve, corner hutch cupboard/book-shelve, wooden boxes; oak library table; oak washstand; bar stools; wicker rocker; wrought iron patio set; sewing cabinet; signed wooden duck; "The Herold" smoked sardines tin; Meakin ironstone pitcher/bowl; Lladro figurines; Royal Doulton "Carlyle" dish set; Royal Copenhagen; Monarch silver plate set; sterling silver s/p; silver plate & pewter items; crystal sets; Wegewood; Roseville mixing bowl set; **Signed Pictures:** Hagan, Young, Vernon Wooten & more; **Vintage Toys:** Drudge Hyster Lumber Hauler (RARE); Doepke UNIT Crane Shovel; Durago 1/18th scale 1954 Mercedes/1961 Jaguar/1962 Ferrari; 4 old Tonka's (dozer, pay-loader, scraper & clam-crane); "On The Hill" book; hard back books; cook books; Fisher 24 in. speakers; LeCreuset & Pier Import dishes; SS pots & pans; Procter Silex/Hamilton Beach small appliances; kitchen décor; linens; ex. ladder; power/hand tools; fishing supplies; numerous items too many to mention!  
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**AUCTION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — 10:00 AM**  
**357 E. 100 Rd. — OVERBROOK, KS**  
Located from Overbrook, 4 miles east on 56 Hwy. Then 1/2 mile north on 100 Rd. Due to the death of my husband, the following will be offered at public auction:  
**DOZER, TRACTORS, ATV, TRAILERS, EQUIPMENT, SHOP TOOLS, GUNS, TOY TRACTORS, ANTIQUES, HOUSEHOLD & COLLECTIBLES**  
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**ESTATE AUCTION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — 9:00 AM**  
Due to death we will sell the following items at public auction at the Armory Building located at 12th & Bridge Sts. in CLAY CENTER, KANSAS  
**FURNITURE & APPLIANCES, ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES, GLASSWARE, MISC. HOUSEHOLD GOODS & GARAGE ITEMS**  
Lunch on grounds.  
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**REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 — 10:00 AM**  
Offering personal property for sale at public auction, located at 2039 Cheyenne Rd., from the 4-way stop in MOUNDRIDGE, KS 3 miles north & 1 1/2 miles west.  
**TRACT #1:** Part of the NW1/4 of 9-21-2W, 7.75 acres more or less, McPherson County, Kansas. This farmstead consists of a 1,512 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, ranch-style home with full basement, CH/CA & well built in 1960. There are numerous outbuildings including a 44x50 machine shed, 24x44 shop building, 15x120 pipe frame shed, dbl detached garage & barn. This is a beautiful farm with large trees & windmill.  
**TRACT #2:** Part of the NW 1/4 of 9-21-2W, 152.25 acres, more or less, McPherson County, Kansas. This tract consists of 150.47 acres of tillable land. The soil consists of Crete silt loam & Lady-smith silty clay loam with an approximate slope of 0-3%. Attend this auction prepared to BID AND BUY!  
**FARM MACHINERY & RELATED ITEMS**  
Bradford Mo. 240-316 gravity wagon on Huskee running gear with hyd. driven auger; JD 825 6 row 3 pt. cultivator; Wilbeck 12' tandem disc; drag spring-tooths & harrows; JD sickle mower; JD 5-16 semi mt. plow; JD 816 grain drill; McCormick #100 manure spreader; McCormick Deering ensilage chopper on steel wheels; Wards grain buster hammer-mill; Speed King PTO auger; slip in stock rack; 2 - 300 gal. fuel tanks & stands; 500 gal. fuel tank & stand; 4" auger & motor; Troy-Bilt Horse tiller, needs motor; Homelite chain-saw; parts; hardware; post vise; log chain; duck decoys; welding & scrap iron; ladders; wash tubs; 2 round bale feeders; stock tanks; used lumber; 100 new 6' steel T-posts; corn sheller; lg. old forge; rendering kettle; 2" pipe; sucker rod; Avery jack; cattle panels; hedge posts; bridge planks; live traps; wooden taxidermy box; bar clamps; roller clamps; shop built table saw; 4" jointer; shop lights & more.  
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I very much wanted to fire the cannon, sensing in some ways Armstrong's presence. Sighting down the barrel it was easy to imagine an enemy force lurking within the shadowed treeline of the creek's path and on the uplands beyond where rank after rank of butternut soldiers massed for an attack. That I was hobnobbing with the enemy didn't escape me.

It's one thing to mentally place a distant relative within the context of his times and another entirely to stand amid gunsmoke and become, if vicariously, witness to his experience. As the hour counted down I worked the crowds looking for traditional shots of the gunnysack races, the cute kids scraping hides or knapping flint, setbacks hampering my progress and slowing my steps even as I mulled over what it would

be like to unleash the hounds of war. I wondered if pulling the lanyard would set into motion not just an ignition of powder but a triggering of memories shared through a relative known only as a name in a genealogical record. For a few blessed moments he was with me, marching alongside with his sad eyes, his once-neat uniform now charred and filthy with blood and grime, and together we climbed the grade to find ourselves late, and another in our place.

"Next time," I was assured in an e-mail. It was addressed to me but it might as well have been addressed to a Confederate soldier wounded in action 150 years ago. When that opportunity arrives is anyone's guess, but I know this: I will be there, and so will John Sherman DeKalb Armstrong.

## Tractor Supply Company enters partnership with GRIT for rural-lifestyle television show

Rural property owners never have a shortage of projects on their to-do list. With this in mind, Tractor Supply Company and GRIT magazine will team up to share their rural know-how in the new television show, "Tough GRIT."

The weekly 30-minute program will air Mondays at 6 p.m. central and began on September 3 on RFD-TV with an encore showing Tuesdays at 8 a.m. ET. Viewers can also watch episodes at ToughGrit.com once they've aired on RFD-TV as well as related articles and information on the show topics.

"Tractor Supply has been supplying expert, seasoned advice for more than 70 years, and this show is a great platform to demon-

strate how we can help you tackle the challenges of the Out Here lifestyle," said John Wendler, Tractor Supply senior vice president of Marketing. "The featured projects offer tried-and-true advice from our in-store experts in a way the whole family will enjoy watching."

Tractor Supply store managers from across the country and GRIT editor in chief Hank Will share project instructions, tips and product suggestions. Each of the show's 26 episodes mixes information, humor and competitive challenges to help viewers tackle common DIY projects. Topics range from mending different types of fence to loading cattle and shearing sheep.

The experts also advise contestants during two challenges related to the episode's topic. Each week, Team Tractor Supply squares off against Team GRIT, with the teams judged by hosts Caleb Regan and Shannon Reilly on efficiency, accuracy and safety. The winner of each challenge earns a \$500 gift certificate to Tractor Supply.

The show further broadens the partnership between Tractor Supply and GRIT, which has included print ads, digital campaigns and content sharing. In addition, Tractor Supply has worked with several of its suppliers – including Cub Cadet, Husqvarna and Hobart Welders – to use their

products in the episodes.

