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# Lesser prairie chicken's fate no simple matter

#### By Kathleen W. Ward, K-State Research and Extension

Kansas is in an awkward position.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) must decide by Sept. 30 whether to propose listing the lesser prairie chicken as a threatened or endangered species. The bird's range and numbers have been declining for years – everywhere except Kansas.

The western part of the state is now home to at least half of the world's lesser prairie chicken population. The other half lives in nearby areas of Colorado, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

Together, the remaining birds are on less than 8 percent of their historic range. And, more than 90 percent

of that current habitat is private property.

So, how landowners manage those 100-million-plus acres will ultimately determine the lesser prairie chicken's future, said Charlie Lee, K-State Research and Extension wildlife specialist.

The FWS decision could have a wide-ranging impact.

"The volunteer cooperation we've had from Kansas landowners should serve as an example for the other states to follow," said Jim Pitman, small-game coordinator for the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism.

But, the outcome may not be that simple.

#### State Agencies Fight Back

The FWS raised the lesser prairie chicken's candidate status in 2008, making it a high priority. Since then, the wildlife agencies in the five habitat states have been working together, trying to head off the perceived need for an FWS listing.

A listing would be "extremely detrimental to our conservation efforts," Pitman explained.

The states' efforts to preserve and improve habitat have earned the support of landowners, elected policy makers, USDA agencies and energy-production interests. Advocates include the entire Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, as well as such environmental groups as The Nature Conservancy and Pheasants Forever.

These state-interest sharers were encouraged in June 2012. The FWS opted to



Manangement decisions for millions of acres containing habitat for the lesser prairie chicken could be affected by the listing of the bird as threatened or endangered.

drop the listing process for the dunes sagebrush (i.e., prairie) lizard, because 70 percent of its range was already enrolled in voluntary conservation plans.

However, the FWS outlook for the lesser prairie chicken may include additional factors. Severe drought and Capitol Hill budget cutters both are creating new uncertainties.

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Of course, an FWS proposal isn't the end of the listing process. That can take a year. It must include 60 days for public comment, with at least one public hearing in the species' territory. This typically sparks heated debate. Habitat states can continue to submit alternate analyses and ideas for a while. Kansas is working on a plan to submit next spring.

Ironically, arguments about the lesser prairie

chicken itself would be unlikely. The little game bird is definitely no insignificant fish, coffin beetle or bigeared bat.

#### The Bird People Value

Ecologists list the lesser prairie chicken as a sentinel species – one whose very presence is a sign of prairie health.

Plains dwellers tend to view it as a prairie icon, with deep roots in the region's history. Bird watchers worldwide are willing to pay for a chance to see the chicken's quirky, near-dawn mating rituals.

The only problem is: Lesser prairie chickens may gather each spring at a particular breeding ground or lek. But, they need to disperse and range across tens of thousands of acres through the other seasons. The Audubon Society estimates each mating group's combined spring-to-spring habitat needs from 18.75 to 31.25 square miles.

The birds are true denizens of the prairies – which is why humans have so effectively fragmented their habitat. Lesser prairie chickens stay far away from anything that could conceal or serve as a perch for predators.

Even three-feet-tall redcedar trees make the birds nervous. A wind turbine merits a no-chicken circle of about 2,000 acres.

Lesser prairie chickens are savvy enough to escape from well-planned, prescribed pasture burns – one of the best ways to control invasive trees.

But, wildfires are a difference challenge. And, Plains weather extremes can periodically cut a swath through

all ground-feeding, native birds, including turkeys, pheasants and quails. Severe drought, in particular, can cause prairie chicken losses that seem appalling.

"This spring, Kansas chicken numbers were down about 50 percent. That's not uncommon in a gallinaceous (ground-based) species, even in very good habitat," said small-game coordinator Pitman.

His experience suggests that when the drought eases, the birds should return... if their habitat is still there.

## Can States Still Be In Charge?

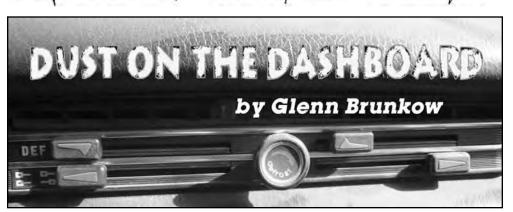
USDA's Conservation Reserve Program has been a major factor in Kansas' success with lesser prairie chickens, Pitman added. The CRP has been part of the five-year farm bills passed since the mid 1980s.

"Fifteen years ago, we didn't know the lesser prairie chicken existed north of the Arkansas River," he said. "Now, more than half of its range is there, west of U.S. 281. We've even got a few chickens north of (Interstate Highway) I-70."

But, the 2008 farm bill will expire Sept. 30. The CRP contracts for millions of U.S. acres will expire in September, too.

Capitol Hill debate on the 2012 farm bill stalled before Congress recessed this summer. One of the unresolved differences between House and Senate was how deeply and how quickly to cut the CRP program further. The CRP's acreage cap peaked

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I am a little stressed this week. We are in the middle of corn harvest and that is tough enough, but this week is extra stressful. On top of harvest, we have two football games, a volleyball game, softball practice, a church meeting and the Kansas State Fair. Finding my focus to write a column was a little hard, until I looked at the date.

I write these columns every Tuesday for the next week and I always put the date on the top of the page. That is when I noticed the date, September 11. That date is one that will live in infamy in the history of our great nation, a truly dark day on the calendar each year. It is a date those of us who were alive on that day will never forget, and we never should.

I can tell you exactly where I was that morning. I was sitting on my couch, pulling on my boots, watching the kids and talking to my wife when the news broke. Good Morning America was on in the background like it is every morning when the breaking news of a plane flying into the World Trade Center came across the screen. I then watched the image of the second plane in disbelief. Those kinds of things just didn't happen to us.

I remember reluctantly leaving my young family and heading into work. The world around me seemed eerily quiet and subdued. I listened to the news reports all the way into my office. When I reached the office, I found my co-workers huddled around the small TV in the break room watching the news unfold. That is where I learned about the plane hitting the Pentagon and the plane crashing in Pennsylvania. Everything was turned upside down - should we go home, were there other attacks coming? I remember a sense of loss, fear and dread. We all operated in a trance that day.

As the day, the week and the month carried on, I also remember the helpless feeling of not being able to do anything. I wanted so badly to lash out at the evil people who had done this horrible thing to my country, but I couldn't do anything. However, I also remember another feeling that stemmed from that awful day, a great pride in this nation that I love.

I listened in awe to the story of the heroes who took matters into their own hands in that plane above Pennsylvania. I watched as many people set aside their own worries about safety to search for survivors at the crash sites. Accounts came out about the brave first responders who answered the call that morning, many of whom did not come home. I have had the opportunity to visit the Trade Center site, it is a gut-wrenching feeling knowing you are standing on the very spot where thousands of innocent people lost their lives.

Then in the months to come, I watched as we rallied around each other to confront the evil firsthand. I cannot express the gratitude I have for those brave men and women who enlisted to fight for my family and our shared freedoms. Not only did we defend ourselves but ultimately we made the world a safer place to live in. We may have many different opinions in this nation, but we can still come together when pushed.

