Beef Fest speaker offers advice for preventing cattle thefts

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

"Thieves are thieves because they're lazy. They want to make money without working for it," asserted Kendal Lothman, the former Kiowa County sheriff who is now the Special Agent heading up the Livestock and Brand Investigation Unit in the Kansas Attorney General's office. High cattle prices the last couple of years have triggered a resurgence of what would have one been considered a problem of the Old West – cattle rustling. A report released recently indicated that in Texas alone, \$5.4 million of cattle were stolen last year. Lothman said that he currently has 23-24 open cases of cattle thefts in Kansas.

Speaking at WIBW Radio's Beef Producer's Information Seminar at the Flint Hills Beef Fest, Lothman gave cattlemen advice for preventing cattle thefts from occurring, and what to do if they suspect they've been a victim.

"Price is driving cattle thefts," he said. "Cattle theft is no different than any other property crime we deal with in law enforcement. The big difference is, if I break into your shed and I steal your tools or anything else, I'm going to get pennies on the dollar when I go to sell it. When I steal your cattle, I'm going to get fair market value."



Kendal Lothman dressed cattle producers at the annual Flint Hill Beef Fest, offering advice on how to avoid becoming a victim of cattle theft and what to do should it occur.

It could be said that cattle are the new scrap iron when it comes to theft in rural areas. "Scrap iron was high," Lothman pointed out, "It's down right now, but cattle prices are up, so we're seeing a switch from people that would be stealing scrap iron, they move to cattle because it's a lot better market and they have a lot better opportunity to make some money." He pointed out that a 6-7

weight calves that bring \$1500 add up to a good night's work, even if they only end up getting three or four in the trailer. He said the most common weight being reported stolen is 500-600 pounds and ten is the most common number taken.

"It's not that widespread, we don't have hundreds of cases across the state," he continued. "So people say, it's not a big deal. But if it's your ten head, it's a big deal."

Lothman said that in many instances, the cattle thieves could be people with

ground, and that drug use is probably the biggest connecting factor. "They have some kind of livestock experience and they have some kind of want or need to fund

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Checking cattle regularly, branding them, locking gates and being aware of suspicious activity, along with early reporting of possible thefts, were amont the tips Lothman gave at the Flint Hills Beef Fest.

Ram Ag Youth Roundup draws crowd to promotional event

By Lucas Shivers

Beneath a big top canopy tent at the Manhattan Commission Company, the Ram Ag Youth Roundup show cased five FFA chapters with 350 stakeholders on August

"We work to build grassroots support for FFA and youth in agriculture," said



Members of five area FFA chapters including Rock Creek, shown above, benefitted from the Ram Ag Youth Roundup held at the Manhattan Commission Company on August 20. Photos by Rachel Shivers

leader.

Since 2010, these events connect sponsors, industry leaders and local patrons with high school youth across the country raising over \$350,000. The Manhattan Roundup benefitted local FFA chapters from Onaga, Manhattan, Wamego, Blue Valley and Rock Creek.

"These events draw on major community support to rally for the future," Marsh said. "We hope to advocate

Scott Marsh, Roundup team and raise awareness with a blend of national and local sponsors."

> Illustrating their commitment to American agriculture's next generations, national sponsors including Ram Trucks, Case IH and Bayer Animal Health collaborated with local organizations like Schram Chrysler, KanEquip and veterinarian Dr. Tom Taul.

> "The Roundup events rally both financial and community support for local FFA



A large crowd gathered to enjoy a steak dinner and hear from the FFA chapter members as well as representatives from the sponsoring companies.

chapters and students who are doing incredible things," said Chris Zamarripa from Great Bend, who facilitates the Roundups. "We offer a full steak dinner and spread for everyone."

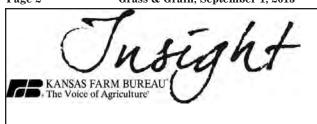
In addition to featuring FFA students, the event showcased new company products with presentations,

raffles and promotional giveaways. "We want to give youth in the agriculture industry a leg up and support them in several ways," Zamarripa said. "We understand school budgets are not always the largest for these programs, so we hope to highlight donations and ways to build relationships.

We hope to get the fresh faces of our students in front of older generations."

FFA officer teams from each chapter introduced their members and shared updates on their community service projects, supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs) and opportunities to cast a vision

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It's Up To Me

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

Any idea how much packaging we throw away in every household across the United States?

The volume of plastic waste and packaging amounts to approximately 75 billion pounds per year, according to the Butte Environmental Council, an education, advocacy and recy-

cling organization in northern California.

In this country, plastic represents roughly onethird of municipal waste. Fifty to 80 percent of the litter collected from roads, parks and beaches and 90 percent of floating marine litter is plastic.

During the last decade, Americans wasted 7.1 million tons of cans – enough to manufacture 316,000 Boeing 737 airplanes.

Figures like that make my head hurt, not to mention the harm to our planet. And the irony of this?

It's estimated the global food packaging industry is worth approximately \$115 billion a year and growing 10-15 percent each year.

As the amount of packaging increases, so does waste and environmental costs, not to mention the added costs to consumers. The plastic bottle containing your favorite soda or the aluminum can that holds your favorite brew costs more than the cola or beer.

On average a beer can or bottle costs five, six, seven, maybe ten times the cost of the beverage. The same is true for sodas. It depends on the company and the product.

Convenience, marketing and profit come with a price – additional waste for this nation's landfills and the rest of the globe. In this country and other wealthy nations, a decrease in the size of households has resulted in more people purchasing smaller portions of food and that means more packaging.

A higher living standard around the globe has also resulted in the desire to acquire and eat "exotic" foods from other lands. Transportation of such food and the ability to keep it fresh

also costs more in packaging.

Another contributing factor is the desire for convenience food. You know, that processed, tasteless food you can pop out of your freezer, microwave and eat in a jiffy.

Encouraging sustainable packaging requires changes not only in our lifestyles but in our habits.

While it's only a start, as consumers we can buy more local product that is bettertasting, has less of an impact on the environment through reduced transportation costs and supports our local economies.

Support companies that use packaging most efficiently. Avoid buying disposable items, such as non-refillable razors, alkaline batteries, etc. Recycle. Buy in bulk. Reuse shopping bags and buy only recycled products.

Change comes with personal responsibility and the ability to look in the mirror and say, "It's up to me."

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.

Kansas awarded nearly \$300,000 STEP Grant

Kansas has received a State Trade and Export Promotion (STEP) Grant of \$296,533 from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The Kansas Departments of Agriculture and Commerce will partner to leverage the grant funding to promote exports.

"Kansas has a proud and rich tradition in agriculture and understands that the international market is the key to growth of the industry. This grant will allow us to explore emerging markets for Kansas agricultural products," stated Kansas Department of Agriculture secretary Jackie McClaskey. "Kansas had more than \$4.9 billion in agriculture exports in 2014."

"Trade is critical to the health of the Kansas economy," Kansas Commerce interim secretary Michael Copeland said. "The STEP Grant will allow us to continue to support the efforts of the great businesses in our state to grow and expand in markets across the

world."

The STEP Grant will be used to help businesses begin exporting for the first time or to grow their existing exports. The Kansas STEP team will focus on several areas to accomplish this goal. It will facilitate export training for small and medium-sized enterprises through seminars and courses. The team will also provide exhibition opportunities at international trade shows and support for participation in international trade missions. In addition, the grant will provide market entry support through the U.S. Commercial Service's expertise and programs.

The STEP program is a pilot export initiative to make matching-fund awards to states to assist small businesses in entering and succeeding in the international marketplace. The program's objectives are to increase the number of U.S. small businesses that export and to increase the value of exports by small businesses. STEP activities are managed and provided at the local level by state government organizations. The program is managed at the national level by the SBA's of International Trade.

Detailed information about how Kansas businesses may apply for funding through the STEP grant will be available soon.



Parenthood is a never- ending adventure into the unknown. We hope our kids are paying attention and that they follow our example (when it is a good example). Most of the time, as a parent, you never know if what you are telling them or showing them is sinking in. However, just when you think they aren't paying attention, they do something to make you proud.

Last weekend I had the privilege to serve as the coach for our county 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes team. The Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes is a weekend of four state competitions; livestock judging, meats judging, livestock Skillathon and livestock quiz bowl. Each of the four competitions determines who will represent Kansas at the national championship contest and team and individual awards are given. The counties and districts that have teams in all four competitions are eligible for the Sweepstakes award based on the cumulative finishes in all four contests. It is a great weekend and one of my favorites of the year.

Saturday's schedule is a grueling one. The day started at 7:30 a.m. with registration followed by the livestock judging contest, Skillathon and preliminary round of the quiz bowl. This meant no time for a break and outside of lunch, no food. When we finished with the preliminary round of quiz bowl it was 8:30 p.m. and most of my team was convinced that they might starve to death without immediate intervention. It was determined that we would go to Chili's posthaste.

We were seated at Chili's at a long table and, of course, parents at one end and kids at the other with a couple of empty chairs in between. Soon both ends of the table were lost in conversation, waiting for the food to arrive. When the food arrived the near-dead teens seemed revived and energized very quickly.

Toward the end of the meal I looked down to see the manager talking to my daughter and the rest of her teammates. I have coached youth for a long time and the appearance of a manager at your table is rarely a good sign and my attention immediately focused on the end of the table. Quickly I realized we were not going to be asked to leave so I watched from a distance. All I

really heard was something about white spots in your meat. The manager left after a ten- minute discussion with the 4-H'ers and all returned to normal.

As soon as everyone was in the vehicle for the ride home I started to quiz them about what was going on. Tatum said that she had noticed that the special was a prime rib enchilada and this prompted her to wonder what quality grade the meat Chili's served was so she asked their waitress. Of course the waitress had no clue and the manager was called in. The manager told Tatum that the meat was Grade A to which Tatum told her that Grade A was not an option.

This started a discussion of beef quality grades with the manager and all of my meats judging team joined in the lecture. Now the white spots in their meat comment made sense. The manager seemed to listen and take in the information put forth by the kids. I listened to what the kids told her with a great deal of pride. It is one thing to learn the information needed to judge meats but it is another thing to share that information and promote beef using it.