"We've worked together for years serving the almost 30 percent of Americans who live outside the urban market. Tractor Supply with 'must-have' products and GRIT with trusted 'how-to' content," says Bill Uhler, general manager for GRIT. "We see this as a great opportunity to bring both missions together and give our consumers a fun new way to engage with us."

RFD-TV is carried on DirecTV (channel 345) and Dish Network (channel 231) and most major cable providers. Visit [www.rfdtv.com](http://www.rfdtv.com) to find local listings. "Tough GRIT" updates can be found on the show's Facebook and Twitter pages.



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## AUCTION

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 — 12:30 PM**

**MORRIS COUNTY 4-H BUILDING, 612 US HWY. 56 • COUNCIL GROVE, KS**  
**DIRECTIONS: 1 mile east of Council Grove on US Hwy. 56. WATCH FOR SIGNS.**

#### TRACTORS & MOWERS

1956 Allis Chalmers WD-45, new paint 3 pt., wide front 12 volt, runs good; 2009 Troy-Bilt lawn tractor, 17 1/2 hp, 42 in deck, very good; 2000 Craftsman lawn tractor, 20 hp, 50 in deck; Yardworks electric lawn mower, like new; 6 ft. 3 pt blade; 300 gallon pull type field sprayer; 3 pt boom; small spring tooth; cement mixer; Sears front blade; pull type lawn sprayer.

#### FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

Whirlpool Duet Sport front load washer & dryer, white 5 yrs. old, excellent condition; walnut veneer 3 pc. Entertainment center, good; gray 4 piece sectional with recliners, very good; 2 oak end tables; occasional chair; LaCrosse sofa sleeper maroon, good; 2 Lazy Boy recliners, like new; oak glider; RCA TV; electric wood stove; walnut sofa table; couch and overstuffed chair; computer desk and office furniture; glass front curio cabinet.

#### PICKUP

1982 GMC pickup, 3/4 ton, auto, V-8, runs OK.

#### TOOLS & MISC.

Steel Glide stainless steel tool chest, large, 14 drawer, excellent condition; Kobalt 60 gallon upright air compressor, very good; Lincoln 225 welder; 2 ton engine lift; Craftsman tool chest; 2 1/4 floor jack; Micro tire balancer; large bench vise; 305 Chevrolet heads, good; WD 45 starter rebuilt; AC gauges; 2 steel shop benches 3X6; various wrenches, screw drivers, pliers, etc.; snap ring pliers; various shop manuals; Pro-Go battery charger; various power tools; chop saw; small anvil & hardy; Sears bench grinder on stand; lawn trailer; 8 ft. fiber-glass step ladder; 20ft. & 14ft. extension ladders; CharBroil gas grill; live trap; wheel barrow; bar chumps; shovels, rakes, hoes, etc.; log chains & boomers; lawn trailer; various kitchen and Xmas items

#### ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Daisy Space Command BB gun; Daisy BB gun made in Plymouth Mich; 8 other Daisy BB guns; 4 Daisy BB gun pistols; Red Ryder metal signs; Delco wood battery boxes; Waconda Water 5 gallon crock jug; Western #2 crock; Redwing #3 butter churn; various crocks; 6 NAPA semis; stone mantle clock; Ertl Mobil semi; various large planters; Goofus glass bowl; salters; various china bowls some German; Mikasa pcs; amber footed bowl; brass piggy bank; various glassware; Schonerun platter; approx. 50 Precious Moments; walnut corner cabinet, blown glass front, 7 ft. tall, 150 years old, good cond.; walnut occasional table with marble top, good cond.; small oak drop front desk, good cond.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** This will be an excellent auction with quality thru out. We will run 2 rings part of the day, so come and enjoy the afternoon with us.

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## ESTATE AUCTION OF STONECREST MANOR

# AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 — 10:00 AM**

**AUCTION LOCATION: 511 EF Road — CEDAR POINT, KANSAS 66843**

**DIRECTIONS:** From Strong City, go west on US-50W approx. 15 miles (after milemarker 313, turn right off highway onto gravel road) then make a quick left onto EF Rd, continue 0.5 miles to auction location on left side of road. **Watch for signs! OR From Florence,** go East on US-50E approx. 9 miles after mile marker 311 go 1/4 mile and turn Left onto EF Road - follow the gravel road approx. 1 mile to location on right side of the road. **Watch for signs!**

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** Phillip and Rebecca enjoyed collecting antiques and had planned on opening an antique store. Rebecca has decided to downsize and sell her collection. As you can see, there is a great selection of quality antiques and collectibles, with many rare & unique items imported from Europe. **This will be a large auction, don't miss this opportunity!**

**AUCTION ORDER:** Misc. Items, Antiques & Lamps, Furniture & Buggy followed by the Tools.

**ANTIQUE:** Single Horse Drawn Doctor's Buggy, 2-seater.

**ANTIQUE FURNITURE:** Renaissance Revival Victorian Hall Tree, Marble Top, Cast Iron Umbrella Holders, Drawer (94"); Ornate Oak Murphy Bed; Burled Walnut European Dresser w/ Glove Drawers; French Victorian Hand Carved Oak China Cabinet (95x62x19); Belgium Burled Walnut Wardrobe; English Marble Top Washstand; Heirloom Quality Timepiece Case Aluminum Double-sided Victorian Street Clock (11-ft tall); Primitive Mahogany Cupboard; Green & Black Porcelain L&L Electric Stove; Victorian Upholstered Chair; Square Marble Top Stand; Mahogany Buffet w/Beveled Mirror; German Walnut Desk w/ Drawers & Mirror; Vanity Dresser; Dresser w/Glove Box; Eastlake Wall Mirror w/ Marble Top Bench; Ornate Foyer Entry Table; 9 Piece French Victorian Parlor Set (Sofa Table, Hanging Mirror, 4 Parlor Chairs, Settee, 2 Armed Chairs); French Provincial Carved Leather Chair; Primitive Hoosier Type Cabinet; Claw Foot Organ Stool; Victorian Eastlake Chair; Enamel Top Wood Table; Victorian Marble Top Parlor Table; Victorian Mirror Shelf Unit w/ Towel Bar; Ornate 4 Post Bed; Round Victorian Shadow Box Table; Blonde Oak Table; Oak Wash Stand; English Mahogany Cash Desk Drawer Till; Valet Suit Stand.

**LAMPS & CHANDELIERS:** Cast Iron Bronze Finish Gone with the Wind Oil Lamp w/Hand Painted Shade, Converted to Electric; Ornate Cast Bronze Cherub Chandelier w/Cut Glass Prisms; French Ornate Cast Bronze Chandelier w/Cut Glass Prisms; Medya Tiffany Product Art Deco Stain Glass Lamp (newer); Matching Pair of French Ornate Cast Bronze Wall Sconce w/Cut Glass Prisms; 5-Light and 3-Light Matching Art Deco Hand Painted Cast Chandelier; 6-Light Gold Gilt Art Nouveau Chandelier w/ Cut Glass Prisms; Gone with the Wind Oil Lamp w/Hand-Painted Shade; Lamp w/Stained Glass Shade; Brass Hanging Light; 2 Wall Sconce Lights; Pair Art Deco Wall Sconce; Large Stained Glass Burnished Bronze Chandelier (new); 3 Oil Lamps; 3-way Victorian Porcelain Lamp; Art Deco Lamp; German Victorian Rare Oil Lamp Chandelier Cherub; Bronze Marble Base Table Lamp w/Cut Glass

Prisms; Art Deco Flush 2-light Ceiling Mount.