There are many things that concern me a great deal about our country and our society, but that horrible day did bring one thing to light. Deep down, we still have a lot of fight left in us. We may squabble, we may have misplaced some of our priorities and there are a lot of problems we need to fix. But the truth is that we live in the greatest nation in the world, we are free to worship where we want, to say what we need to and to be who we want to be. That is something no one, no evil can take away from us.

I think this is important to remember as we enter into what looks to be a very hard-fought election year. We may have differences but we are all still citizens of the greatest nation in the world, the nation that much of the rest of the world looks to for peace and stability. We must continue to work hard so our nation can continue to be leading world force. However, we must also take time this September 11 to remember the victims and the heroes and to give thanks for our blessings.

## Soy checkoff partners with Goodyear to develop new tire

Board (USB) continues to drive demand for U.S. soy, thanks to a partnership with Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Goodyear recently announced field tests for a new tire featuring U.S. soy that the company says may offer consumers increased tread life and a greener alternative to those manufactured solely with petrochemicals.

Goodyear's announcement marked the public unveiling of a two-year, ongoing collaboration between the soy checkoff and the Akron, Ohio-based company.

"The soy checkoff welcomes the opportunity to partner with Goodyear in bringing this tire to the market," says Russ Carpenter, a soybean farmer from Trumansburg, N.Y. and chair of the USB New Uses program. checkoff constantly looks for ways to improve the value of soy oil to U.S. soybean farmers and this new tire highlights soy's versatility in the marketplace."

The partnership began two years ago, after the 2008 spike in crude oil prices prompted Goodyear to evaluate petrochemical alternatives and propose research exploring soy oil's potential in its products. In full production, Goodyear estimates that it could use 7 million gallons of soy oil annually.

Goodyear's testing found that using soy not only lowered petrochemical amounts from the tire's manufacturing process, but also increased its efficiency by reducing energy and greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, soy oil's increased performance may yield up to 10 percent longer tread life.

"Goodyear is committed to caring for the environment and communities, and use of soy oil proves to be another way to accomplish this goal," said Jean-Claude Kihn,

The United Soybean Goodyear's chief technical positive impact on the enofficer. "Consumers benefit through improved tread life, Goodyear gains with increased efficiency and energy savings and we all win whenever there is a

vironment."

If real-world testing runs smoothly, Goodyear expects the new soy-based tires to be available for purchase as early as 2015.

# Prairie airie Ponderings By Donna Sullivan

A couple of weeks ago, my grandmother celebrated her 99th birthday. My parents planned a little party for her at the nursing home in Chapman and expected 20-25 people to attend. Instead, there were over 40, as almost every Kansas relative, her son and his wife from Nebraska and several friends made the effort to come and give their birthday greetings to this amazing woman.

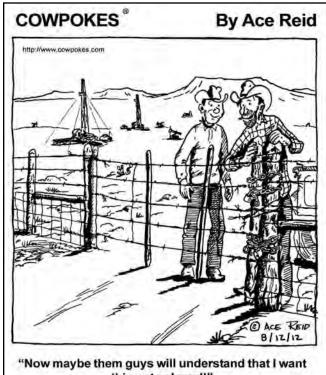
For many years my grandma would hold two family reunions a year one on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and the other at Memorial Day. We all spent the afternoons visiting and reconnecting with each other. When we were teenagers, we may have gone under protest, but make no mistake - we went. Because of her efforts, our very large family managed to grow up knowing and loving each other.

Late last summer, a week after losing my sisterin-love to pancreatic cancer, my Dad suffered a stroke. After a few days in the hospital in Junction City and Topeka, he was taken by helicopter to a hospital in Kansas City,

where he stayed for over a week. My siblings all came and we looked like gypsies camped out in the family waiting room. It was then that I saw many of my grandma's efforts at keeping us connected bear fruit. Dad has a cousin in Kansas City who came as soon as he heard and gave us all a place to go for showers and a hot meal. When we all had to leave to go back to work, he shuttled my Mom back and forth from the hospital each day. Dad also has a sister-in-law and her kids in Kansas City who brought us food and stayed to keep us company. We had played with these cousins all through our childhood and they were there to support us when we needed it.

This past weekend, which was Labor Day, my brother and part of his family from Colorado, and my sister and two of her kids from Kentucky came to spend the long weekend in Kansas. We built a fire in our fire pit one night and roasted hot dogs, made s'mores and sat on pickup tailgates laughing and telling stories. I've always said that siblings are some of life's greatest teachers, and I'm pretty sure that cousins run a close second. Even though they've never lived in the same state, they've managed to make a lot of memories together over the years and have plenty of stories to tell. They've had to be there for each other a few times already, and I'm sure there will be more opportunities as time goes on.

Our family owes a debt of gratitude to my grandma – not just for the memories made over the years, but also for teaching us the importance of being a connected family. And for knowing there are people we can always count on, both now and in the days to come.



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Any short-term extension of the 2008 farm bill won't create much certainty.

A decline has already started in the number of farmers trying to renew their 10- or 15-year CRP "rental" contracts. It's a competitive process, administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency, using an index of environmental benefits. In fact, high grain prices have taken some marginal, highly erodible cropland back into production.

On a more positive note: Until recently, many experts believed lesser prairie chickens required native grasslands. But, the diverse grasses Kansans planted on CRP lands showed improved pastures could benefit the little birds, as well as cattle. For ranchers, providing quality, sustainable habitat could be a "win-win situation," said Jon Ungerer.

Ungerer coordinates the five-state Lesser Prairie Chicken Initiative, introduced in 2010 by USDA's Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS). He works with state agency biologists to provide landowners with on-site, technical

Ungerer views the CRP as vital to the initiative's efforts. State and local NRCS offices also can help ranchers apply for cost-share

funds (other farm bill provisions) to make environmental or wildlife habitat improvements. One initiative focus, for example, is to encourage ranchers to stop the invasion of such woody species as the eastern red-

During its first two years, the NRCS initiative attracted tremendous interest, said Christian Hagen, LPCI science advisor. That led to more than 550 contracts, providing almost \$18 million in benefits that are affecting about 700,000 acres.

In Kansas, USDA's Farm Service Agency has been working with the state wildlife agency, too, said Rod Winkler, FSA-CRP specialist. They've been identifying areas with lesser prairie chicken habitat, trying to get more and more specific.

For more than a decade, the Kansas CRP selection process has awarded extra points when landowners in those areas apply for a general contract. That's part of why two-thirds of Kansas' CRP acres are in the western third of the state.

In 2010, Kansas also got permission to offer a continuous (no-competition) CRP contract for 30,000 acres, targeted even more specifically for wildlife enhancement. And, landowners signed up. The offering was gone in less than two years.

So, Winkler has applied for another 75,000-acre wildlife enhancement allotment, to devote to the lesser prairie chicken.

"Usually, continuous enrollment gets offered for small, narrow parcels. But, the lesser prairie chicken requires large areas of range," he said. "Landowners in targeted areas can come in any time and offer a quarter or even a section."