I would guess many of us adults would have never given a moment's thought about what the quality grade of the meat we were eating in a restaurant was, let alone ask the wait staff. We probably would also not have taken the time to educate the manager about quality grades or why they were important. Shame on us, we should all be so proud of our beef that we want others to understand the product we produce and not waste the chance to provide that education.

I told the kids just how proud I was of them and how impressed I was that they had not only learned the information but were able to and willing to share it. They had seen an opportunity to promote the beef they all raised and seized that opportunity with gusto. Maybe they had paid attention all along. Later on Tatum told me she was going to start asking the same question at all the eating establishments that she ordered beef in. So if you or someone you know is a wait staff in a restaurant serving beef, you have been warned. Tatum will put you on the spot and you will get educated.



"As a guitar picker he must have a lot of music in 'im, dang little has come out!"



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Register now for the Eastern Kansas Grazing School Sept. 9-10

Cattle prices have been very positive for quite some time. With this in mind, farmers and ranchers should maximize the potential of their grazing and pasture lands. One method to get the most out of your land is through Management Intensive Grazing (MiG). This method utilizes temporary fencing to section pasture land into smaller and more manageable areas, causing grazing animals to utilize more of the available forage in a given area.

If you would like to learn more about these concepts, join us for the Eastern Kansas Grazing School. The school will be held September 9-10. Registration is located at the Allen County Fairgrounds and hands-on exercises will take place on the Allen Community College Farm.

A collaboration of speakers from K-State Research & Extension, Natural Resource Conservation Service and University of Missouri Extension will present on several timely topics related to rotational grazing and the implementation of MiG. Topics to be covered may include: Grazing Arithmetic, Pasture Watering Resources, Fencing for

Rotational Grazing, Matching Animal Needs to Pasture Production, and an Overview of a Crabgrass and Teff Research Plot.

Discussions will involve in-pasture, hands-on learning opportunities, including determining forage availability and allocating pastures. The fencing and watering discussions provide time to view and evaluate different types of equipment.

Adult learners are the target audience for the Grazing School. Registration is \$50 for the first person from a farm or ranch and includes proceedings, snacks, and three meals. Additional persons from the same operation are an additional \$25 each (includes snacks and three meals). Registration will be limited to 35 farms on a firstcome basis. Send registration information by August 31 to Southwind Extension District, P.O. Box 845, Iola, KS 66749-0845. A printable registration form and flier is available at www.southwind.ksu.edu. Questions may be directed to Chris Petty, Southwind Extension District agent, cgp@ksu.edu

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According to Lothman, the thieves will look for easy targets. "They might not be the smartest cookies in the jar, but they're going to do their homework," he said. Adding, that they're going to go out and look in the pastures and see where there are cattle. Are there pens set up, are they accessible where they can get to them? Do you feed your cattle, do you cake them? Can they get these cattle up into the pen and get them loaded? "A lot of times they're going to use your own pens to load your cattle," he pointed out. "Even if there's only a couple of panels or an old set of corrals that are falling down and you would think there's no way anyone could load something out of there, they can do it. If they have a blowout and most of them leave, it doesn't make any difference. As long as they get two or three head in the trailer, that's a pretty profitable night."

Preventing cattle thefts involve things that people should really be doing all the time anyway, Lothman said. Checking livestock on a regular basis is important, because the sooner a possible theft is discovered, the more potential leads Lothman has to go on. "A weekly head count would be wonderful because that gives me a time frame," he said. "Sometimes that's the most precious thing you can give an investigation. It gives me a lot better chance of finding them." Lothman said that if he knows a theft occurred in a certain week's span, he can look at sale barn records as well as any video footage from businesses in the area that might show trucks and trailers that could have been involved. But since most video systems only save the footage for a week or so before recording over it, there is a very short window of time to look at video evidence, making a timely report crucial.

Record-keeping is also important; dates you put the cattle in the pasture, cattle that have been doctored and death losses. "It doesn't have to be a huge spreadsheet," he

said. "Even if it's a piece of notebook paper thrown on your dash, just some kind of mark to help us put the picture together."

Of all the things that can aid in finding stolen cattle, Lothman stresses the practice of branding them. "I know there are a lot of producers out there that don't brand, but it's still the best way to identify them. If I have ten head of five-weight black steers that get stolen and they don't have brands, how am I supposed to find them? They get hauled to a market and put in with somebody else's black fiveweight steers. I can't tell the difference and it's hard to make a case on that. If you've got your brand on the side, there's no question."

He added that brands act as a deterrent, as thieves will bypass branded cattle and target those without brands instead

Although he acknowledges the inconvenience, Lothman also recommends locking gates. It's not foolproof, because if they have a set of bolt cutters, they'll still get in. But referring back to the thieves are lazy comment, he believes a locked gate will be enough to stop someone who would have to go steal a set of bolt cutters to proceed. "Anything you can do to deter them from entering your property, you want to do," he

Awareness is another key in preventing, or at least reporting cattle thefts in a timely manner. "It's easy to get into a routine and not pay attention," he said. "These people do their homework, they will get your routine down and know when you feed."

Sharing information among neighbors and other producers in the area can also be helpful. "That's the stuff you need to be talking about when you're having coffee in the morning," he said. Strange vehicles in the area are the kind of thing that needs to be reported to law enforcement. "Police yourself, look out for your property and your neighbor's property," he said. "You hate to suspect everybody of being a thief or everybody is doing something wrong, but

the world is changing and we have to be a little suspicious if something is different in our area."

If you suspect you've been a victim of livestock theft, Lothman emphasizes the importance of reporting it early. Waiting for a day or two to see if they turn up only puts the investigation at a disadvantage. "If those cattle are stolen tonight, I guarantee you they are at a sale barn in the next two days," Lothman said. "As mobile as everything is today, I can steal your cattle at 10 o'clock tonight and by the time you discover it the next morning, they can be two states away. Getting on the case quickly is crucial in an investigation."

Lothman says that once a report comes in, they put out a missing or stolen livestock report and coordinate with the Brand Department. The sale barns will catch it if they're reported and have a

Preserving the crime scene is also important in an investigation. "Because we are dealing with a product that we can't identify easily, what we can gather at a crime scene is important," he said. "And it gets destroyed quickly in a livestock environment." He said often thieves will back up to pens, load the ten head or so, then leave 30 or 40 in the pen with the gate wide open. The rest of the cattle get out, running over and destroying the footprints and tire tracks that were left. The producer gets a call that his cattle are out and when a few are missing, they just figure they haven't found them yet. "It puts you behind in the reporting timeframe, because you don't think they're stolen," Lothman said.

In the event a producer believes they have had cattle stolen, the first step is to call local law enforcement, who will then get in touch with

Lothman admits that his success rate is not that great. "We're dealing with a lot of cattle that aren't branded or the timeframe is too far out. You keep chasing and chasing and hoping you get to the end of it."

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for future careers. "Agriculture is so important since all food stems from it," said Peyton Boyd, Roundup organizer from Abilene, Texas. "Youth today are the future of agriculture to keep our industry alive."

The Roundup team organizes more than 60 events a year in 12 states. The Kansas sites included Manhattan, Paola and Sali-

Mark Neff, local event sponsor from Kanequip in Wamego, brought out equipment to help demon-

strate the latest implements. "There are so many ben-

efits that agriculture brings to our country, and this event highlights lots of ways we can do something to make a positive difference," Neff said. "Agriculture is why I stuck around Kansas and do what I do."

Proclamation will mark September as "Preparedness Month In Kansas;" Sept. 14 is Kansas Preparedness Day at the State Fair

To remind Kansans of the importance of being prepared for severe storms, floods, wildfires and other emergencies, Gov. Sam Brownback will sign a proclamation Aug. 28 designating September as Preparedness Month in Kansas.

"Preparedness isn't just for tornado season," said Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, the adjutant general and director of the Kansas Division of Emergency Management. "We face the potential of natural or manmade disasters every day. But if you have a disaster kit in your home and your car, and have formulated an emergency plan and practiced it with your family, you'll be better prepared to meet whatever comes your way.'

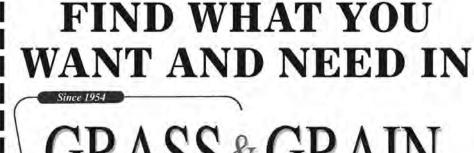
As part of Preparedness Month, the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and first responder agencies across the state invite the public to the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson on Monday, Sept. 14 for Kansas Preparedness Day. Numerous state and local agencies, along with community emergency response organizations, will be providing disaster preparedness and public safety information, as well as displaying emergency response equipment and drawings for prizes will be held. The displays will be set up near the Administration Building at the south end of the fairgrounds across from Gate #1.

Sept. 14 is also Dillon's Dollar Day at the Fair; admission is \$1 or free with a Dillon's card.

Agencies and organizations participating in the Kansas Preparedness Day event include the Adjutant Department/ General's Kansas Division of Emergency Management/Kansas National Guard, Kansas Department of Agriculture, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Kansas Highway Patrol, Kansas Department of Transportation, State Fire Marshal, Kansas Citizen Corps, American Red Cross,

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During Preparedness Month, the Kansas Division of Emergency Management is reminding the public to take part in its monthly online "Preparedness Challenge" at www.ksready.gov. Additional information on disaster kits and family preparedness can be found at www.ksready.gov and www.



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Save Money on Home-Packed Lunches **Making Choices To Fit Your Lunchbox**

By Barbara L. Ames **Wildcat District Extension Agent**

Independence, Kansas

Lunches provided at school are affordable options. But if your family members choose to pack lunches at home for school or work, here are some ways to keep the costs down.

- Use reusable containers. Using paper lunch sacks, disposable plastic wrappers and sandwich bags, and single-service other items is like throwing money away every day. Instead, buy durable food containers with tight-fitting lids in a variety of sizes to fit your lunchbox needs. You will save money, help the environment and add color to your day by using reusable lunch boxes, food containers, beverage bottles, napkins and eating utensils. • Avoid single serving
- packages. You will save money and also help the environment if you buy large containers of common lunch box foods and beverages instead of buying packaged lunch meals or single serving sizes. A home-packed lunch not only costs less than pre-packaged lunch meals, but typically provides more food and more nutrients. Portion out a lunch-sized amount of each food (such as fruit, cut-up vegetables, vogurt or beverages) into reusable containers. The

same advice goes for leave home. A little cheeses. It's usually much cheaper to buy a large block of cheese and cut it into cubes or logs for a lunch, rather than purchasing cheese sticks and other processed cheese snacks.