**DISPLAY CASES:** Apothecary Drugstore Display Case (8' tall); Antique Retail Clothing Showcase w/sliding doors & cast iron rod (76"x56"); Oak Table Top Showcase by Specialty Display Case Co Kendallville Indiana; Oak Table Top display case; Oak Table Top Jewelry display case; display case w/glass top (doors on 3 sides); refrigerated candy display case by A/A Fixtures; Jahabow Lighted display case (70x38x20); 4 Retail Glass Display Shelving.

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES:** Fairmont Water Line Motor; Waterman Marine Motor Co Detroit Boat Motor, Model C16, 3-HP; 100 - 2' x 2' Turn of the Century Ceiling Tin (sand blasted); Edwardian L&M Adjustable Dress Form w/ Cast Base; Oak Hat Rack; National Cash Register Ticket Box; "Trick Dog" Cast Bank; 2 Venetian Type Etched/Beveled Decorative Wall Mirrors; Box Wagon Seat; 2 Stain Glass Window; Waterbury Clock Co (frame); Vintage 3-Drawer Suitcase Cabinet; 2 Decorative Plaster Paris Pillars; Horse Tack; Primitive Green Handle Popcorn Popper; Brass Light Switch/Outlet Covers; Wood Shutter; Felt Jesus Portrait; One Million Point Area Rug (88x63); Primitive Folding Table; English Green Primitive Wheel Barrow; Enamel Bedpan; Copper Tea Pot; #5 Blue Ribbon Crock, Buckeye Pottery Co; Vintage Children's Toy Cart; Outdoor Coach Lanterns; Cast Iron Colt Black Powder Pistol (wall hanger); Washboard; Vintage Galvanized Watering Can; Kerosene Heater; Handlan Lantern, St. Louis MOPAC; Scissor Style Luggage Rack; Primitive Tin Cabinet; Quilt; Molding; Persian Rug (105x141); 2 Throw Rug (60x36) (42x67); 2 Pr. Spurs; Horse & Buggy Weather Vane; Oak Bar; 4 - Saddles, one w/Silver conches; Davis Built Can; Vintage Oil Cans; Detroit Coil Com Model A/T, F7995; Primitive Beer Crate; 2 - Metal Lawn Chairs; Primitive Seat w/ Cast Buckeye Akron Tractor Seat; Stub Caster No. 550 South bend Fishing Pole; Wrought Iron Potting Stand; Primitive Bird Houses; Single Row Planter; Grinding Wheel w/ Bench, #1 W&B; Antique Wooden Upright Tool Box; Wagner Ware Ash Tray; Phillips 66 Safety Paws Metal Sign; Toy Cast Pistol; Lightening Rod; Hay

Hooks; Old Door Knobs & Hardware; Primitive Pot Belly Table; Metal Cistern Filter US Box; Oak Barrel Chairs; Child's Garden Tools; Wrought Iron Soda Shoppe Chairs; 2-man Saw; Antique Vehicle Light; Wrought Iron Fence Section; Wrought Iron Arbor; 2 - Slat Metal Gliders; Birdbath; Candy Jars; Large Glass Canisters; Wrought Iron Tea Cart; Ornate Beveled Mirror; Apothecary Jar; Enamel Serving Tray; Leather Chaps; Red Wing Crock Chicken Feeder; Pittsburg Pottery 3 Gal Crock; 15-gal Crock; Several Walking Canes; Wrought Iron Parlor Table; Primitive French Garden Cart; Enamel Table; Victorian Parlor Beveled Mirror Shelf; Ornate Frames; Antique Sleigh Bells; Camel Back Trunk; Occupied Japan Figurine; 6 piece Victorian China Washstand Chamber Set; Necktie Box; Walnut Hat Rack; Emerson Fan; Sears-Roebuck Oak Wall Crank Phone; Metal Grant Battery Cables Sign; Large Bottle Opener Collection; Antique Bread Maker; Parlor Chair; Bread Rising Bowl; Blue Onion Dishes; Primitive Paper Roll Cutter; Master Salt w/ 3 Salt Spoons and 6 salts; Cut Crystal Candle Sticks; John Wayne Cut Out; Original John Wayne Movie Posters (Island in the Sky, True Grit, Rooster Cogburn, The Shootist); John Wayne Litho Photo; John Wayne Dollar Bill; Mini \$1,\$5,\$10 Bills; Falstaff Beer Clock; Lighted Falstaff Beer Sign; Miller High Life Light; High Life Metal Tray; Old Whiskey No 7 Ice Pick; Victorian Mahogany 5 shelf 'Etagerie; Primitive Wood Dutch Wheelbarrow; Wooden School Desk; John Wayne Framed Print & Whiskey Decanter; Victorian Ornate Cast Iron Fireplace Grate, Paper Roller, Brass Bellows, Screen & Log Holder; Large Leather Fireplace Bellows; 5 Pcs Cast Iron Fireplace Set; Cast Iron Fireplace Pie Iron- Sandwich Maker; English Primitive Laundry Dolly-Peg Plunger; Cast Iron & Wood Garden Bench; 2 Primitive Galvanized Wash Tubs; White Iron Flower Cart; Primitive Wrought Iron Bar Stool; Primitive Enamel Chamber Pot w/Lid; Antique Oriental Mosaic Rug (120x144); Many other items too numerous to mention!

**TOOLS, SUPPLIES & MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION!**

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# Strategic Marketing Workshop and Farm Tour to feature profit-enhancing tactics for livestock producers

Livestock producers and wholesale buyers of animal products are invited to attend a Strategic Marketing Workshop and Farm Tour on September 21, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The workshop will be held at American Legion Post 76, 506 Washington Street, Concordia, and the farm tour will follow at Lazy S Farms, 616 N. 1000th Road, Glasco.

The workshop will give livestock producers the information and tools necessary to incorporate new marketing strategies, such as direct and niche marketing, into their existing operations in order to help increase profit margins, manage risk in tough times, and expand their customer base. The workshop will also provide an opportunity for producers and buyers to connect and explore opportunities to work together to bring local meat, poultry, eggs, and dairy products to consumers in Kansas and beyond.

Speakers will share their knowledge and experience on topics such as business planning and enterprise analysis, creating a successful “brand” and identifying the best market for your products, and regulations

pertaining to direct marketing livestock products. Speakers include livestock producers who are successfully utilizing strategic marketing techniques to increase revenue, representatives from the Kansas Department of Agriculture who will answer questions about marketing and regulations, and representatives from Kansas State Research and Extension who will share helpful information for farmers and ranchers.