As a result of such efforts, Winkler believes Kansas may actually be home to as much as 80 percent of the remaining lesser prairie chicken population. Like Pitman, he believes the FWS should look at that local success story before deciding to list the bird under the U.S. Endangered Species Act.

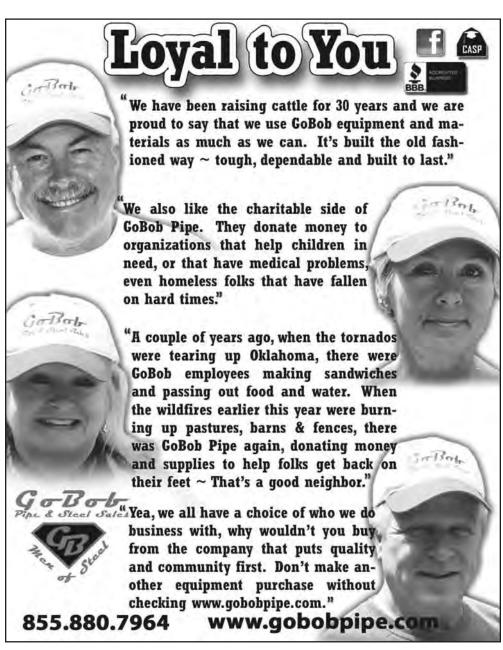
By law, the FWS must base its threatened or endangered species proposals on science and likely trends, according to Michelle Shaughnessy, who coordinated the past year's FWS review of the lesser prairie chicken.

(NOTE: The sources quoted in this article were all Tuesday guests during July-August on Agriculture Today, a K-State Radio Network program hosted M-F by K-State Research and Extension broadcaster Eric Atkinson. The interviews are available for online listening at www.ksre.ksu. edu/News/ p.aspx?tabid=66.)



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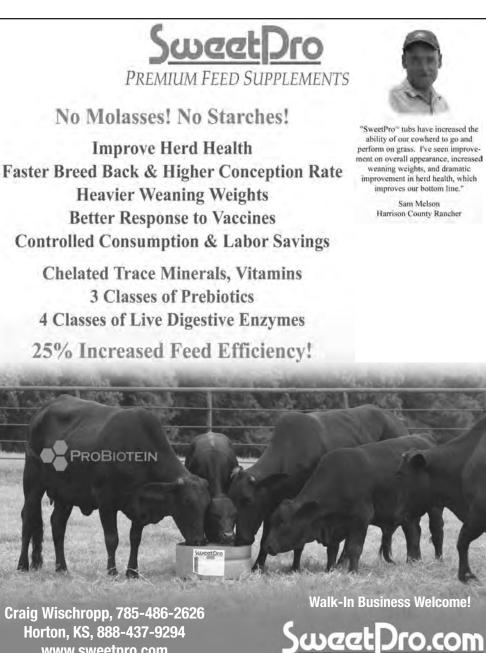
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Winner Rita Hay, Herington: FRUIT COBBLER

\*3 to 4 cups fruit

- 1 1/2 cups sugar (or less)
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups sugar (or less)
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups boiling water

Put fruit in oblong 9-by-13-inch pan. Cream 1 1/2 cups sugar and 6 tablespoons butter. Add 1 cup milk alternately with flour, baking powder and salt. Pour over fruit. Mix 2 cups sugar, cornstarch and salt. Sprinkle over. Pour in cups of boiling water over all and bake at 375 degrees.

\*Fresh or frozen peaches, blueberries, etc. I mainly do fresh peaches. I use less sugar both times and for the peach we like an added 1 teaspoon cinnamon in the sugar mixture which I sprinkle on the batter before I pour the boiling water on top. I make 1/2 recipe too.

Debbie Rogers, Independence, Mo.:

**CARAMEL PEAR CRISP** 1/4 cup quick-cooking oats 3 tablespoons brown sugar 2 tablespoons butter, cut up 15 vanilla wafers, crushed

4 large pears, peeled, cut into 1/2-inch thick slices

12 caramels 1 tablespoon milk

3/4 cup whipped topping

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Mix oats and sugar in bowl. Cut in butter with pastry blender until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in wafer crumbs. Place pears in 1 1/2-quart casserole; top with crumb mixture. Bake 35-40 minutes or until pears are tender and topping is golden brown. Cool 15 minutes. Meanwhile, microwave caramels and milk in bowl on high 1-1 1/2 minutes or until caramels are completely melted, stirring after 1 minute. Drizzle caramel sauce over dessert just before serving; top whipped topping.

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Lucille Wohler, Clay Center: "Coconut lovers will like these."

**COCONUT COOKIES** 1/2 stick margarine

1 egg

3/4 cup sugar

1 1/3 cups flour 1/2 teaspoon soda

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon vanilla 1 cup dry coconut

Cream butter and sugar until smooth. Beat in egg. Stir in other ingredients. Drop by tablespoon onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes.

#### Gin Fox, Holton: JODI'S SUMMER PASTA BROCCOLI SALAD

- 1 box Rotini
- 1 cup mayonnaise (light or regular)
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 3 cups chopped, raw broccoli (about 1-inch pieces) 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup roasted, unsalted sunflower seeds 1/2 cup crumbled, cooked
- bacon

1/4 cup diced red onion or sliced green onion

Cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Rinse with cold water until completely cooled; drain again. Place in large bowl. Meanwhile, for dressing, in small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, vinegar and sugar; set aside. Add broccoli, cheese, sunflower seeds, bacon and onion to pasta.

Toss to combine. Add dressing; toss until coated. Refrigerate, covered, until chilled. at least 1 hour. Let stand at room temperature 15 minutes before serving.

#### Kellee Rogers, Topeka: QUICK PEACH COBBLER

1 can peach pie filling 2 cups frozen peach slices, thawed

1 cup Bisquick mix 1 tablespoons sugar 1/4 cup milk

1 tablespoons butter Additional sugar Nutmeg

In an ungreased 8-inch square pan, spread pie filling and peach slices, place in cold oven. Heat oven to 400 degrees; let filling heat 10 minutes. Meanwhile mix Bisquick, 1 tablespoon sugar, milk and butter with fork until soft dough forms. Remove pan from oven. Drop dough by 6 spoonfuls onto warm peach mixture. Sprinkle with additional sugar and nutmeg. Bake 18-20 minutes or until topping is light brown.

#### Denise Queen, Rossville: BEST RICE DISH EVER!

2 boxes Rice-A-Roni Long Grain & Wild Rice (do not use the seasoning, just throw it away) 1/2 stick butter or margarine 1 can of French Onion Soup 1 can of Beef Consommé (or just use a can of beef broth)

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Millie Conger, Tecumseh: CHOCOLATE POUND CAKE 3 cups flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup cocoa 1 cup butter

1/2 cup shortening 3 cups sugar

5 large eggs

1 cup milk

2 teaspoons vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour a 10inch tube pan. Sift the flour, baking powder, salt and cocoa 3 times. Set aside. With electric mixer cream the butter, shortening and sugar until fluffy. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add the flour mixture and milk alternately beginning and ending with flour. Add the vanilla. Pour the batter into pan and bake for 1 hour. Check for doneness by the toothpick test. It should come out clean. Cool the cake in the pan for 30 minutes before turning it out onto a wire rack to cool.