- Prepare, cook and bake ahead. In the evenings and on weekends, prepare extra servings of cold foods, such as chopped vegetables, pasta or rice, salads, and puddings. Similarly, cook larger batches of soups. casseroles. spaghetti, stews or other inexpensive and healthy main dishes. In the morning, reheat and pack a serving into a hot thermos for lunch. In addition, bake healthful breads, muffins, cookies and even brownies. Pack in nutrition by using recipes that call for whole grain flour, rolled oats, pumpkin puree, bananas, shredded carrots or zucchini, raisins, or other fruits, vegetables, seeds and nuts.
- Plan ahead. Plan weekly menus in advance and plan enough extra for lunches. Try to include servings of fresh, frozen, canned or dried fruits and vegetables for each lunch. Pack non-perishable lunch items the night before, or even over the weekend. This will help you avoid a morning rush to throw lunch together minutes before time to

extra time makes families more likely to choose economical and healthy options for lunch rather than whatever is easy to grab.

• Make it fun. Packing lunches can be a fun family affair. Direct tasks to children based on their age and skill level. When kids get involved, they'll be more likely to try new foods and it raises their interest in making healthy choices which earns everyone an A+!

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Make Ahead Mexican Roll-ups Serves: 8

3 cups cooked brown rice

15-ounce can beans (black, pinto, chili, etc.) 2 cups frozen corn or a 15-ounce can whole kernel corn

2 cups shredded Cheddar, Monterey Jack, or hot pepper cheese (8 ounces)

1 cup salsa

(8) 10-inch or burritosize tortillas

Wash hands. Prepare

rice according to pack-

age directions, allowing about 15 minutes for instant rice or about 45 minutes for regular brown rice. Cool completely. Place beans in a colander or strainer, and rinse to reduce sodium. Transfer to a large bowl. Thaw frozen corn in microwave; drain and add to bowl. Or, rinse and drain canned corn and add to bowl. Stir in rice, cheese, and salsa. Spoon about 1/2 cup filling on each tortilla. Roll or fold

Tips

- Freeze this dish for future use: Wrap each in plastic wrap and place in pan in freezer overnight. When completely frozen, place in freezer weight plastic bag. Seal, label with date, and return to freezer. Roll-ups should keep 6 to 8 weeks in the freez-

- To use: Thaw in the refrigerator before re-Microwave heating. thawed tortillas in the plastic wrap for about 1 minute.

For variety, serve this filling mixture on lettuce or spinach for a salad, or use as a dip.

Nutrition Facts per One Roll-up: Calories 370; Total Fat 13g; Saturated Fat 7g; Cholesterol 30mg; Sodium 780mg; Total Carbohydrate 53g; Dietary Fiber 6g; Sugars 4g; Protein 15g; Vitamin A 10%; Calcium 30%; Vitamin C 8%; Iron 15%.

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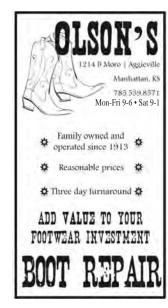
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Let's Hear It For Watermelon! **Full of Health Benefits For You**

By Cindy Williams Meadowlark Extension District Agent Food & Nutrition, FNP

Watermelon is native to South Africa, and it was brought to North America when Europeans colonized the continent. Watermelon can be stored uncut for about 10 days. If cut, it will last in the refrigerator for about four days wrapped tightly in plastic. To find the ripest watermelon, look for one that feels heavy for its size and has a yellow spot on the bottom where it rested on the ground.

Nutritional speaking, watermelon is 92% water and only contains about 40 calories per cup. It's a good source of vitamins A and C. It's also one of the best sources of lycopene, an important phytonutrient (antioxidant) for vision, heart health, and cancer prevention. Lycopene is also the pigment that gives watermelon its red color!

Watermelon and watermelon juice have been found to decrease muscle soreness and reduce recovery time in athletes when consumed after a workout. Researchers think this is due to an amino acid found in watermelon called L-citrulline.

For the past few days I have been working on grilling recipes and so I had to share this one with all of you. You may not have thought about grilling watermelon but here it is and I hope you enjoy it!

Grilled Watermelon

8 slices seedless watermelon (1-2 inches thick) 2 tablespoons olive oil Sea salt

Fresh ground pepper **How to cut watermelon** wedges

Cut the watermelon in half, place cut side down on the table, then cut into slices, about 1-2 inches thick. Cut each slice in half, creating two wedges (if your watermelon is really big, you may need to cut each slice into three wedges). You can leave the rind on or cut it off.

Lightly sprinkle the wedges on both side with the salt. Stand the wedges on their edges on a rack over a sink or pan and let them drain for half an hour. Preheat the grill to high.

After the watermelon has drained, rinse each piece under cold run-

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ning water. Place each piece between two folded paper towels and gently but firmly press to remove excess water. You should stop just when you feel the watermelon begin to crunch.

Brush the watermelon lightly on both sides with olive oil. Grill over high heat until grill marks have formed and the melon is slightly softened, about 5 minutes. Remove from grill and sprinkle with sea salt and a little fresh ground pepper.

You can turn this recipe into a grilled watermelon salad by serving each wedge on a bed of arugula or baby greens, drizzling with a raspberry or balsamic vinaigrette dressing then sprinkling them with a little crumbled feta or blue cheese. Cooking time includes the "resting time" for the watermelon prior to grilling.

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Harnessing The Healthy Power Of Coffee

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Until recently, the health impact of the world's most popular beverage has been hotly debated. However, better and more well-designed research is now telling a much clearer story, one that has coffee enthusiasts celebrating.

Helping shape this sharper picture have been eye-opening reports by the U.S. Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee released just this past year. Scientists conducted a comprehensive analysis of all the latest evidence surrounding coffee as it relates to health. Included was a review of more than three dozen studies involving 1.2 million-plus participants. Following the assessment, the nation's top nutrition panel made history by giving the thumbs-up for people to enjoy coffee in a "moderate range," defined as three to five cups per day for adults.

It turns out that when scientists honed in on coffee-just coffee, without trans fat-ridden creamers,

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This is great news for java lovers everywhere. and there are lots of them. Americans alone consume 400 million cups of coffee per day, making the U.S. the leading consumer of coffee in the world, according to the National Coffee Association. Globally, the total is estimated between 1.5 and 2 billion cups daily.

Today's science now shows us that coffee can be quite healthful, and that's fantastic since there are so many of us who enjoy it." said registered dietitian and nutritional counselor Jaimie Lopez, RDN. "But this means drinking sensibly. Black coffee is best. When you start throwing in things like sweeteners, a health-

ful pick-me-up can quickly turn into a high-calorie concoction.' So not only does coffee deliver natural caffeine to

the body for an energy boost, but many negative misperceptions about the beverage's impacts to overall wellness and fitness are also being debunked. In fact, the data findings by the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee point to just the opposite—that the brew can actually help support and protect mental and physical well-being.

The healthy power of coffee is a welcome delight for millions. It not only tastes good, it can also be good for you. So much so that it is emerging as an integral part of healthful living.

"The right type of coffee consumed responsibly can definitely be a tasty and healthy part of daily life," said Suk Cho, Ph.D. and Chief Science Officer

with Isagenix, a leading global health and wellness company. A provider of nutritional systems and solutions for energy, performance and weight loss, the company recently expanded its product offerings to include a line of premium and organic, slow-roasted coffee.

"This isn't a green light to drink as much coffee as vou want. Coffee consumed in excess or in the evening is linked to poor sleep, insomnia and other risks. But in moderation, it can absolutely provide a safe and satisfying boost for your brain and body," said Suk.

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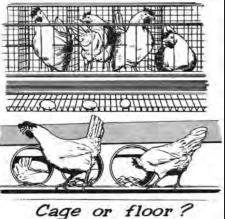
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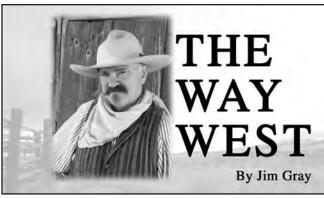
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The Dominion Cattle Company was a Canadian company operating under the Box T brand. Dominion's range was well watered with Wolf Creek running through the middle. To the east, the New York Cattle Company occupied a range that did not offer the same advantages. In the early days before the barbed wire fence was erected the boundary between the two ranges was poorly defined with no particular stream or line of hills to distinguish a border between them.

In their search for water, cattle from the New York range naturally drifted toward Wolf Creek on the Dominion lease. Out of this transgression, it was said that Dominion range boss Gaston Smith and New York range boss Al Thurman developed a considerable hatred for one another. According to author and historian Harry Chrisman, the ongoing dispute fanned "the smoldering fires of dislike...into a blaze whenever the two met."

Roundups were regularly held during the open range days to gather cattle that had wandered from their own range. By 1883 the big roundups were coming to a close. Most of the outfits had fenced their range and stray cattle were about to become a rarity. The 1883 roundup was one of the last Cherokee Strip roundups. Dominion had set up a camp at Buzzard's Roost, a popular stopping place along the Western Cattle Trail to Dodge City. Al Thurman rode into the Dominion's empty camp late in the day September 1, 1883. As the Dominion crew was out on the range, Gaston Smith was the only Dominion man in camp. Smith was sitting on his horse talking with cattlemen from other outfits when Thurman arrived. There were five or six of Thurman's New York men present at Buzzard's Roost at the time.

Riding up to the Dominion range boss, Thurman asked what Smith was going to do about moving that camp. Smith replied that he had orders from his company not to move. Thurman offered to move the camp himself, thereby relieving Smith from the position of having disobeyed orders. To that suggestion Smith angrily replied that Thurman had "better not meddle with the camp," adding that if he did he would get into "d--n bad trouble." Tensions rose as Thurman answered, "If there is to be trouble, then alright! Thereupon Smith, who was variously estimated to be any where from six to fifteen feet from Thurman...drew his six-shooter and pointed it at Thurman.