All types of livestock and livestock products will be represented at the workshop, including cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, turkeys, and chickens, and meat, eggs, cheese, and milk. A broad spectrum of animal husbandry philosophies, including grass-fed, organic, humanely-raised, pasture-raised, and heritage breeds, will also be represented.

Confirmed speakers include:

- Andi Dale, Dale Family Farms, Protection — Grass-finished beef and pastured poultry
- Noah Goddard, Goddard Farms, Lecompton — Purebred Nubian dairy goats, Grade A Dairy
- Norm Oeding, Janzen Family Farms, Newton — 100% grass-fed beef and cer-

tified organic grains

- Debbie Bearden, Taste T Farm, Iola — Eggs and produce
- Kevin and Cherie Schenker, Schenker Family Farms, McCune — Animal Welfare Approved, certified Naturally Grown beef, lamb, poultry, and pork
- Tonia Rupe, Lucky Star Farms, Eureka — All natural, 100% grass-fed beef
- Liz Boyle, Professor/Extension specialist, Animal Sciences and Industry, Kansas State University
- Julie Ehler, Meat and Poultry Inspection, Kansas Department of Agriculture
- George Blush, Dairy Inspection, Kansas Department of Agriculture.

An afternoon tour of Lazy S Farms will provide a close-up look at how one farm has incorporated direct and niche marketing into their operation. Larry and Madonna Sorell breed and raise six varieties of heritage livestock on their farm outside of Glasco, in-

cluding Red Wattle pigs, Standard Bronze turkeys, Katahdin sheep, Jacob sheep, Scottish Highland cattle, and Large Black hogs.

The Sorells have been featured in Time magazine, the New York Times, and the Kansas City Star, and their Red Wattle pork is featured in some of the finest restaurants in the world. The Sorells sell their products through a variety of outlets including Heritage Foods USA, directly from the farm, the Salina Farmers Market, Prairie Land natural grocery store in Salina, and Local Burger restaurant in Lawrence. The Sorells also run a bed and breakfast on the farm, and are working with a number of young farmers in their area to bring a new generation of farmers into raising heritage breeds.

The cost of the workshop and farm tour is \$35, and includes a BBQ lunch provided by Heavy's BBQ, a morn-

ing snack, and an old-fashioned ice cream social at the end of the farm tour to cap off the day. Workshop attendees will also receive a free copy of KRC's, hot-off-the-press, Finding Your Niche: A Direct Marketing Guide for Kansas Farmers. The 150+ page guide is chock-full of information guaranteed to help farmers and ranchers get successfully established in direct marketing.

To register, or for more information, please visit the Kansas Rural Center website, [www.kansasruralcenter.org/](http://www.kansasruralcenter.org/), or call 785-873-3431. Registration deadline is Friday, September 14.

The workshop is funded by a USDA Risk Management Grant to the Kansas Rural Center, and co-sponsored by the Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops.

## AUCTION

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 — 1:00 PM**  
At the 4-H Building, Fairgrounds  
**WASHINGTON, KANSAS**  
GUNS

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## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — 9:00 AM**  
Auction will be held at the American Legion on  
Highway 40 in **ELLSWORTH, KANSAS**

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES**  
German Bombay walnut china cabinet; Rosewood etager; walnut German grandfather clock; walnut dental cabinet; oak china buffet; walnut marble top deep well dresser; oak reflector table w/6 chairs; matching oak buffet & hutch; fancy carved Teak wood couch w/matching coffee table & end tables; oak square parlor table; round oak table w/center pedestal; small oak parlor table w/ball feet; oak box treadle sewing machine; Gone With The Wind kerosene lamp; 3 German Cuckoo clocks; rugs; Onida 8 place set flatware; Simon & George 8 place set flatware; silver plate; spoon collection; Arcade 25 wall coffee grinder; car tag collection; “Don't Spit On Sidewalk” bricks; books.

**GLASS**  
300+ vases; pressed glass punch bowl w/under tray & 24 cups; cut & pressed glass; tea sets; cups & saucers; baskets; Jeannette Jr. dinner set; 50's pitcher & glasses; Bohemian vases; Mary Gregory pitcher & glasses; Murano clowns.

**TOOLS, HOUSEHOLD & OTHER**  
Cummins 5 sp. drill press; air compressor; cut off saw; bench grinder; shop vac; hand tools; saber saw; handyman jack; elec. smoker; concrete planters; Yard Machine 14 hp 38" riding lawn mower rough; wheel chair carrier for PU hitch; electric heavy duty meat grinder; fishing poles; Lazyboy rocker recliners; king size bed; Toshiba 26" TV; Sanyo 18" TV; oak entertainment center; Kitchen Aid mixer; Christmas.

*See last week's Grass & Grain for complete listings.*  
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## AUCTION

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — 7:00 PM**  
Auction Location: Burns Community Center,  
101 N. Washington Ave. — **BURNS, KANSAS**

**Located** South of Burns from the junction of 150th & Hwy. 77, 5 miles west on 150th to Shumway Rd, 2 miles north to 170th & the SW corner of said property. Known locally as the Smith Quarter. Rolling native grassland with pond and windmill! Fences in good condition. County road access. Abundance of native grass. Livestock producers — you will appreciate the quality and condition of this native grass pasture! The opportunity is yours! See you are the auction!

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## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — 9:30 AM**  
Auction Location: Meitler Auction House  
**SYLVAN GROVE, KANSAS**

**ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & GLASSWARE**  
3 Crank Phones in Oak Cases; Columbia Grafonola; Oil Lamps and Lanterns; Coca Cola Bottles; Pink Depression Glass; Amber Depression Glass; Carnival Glass; 2 Hull Vases; Buffalo Lithia Water Bottle; 2 Lady Head Vases; Metal Farm Toys; Metal Construction Toys; Cast Iron Skillets; Enamelware Coffee Pots-Pans; Lu-Ray Dinnerware Dishes; Lt. Blue Fiesta Serving Plate; 1847 Rogers Bros “Remembrance” 8 plc Silverware Set; Belfry Silver Plate 8 plc. Set; Carriage Light; 3 Model ‘A’ Windshields; Coors Saucers; Several Crock- Crock jugs; Apple Peeler; Several Boxes of Old School books; Walnut Desk; Wardrobe w Bottom Drawer; Various Oak Dining Chairs; Youth Bentwood Chairs; Kerosene 3 burner cookstove; Pine 6 Drawer Cabinet; Pine Benches; Oak Wash-stand; Oak Singer Sewing Cabinet; 2 Camel Back Trunks; Oak Leather Seat Rocker; Lg. Wagon Wheel Light Fixture; Oak Ice Box; Cedar Chest; Oak Library Table; Console Tube Radios; Lots of Toys-Games ‘60’ yrs old; Ice Cream Stool-School Desk; Old Pictures-Mirrors; Wainscoting Lg Storage Cabinet; Old Sports Equip-

ment; Iron Bed; Cast Iron Butcher Kettle; Copper Boiler; Cream Separator; Several Pine Tables; Old Grain Drill w/wood spoke wheels; Cream Cans-Gas Cans; Little red Wagons; Oak Teacher Chair; Old Horse Harness; Cistern pump w/cups; Wash Tubs; Old Horse Drawn Grain Drill and Cultivator; Wringer Washers; Maytag Gas Washing Machine Motor; Gilbarco Gas Pump. **This is a Partial List of Antiques.**