#### Mary Rogers, Topeka: CHICKEN

BROCCOLI CASSEROLE 2 cups cooked rice 3 cups cooked chopped broccoli 1 cup sour cream 1/2 cun mayonnaise 1 tablespoon lemon juice 1 can cream of chicken soup 10 oz. cheddar cheese, grated

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper 4 chicken breasts, cooked &

shredded Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with nonstick spray. Spread the rice in an even layer in the baking dish. Make a second laver with the broccoli. In a bowl, mix sour cream, mayonnaise. juice, soup, half the cheese, salt, pepper and the chicken. Pour this mixture over the broccoli and top with the remaining cheese. Bake for 40

Lydia Miller, Westphalia: "Here is something different when it comes to baking cookies. This recipe is approximately 100 years old. Some may say it's outdated, however some many find it very useful. Two of these are equal to a dose of castor oil."

minutes. Let stand 5 minutes

before serving.

#### MILLIE FILBRUN'S CASTOR OIL COOKIES

1 cup sugar 1 cup milk 1/2 teaspoon soda 1 cup molasses

1/2 cup castor oil 2 teaspoons ginger

Pinch of salt Flour (enough to roll out)

Mix above ingredients. Roll out and cut with cookie cutter. bake at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. When cool, store in cookie jar. Use as needed.

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Adult amateur bakers, ages 18 and up, can submit original recipes for ethnic breads, rolls, time-saving and easy breads, and whole grain breads online at NationalFestivalof-

Breads.com New this year, youth, ages 12-17, can submit recipes for rolls and whole grain breads using the same form. Submissions will only be accepted through the online form.

Judges will evaluate all entries and select eight adult finalists, each of whom will receive airfare

and accommodations to participate in the national competition June 21-23, 2013, in Manhattan. In addition, each finalist will receive a \$500 cash award, participate in a wheat harvest tour to a working Kansas wheat farm, flour mill and grain elevator, and take part in other activities.

One youth grand prize winner will also receive a \$500 cash prize, travel and lodging for the youth and an adult to attend the National Festival of Breads and demonstrate the winning recipe. "Inspiring youth to bake can foster future generations of home bakers," says Cindy Falk, chairperson of the event and nutrition educator for the Kansas Wheat Commission. "These youth bakers can then pass on their baking skills as a service to local schools, communities and clubs."

The Festival of Breads was established nearly 24 years ago by the Wheat-Hearts, an auxiliary of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers. In the "Festival original Breads" baking competi-

tion, hundreds of amateur bakers from Kansas submitted their recipes during the biennial competition.

"The National Festival of Breads builds upon a rich tradition of grassroots support and is the nation's only amateur yeast bread baking competition," says Falk. "This contest is a way for amateur bakers to be recognized for their baking skills and creativity."

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## Too young to be 60

By Lou Ann Thomas

My age odometer turned 60 yesterday. Honestly, I'm surprised how good 60 feels. As a kid I thought 60 was really old. And it may be, but it's not as old now as I thought it was then.

I'm not particularly upset about turning 60. How ridiculous it seems to be upset about any age you turn. You can't do anything about it. If you're 60, you're 60. Cowgirl up and deal with it. Besides, life is a journey, right? Oh sure, there are no road atlases to help show us the way and there are either too few or way too many signs to be certain we are always on the right path. But no matter how zig-zaggy our

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route, we still go from here to there.

The thing about 60 that is getting to me a little bit, though, is that at 40, even at 50, it was still fairly easy to convince myself that I was only halfway through my life. I still had a good half of it stretching out ahead of me. There was plenty of time. No rush. If things don't pan out today, there's always tomorrow, or next year, or even next decade. At 60, however, that is no longer possible. At 60, I am well aware that I have more life behind me than ahead of me.

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back to me are the same eyes that were looking back at me when I was a child. That little girl is still inside of me. She still dreams of laughter, love, and adventure, and she still has plans for what yet is to be. What yet is to be, however, remains a mystery and embracing that may be the greatest adventure there is. That's one of the gifts of getting older. By now we realize we don't always end up where we think we're going. There are dreams deferred and great plans diverted. All of it makes up the minutes and days of our lives, and overall, I have to say I've had a good life so far.

mirror, the eyes reflected

So, I've decided to use turning 60 as motivation to listen more and talk less, to accept more and judge less, and to laugh a lot more, even at the challenges because even they helped me get here. And here is a pretty doggone good place.

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## K-State Weed Science Team wins regional contest

The 2012 Kansas State University Weed Science Team had a successful showing at the recent North Central Weed Science Society Collegiate Weed Contest held Aug. 9 in Larned. It was hosted by Diamond Ag Research.

The undergraduate team finished in first place overall in the undergraduate teams category, and had the top score in team sprayer calibration. The team consisted of: Kim Kerschen, Garden Plain; Jake Wyrill, Kirwin; Jessie



K-State's 2012 Weed Science Team won the overall undergraduate teams category at the recent North Central Weed Science Society Collegiate Weed Contest in Larned. Pictured are, back row from left: Dallas Peterson (coach), Kindsey Myers (Brownsville, Ind.), Andrew Esser (Lenexa), Zane Raudenbush (Port Allegany, Penn.), David Brachtenbach (Fort Collins, Colo.), Amar Godar (Manhattan), Anita Dille (coach). Front row: Jake Wyrill (Kirwin), Jessie Zimmerman (Alta Vista), Josh Putman (Lyons, N.Y.), and Kim Kerschen (Garden Plain).

Zimmerman, Alta Vista; and David Brachtenbach, Ft. Collins, Colo. Individual award winners included Jake Wyrill, first place overall undergraduate score, top score in Farmer Diagnostic Problem Solving Event, top score in Written Sprayer Calibration Event; and Kim Kerschen, second place overall undergraduate score, and top score in Weed Identification Event.

A graduate team, consisting of Andrew Esser, Lenexa; Amar Godar, Manhattan; Zane Raudenbush, Port Allegany, Penn.; and Josh Putman, Lvons, N.Y., also competed. In addition, Kindsey Myers of Browns-ville, Ind. represented KSU as an individual in the graduate student division. Amar Godar won second place overall in the graduate division and had the top score in the Weed Identification Event. Team coaches were Dallas Peterson and Anita Dille, professors of agronomy.

The events in the contest were Weed Identification, Herbicide Identification. Written and Team Sprayer Calibration, and Farmer Diagnostic Problem Solving.

Other teams in the contest were the University of Missouri-Columbia, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Western Illinois University, Oklahoma State University, Purdue University.