Thinking Smith would shoot, Thurman spurred his horse, driving it against Smith's mount at the same time Thurman quickly drew his pistol with his right hand. With the pistol low and in front of his stomach Thurman pulled the trigger. bullet entering "The Smith's head about half an inch to the rear and about an inch below the lobe of the right ear, and coming out near the left ear."

Smith dropped from the saddle. Thurman wanted to make certain that everyone present knew Smith had drawn his pistol. He called his men to look over Smith's body and the pistol lying on the ground. When everyone was satisfied, "They then all rode away leaving the body there." It was over as quickly as it began. That fateful day has long faded into the past. Gaston Smith and Al Thurman ride no more except across a range we call The Way West.

"The Cowboy," Jim Gray is author of the book Desperate Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier and Executive Director of the National Drovers Hall of Fame. Contact Kansas Cowboy, Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058.

Slocombe elected alternate Angus delegate to 132nd annual meeting

John Slocombe, Manhattan, has been elected as an alternate delegate to the 132nd Annual American Angus Association® Convention of Delegates, Nov. 5 at the Overland Park Convention Center in Overland Park, reports Richard Wilson, Interim CEO of the American Angus Associa-

Slocombe, a member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo., is one of 309 Angus breeders who have been elected by fellow members to serve as an alternate state representative to the annual meeting. Representing 46 states, District of Columbia and Canada, the state delegates will participate in the business meeting and elect new officers and five directors to the American Angus Association board.

The annual meeting will take place in conjunction with the 2015 Angus Means Business National Convention and Trade Show, Nov. 3-5, in Overland Park. The event is open to anyone in the cattle business and will high-profile feature kevnote speakers; educational sessions, featuring thought leaders from every industry sector; the International Angus Genomics Symposium, sponsored by Neogen's GeneSeek operations; Angus University, sponsored by Merck Animal Health: entertainment: evening galas; prize giveaways; and an expansive trade show. www.angusconvention.com to learn more.

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The Best Thing About Around Kansas

The best thing about cohosting Around Kansas is, well, being around Kansas! If any quality is consistent throughout the state it is that of action. Kansans just do stuff, they make it happen. Each week, Frank Chaffin and I get to share those people and the very cool things they do with folks all over the state. (Around Kansas is the Wednesday feature of Agaminkansas which airs on different channels so check your local provider.) As an historian, teacher, and tour guide, I also get to do some pretty cool things myself. I want to share a sampling:

The Lewis and Clark Conference was held in Kansas City in September. and my friend, Terry Hobbs, is on the board of the Kansas chapter and asked me to co-host a bus tour for

the group. The opening event was a picnic at Kaw Point, the confluence of the Kansas and Missouri Rivers. The park that was created at the spot just in time for the 200th anniversary of the trek is a hidden gem in the Kansas City metro area, a little wilderness sanctuary with hiking trails, interpretive signs, and a great view of the city skyline.

The Wyandotte County Lewis and Clark Task Force, in partnership with the State of Kansas, Unified Government, local Convention and Visitors Bureau, various community organizations, and private funders, worked together to improve the site. Donations from local business and literally thousands of volunteers provided site clean-up, trail enhancement, infrastructure restoration, signage, historical interpretation, and visitor support services for the Bicentennial events. Since 2004, a renewed effort by the newly organized Friends of Kaw Point Park, Inc. has resulted in significant improvements and additions to this legacy project.

Old friends gathered with historians, scholars, and collectors, including Bud Clark, a direct descendant of William Clark. The expedition arrived at Kaw Point on June 26, 1804, where they camped for three days to rest, repair their boats, and explore the surrounding countryside. They had been traveling up the Missouri almost two months. They also lingered to court martial a couple of men who had gotten into the whiskey keg while on guard duty. This is where the men sighted their first bison.

local citizens were against though he considers his

own home sound and

sealed, he expects some

"fall visitors" will likely

make their way in.

There are four Lewis and Clark related sites in Kansas. Terry and I were the guides on one of three buses that left the Argosy Casino to follow the path of Lewis and Clark up the Missouri River to St. Joseph, going back and forth from

the west bank to the east.

In 2013, my book, Kansas Forts and Bases: Sentinels on the Prairie (with Michelle Martin) was released. Among the myriad sites described was Camp Concordia, hastily built in 1943 as an internment camp for German POWS. The more than 300 buildings included a hospital, barracks, restaurants, fire department, and guard towers, all deemed "temporary." At its height, this Cloud County facility housed 4,000 prisoners of

Troubles quickly arose with the dozens of Nazi officers among the first group of prisoners. After a number of violent episodes, the Army transferred 44 Nazi leaders away from Concordia. As measures of restoring order to the camp, the library removed Nazi reading material and instituted college coursework for prisoners under the jurisdiction of the University of Kansas. Susan Sutton, board member, said that many of the men put together four year degrees through KU's outreach program.

In addition, prisoners were made available as farm labor. Though some Grass & Grain, September 1, 2015

prisoners being awarded freedom beyond the confines of the camp, many farmers were thankful to have additional help, especially with so many young locals away in service to their country. With the passage of time, warm bonds formed between farm families and prisoners. Camp Concordia is now a museum, with Paul Rimovsky spearheading the effort and giving tours when possible. It is open by appointment. Call 785-243-4303 to arrange a visit. Give them at least a day's notice. Imagine a Victorian

world set in a bustling Kansas frontier town, home to the United States Land Office. Early settlers claimed their 160 acres of Kansas prairie and then headed to the brand new "Bank of Oberlin" to set up their banking business in their new hometown. The newspaper said of the bank, "...It is the prettiest building in the city... "

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Page 7 Gary Anderson, a former banker himself, formed the iconic building into a welcoming retreat for travelers, drawing on the spirit of long-gone Victorian hotels. (Just imagine the sets from Bonanza or Big Valley.) Guests experience the opulence of the Victorian West with modern conveniences such as TV and Wi-Fi. The restaurant offers gourmet soups and sandwiches, an incredible quiche, meals on par with any big-city eatery.

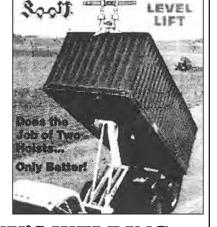
When I stay there, Gary saves the Buffalo Bill room for me. Well, it isn't the Buffalo Bill room but it has a very large picture of him, books about him, and even a bobcat, stuffed and mounted, to complete the western

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Deb Goodrich is the cohost of Around Kansas and is the author of several books, including three on Kansas history. Segments on these and other topics are archived at around kansas.com.

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Rainy conditions may have boosted Kansas cricket population

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Bob Bauernfeind, an entomologist with K-State Research and Extension, said he has no official data, but anecdotally there appear to be more crickets than usual in parts of the state.

Crickets are part of a family of insects known as Gryllidae and are related to grasshoppers. The males make the chirping sound to attract females and to repel other males.

Bauernfeind said the insects are more of a nuisance than a threat, as they are not typically considered disease-carriers, but they can be responsible for creating holes and leaving stains on light-colored fabrics. It's the hopping activity and sound that can make them annoying.

Crickets generally found in the United States are field crickets, although the name belies the fact that they are happy to enter homes when outdoor temperatures start to cool, and they're drawn to a heat source. Field crickets are about one inch in length. Most are black, but some have a lighter appearance due to their copper-colored

"Crickets are capable of detecting heat gradients and thus are drawn in. Once on the doorstep, they are a hop away from secretly moving in through any available crack, crevice or Bauernfeind opening," said.

They are particularly drawn to the warmth on the

south and west sides of homes and other buildings. Home and business owners wanting to prevent a cricket invasion should start by doing what they can to exclude them.

"Crickets, as well as other unwanted fall houseguests, such as box elder bugs, multicolored Asian lady beetles, sowbugs (rolypolies) and spiders, gain entrance via any available crack, crevice or gap in a structure," Bauernfeind said. "Sealing those portals of entry is the recommended method of exclusion."

Inspect and identify entry points.

Check for cracks and gaps in areas such as foundations, ill-fitting doorways and garage doors, overhang louvers, chimney vents, roof ducts and outdoor faucets.

Use caulk to seal cracks and crevices. Use weather stripping to make doorways and garage doors tightfitting, and metal screening over, under and behind other entry points.

If the infestation is large enough, the entomologist said, there are hundreds of insecticides labeled as effective against crickets. Outside perimeter or barrier treatments do not guarantee, however, that all potential invaders eliminated. be Bauernfeind said that al-

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KFAC scheduling A+STEM teacher workshops for fall semester

Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (KFAC) is now scheduling Agriculture + Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (A+STEM) workshops for the 2015 fall semester for Kansas school districts. These workshops are half-day, in-service trainings designed to provide hands-on, applicable methods for using agriculture in teaching STEM curriculum.

A+STEM workshops are custom-designed to fit specific needs of a school district. In addition to gaining fresh ideas, teachers will have the opportunity to brainstorm and collaborate with colleagues in an effort to make state education standards more achievable using creative methods. Teachers will also earn professional development hours.

Cost of the workshop is

\$75 per teacher with a minimum of seven teachers. County farm bureaus and conservation districts are encouraged to include

A+STEM workshops in local water festivals or agriculture days.

School districts, farm bureaus or conservation districts interested in scheduling an A+STEM workshop should call the KFAC office at (785) 320-4350 or email ksfac@ksu.edu. To learn

more about other professional development opportunities or more about the foundation, visit www. ksag-

Star Seed holds grand opening of new facility



Star Seed in Osborne held a ribbon-cutting and grand opening of their reconstructed production plant on August 22. The facility was rebuilt after the original one was destroyed by fire approximately two years ago. President Tom Lutgen did the honors. The plant now has four times the capacity of the previous one and operations are computer-controlled. Noise and dust-reducing technology makes the plant both environmentally and employee-friendly. Star Seed has been in business since 1920 and in Osborne since 1930. Photo by Ken Sullivan



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USDA selects ASA's WISHH program to develop West African poultry & feed market

The U.S. Department of ment seeks to revamp the Agriculture (USDA) has chosen the American Soybean Association's (ASA) World Initiative for Soy in Human Health (WISHH) program and key partners to implement a major poultry development project in the West African country of Ghana. U.S. soybean growers, as well as Ghana's poultry and feed industry, and its protein-seeking consumers, will all benefit.