**HOUSEHOLD & APPLIANCES**  
Elect. “Rascal” Wheelchair used less than 8 months; Coffee and End Tables; GE Elect. Lg. Tub Dryer; Kenmore 400 Automatic Washer Used 8 mo.; Hotpoint Gas Range/Oven; Grey Dropleaf Kitchen Table w/4 chairs; File Cabinet; 3pc Walnut Bedroom Suite; 4 Drawer Chest; Metal Wardrobe; 2 Drawer File Cabinets; Card Table w/Folding Chairs; Bl. Plaid Queen Anne Chair; Rocker Recliner; Blue-Tan Single Hide-a-Bed; Floral Love Seat; Usual Kitchen and Sm Household Items; Towels-Linens-Bedding Items; Old GE chest Freezer; Lots of Hand Tools-Yard Tools; Elect. Drills-Grinders-Usual Shop Items.

**CAR**  
1974 Vega Panel Express, One Owner, Been parked in Barn for 8 yrs.; Piaggio Motor Scooter.

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## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — 10:00 AM**  
203 Perry St. (North) — **LAWRENCE, KS 66044**  
(Fred's Tune Up)  
*Shop Equipment, Tool Boxes, Tools, Lots of Misc.*

Snap-On tool boxes top & bottom (71"x 54"x 29") with side cabinet; Drill press; Air Compressor; Bench Grinder; Bead Blast Cabinet; Parts Washer Cabinet; cherry picker; Snap-On floor jack and others; transmission jack; Snap-On cabinet; work benches; 10 ton porta power; Snap-On puller set and others; Snap-On battery charger and tester; jack stands; engine stands; 135 amp mig welder; torch set; A/C machine; shop vac; shop fans; bench vise; Coleman 6875 watt Generator; many Mitchell & Chilton manuals; air tools-Snap-On, Ingersoll and others air ratchets, impacts, air drills; elec. Drills; many hand tools (Snap-On, Mac, Matco), wrench sets and others; socket sets and others 1/4, 3/8, 1/2, 1" SAE and Metric, torque wrenches, pliers; screw drivers; specialty tools; Sun distributor tester, miscellaneous automotive parts, signs; gas caddy; This is a partial list Fred was in business over 50 years there is to much miscellaneous to list it all!

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## FARM & TOOLS AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 10:05 AM**  
18196 Homer Road — **RUSSELL, KANSAS**  
**DIRECTIONS: 1/2 mile South of Russell I-70 interchange, then East 1/2 mile to sale site. Signs will be posted.**


**TRACTORS & FARM EQUIPMENT**  
JD 8430 4-wheel drive tractor, 60% rubber; M-M 670 tractor with loader, grapple, dozer blade & bale fork; 3-JD A's, disassembled; Case 1370 tractor, duals; Case 1070 tractor, duals, 4 hyds.; Case 730 tractor, 1962, PTO; Oliver 5 bottom plow; 14" offset disc, 22" discs, good bearings; hydraulic drill fill auger; 9' Howse rotary mower on pull type on hyd.; JD 8' oneway, hyd. on rubber.

**TRUCKS & TRAILERS**  
1960 Chevy 60 grain truck with 24,000 miles; swather trailer, triple axle; tandem axle car trailer, 16'; pickup bed trailer; 2-wheel dolly.

**LIVESTOCK EQUIP. & SUPPLIES**  
Stock tank 10', new; stock tank 8', fiberglass lined; 5 fiberglass tanks, 50-400 gallons; T-posts, 5 1/2 ft.; wood posts, 5"x6 1/2", 100+; 13 rolls Red Brand barbed wire, new; 3 pt. post hole digger; 10 pipe posts 8, 2 1/2"; assorted sucker rods; post driver; saddle and tack; 12 galvanized cattle panels; 2-12' galvanized gates.

**SHOP EQUIP. & TOOLS**  
Karcher power washer 2300 psi, new; 12 kw generator, PTO

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** Dr. Starkey has quit farming and is moving from Russell therefore he is offering the following items and equipment for sale at public auction. For more information on the items contact Doc at 785-483-4053. Hope to see you at the sale!  
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driven; 5 kw generator, portable, Briggs, engine, used very little; anvil 90#; Dewalt radial arm saw; cut off saw; older wood lathe; hand power tools; band saw; table saw, new; drill press on stand; smaller drill press on stand; Lincoln arc welder, like new; air tools; 2 older air compressors; engine hoist; oxy-ace bottles and cart; torch outfit; 10' metal welding bench; wooden work benches; metal shelving; 2 floor jacks; bottle jacks; house moving jack; pull type lawn sprayers; JD 111 riding mower, 36"; 22" push mower; Wegele mower; ATV sprayer, 10' booms; storage cabinets and boxes; chain saws; hydraulic cylinders; air hose; socket sets, including 3/4"; axle sockets; shovels, rakes and hoes; oil and air filters; 50 gal. SAE 30; 20 gal. 15-40W; 20 gal. SAE 30; 1 ton chain hoist; wood clamps; bar clamps; Ridgid pipe wrenches 36", 30"; assorted hand tools; metal tool boxes; tread plate pickup tool box; bed liner for long bed; shop vac; portable space heater, propane; rods and reels; fishing supplies and tackle; chains; battery charger.

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Dickinson County Farm Bureau president Kerry Whitehair presented the Century Farm Family award to Ron and Beth Scripter, pictured above with their son, Jon, and Ron's mother, Edith. Their farm was originally purchased by Ron's great-grandfather, Samuel Scripter. It was passed down to Ron's grandfather, Fred, then his parents Stanley and Edith. It was originally purchased for \$16 an acre from Traveler's Insurance Company and at the time contained an orchard. The original rock barn is still standing. Ron raises wheat, soybeans, alfalfa and cattle on the land.

Photo by Donna Sullivan

## Bull blowout offers thrills in Strong City, September 8

Bull-riding enthusiasts who appreciate the athleticism of both the riders and the bulls will want to be sure to take in the third annual Flint Hills Bull Blowout on Saturday, September 8 at Strong City.

"Our bull riding the first two years has been such a success that we're adding attractions this year to make it bigger and better," said Kim Reyer, one of the event coordinators.

Sponsoring the event is Reyer's Country Store and Flint Hills Genetics, a bucking bull program co-owned by Reyer. Several of the bulls produced by Reyer and his sons-in-law Adam Spain and Kyle Gigg will do their best to see

that their riders don't make that eight-second ride. The rest of the bulls will be from Jimmy Crowther's famous New Frontier Rodeo Company at Roxbury. Fans will want to be on the lookout for 711 Long Branch, 889 Squirrel Grove, 723 Vegas and 611 Overstreet, according to Reyer.