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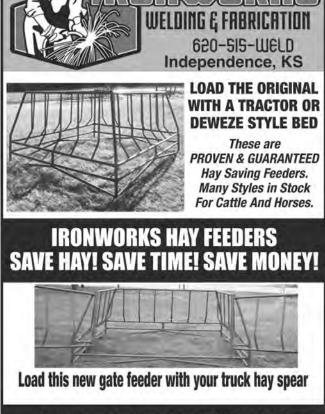


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## Financial Re-LEAF for forest & grassland workshop to be held in Council Grove

Many people know the benefit that sustainably managed forests and grasslands provide for water quality; however, the upcoming "Financial Re-LEAF for Forests and Grassland" workshop will also highlight the financial benefits that sustainable land management can provide to you, the landowner. Here, education will be provided on field practices that not only impact water quality, but also provide a financial boost to the landowner's bottom line. The free event is sponsored by the Kansas Forest Service and the Twin Lakes Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) group, with assistance from Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism, and Flint Hills RC&D. The event is aimed toward educating landowners and producers within the Council Grove Reservoir watershed and adjacent areas, however, anyone is welcome to at-

"Financial Re-LEAF" will be held Wednesday, September 19th in Morris County at the Council Grove Wildlife Area. The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. at the Canning Creek Campground, rain or shine. Because of bridge closures, attendees will be required to take the following route to Canning Creek Campground (route will be marked): From Council Grove, head west on Highway 56. Take Highway 56 to 1300/Lake Rd. and turn north. Follow 1300/Lake until it veers east and becomes Lake Rd. Follow Lake Rd. east until you see the turnoff for Canning Creek Campground on the north side of the road. Turn north onto the campground road and follow signs to the event. The workshop will kick off with a welcome from Twin Lakes WRAPS coordinator Angela Anderson. Participants will then hit the field for a session on tree planting and maintenance techniques for establishing high quality timber and wildlife habitat along streams. Attendees will then stroll to a mature woodland where Thad Rhodes, KFS District Forester, will demonstrate recent Forest Stand Improvement efforts aimed at enhancing quality timber species and wildlife habi-

tat. The workshop will then switch to a grassland and edge habitat focus - with an up-close look at a summer grassland burn. Brent Konen, Council Grove Wildlife Area manager, will discuss how burning in summer has impacted brush management and the quality of habitat for wildlife species such as quail. The in-field workshop will wrap up with edge habitat management. the transition zone between forest and grassland that is critical for many wildlife species. Participants will enjoy a catered lunch at 12 p.m. During lunch, attendees will hear information on a low-cost streambank stabilization technique that uses dead. cut cedar trees to reduce streambank erosion. Angela Anderson and members of the Morris County Conservation District will conclude the workshop with a discussion on available cost share. Speakers will be available following the event to talk one-on-

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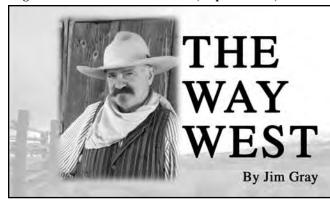
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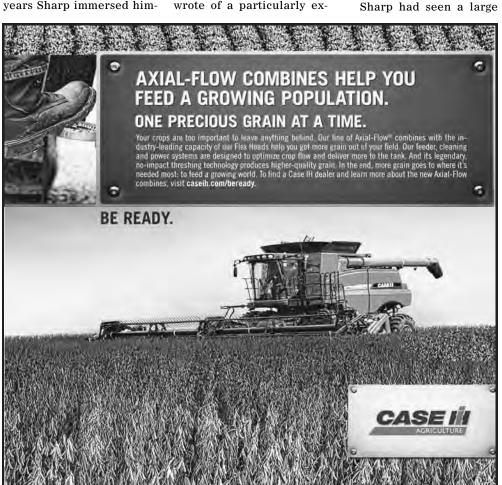
In the spring of 1858 Isaac Sharp established a hunting ranch along a creek in present-day McPherson County. Over the next two self in frontier culture on Sharp's Creek, hunting and trading with the native tribes of central and western Kansas. Sharp later

citing encounter with several warring tribes. In the early weeks of September in 1860, the plainsman was riding west along the Santa Trail toward Fort Larned. In the bottoms of the Arkansas River he noticed a hunting party on foot in the tall grass. They were in a "stooped" position which led Sharp to believe they were either hunting or there to steal horses from an enemy tribe. One hunter suddenly rose from the grass. "Holding both hands up with palms to the front" he called out Sharp's name in the Pawnee dialect. The Pawnee people were the mortal enemy of almost every other tribe on the plains.

number of Chevenne just a short distance before. They appeared to be scattering out on the prairie as if to surround wild game, but not seeing game in the area, he now realized they were looking for the Pawnee hunters. The Arkansas River was so wide at that point that it gave the appearance of a broad lake. The river sparkled so brilliantly in the sun that "it was painful for the eyes to rest upon." The Pawnees quickly organized to make a stand from an island in the river. Rather than hide from their enemy they asked Sharp to go to their enemies

and tell them that they were waiting to do battle on the island. They made a point of telling Sharp that he should take a position on a high hill overlooking the battle to come. If they all were killed they asked Sharp to tell their people "how grandly and bravely they died."

Sharp rode on to meet Kiowa War Chief Yellow Buffalo and two hundred warriors painted for war and beating drums. Sharp delivered the message from the Pawnee which brought an immediate war cry from the warriors. "which echoed and reverberated in all the splendor of its savage grandeur over the prairie." Sharp rode with the warriors to the river bank across from the island, located where the town of Larned now stands. Sharp took up his position of observation on a hill just west of the fight. The island was covered by a thicket of young willow trees which concealed every movement of the watchful Pawnees. Evervone dismounted. Every tenth man went to the rear to hold the horses. Chief Yellow Buffalo ordered his warriors into a line of battle along the bank of the Arkansas that



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stretched the entire length of the island. Several warriors were positioned just beyond the ends of the island as "flankers" for the attack. Yellow Buffalo's warriors were armed with old muzzleloading rifles and a fair number of them carried Colt's Army cap & ball pistols. At Yellow Buffalo's command, the warriors set off a wild war cry as they moved forward into the river. The water was waist- deep at its extreme point. The "unearthly yell" continued as the warriors approached the island, but there had been no response from the Pawnee. Suddenly the island erupted with a "flash of light" and a "sheet of flame" as the warriors crept within ten feet of the island. The gunfire was returned by the warriors at the edge of the island. However, Yellow Buffalo had underestimated his enemy. The Pawnees were armed with new Spencer repeating rifles. In addition, each brave carried two revolvers. While Yellow Buffalo's men were reloading their muzzleloaders the Pawnee cut loose with a fresh volley of withering fire, followed by the "quick

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sharp crack of their revolvers.

Yellow Buffalo's warriors were shocked by the rapid fire and fell back under an advancing line of Pawnee warriors. Yellow Buffalo had no choice but to call on reinforcements from the nearby Cheyenne camp of Black Kettle. But the ensuing attack brought similar disastrous results. At the close of the day the Pawnee boldly charged through the demoralized ranks of the Kiowa and Cheyenne warriors. Adding insult to injury, they drove off two hundred war ponies and successfully fled the scene. Few men were ever witness to such a display of Indian warfare. For the rest of his life Isaac Sharp carried a very unique memory of a crisp day in September when he observed an Indian fight on The Way West.