The USDA Foreign Agricultural Service's Food for Progress Program helps developing countries and emerging democracies modernize and strengthen their agricultural sectors. As a result, it improves agricultural productivity and expands trade of agricultural prod-

"ASA is pleased to partner with USDA in agricultural development that supports expanded and mutually beneficial trading relationships," said ASA president Wade Cowan. "Nowhere is there greater need or bigger potential return on investment in agricultural development than in Sub-Saharan Africa. WISHH is a trailblazer for trade."

The United States is among Ghana's principal trading partners, with twoway trade between the two countries reaching \$1.45 billion in 2014, according to the U.S. State Department. Ghana is home to 26.4 million people, and a West African hub for business growth.

poultry industry, which has slumped in the last 30 years. "The project will contribute to increasing the supply of both meat and eggs to address ever-growing demand in Ghana," said William Brown, Ph.D., country director of Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA-Ghana), which is a partner on the initiative.

"The project could trigger the growth of poultry, maize and soy industries, which will provide employment and increased income," Brown added. "This will culminate in poverty reduction.'

"The USA Poultry and Egg Export Council (US-APEEC) and its members believe that U.S. support of the Ghanaian poultry industry and other agricultural development programs are part of an important relationship between Ghana and the USA, which in turn will allow for a healthy trade environment between the two nations," said US-APEEC vice president for marketing Greg Tyler.

Kansas State University is a subcontractor in WISHH's Assisting Management in the Poultry and Layer Industries by Feed Improvement and Efficiency Strategies in Ghana (AM-PLIFIES Ghana).

The multi-faceted project will promote the use of improved poultry feeds, and procure feed ingredients, including 15,000 metric tons of U.S. soybean meal. It will ducers, improve milling practices and products, enhance storage and handling of feedstuffs, and much more.

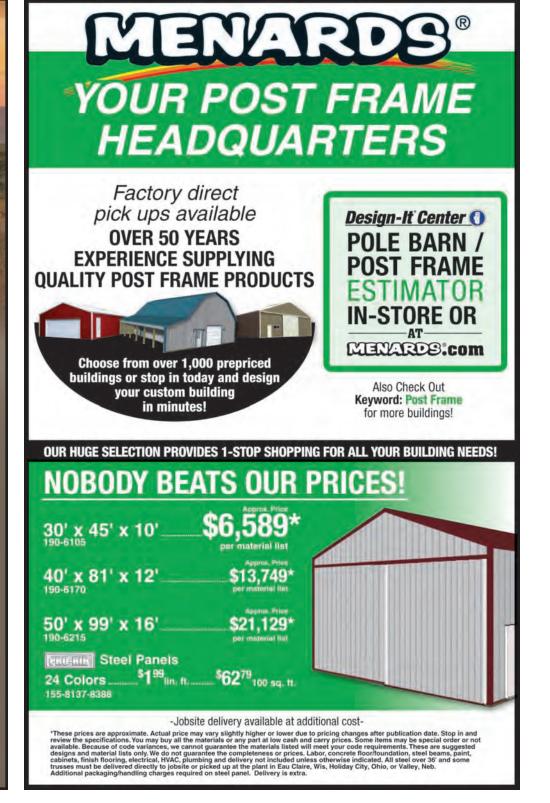
In the early 2000s, forward-thinking U.S. soybean leaders in multiple states recognized that the growing protein demand in developing countries was a driver for their soybean sales. Well-researched studies showed that most future growth in food demand would be in developing and middle-income countries where populations and incomes were both on the rise.

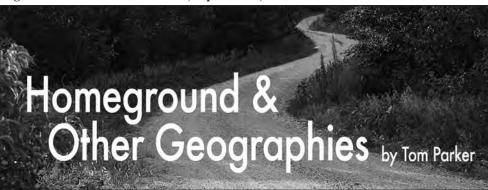
Today, the trends are even clearer, proving that WISHH-founding farmers planned well. According to USDA and other economic analysis, developing countries dominate world demand growth for agricultural products. USDA projects developing countries' demand for agricultural products will increase faster than their production. As a result, these countries will account for 92 percent of the total increase in world oilseed and meat imports in 2013-2022.

WISHH is a trade-development organization. Since U.S. sovbean farmers founded WISHH in 2000, it has worked in 24 countries to develop long-term markets for U.S. soybean farmers while fueling economic growth and value chain development. The WISHH program is managed from ASA's world headquarters in St. Louis.









The Wilderness Next Door

hearing both online and in person, participants in the inaugural Orchestra on the

either a Symphony in the Flint Hills experience or a pioneer slog through the



From comments I keep Oregon Trail are expecting howling wilderness. Several I've talked to are shunning the event based on rumors of infestations of poisonous snakes that make Alcove Spring Historic Park a veritable death trap. When I tell them that I've hiked almost every square inch of the place for over 15 years and have seen exactly one poisonous reptile—a timber rattler-I can see in their eyes that I'm wasting my breath. Rumors trump facts any day. While neither expectation is entirely accurate, there is something to be said for being careful within the boundaries of the

> Located six miles north of Blue Rapids, Alcove Spring is something of a mix between the two concepts. Unlike the Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve where many of the Symphonies are held, only an interconnected series of meadows are open, with the remainder choked in almost impenetrable deciduous forest. Hiking trails wind through open meadows, cross sundappled creeks and climb wooded hillsides, and are,

for the most part, perfectly safe for even inexperienced hikers.

What seems utterly foreign to me is the amount of chatter I'm hearing about the dangers of the place. Most of it comes from outsiders, residents of the larger cities where parks are groomed and neat and tidy, but a surprising amount is being generated right here by people who have never stepped foot in the park. Organizers for the event are advising people to bring bug spray, and while that's a good start, it might be helpful to include a little note explaining that the Alcove Spring genus of mosquito seems to be attracted rather than repelled to the scent of DEET. Semi-scientific research conducted over the spring and summer suggests that it actually whets their appetite, making them not only more aggressive but more insatiable.

Then again, it's probably best to keep that quiet.

It appears that the average person finds the outdoor experience both mystifying and faintly menacing. There are any number of ways to get hurt there, from tripping over the occasional strand of rusty barbed wire to twisting an ankle on a loose rock, but the vast majority of visitors stick to the meadows and never face anything more difficult than a slight elevation gain. The park is both perfectly safe and a perfect place for an outdoor concert.

There are a few caveats, however. Several years ago I had just descended through the woods to the culvert below the railroad grade and started across the upper meadow when what had been a rich medley of birdsong suddenly went silent, as cleanly and abruptly as if a switch had been thrown. Startled, I stopped and glanced around. The meadow abutted the overgrown railroad grade creating a steep, nearly impassable barricade to the east, and heavy woods encircled the remainder of the clearing except for a small slot to the west where a narrow two-track opened to the big meadow. Not a breath of air stirred the leaves. Not a bird called nor sang nor flew.

There was something deeply disturbing about the stillness. I stood there listening as hard as I could, trying to rationalize what I was experiencing. Maybe an accipiter had flown into the woods in pursuit of prey, I thought. I'd seen that before in darkly shadowed recesses along Seehan Creek, indeed, had once almost collided with a sharp-shinned hawk as it chased a darkeyed junco. It was the only plausible explanation I



Josi Schrader led the grand champion market goat at the Ottawa County Fair. She was also named reserve champion junior goat showman by judge Bobby Streck-

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could summon, so I shook off my unease and turned to

A twig snapped in the shadows along the rocky channel of the creek.

Not an accipiter, then. Something that walks. Something that stalks.

Two-legged or four? I looked for movement along the tree line and seeing none reached into my fanny pack and withdrew a small Colt .380. It wasn't much but it was better than nothing.

I started walking, keeping my pace steady and slow as if unconcerned. Near the west end of the meadow the road crept to within several feet of the creek, and though I could dimly peer into the shadows, the fact that I saw nothing only added to my unease. I picked up the pace and slipped into the larger meadow where a sense of relief was cut short by the snap of another twig. I was being followed.

Whatever it was, it stayed with me for another quarter mile, and when it broke off it was with a sensation of being let go, or released. I made it back to the car in record time.

So yeah, Alcove Spring is still a wilderness of sorts. Bring your bug spray—you'll need it. Watch for snakes and poison ivy or, on the wooded trails, vast spider webs with massive orb spiders lurking at face level. There are ticks and chiggers and mosquitoes galore, and people have been known to get lost, and maybe, just maybe, there are bigger things to worry about, but there's no reason to be afraid. Or not too many reasons. Well, maybe some.

Good grief, I've already said too much. Forget about it. Enjoy the music. And remember: there's safety in numbers.

Great Lakes Polymer Technologies announces new VP/general manager of Bridon Cordage

Premium polymer engineering and manufacturing company, Great Lakes Polymer Technologies, announces longtime sales and marketing expert Bob Kacher as vice president general manager of its Agricultural Business Unit, Bridon Cordage.

With nearly decades of experience directing and driving sales in the agricultural industry, Kacher will oversee the growth and innovation of all Bridon Cordage products and markets.

Beginning his career at Case Corp., Kacher worked his way up, driving unparalleled sales as director for numerous companies including New Holland Agricultural and EFCO.

Since being acquired by Great Lakes Polymer Technologies, Bridon Cordage has been positioned to serve the agricultural market exclusively. backed by unprecedented engineering capabilities and Kacher's expertise, the brand will focus on the production of advanced baling netwrap and twine, and providing premium products customers expect.

"We're extremely grateful to have Bob leading the team," said GLPT president, Mark Eaton. "With his extensive industry knowledge and experience we're confident he'll be a vital pillar in growing and upholding the Bridon Cordage brand."