The Flint Hills Bull Blowout will again support Ride Rank for A Cure, a non-profit cancer awareness organization, and will also be recognized as a

Tough Enough To Wear Pink competition, with many of the contestants donning pink to support breast cancer research and awareness.

Wesley Engelkes, aka "The Hippie," will delight the crowd and protect the riders with a high-energy performance as a clown, bull fighter and barrel man.

There will be mutton bustin' at 6:30 for kids six and under, with a \$5 participation fee. To enter phone 620-273-6229. Kids

ten and under can also take part in the chicken scramble.

There will be a mechanical bull both before and after the Blowout, and entertainment will be provided by cowboy recording artist Rusty Rierison.

Reyer says they are excited to have a "bounty bull" this year that the overall winner will attempt to ride for a chance at an additional \$5,000.

More information can be found at [www.flinthillsbullblowout.com](http://www.flinthillsbullblowout.com).

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September 4 — Wabaunsee County real estate at Alta Vista for Laura Andres. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 4 — Multi-parcel land auction, Ottawa County at Salina. Auctioneers: United Country Mid West eServices, Inc., Eric Blomquist.

September 6 — Miami County land at La Cygne. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company.

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

September 8 — Shop equipment, tool boxes, tools, misc. at Lawrence for Fred Inyard. Auctioneers: Paxton Auction Service.

September 8 — Tractors, mowers, antiques, collectibles, furniture, appliances, tools & misc. at Council Grove for Gerald & Janice Buchman. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

September 8 — Antiques, collectibles, glassware, furniture, household & appliances at Sylvan Grove for Ione Hart Estate. Auctioneers: Meitler Auction Service.

September 8 — Tools, furniture, mowers, pickup, appliances, glassware & more N. of Lyndon for Chuck & Kim Rochefort. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp.

September 8 — Antique furniture, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Ronald & Kathleen Harris. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

September 8 — JD Gator, tractors, trucks, El Camino, trailers, generator/welder, shop equip., farm & cattle equip., Lawn equip. & misc. at Soldier for Ralph Diggs Estate. Auctioneers: United Country Pagel, Inc. Realty & Auction.

September 8 — Shop & tool auction at Ellinwood for Strobl-Yarmer Construction. Auctioneers: Schremmer Realty, Auction & Appraisers, LC.

September 8 — Dozer, tractors, ATV, trailers, equipment, shop tools, guns, toy tractors, antiques, household, collectibles at Overbrook for Bill & Elinor Baldwin. Auctioneers: Hamilton Auctions.

September 8 — Real estate, farm/shop/salvage items, old machinery, antiques, and collectibles in Lincolnville for Leland “Red” Chizek Estate. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

September 8 — Woodworking equipment & tools, books, manuals, furniture, appliances, railroad, household & misc. at Concordia for Estate of Owen E. Brewer. Auctioneers: 5A Auction Service.

September 8 — Household goods, antiques & miscellaneous at Clay Center for William & Nola Logan. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom.

September 8 — Antiques, collectibles, large Coke sign, Pepsi cooler, old tools & wrenches, misc. shop, household & yard items at Lucas for Mrs. Carol Blackwell. Auctioneers: Post Rock Auction.

September 8 — Tractors, farm equipment, vehicles, trailers, shop equipment, pedal tractors & toys, misc. at Conway Springs & online (www.stockra.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

September 8 — Antique & period furniture, glassware, collectibles, military items, musical instruments, crocks, kitchenwares, toys, clocks & more at Topeka. Auctioneers:

# AUCTION

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 10:00 AM

**Location:** From the Junction of Highway 15 and the PWF Road south of Fairbury, NE, go 5.5 miles east on the PWF to 574 Ave., 1 mile south to 710 Road, and 1/3 mile east. From Jansen, NE on Highway 136, go 4.5 miles south on 573 Ave., then 1 & 1/3 mile east on 710 Road. Parking along road only.

**FARM 78 ACRES, MORE OR LESS OFFERED AT 12:00 NOON**

**LOCATION:** Just west of the auction site at the corner of 710 Road and 574 Ave.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** The West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W ½, SW ¼), Except a strip of land in the southeast corner, Section Twenty-Three (23), Township Two (2) North, Range Three (3) East of the 6th P.M., Jefferson County, Nebraska. Exact Legal Description shall be determined by survey.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** This is a nearly level to gently rolling dryland farm. Records show 64.49 acres are HEL, approximately 10.9 acres of brome grass, most of which could be tilled, and the balance is roads. The farm has 8.04 acres of growing alfalfa and the balance is in corn for the current crop year. Records from the FSA show the farm consists of 64.5 acres of DCP Cropland. The 2012 Direct Annual Payment was \$1,440 and goes to the Seller.

	Base Acres	Direct Yield
Wheat	13.9	34
Corn	26.5	121
Grain Sorghum	11.0	69
Soybeans	3.0	20

**TAXES:** Seller shall be responsible for 2012 and all prior year's taxes. The 2011 taxes are \$1,867.42.

**INSPECTION:** The farm is open for inspection. Please show respect for growing crops. The Seller and Real Estate Firm will not be responsible for any accidents or loss.

**POSSESSION:** Possession shall be granted after completion of the fall harvest or closing, whichever shall occur last.

**MINERAL RIGHTS:** Mineral rights, if any, will be transferred to the buyer.

**TERMS:** A 20% non-refundable earnest money deposit will be due upon signing purchase agreements the day of the auction. The balance will be due on closing which will be about October 15, 2012. The property is not being sold subject to loan approval. Make all financial arrangements prior to the auction and come prepared to buy. Title insurance and escrow closing fees will be shared equally between the Buyer and Seller. If applicable, loan endorsements and lender's title insurance policy shall be paid by the Buyer. The property sells in "AS IS" condition with no warranty, inspections, repairs, or treatments implied or paid by the Seller or Real Estate Firm. The sale is subject to 24-hour confirmation by the Seller. Schultis and Son, Inc. are agents of and represent the Seller. Contact Aaron at 402-729-2435 or 402-300-0316 for more information or to request a Property Information Packet.

**TRACTORS & FARM MACHINERY**

1964 International 806 diesel, W.F., fast hitch, good rubber & TA, 7600 hrs.; 1959 Farmall 460 gas, Swartz wide front, good tires and TA, 3800 hrs., complete engine overhaul at 2840 hrs.; 1937 John Deere A, steel rears, complete and runs; Dual 300 loader, 7' bucket, 460 mountings; Big round bale transport, hauls 6; Bush Hog 7' rotary mower, like new; Massey Ferguson Model 124 square baler; New Holland #258 5 bar side delivery rake; IH 9', 2 pt. sickle bar mower; Gleaner CII combine, runs; Dakon 125 bu. Gravity wagon; 16' bale trailer with MF gear; 14' bale trailer with Electric Wheel gear; John Deere RWA 14' disc; John Deere 8' disc; IH 4 bottom plow; John Deere #55ABH 3 bottom pull-type plow w/cylinder; John Deere B 8"x16 grain drill w/seed, PTO seeder, 2 wheel sprayer, 300 gal. Tank, 32' booms; 3 pt. sprayer, 200 gal. tank, 25' booms, 2-section drag harrow; IH & New Idea hay rakes; Homemade 2 wheel trailer; other items.