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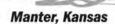
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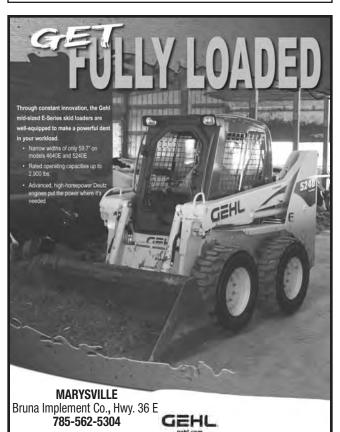
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# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 — 11:00 AM

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4 Guns - sell first at 11 AM; approx. 35 Coca Cola collectibles; chrome kitchen table & chairs, '50s; lots of old records; lots of Work Basket & other magazines; Majestic "Mighty Monarch" radio; B. Johnson & J. Wayne numbered pictures; 15+ Southwest, etc. pictures & frames; small brass balance scale; green steel dining table & chairs, '40s; glass & china bell collection; assortment of RR collectibles; 40+ bridle bits;

Crestline well pump; 2 old Coleman lanterns; selection of Coleman items; assortment of cast iron items, Wagner, Griswold, etc.; Enterprise "The Best" sad iron set, IOB; assortment of enamelware; 2 pitcher pumps; metal doll bed, 6 older dolls; Stihl Pro-026 chain saw; 3 bench grinders; Snapper SR928 riding mower; '97 GMC 1500 Limited conv. van; '54 Chevy 3600 1T pickup; '57 Dodge 2T truck, bed & hoist.

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#### **VEHICLES**

1997 Buick Park Avenue 4 dr. car, auto, air, V6, 134,000 mi. white color, new tires, nice; 1976 GMC Royal Sierra 15 pickup, auto, air, runs good.

#### **HOUSEHOLD**

Maytag 18.8 cu. ft. refrigerator; Maytag matching washer & dryer: GE elect, kitchen range: Kenmore deep freezer; GE mi-crowave; 2 Emperor large grand father clocks; blue 6 piece wrap a round couch & matching chair; 2 red stuffed parlor chairs; glass door triple hutch; large roll top desk; 2 large glass front curio cabinets; Lazy Boy rocker recliner; drop leaf table & chairs; sewing machine; Sanyo flat screen 30in.; coffee & end tables; card tables & chairs; Kirby upright vacuum; fans; 7 ft. pool table, gas BBQ grill; quilt rack; tie & other quilts; bedding; elect. kitchen appliances: bake ware: 110v window air conditioner; & other.

#### **ANTIQUES**

Duncan Fife dining table, leaves, 6 chairs & hutch; 3 piece veneered bedroom set; kitchen wind up clock; wall, desk, black & wood wall hand crank telephones; oak fold up rocker; cedar chest; parlor table; 5 gal. Red Wing crock; cherry pitter; blue Fenton; vases; wine glasses & decanters; tooth pick holders; figurines; heavy glass pitchers; goblets; Anniv. plates; Fire King dishes; 8 pieces Czech. Vases

& pitchers; 2 Czech. Porcelain wood handled pipes; laced & other milk glass; Limoses china cake dish; salt & pepper shakers; clear dep. glass; egg plates; relish dishes; HP plates; berry sets; tokens; night lamps footed candy dishes; red footed candy dish; sets ruby red glasses & vases; carnival vase & dish; cruets; decanters; ice cream glasses; cake carrier; tea pots; Fran Coma dishes; Avon set spring time silverware; set 12 Nautilus china dishes; set china dishes; Kanawha glass ware; bottles; bell collection; dollies; 2 paper wire roll sta plers; Kool tin match holder; buck saw; license plates; gas iron; bottle capper; block & tackle; metal boiler; foot hole punch er; cans; kerosene lamps; plat form scales; collector Yankees & Cardinals baseball.

#### **TOOLS & MISC.**

Master Craft 11.5hp. 38in. riding lawn mower; 3 push lawn mow ers; Homelite gas & 2 elect. weed eaters; 4 in. jointer on stand; 7in. table saw; Craftsman saws all saw; Stanley miter box; wood clamps; 4 screw jacks; 8 hand planes; bench grinder; 2 routers; Craftsman 14in. chain saw; 3 circular saws; 2 sanders; alum. 6ft. step ladder; pipe wrenches; sockets sets; open & box wrenches; elect. drills & bits; wheel barrows; cob fork; shop vac; metal shelving; small carpenter tools; hand & garden tools; & other.

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#### Chestnut or Sorrel

Sometimes the color of a horse can be called differently by different people. A chestnut horse has a dark red or brownish-red body color. A sorrel horse has a reddish or copper-red body color. There's not much difference in the two as far as body color goes.

Ask a dozen people what color the horse is and you'll probably get different answers. Some will say chestnut and some will say sorrel. There are a few distinctions that can aid in identifying the difference between the two.

Chestnuts usually have a darker body color than sorrels. Their mane and tail can be the same color as their body color but can also be flaxen. Sorrels tend to have flaxen mane and tails but the confusion comes in when their mane and tail is the same color as their body. It sounds like we're talking about the same colors that identify a sorrel and a chestnut horse. There are a few subtle differences that can be hard to spot.

Chestnuts have dark brown eyes, black skin, and a coat that is entirely devoid of true black hairs. They may have pink skin beneath any white markings under the areas of white hair and if such white markings include one or both eyes, the eyes may be blue. There is no genetic difference in the coat color of a sorrel or a chestnut horse.

Thoroughbred horses of this color are all called chestnuts. If your horse is a Thoroughbred, there is no difference between a chestnut and a sorrel but The Jockey Club doesn't recognize the existence of the color sorrel. Thoroughbreds that are reddish and not bay are registered as chestnut. The International Arabian Horse Association takes the same stance. If your horse is an Arabian, there is no difference. The Arabian Association doesn't recognize sorrel either. Arabians that are reddish and not bay are registered as chestnut. The same is true for Morgans, Saddlebreds and Standardbred

The only breed registry for which there is a distinction between sorrel and chestnut is the American Quarter Horse Association. Whether the horse is called a sorrel or chestnut could be determined by the region you are from or the type of saddle you sit on. In England and the east coast of America the reddish colored horses are called chestnuts. Most English disciplined riders know them as chestnuts while in the American West they are known as sorrels. Western discipline riders also know reddish horses as sorrels.

It's been my nature to call a darker reddish colored horse with a mane and tail the same color as the body a chestnut horse. I call a lighter colored horse (a light copper tone) that has a flaxen mane and tail or a mane and tail the same color as the body a sorrel. It is not an easy distinction to call and I am convinced that it depends on where you're from or how you were brought up that makes the difference of whether you call that horse a sorrel or a

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before I carried them out to prove my point. I had registered her as a chestnut. The vet gave me a big smile and went to work on the mare. I ate my words and remembered how dark she was as a baby and how light she was now. Sorrel or chestnut, I'll take a bay horse anytime. I decided to never argue about whether it's a sorrel or a chestnut. Whatever color you want to call it is what it is.