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NPPC, Farm Bureau file brief in EPA data release case

The National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF), in a brief filed recently, asked the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in St. Louis to reverse a U.S. District Court's decision to dismiss their lawsuit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for its release to environmental activists personal data on thousands of livestock farm-

The lower court ruled that NPPC and AFBF lacked "standing" to bring farm groups, EPA requested

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Maytag Washer & Dryer Set;

Crosley 7 Cubic Ft (small)

Chest Type Freezer; Wood

Dinette Table with Leaves & 6

Chairs: Kitchen Table & Chairs:

rors; Pictures; Roland ep 75

Digital Piano (Full Keyboard);

Yamaha G60A Classical Guitar:

Luggage; Electric Radios; Sea-Decorations: Linens:

Table Cloths; Books; CDs, Cas-

settes, Records; Sewing Sup-

plies; Lifestar Treadmill; Power

Rider Exerciser; Extensive As-

sortment of Collector Doll

-many in original boxes; **KITCHEN ITEMS INCLUDING:**

Assorted Small Appliances;

the case, which stems from that the environmental or-EPA's February 2013 release of information from farms in 30 states to the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Earth Justice and the Pew Charitable Trusts under Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests the groups filed.

In some instances, the data contained farmers' home addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses and personal medical information.

After objections from NPPC, AFBF and other

Baking Pans; Pots & Pans;

Glassware; Utensils; Mugs

Pyrex; Corelle Dishes; 8 Piece

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Tract II: Cloud Co. Kansas. The farm is located 1/4 mile west of Tract I. The farm has 63.08 acres of dry farmland. There are 57.97 acres of cropland, 5.11 waste acres, 22.03 acres of trees & wild life area next to river.

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ing some of the information.

contained some personal in-

formation on farmers.

The reissued data still

Oak pattern high back bed; oak parlor set w/divan, arm chair & 4 side chairs (from Van De Mark house); walnut dresser w/hankv drawers: oak highboy w/mirror; 4 oak pattern back chairs; 1910's walnut sleigh bed w/matching dresser; oak octagon kitchen table; marble top ice cream table & chairs; fainting couch w/claw feet: cast iron beds: Duncan Phyfe table & 4 chairs; camel back trunk; oak treadle sewing machine; oak bookcase; porch posts pedestals; organ stools; hall

tree; The Entertainer electric organ; Perfection heater **ANTIQUES, COLLECTABLES** Eye doctor examining piece; Clocks; slag glass hanging lamp: Weller vases: Hull vase art glass vases; 8 place set Blue Ridge china; perfume bottles; pressed glass; linens; early navigators telescope; bugles; ladies hats; 8 place set Community Coronation flat ware: pictures: 20 gal birch leaf crock; Red Wing beater jar; brown crock jug; wooden boxes; patterns; comic books; Collier's magazines; Zenith stereo; Snapper lawn mower.

In July 2013, the agency

was set to release more data

when the U.S. District Court

for the District of Minnesota

court issued a restraining

order. That court in April

dismissed the case.

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ESTATE OF THE LATE DON & HELEN EVANS

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2001 Buick Le Sabre Limited 4 dr. car, auto, air, 3800 series II V6 engine, 144,400 mi. silver color, nice; 2000 Buick Le Sabre Limited 4 dr. car, auto, air, 3800 series II V6 engine, 126,177 mi. light brown color, nice; 1991 Chevy Silverado 1500 pickup. auto, air, 350 V8, 26,315 actual mi. red & silver color, very nice; Work Box plastic pickup tool box; full size ball hitch pickup trailer; 8x5ft. mesh floor 2 wheel trailer w. drop end gate; John Deere- LT155- 15hp. 32 in. riding lawn mower; Snapper 14 hp. 33 in. riding lawn mower w. bagger & thatcher; Snapper 12 hp 26 in. riding lawn mower; Brite 6.7 hp 22 in. push lawn mower: 5hp, garden tiller: Fimco 12 gal. pull type yard sprayer; assort. used tires.

MECHANIC & CARPENTER TOOLS

Craftsman 10in. Table saw w. extension; Craftsman 7in. Table saw; Homal metal 10 drawer tool box on rollers; Sanborn 10gal. & 5gal. elect. air compressors; Stihl D-41. 20in. chain saw: Poulan 16in. Chain saw: 14in. elect. chain saw; Stihl 40 gas weed eater; 4 other gas weed eaters; 4 gas leaf blowers; Craftsman, B&D, & other 6in. bench grinders: 4 circular saws: iig saws: 1/2. 1/4. & 3/8 in. standard & metric socket sets; deep well sockets; set joint sockets; sets vise gripes, 20 sets standard & metric wrench sets; 3/8 & ½ in, air impact wrenches: crescent wrenches all sizes: pipe wrenches: 50 hammers: scissors; hack saws; bolt cutters; 100 regulator, nettle nose, & adj. pliers; 20 sets screw drivers; 1/4, 1/2, & 3/8in. drills; metal & wood drill bit sets; long wood bit set; 10amp battery chargers; 2 & 3 ton floor jacks; 24ft. alum. extension ladder; 6ft. alum. step ladder; wheel barrow; extension cords; 6 & 4in. vises; come a longs: tree saw: boomers: tool boxes; hand sprayers; squares; levels; log chains; car jacks; hoist; trouble lights; creepers; wiring tools; crow bars; carpenter tapes; chisels; punches: Allen wrenches: grease guns; C clamps; jumper

cables; metal saw horses; moving carts; rolls elect. wire; hand saws; tin snip sets; bolts, nails. screws: hand plains: 4 metal storage cabinets; filters; car vac; paint; plastic gas cans; 5 rack loads of mechanic, carpenter, hand & garden tools HOUSEHOLD

Dinning table w. 4 wicker dining chairs & mat; triple glass door hutch; serving buffet; kitchen table w. 4 padded roller chairs; glass curio cabinet; microwave; microwave stand; entertainment center: several book cases: 6 wood storage cabinets; oak high back rocker; library table; hall trees; 2 color TVs; flowered couch; hide a bed sofa; coffee table & end tables; stereo in cabinet: radios: table & floor lamps; 3 rocker recliners; glider rocker; 2 writing desks; office chair; 4- 2 drawer filing cabinets; 3- 3 piece oak colored nice full size bedroom sets: trundle bed: night stands: chest of drawers; Eureka upright vacuum cleaner; humidifier; Singer & Brother elect. sewing machines; sewing supplies; osculating fans; Kitchen Aid mixer; elect, meat slicer; elect, kitchen appliances; snack casseroles; canister set; silver ware; pie plates; dishes; mixing bowls; pots; pans; bake ware; glasses; cups; Tupperware; luggage: holiday items: bedding towels; blankets; 2 metal lawn chairs & glider; plastic lawn chairs; & other.

ANTIQUES

Wood kitchen clock; crock bowl; 6 ice cream glasses; salt & pepper collection; cap collection dome clock; vases; animal, people, & other figurines; figurine shelves; owl figurines; cups & saucer sets; lots Avon; set Knowles china dishes: glass bowls; egg plate; pocket knives; pens & pencils; yard sticks; key chain collection; 3 carnival dishes; kerosene glass lamp; miniature glass lamps; pictures; painted & other mirrors; pirate face cup collection; Roar plastic gas pump; records; VHS & 8 tract tapes; women hats; 1gal. Old Crow bottle; Schlitz Malt liquor lighted sign: child's trunk. iron. & wagon: & other.

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FURNITURE, CROCKS, SIGNS, TOYS & **COLLECTABLES**

Crocks inc.: (5 gal Frys Hotel, Mineral Springs beehive jug, Pettys Tonic Sioux City Ia 2 gal jug; 3 gal Waconda Water jug w/wing; 6 gal SA salt glaze crock; 3 gal salt glaze P and rib cage crocks; 4 gal elephant ear crock; 3 mini advertising jugs); Sleepy Eye pitcher; Sians & Advertising inc.: 1942 Ford V8 cloth banner; Concordia Creamery; DeLaval flange; Pepsi flange; Eveready Battery; Coca Cola door push: Victor Talking Machine cast iron sign: Red Goose Shoes For Boys & Girls; Atlas Tire; Goodrich Tires; Bell Tele flange; 3 Benjamin enamel gas station lamps; Ford Gold Award pictures; Dekalb corn; menu boards: Squirt, Double Cola, Hires, Bubble Up, Coca Cola. Kavo: thermometers: railroad town signs; oil cans; bottles; Furniture Immigrant trunk "MKI" Beloit, Kansas; library steps folds to coffee table: oak 2 stack bookcase w/2 drawers: ornate cast iron bed: 2 sets ice cream table & chairs; Minnesota treadle sewing machine; New Viking 113 & Topsy stoves; pitcher & bowl stand; 60's office seat; Cellarette liquor cabinet; Pulver chewing gum coin op machine: Edison Fireside & Standard cylinder phonographs w/horns; Western oil painting; pictures; mining lamps; Elgin star burst clock; set Poppy Trail dishes; Toys inc.: tin banks; Red Goose shoe figures; Kingsbury Dusenburg car & trailer; Wyandotte car; Arcade wagon, car hauler, Mc-Cormick tractor; JD A & other toys; 1931 Salina 1st airmail car; tin trucks; Hubley cast iron Patrol motorcycle; Marx electric train; Indian motorcycle wrench: Lone Range & other knives; cigar mold; fishing lures; 100 car tags; lighting rods; fruit jars; Life magazines; Parker Bear vises; blue lighting rod ball; tins inc.: Sweet Cuba; John Deere pocket ledgers; farm implement catalogs: 1910 Courtland Ks sale

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The International Year of Soils: Soils Support Health

More than a billion different bacteria, fungi, archaea and protists live in a single teaspoon of soil. While it might be difficult to imagine miles and miles of these microscopic organisms, called microbes, in that tiny teaspoon, perhaps even more interesting is scientists only know about 1 percent of them.

"It's fascinating, at least for microbiologists, because some would argue soil has the most diverse ecosystem. The most unknown living organisms are in the soil," said Chuck Rice, a soil microbiologist and distinguished professor of agronomy at Kansas State Univer-

Many people understand that soils are necessary for growing plants, Rice said, and they help clean water. But, what most people don't understand is the value of soil microbes directly for human health. As an example, about 90 percent of antibiotics we use currently

come from these microbes. Other drugs, including anticancer and immunosuppressant drugs, have been discovered in soil as well.

"If you realize that we only know 1 percent of those microbes in the soil," Rice said, "what are the other 99 percent doing for us or have the potential to do for us?"

In addition to supplying humans with micronutrients in foods for growth and development, and drugs to ward off diseases, soil microbes are the key components for health in all features of the planet—such as water, air and other aspects of the environment. "Soils Support Health" is the August theme for the 2015 International Year of Soils.