**PICKUP & TRUCK**

1988 Ford F150 Lariat pickup, 4x4, 302 V8 engine, automatic trans., good tires, 152,000 miles, runs good; 1969 Chevrolet C-50 grain truck, 327 engine, 5 & 2 speed trans., steel box, good rubber

**LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT & HAY**

1991 Flying L 14' bumper hitch trailer; Trailer mats; cattle head gate; 14-10' panels and 1 walk gate (makes round pen); 3-round bale feeders; 3- 10' feed bunks; 7- tire feeders; 2- 6' ob-long water tanks; 14- 16 galv. Cattle panels, 54" tall; 2 solar electric fences; battery fence; 12- large hedge corner posts; "T" posts; electric fence posts; PTO electric fence winder; lots of electric fence wire and supplies; fence stretchers; calf bottles; drencher; taggers; Farrier's tools; electric tank heaters and other misc. livestock supplies. 13 big round bales of 2012 alfalfa, 1st and 2nd cuttings; some small square bales of alfalfa and brome hay, stored inside; several small square bales wheat straw.

**ANTIQUES & HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**

Approx. 400 lb. blacksmith anvil; Singer #294 leather patch machine, complete, on stand; clipper fanning mill, wheat and oat screens, electric motor; spring wagon w/re-built wheels. Bobtail horse windmill weight; metal lawn chair; wheel barrow, steel wheel; flower bench; scythe; galv. tubs; tin chicken nests; lots of barn board lumber; 60 lb. Hanson scale; steel wheels; 1901 Pony Express print; Buggy whip holder; cast iron pans; Blue Mason jars; old wrenches; Frigidaire 30" electric stove; Crosley dishwasher; Amana stainless large capacity washer; Amana H.D. electric dryer; large Earth stove; wood stove; pot bellied stove; Pro-Form XP treadmill; brass plated queen sized bed, complete; green plastic stacking chairs; 2- ½ hp garage door openers; other items.

**TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS**

High-pressure ATV sprayer, boom or gun, 25 gal. near new; David White 18x sight level w/tripod & level sticks, good; 4 pair International wheel weights; 5 IH suitcase weights; duals for 806 tractor; tractor tool box; 15' bale elevator w/electric motor; PTO roller pump; Ryobi string trimmer; 2 wheel plastic wheel barrow; 7- 7"x9"x16' wood beams; 6' step ladder; misc. hand tools; Ag chemicals; lots of other items not mentioned.

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		98 JD 9610 Maximizer Combine

**(16) Tractors, (6) Combines, (6) Semi Trucks, (4) Dump Trucks, (14) Straight Trucks, (4) Grain Trailers, (5) Enclosed Trailers, (4) Livestock Trailers, (6) Balers, Crane, (3) Sprayers, (3) Grain Carts, Meat Processing Equipment, Telehandler, Grinders, Planting & Tillage Equipment, Livestock Equipment, Haying Equipment, Lawn & Garden, Vehicles & much more**

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September 8 — Antiques, collectibles, glass, tools, household & other at Ellsworth for Jean & Harold Sanders. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 8 — Antiques, household & farm items at Maple Hill for Alvin & Elsie Gurtler Estate. Auctioneers: Raine Auction Service.

September 8 — House, Jeep, guns & household at Salina for E.R. Teasley Estate. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

September 9 — Guns, stamp collection, antiques & collectibles at Washington for the Cade & Smejkal Estates. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

September 9 — Guns, furniture, collectibles at Lawrence for Grissett Trust. Auctioneers: Mark Elston & Wayne Wischropp.

September 10 — Kiowa County land & minerals at Greensburg. Auctioneers: United Country Red Hills Realty & Auction, LLC.

September 11 — McPherson County real estate, farm machinery & related items near Moundridge for Ben B. & Betty Krehbiel. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction.

September 11 — Real estate in Green for Evan Ade. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, Salesmen & Auctioneers.

September 12 — Tractors, combines, semi trucks, dump trucks, straight trucks, grain, enclosed, livestock trailers, balers, crane, meat processing equip., planting & tillage equip., livestock & hay equip. online only (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

September 13 — Tools, household and miscellaneous in Clay Center for Harold Keeler and Dorothy Keeler Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman & Bloom Auctions.

September 15 — Farm machinery, tools & antiques S. of Abilene for Ron & Sandra Bolliger. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

September 15 — Tractors, vehicles, trailers, equipment, buildings, collectibles, household at Lawrence for Herman Hess Estate. Consignments from Lonnie Welsh Estate. Auctioneers: Mark Elston & Wayne Wischropp.

September 15 — Real estate, tractors, farm machinery, automotive, livestock and hay equipment, antiques, household items, tools and miscellaneous in Fairbury, NE, for

Wayne R. and Diane Brandt, owners. Auctioneers: Schultis & Son, Inc.

September 15 — Antique car, antique furniture, old guns, antiques & collectibles, household at Wamego for Richard Hecker. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 15 — Mini van, guns, fishing & camping, antiques, collectibles, household & tools at Salina for Harry Garrison Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 15 — Tractors, farm equip., truck, trailers, livestock equip. & supplies, shop equip. & tools at Russell for Dr. Jerald & Ruth Starkey. Auctioneers: Rohleder Auction & Realty.

September 15 — Household, appliances, furniture, collectibles, jewelry, military & glassware at Herington for Lawrence "Shorty" Pee Wee" & Patricia Sager Estate.

September 15 — Land S. of Clay Center for the Heirs of Charles N. Yarrow. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

September 15 — Household & collectible at Marysville for Maxine "Mrs. Ty" Thompson. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

September 15 — Consignments at Salina. Auctioneers: Lonnie Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

September 16 — Guns, Coca Cola collectibles, pictures, frames, old records, RR collectibles, conversion van, pickups, hand tools, furniture, household, antiques at Elmdale for Gary Phillips. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp.

September 17 — Marion County land at Goessel for Orlin C. & Mary Jane Janzen. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.

September 17 — Saline County acreage at Salina for Com-Co of Kansas, Inc. & M, Inc. Auctioneers: United Country Theurer Auction/Realty, LLC.

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

September 18 — Douglas County crop & grass land at Lawrence. Auctioneers: Dave Webb, Webb Realty.

September 20 — Butler County native grass at Burns for Elizabeth Lathrop Hunter Family Trust. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 20 — McDowell Creek land at Manhattan. Auctioneers: United Country, Ruckert Realty & Auction.

September 20 — 1925 Chevy Coupe, enclosed car trailer, antique furniture, col-

lectibles & more at Salina for SUPER AUCTION. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

September 21 — Farm dispersal at Madison. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Services, Inc.