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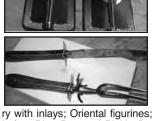
FURNITURE, ETC. 2 nice 5-piece bedroom sets; Singer sewing machine, wooden cabinet and seat; LG flat screen TV, needs work; 4-piece living room set; brown cushioned 3piece living room set; coffee, lamp and end tables; love seat; console stereo: floor and table lamps; card table with chairs; pine bookcase; homemade wooden shelving; miscellaneous chairs and tables; lots of Christmas, craft items, knick knacks, tins, household and bath supplies; books, tapes and records; lots of blankets, sheets and towels; wall plaques and pictures; Mops, brooms and buckets; treadmill; Dolomite walker on wheels; 3 other walkers; real nice 9-piece matching maple office/computer furniture for Gateway computer; HP desk jet copier; IBM typewriter and Gateway DVD and more; Model 930 Baldwin piano with bench and sheet music; miscellaneous baskets; ironing board and irons; Simplicity vacuum; electric operating recliner.

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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 Adee. 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 Auction Serv-

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 & Auc-

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hold & tools at Salina for Harry Garrison Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 15 — Antique furniture, glassware, home furnishings, oil paintings, Indian artwork & items, fishing equip., tools & garage items at New Strawn for the Ernst J. Eaton Trust. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty Service.

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

tion & Realty. September 15 — Guns & Western memorabilia at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

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: Olmsteds  $\&\ Sandstrom.$ 

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

September 16 — Antique & coin consignments at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

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 Č. & Mary Jane Janzen. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auc-

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

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

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

September 19 - Wheel loaders, dozers, cranes, scrapers, skid steers, telehandlers, combines, trenchers, tractors, trucks, trailers, tillage, planting, harvest & haying equip. online (www.bigiron.com). Also selling items for Ferrell Construction of Topeka, Inc. Auctioneers: Retirement. Stock Auction Company.

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, collectibles & 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 Depart-

September 22 - Corvette, trailers, scooters, outdoor items, tools & household at Lawrence for Marion C. Strickland. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

September 22 Personal property & collectibles at Waterville for Connie Blaser & Blaser Family. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

September 22 - Home, antique vehicles, furniture, guns, antiques, primitives, collectibles, appliances, TV, Pronto scooter, riding mower, tools & etc. at Downs for Betty & the late Paul "Jake" Muck. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction & Realty.

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 - Modern household, tools, antiques & collectibles at Hope for Wayne & Dorothy Cook. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

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 & Auc-

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.

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

September 23 — Antique furniture, collectibles, coins & misc. at Lawrence for Robert Anderson Trust and Georgia Hess Living Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

September 23 — Real estate, van, trailers, mowers, furniture, appliances, collectibles, tools & misc. at White City for Marie Bare. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

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

Bidding ends September 28 -Tools by bidding.

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

September 29 — Office equipment & supplies, artwork, general household & collectibles, garden tractor, generator, fire fighting units, truck parts, snow removal equip., power & hand tools, radio equip., building supplies at Manhattan for Riley

County Surplus. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

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. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

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

September 30 — Riley County home & acreage at Manhattan for Delbert L. Wilks. Auctioneers: Landmark Real Estate, Harold Mugler.

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

October 7 — Rifles, shotguns, buggies (doctor's, wedding, 8-person people) at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Vathauer Auction Service.

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,

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## WEIGAND AUCTION

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 29 @ 10:30 A.M.

East of Madison, KS in Greenwood County.

FISHING - HOME & OUTBUILDINGS - CREEKS - HEAVY TIMBER - NATIVE GRASS AUCTION HELD ON-SITE at 2549 375th St., Madison, KS.  $\underline{TRACT~1}$ : 339.7  $\pm$  ac.

fishing pond & outbuildings. Built in 1992, home features 6 bdrm., 3.5 baths, rec room, granite countertops in kitchen, master bdrm. w/bath, & more. Lg. wkshp. is 1,600 ± sf w/ovrhd. doors & concrete flr. + another storage shed w/concrete flr. Great for ranch & lake toys. Land features private lake, creeks, heavy timber, prime hunting & fishing, cropland, & quality native grass. TRACT 2: 319.50 ± ac. quality native grass, creek bottom, heavy timber, cropland, prime deer & turkey hunting, & two ponds.

Lunch will be provided courtesy of American AgCredit.



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659.20 ± Acres Offered in 2 Tracts.

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at (316) 262-6400, J.P. Weigand & Sons, Inc.

## **REAL ESTATE AUCTION**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 — 7:00 PM eyesight of the K-10 and Eudora, Kansas Interchange!

160 m.l. acres of Douglas County, Kansas Land Live online bidding available via DV Auctions link http://dlwebb.dvauction.com/

**AUCTION LOCATION: Lawrence Historic UP Depot,** 402 North Second Street - LAWRENCE, KANSAS Real Estate information:

This fine Kansas land is ready for your ownership!

This parcel contains 160 acres m.l. of land located within eyesight of the K-10 and Eudora interchange. This parcel has frontage or North 1300 road and East 2300 road, also with access from 23rd street and 22nd terrace. The land is a combination of tillable land, grassland and hay land, with some additional tillable possibilities. Given the location of this property it will be in a prime location when development in the area expands. 2011 property taxes were \$ 819.06 Zoning is Agricultural. There is a KCPL transmission line on the South side of the property. Please drive by and inspect this property. Call the Auction Company if you have questions. Plan on attending this auction to bid and purchase this property.

Auctioneers Note: This property offers many opportunities for a new owner. We look forward to having you at the auction, and we appreciate you being there. Refreshments available.

**Auction Arranged** and Conducted by **WEBB & ASSOCIATES** 

**AUCTIONEERS & APPRAISERS Dave Webb** Webb Realty

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## AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 8:45 AM

At the Community Building in NEW STRAWN. KS

Selling very old ornate high quality antique furniture; some glass

ware; high quality home furnishings; large collection of quality orig-

inal oil paintings by artists like Raymer, Coffelt, Griffin, Byerly, Louise

Grimes etc (most are cattle, horses, western scenes) Some Indian

art work and paintings; Shipshee Indian Warrior painting on leather; wood carvings; beautiful antique tall floor lamp w/ stained glass

shade done by Jan Wallace; Large, large amount of fishing equip-

ment including spin rods, 8 ft fly rods, bamboo rods, fly reels, spin

reels, & casting reels, hunting gear; Guns; wildlife mounts and col-

lectibles; tools & garage items; real nice factory 4 x 8 2 wheel trailer.

Large, large auction of very nice items.

Complete sale bill and pictures at www.kansasauctions.net/kurtz

Mr Eaton is moving to assisted living. He was a Farm Bureau

agent in Coffey County for many years and tremendously enjoyed hunting and fishing. DON'T MISS THIS SALE.