History of efforts in medicine

Rice said perhaps the two most famous instances of using soils to create disease-fighting drugs are Alexander Fleming's discovery of penicillin and Selman Waksman's discovery of several antibiotics, including streptomycin—the first effective antibiotic to treat tuberculosis. These drugs, discovered in 1928 and 1943 respectively, were discov-

TRACTOR & FARM EQUIPMENT

JD 1600A 14' pull type swather,

twin sickle; 9'x16' 4-wheel hay

trailer on JD running gear; Sun-flower 1321 C-flex 14' offset

disk; Sunflower 5232 23' field

cultivator w/spike harrow; Sun-

flower 9' 4212 trash mulcher;

JD 8350 grain drill 10" w/fertilizer; JD 894-A side deliv-

ery rake; JD 4-row 3 pt. cultiva-

blade; dual hay buck fits JD

loader; Van Brunt 16x8 grain

drill, grass seeder w/fertilizer:

portable calf pen, fits on loader;

9 1/2'x11' cattle guard; 2 JD

spreaders; drill fill auger, com-

bine bin on wheels; JD hyd.

cylinders: 3 JD 4x14 plows:

homemade 8'x15' trailer on

Chevy truck frame; JD 4400

combine, 18' header, needs en-

gine repair; Kilbros 350 grain

cart on 4-wheel running gear;

late '60s JD 4020 tractor w/cab,

dual hyd. Excel cab; Donahue

5th wheel 6'x16' stock trailer;

Richardson 14' silage dump

wagon; JD sickle mower: 6

sect. rotary hoe pull type; 2 JD

5x14 plows; JD 494A 4-row

planter for parts; Richardson

15' V-blade w/anhydrous appli-

cation; stock trailer, 9 1/2'x8',

ANTIQUE TRACTORS,

EQUIPMENT

1942 JD "A" tractor, narrow

needs floor.

40"; buzz saw frame w/28"

ered using cultures of soil microbes.

Traditionally, drugs have been discovered on agar plates. The scientists examined these plates to find where disease cultures were growing and where they were not. The microbes fought culture growth in the bare areas; therefore, they could be isolated, replicated and used in medicines.

"We have concerns about the over-use of antibiotics and antibiotic resistance," Rice said. "By digging down into the soil, we can now find new antibiotics that will help overcome the resistance that has occurred naturally from use in humans and animals.'

Most of those unknown soil organisms—that 99 percent-don't grow on agar plates, he said. Recently, scientists have been using a modern technique called metagenomics that allows them to extract the DNA of microbes directly from the soil. In fact, a new class of antibiotics was discovered earlier this year using this new method.

Extracting the DNA from the soil is a lot like how

front, SN507388; 1943 JD "B"

tractor, narrow front, good rub-

ber, SN161239. Both tractors

run, metal is complete &

straight, 2 JD dump rakes: 4

wheel trailer made from Essex

running gear; JD 2-row pull

type lister; iron wagon wheels

32"-36" & others; IHC Wheat

Binder for parts or restoration

American Seeding Kentucky

drill for parts; Jay R Den 154 lb

anvil; old surrey wagon & old

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Dough cabinet, very good con-

dition; pie cabinet, very good

condition; 4 cane bottom press-

back chairs; wall coffee grinder

flat top trunks: copper tub. gal-

vanized tub; oil lamps; pictures

crocks; Kraut Kutter; Depres-

sion glass, green, blue, pink

Czech glassware; chocolate

sets, tea sets; collection of

creamers; various pottery

chalkware; graniteware - coffee

pots; butter churns; McCoy

Fenton bowls; Red Wing red

pitcher; cake plates, refrigera-

tor dishes; Wexford butter dish

toothpick holder; several boxes

of glassware & misc.; part of

old rocking horse; cast iron

items; Bright Pot Belly stove;

various household items: Bryan

furnace, works, outside wood

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - 10:00 AM

AUCTION LOCATION: 346 Ave. K — WILSON, KANSAS

Wilson, KS, go 7 miles South on blacktop (205th Rd) to Ave. K turn East, go 2.5 miles to John Deere mailbox on S. side of road.

wheels

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forensic scientists extract DNA from a crime scene, he said. Finding new DNA means understanding the genetic makeup of those unknown microbes and appreciating their diversity. Eventually, scientists will need to find ways to grow them and make more useful drugs for the health industry.

"It's not well appreciated that the microbes that live in soil live in a harsh environment," Rice explained. "They're used to that, but when we try to put them in a perfect environment, they don't grow easily."

Continued need for soil health

Soil is an extremely valuable resource, Rice said, and if we lose the healthiness of the soil, we lose potential organisms that could help us directly through disease management and through the foods we consume.

Nutrients, particularly micronutrients like zinc, are critical for human physical and mental development, he said. Microbes live on plant roots and supply the plant such nutrients. So, low zinc levels in depleted soils can affect zinc levels in plants and the development of children who consume

Likewise, soil health helps protect the environment. Microbes in soil help sequester carbon, Rice said. They take carbon out of the atmosphere through plants and help store it in the soil. which helps moderate and protect the climate.

Scientists at K-State and beyond are studying how toxicity in the soil that comes from lead and arsenic, as examples, can be combated with microbes that bind to those elements and prevent water contamination. Rice said soils are commonly used to in septic tanks and help purify wastewater.

"We count on the microbes to clean up that water, so as it leaches through to groundwater or runs off the surface, that water is drinkable," he said. "With water shortage, we're looking at ways to use recvcled water for other uses, and it's the microbes that help clean it up."

To watch a video interview about "Soils Support Health" that features Rice, log on to the K-State Research and Extension YouTube page www.you tube.com/watch?v=eJc0knm Nhi4&feature=voutu.be.

The Soil Science Society of America has resources for the public, teachers and children about soil and each monthly theme for the International Year of Soils at www.soils.org.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 10:00 AM

Located at Herington Community Building, South Broadway (by Police Station) - HERINGTON, KANSAS



SHOP TOOLS start at 10:00 AM Spades, shovels, hand tools, screw drivers, sockets, sledge hammers, bars, squares, floor and Handyman jack, bolt cutters, RR track anvil, welding stand, metal seat on stand, grinder on stand, acetylene welder, dolly and bottles: Lincoln 180 amp welder: large shop table with vise and tool drawers; carpenters vise clamp table; Columbian bench vise; Craftsman and Black & Decker 10" table saws; Craftsman 6 1/8" jointer-planer on stand; 6"x18" belt sander on stand: KTF 5 sp. drill press/stand; Craftsman 12" saw/sander on stand: small electric planer; misc. drills and bits; electric buffer; step and other ladders; garden hoes, rakes, trimmers, etc.; mole traps; rods and reels; garden trailers; welding vise grips; pipe clamps; Marsch M6 plane; small Ritter (NH) plane; Dunlap plane; draw knife; wheelbarrow; galvanized tub and buckets; chicken waterer; portable utility sink; nail keg; Craftsman portable air compressor: made by Forrest-picnic table; cross cut saws; Stanley #0

levels **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

Old pine tables; flower stands; small crocks; snow sled; solid core doors; metal yard stands; student school desk; 2 old bicycles: kids chairs: 2 old metal lawn chairs; 4-drawer metal file; misc. luggage; red kids wagon; Gold Digger metal detector; milk

cans; walking and grab sticks; walkers and misc. canes; C.B. base; misc. Christmas; misc. knick knacks; card tables and chairs; misc. advertising tins; stainless and granite items; canning jars, lids and canner; old games; pictures and frames.

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES Old "Chambers" porcelain stove; Depression S&P; Aunt Jemima S&P; McCoy pottery; old scale; old kitchen utensils; hanging Coors light; old wire 6-pack milk carrier: small Rock Island Lines oiler: wooden office chair: Tonka truck: Fordson tool box: Niles-Moser cigar box; pocket watches; old red top kitchen table; pine tables, racks and tool boxes; skeleton and other keys; Nourse axle grease tin; Winchester belt buckle: Hesston Rodeo Buckles years of '79, '80, '81, '82, '85, '86 and 1983 25th Anniversary; 1977 the Great American Buckle Collection "Keeper of the Plains" #BB-1640; marked Roy Rogers spurs; C.H. Shipley, KCMO spurs; Cole Brook Dale Iron Co. sad irons; CI skillets; Chicago Stock Yards CI pig; Vornado fan; black hand crank phone; cherry stoner; crock bowls and planters; Crosley radio cabinet; Hoosier (like) pine kitchen cupboard; egg basket; soda cases; old mantel clock; corner curio glass cabinet; Jefferson electric clock: misc. iewelry, iewelry box stand; Forrest made heartshaped wooden ring boxes; straight back oak chairs; oak

table: old oak teachers desk Pvrex red. blue and vellow bowls; cruets; Red Wing pottery; ice cream chair; misc. Burdick advertising items; collection of 1920s and up ladies hat collection; lunch pail with thermos 1923 Morris County Atlas; WWII US Army suit, complete; misc. military items.

FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD 32" LG flat screen; turntable with speakers; floor and table lamps; full size bed; office chair; old dresser and hand dresser mirrors; round top kitchen table, 6 chairs, 2 leaves; maple dropleaf dining table with 4 chairs, 2 leaves; entertainment center; round top 4 legs table; recliners; Omaha Furniture flowered sofa tiered corner shelf; 3 piece bedroom set: coffee and lamp tables: round table with 4 chairs; record cahinet: lounge chairs old lamp shades; misc. dolls and grandkids plastic toys; Maytag mobile dishwasher; 21 cu. ft. Amana refrigerator; small Maytag deep freeze; misc. flatware; pots; pans; skillets, glassware, casserole, baking sheets and more!

TRACTORS, MOWER, TRAILERS Sell at 11:30 AM Brand New Gentron 10,000 watt portable generator with electric push start; Dixon Ram Ultra ZTR tri force61" cutting deck; Ford 3000 utility tractor, low hours, 13-6-28 new rubber; Farmall 656 IH tractor, 3320 hours, 16-9-34 good rubber, selling with F-11 Farmhand loader with 5' bucket; King Kutter 7' rear 3 pt. blade; Danuser PTO post auger; 3 pt PTO cement mixer: Ferguson 3 pt. cult.; 2 Ford tractor weights; 2 nice 4-wheel bale trailers.