September 21 & 22 — Glassware, china, pottery, Goebel/Hummels, furniture, stained glass lamps, antiques & collectibles, juke box at Topeka. Auctioneers: Prudential First Realtors Auction Department.

September 22 — Antique doctor's buggy, antique furniture, lamps & chandeliers, display cases & misc., antiques, collectibles, tools & supplies at Cedar Point for property of Rebecca Morgan-Maxwell & the late Phillip J. Morgan. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 22 — Vehicles, boat, collectibles, household & garage at Moundridge for Gordon Goering. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction.

September 22 — Jerry Thomas prints, antiques & collectibles, Snap-On tools & shop equipment, guns & gun safes at Brookville for Lloyd & Millie Ireland. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Co.

September 22 — Real estate (home), vehicles, household, antiques, tools & misc. at Cuba for Alice Wiruth Estate. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

September 22 — Real estate, 4 BR home, dozer, tractor, truck, farm equipment, antiques & collectibles, Pipka figurines at Onaga for Chuck & Vicki Asbury. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 22 — Cabinet shop tools, etc. at Osage City for WDP Cabinets & more. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

September 22 — Antiques, collectibles, antique cars at Madison for Joseph E. Pedroja Estate. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Services, Inc.

September 22 — Vehicles, boat, tractor, many tools & shop supplies & more at Abilene for SUPER AUCTION. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

September 25 — Real estate, 4 tracts improved pasture in Howard Co., Mo., livestock sale facility, restaurant with furnishings & equipment, cattle equipment, farm machinery, trucks, trailers & misc. at Boonville, Mo. for Larry Bock. Auctioneers: Wheeler Auctions & Real Estate.

September 27 — 25 Premier Ranch Estates at Weather-

ford, Texas. Auctioneers: McLemore Auction Co., LLC & Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.

September 29 — Camper, stock trailer, household, antiques, coins, tools & misc. at Belleville for Fredda Lash. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

September 29 — Greenwood County real estate, hunting, fishing, home & outbuildings at Madison. Auctioneers: JP Weigand & Sons, Inc.

September 29 — Antiques, collectibles, skid steer, guns, pickup, trailers, ATV, tools, etc. at Vassar for Ron Holland & the late Carolyn Holland. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

September 29 — Surplus for Riley County near Manhattan. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

September 29 — Complete dispersion sale at Westmoreland for R&L Angus.

September 30 — Antiques, collectibles, etc. at Osage City for Private seller. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

October 4-6 — Large antique auction in Clay Center for Harold Keeler and Dorothy Keeler Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman & Bloom Auctions.

October 13 — Coins, antiques, collectibles, car, etc. at Osage City for Harvey & Frances King Estate. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

October 13 — 22nd annual Gelbvieh female sale at Pomona for Judd Ranch.

October 18 — Antiques, household goods & misc. at Clay Center for Ramona James Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman & Bloom Auction Service.

October 20 — Farm sale W. of Concordia for Dennis and Rita McClellan. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

October 20 — Hardwood furniture, jewelry, glassware at Herington for large liv-

ing trust. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

October 22 — Acreage with tillable ground at Lebo for Becker Family Trust. Auctioneers: Miller & Midyett Real Estate, Wayne Wischropp.

October 30 — Great Plains Hereford sale at Russell.

October 31 — Fink Beef Genetics Annual Angus & Charolais Bull sale at Randolph.

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

November 7 — Potawatowmie County farmland/development potential at Wamego for Edwin

Yeager Trust & Trinity Baptist Church. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

November 10 — SimAngus, Simmental & Angus Bulls North of Wheaton for Moser Ranch 21st Bull Sale.

November 14 — McCook Farm & Ranch Expo Working Ranch Horse sale at McCook, Neb.

November 16 — Late fall machinery auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

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



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## The problem with pets

People love pets. Let me rephrase that; pets have a welcome place in many households around the country. Approximately one-third of all homes in the U.S. have a cat or dog.

It is a common response when students are asked why they chose to go into the veterinary medicine or vet tech professions, to say, "I just love little animals!" Psychologically it is possible for some humans to literally "love animals." They can develop an extreme attachment to them or, more likely, to one individual pet, be it a dog, cat or horse.

I would guess the preponderance of these very close attachments occur during childhood and have a deep, emotionally entangled relationship. As a person matures, starts a family and acquires grown-up re-

sponsibilities, a pet affection must compete with other important demands on their heart. A person may still enjoy the company of a dog or cat. I have been surrounded by dogs and cats most of my life. I had one or two that I shed a tear for, and many more who were "part of the farm life," i.e. cowdogs, barn cats, strays, ravens, rabbits, fish, a good horse, county fair animals and the occasional 'marker' beast. I figure if we gave the animal a name, even ones like Born to Buck or Lead Foot, we have elevated them in our consciousness.

In a recent study, over the last ten years pet ownership is down 2.4%. Analysts concluded it is the economy and changing demographics, i.e. two-parent families

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with children are the most likely to have pets. As America and Canada move away from traditional households, pet numbers decline. It can be an expensive hobby these days for the average family.

However, fear not that they are in danger of extinction. There are still 70 million dogs and 74 million cats living in our homes and, to our consternation, millions more are being dumped on our farm roads and/or taken to the local Humane Society (not to be confused with the much-maligned Humane Society of the U.S.).

There are radical animal rights groups who want to outlaw the raising and selling of registered breeds of dogs. Their convoluted logic is that people who would like to own a dog of their choice should be forced to buy a pet from a local animal shelter instead (see Missouri Prop B 2011).

Those of us who live in the country realize irre-

sponsible pet owners, just like irresponsible horse owners, will neither neuter nor spay their pets. And if they become a nuisance, they will drop them off down a country road. They assume the animal will find a home. The truth is, we who are being dumped on usually take on the responsibility of humanely disposing of your unwanted, abused or neglected animals. We do it for the animal's sake, just

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equipment & clothes; assortment of ammo; trolling motor; oars; deer stand; Floanna Crowley wild life prints; North American quail picture; gun cases; large steel 66 gun cabinet (cabinet will be sold at the home); walnut gun cabinet; tent; Coleman camping equipment; hunting knives.

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ash tray; Chief bobble head; 33 1/3 records; Howard Miller wall clock; iron grate patio table; cream can; wash tubs; blow torch; lead pot burner; wood rope maker kit; Fina 15 gal barrel; coaster wagon; sprinkling can; other collectibles; Household inc.: queen pine bed w/dresser & 2 chests; queen bed; 3 pc. full bedroom set; pine dinning table w/6 chairs; power recliner; 2 walnut corner shelves; Lane cedar chest; recliner; blonde oak chest; pr end tables; 5 drawer chest; floral couch; 50's chair; bookshelf; 60's arm chairs; RCA 16" TV; 2-2 drawer file cabinets; table lamps; Sony stereo; Wind tunnel vacuum; Hoover carpet cleaner; kitchen utensils; videos; blankets; picnic basket; canning jars; assortment of other items.

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