THE ERNST J. EATON TRUST dated Feb 11, 1992

ERNST J. EATON, TRUSTEE AKA Stub Eaton, seller

**KURTZ AUCTION & REALTY SERVICE** AUCTIONEERS
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 — 9:30 AM Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co. Expo Center 900 Greeley in SALINA, KANSAS

2008 Chrysler Town & Country Touring, very good. **GUNS, FISHING & CAMPING - Sells** at 9:30 a.m.: Browning 6mm pistol; High Standard 22 dbl. 9 pistol; Ruger 22 mdl 77; Colt Huntsman 22 pistol; Rohm Sontheim 22 revolver; Marlin 30-30 w/scope; JC Higgins 22 w/scope; Mossberg 22 Remington 22; Winchester 308 w/Jason scope; Iver Johnson 410; Ithaca 12 ga; Hopkins Allen 12 ga dbl barrel; Daisy 3880, 1894 & 103 BB guns; fishing poles, lures; hunting equip. & clothes; ammo; trolling motor; deer stand; Floanna Crowley wildlife prints; large steel 66 gun cabinet; walnut gun cabinet; tent: camping equip.; hunting knives. AN-TIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & **HOUSEHOLD:** IHC advertising items; IHC 806 pedal tractor; 1954 IHC refrigerator; Singer

MINI VAN - Sells 12 noon.

oak chairs; painted Hoosier helper; 50's high chair; pine tool chest; trunk; cast iron kettle; copper boiler; Campbell's soup clock; Crock; barn lanterns; UP railroad lantern; sled; drafting set; car tags; carnival & hand-painted bowls; 1920 Saline Co. Atlas; Stetson hat; Tom Thumb cash register; beer advertising signs; records; wood rope maker kit; Fina 15 gal barrel; coaster wagon; queen pine bed w/dresser & 2 chests; full bedroom set; pine dinning table w/6 chairs; Lane cedar chest; 50's chair; RCA 16" TV; file cabinets; Wind tunnel vacuum; Hoover carpet cleaner. TOOLS: Craftsman stacking tool box: hand, air & carpenter tools; JD riding lawn mower; Ryobi tiller; TroyBilt weed eater; Stihl chain saw; Daytona 16 sp drill press; port. air compressor.

feather weight sewing machine;

See last week's Grass & Grain for complete listings. Check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction. com. Guns available for viewing at 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

#### HARRY GARRISON ESTATE

Auction Conducted By: THUMMEL REAL ESTATE & AUCTION LLC 785-738-0067 or 785-738-5933

will sell the following items at public auction at the house located 925 Clark St., Clay Center, Kansas. FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD GOODS (sell last): kitchen table w/leaf & 4 cushioned chairs on rollers, nice; 36" TV w/stand; queen bedroom set; full bed; dresser; various small tables & stands; other contemporary furniture; 2X5ft. full length mirror; Sears electric treadmill w/incline; 2 exercise bikes, 1 is Schwinn airdyne; mostly queen bedding; microwaves; small kitchen appliances and kitchen wares; tupperware; other assorted household goods. POWER TOOLS, MOWER & SHOP SUPPLIES (sell first): B&D 10" radial arm saw; Craftsman standing 12" band saw - sander w/extra blades; 24" bench top wood lathe; Delta jointer on stand; Craftsman 6" belt sander w/ 8" disc sander; router w/table; workman table; (2) 6" miter boxes; lg. rebar bender & cutter; John Deere push mower; lg. pile maple flooring from post office; lg. pile wainscoating; trim boards; other misc. lumber; lots of long handled

ESTATE AUCTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - 5:00 PM

Due to the death of my wife I have moved to Medicalodge and

tools; lots of misc. shop supplies. NOTE: This is the first day of a three day auction. The other 2 days will be October 4th & 6th at the Clay Center Armory and will be nearly all antiques and collectibles. Gooogle kretzauctions.com or go to kansasauctions.net

TERMS: Cash or good check day of sale. Not responsible for acci-CLERK: United Bank, P.O. Box 514, Clay Center, Ks. 67432

HAROLD KEELER & THE DOROTHY KEELER ESTATE, SELLER

Auction conducted by: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service Greg: (785) 630-0701 Gail: (785) 632-3062 Chad: (785) 632-0846

#### Auctions, cont.

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Hauserman & Bloom Auction Service.

October 20 — Antique tractors, trucks, trailers, tools & real estate at Solomon for Joe & Audrey Kroneberger. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

October 20 — Farm sale W. of Concordia for Dennis and Rita McClellan. Auctioneers:

Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate. October 20 - Hardwood fur-

niture, jewelry, glassware at Herington for large living trust. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

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



#### ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## A cowboy's take on the economy

I've been trying to apply some cowboy logic to a Stimulus Plan that depends on hiring more government workers as a solution to unemployment in the private sector. I have many friends who work for the government. The jobs might not always be as exciting but the job security and benefits are solid gold! My personal economist says the average federal worker making \$81,258 annually has benefits of \$41,791, for a total of \$123.049

The basic question is, "How many private sector workers does it take to support one federal work-

From 2008-2010, the beginning of the recession, the private sector has lost 7.9 million jobs, more or less, while 590,000 jobs were gained in the public sector. It continues on. Fewer and fewer taxpayers are paying for more and more government, which is trying to create jobs. But the increasing number of government jobs created just puts a bigger burden on the fewer and fewer taxpayers. So eventually when the private sector taxpayers can no longer fund all the  $governmen \bar{t} \ workers, \ their$ taxes will be raised to cover the new hires. Sound famil-

These same private sector taxpayers are also expected to pay for food stamps for 30% of all of us, support the 10% unemployed, also those on Medicare, government pension plans, unemployment insurance and free government health care. Not to mention those entrepreneurs that some say should not take credit for their own success, that they owe it to the government who built the roads and rails and buildings and internet. This begs the question, "Where did the government get the money to build dams and freeways and monuments to politicians in the first place? Your taxes. When k out the source who really built America; the last man standing will be a person with an idea, a shovel, and the will to work.

According to my private economist, it takes 17.34 private sector workers making an average of \$61,051 wages and benefits to pay for one average federal employee.

Here's some math for



you; the Economic Policy Institute (a self-described think-tank) offers this convoluted reasoning: HEAD-LINE: "Public Sector Job Losses Causing Slow Economic Recovery." They state that there should be 1.1 million more public sector jobs. These new 1.1 million new jobs will, in turn, "...produce collateral economic activity that will cre-

ate 275,000 more private sector jobs." Huh? This is the kind of fuzzy thinking that probably only a Harvard graduate might understand.

"Ask not what your government can do for you, ask what you can do for yourself." --Dallas Horton, philosopher and self-made man.

October 25 — Storage unit by the unit at Clay Center for Mini Warehouse Storage. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

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 — Pottawatomie farmland/devel-County opment potential at Wamego for Edwin Yeager Trust & Trinity Baptist Church. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

November 10 — Pastureland & timberland at Westmoreland for Keith & Mary Umscheid and Thomas & Linda McCoy. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC. November 10 — Farm machin-

ery & misc. NW of White City for Norwood & Naola Vahsholtz. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman & Bloom Auction Service.

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 Mc-Cook, 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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