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stand; wood framed living

Kenmore automatic washer;

room chair; couch; twin springs & mattress; coffee table; plastic corner shelf; end tables; 2-door cabinet; kitchen table: ½ round table: room size area rugs; air purifier; 2 gray metal shelves; dishes; glassware; luggage; bird cage; aquarium; 2 corner shelves; white wicker shelf; vases; dresser lamps; round gold framed mirror; lamps; curtains; sleeping bags: pillows: tovs: Saki set; fireplace tools; fans; oil painting; TV trays; carpet; 4

blocks; stereo/speakers/ cabinet; TV stand; pictures; flower pots & arrangements; lawn statues; pitchers; hand bags; wheelbarrow; spreader; dolly; garden hose; sprinklers; clippers; shelves; fabric; Lazy Susan; hand & garden tools; compound bow & case; cooler; metal detector: croquet set: Subaru bike carrier; aluminum ladder: pipe wrenches: electric chain saw; drill; miscellaneous

large vases; baskets; lots Lego

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Near-normal pace for fall crop progress

For the week ending August 23, 2015, cool, wet conditions dominated the weather pattern, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 20 short, 72 adequate, and 5 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 21 short, 72 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 31 fair, 47 good, and 12 excellent. Corn dough was at 87 percent, equal to last year and near the five-year average of 89. Dented was 53 percent, ahead of 48 last year, but near 57 average. Mature was 8 percent, near 12 last year, but behind 20 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 36 fair, 49 good, and 7 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 91 percent, near 94 last year and 93 average. Setting pods was 71 percent, behind 76 last year, but near 72 average. Dropping leaves rated 3 percent, near 0 last year and 2 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 26 fair, 59 good, and 10 excellent. Sorghum headed was 89 percent, ahead of 78 last year and 79 average. Sorghum coloring was 29 percent, ahead of 20 last year and average. Mature rated 1 percent, equal to last year and average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 60 good, and 7 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 78 percent. ahead of 70 last year, but near 79 average. Ray flowers dried rated 10 percent, ahead of 2 last year, but behind 20 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 34 fair, 54 good, and 5 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 93 percent, ahead of 82 last year and 84 average. Fourth cutting was 28 percent ahead of 13 last year and 14 average.

Cotton condition rated 0 percent very poor, 11 poor, 26 fair, 52 good, and 11 excellent. Cotton squaring was 92 percent, near 94 last year and 96 average. Setting bolls was 63 percent, ahead of 53 last year, but behind 73 average. Bolls opening rated 4 percent, behind 10 last year, but near 8 av-

Livestock, Pasture and Range Conditions: Pasture and range condition rated 2 very poor, 7 poor, 31 fair, 50 good, and 10 excellent

Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 8 short, 87 adequate, and 2 surplus.

edge. It is one-inch in diam-

eter and is designed to fit on

a 1/2 inch drill or brace.

Cordless drills make these

tools quite mobile so that

the hay bales to be tested do

not have to be hauled to be

near an electrical outlet.

The hav samples are placed

in paper or plastic bags for

transfer to a forage testing

laboratory. Cores are taken

from several bales at ran-

dom to obtain a representa-

be obtained and tested. To

receive the best informa-

tion, grab several samples

by hand from about six inch-

es into the open side of the

bale or the middle third of a

small round bale. Place all

of the sample in the bag. Do

not discard weeds or stems,

Grab samples can also

tive sample to be analyzed.



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Testing hay can save supplement dollars

By Glenn Selk, Oklahoma **State University Emeritus Extension Animal Scientist**

During a recent drive in northeast Oklahoma, the abundance of hav in big round bales was quite evident. Producers are glad to have adequate supplies of hav as fall and winter approaches. Cattle producers must remember that quantity and quality of hay are independent characteristics of their hav crop.

Forage analysis can be a useful tool to remove some of the mystery concerning the hay that producers will feed this winter. Testing the grass hays this year for protein and energy content will help the producer design winter supplementation programs most appropriate for the forage supply that is available. Any of the potential nitrate accumulating hays should be tested for nitrate concentration.

Forage quality has two important benefits to cows or heifers. First higher quality forages contain larger concentrations of important nutrients so animals consuming these forages should be more likely to meet their nutrient needs from the forages. Secondly, and just as important, animals can consume a larger quantity of higher quality forages. Higher quality forages are fermented more rapidly in the rumen leaving a void that the animal can fill with additional forage. Consequently, forage

Wheat fungus re-emerges in Kansas atter decades

(AP) - A fungus called wheat flag smut has reemerged in Kansas after not being seen since the 1970s.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture says the fungus is not a danger to humans or animals and doesn't affect grain quality.

Jeff Vogel of the KDA says the main concern is that 15 countries have some restrictions on imports that might be infected with the fungus. He says the infestations found so far have been

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports farmers are being encouraged to choose wheat varieties resistant to fungi, apply fungicides to their seeds before planting winter wheat, and delay planting.

The fungus has been found in Phillips, Smith, Rooks, Graham, Wallace, Logan, Trego, Ellis, Lincoln, Wichita, Scott, Ness, Rush, Barton, Pawnee, Edwards, Stafford, Kiowa, Pratt and Dickinson counties.

intake increases. For example, low quality forages (below about 6% crude protein) will be consumed at about 1.5% of body weight (on a dry matter basis) per day. Higher quality grass hays (above 8% crude protein) may be consumed at about 2.0% of body weight. Excellent forages, such as good alfalfa, silages, or green pasture may be consumed at the rate of 2.5% of body weight per day. The combination of increased nutrient content and increased forage intake makes high quality forage very valuable to the animal and the producer.

The value of forage testing can best be illustrated by comparing the supplement needed to meet the nutrient needs of cows in the winter. Assume we are feeding hay to a 1200-pound spring-calving cow in late gestation. She needs 1.9 pounds of crude protein to meet her needs and that of the growing fetus. If she consumes 2.0% of her body weight in a low quality grass hay (4.0% crude protein) she will receive 0.96 pounds of protein from the hav leaving a deficiency of 0.94 pounds of protein needed from the supplement. To meet her protein needs with a 30% crude protein supplement would require 3.13 pounds of supplement each day. However, if the same cow was consuming a higher quality grass hay (7.0% crude protein), then she receives 1.68 pounds of protein from the hay and must be given enough supplement to meet the 0.22 pounds that is lacking. Now, to meet her needs the cow only needs 0.73 pounds of the same supplement per day. Because of the difference in hav quality the supplement needs vary by four-

There are several good methods of sampling hay for forage analysis. Most nutritionists would prefer to use a mechanical coring probe made specifically for this purpose. The coring probe is usually a stainless steel tube with a serrated, cutting

just because they look undesirable. They are still part of the hay that you are offering to the livestock. Be certain to label the forage samples accurately and immediately, in order for the laboratory analysis to be correctly assigned to the proper hay piles or bales. Obviously the more samples that are sent to the laboratory for analysis, the more information can be gained. Just as obvious is the fact that as the number of samples increase, the cost of forage testing increases.

> Samples can be taken to a local Extension office near you.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 · 6:30 PM ONSITE: 2403 Brook Lane — MANHATTAN, KS

This is a 3 bedroom, 1 bath ranch style home. It has 1268 sq feet, an attached garage, extra driveway parking pad, and a large fenced-in backyard. It is all electric, vinyl windows on the whole house and was resided in 2001. It's located in the popular Butterfield Addition within walking distance of the school, fishing pond and water park. Home does set in a flood plain. Seller has done extensive foundation work - now all it needs is your personal

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SELLER: RACHEL L. PENCE

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4x2 w/dump box; lawn sprayer. **TOOLS & OTHER** DR Trimmer Vector XLC walk behind; Troy Bilt 24" snow blower like new; Rol-Air upright twin cylinder air compressor; 6200 watt Elite Series generator; Packard electric drill; 10 ton press; JD power washer; JD 55EV chain saw; Generac generator welder w/gas engine;

w/gas engine; Honda generator; JD battery charger; JD A90 space heater; JD power grease gun; Craftsman shop vac: 4" vice; 20' fiber extension ladder; 2- 500 gal fuel tanks w/electric pump; Marquette welder; electric chain saw sharpener; acc welder; 8" bench grinder; Craftsman tool box; assortment hand tools inc.: sockets;, end wrenches; crescents; hammers; pullers; allen wrenches; ½" drill; angle grinder; air tools inc.: ½" & ¾" sockets, buffer; work benches; bolt bin w/bolts; air conditioner gauges; pickup tool box; Handy Man jack; bottle jacks; endless belt: car ramps; wheel barrow; JD 21" lawn mower; pump jack w/gas engine; wire stretchers; winch; air bubble; extension cords; car ramps; jack stands; 4" bin auger; John Deere parts; 10-8' used tin: loader tractor brackets; 2 new JD 20" 8 hole rims; 14.9-28 tires; 150 gal fuel barrel; chain hoist; 4 JD cylinders; assortment yard tools; assort-

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 10:00 AM

Auction will be held at the farm located 3/4 mile North of CULVER, KANSAS on Bob Cat Road

motor crane; 2" transfer pump

HOUSEHOLD & ANTIQUES Antiques inc.: 1 & 2 cylinder Maytag engines; 30 gal cast

lawn chair; Walnut player piano; piano rolls; oak piano stool w/claw feet; kitchen cabinet; flat top trunk; GE refrigerator; pine work table; chrome table; pine wall cabinet ironing board; child's table & chair; double wash tubs; 6' stone post; corn planter; scythe; water pump; pitcher pump; car side light; lantern; buck saw; lard press; meat saw; waffle iron; car tags; glass wash board; ironing board; South wind heater; antique wrenches; school desk; gas fill can; JD tractor implement manuals; Mason jars; milk bottles; large assortment of stain glass; assortment glass supplies; Paragon kiln; Household inc.: 2011 GE microwave; electric organ; pine dining table w/4 chairs; oak dining table w/4 chairs; brown recliner; blue divan: floral love seat: triple dresser; night stand; telephone stand; humidifier; 2 drawer file; wall shelfs; Vitamaster tread mill; Xerox XC 1020 printer; printer cabinet; storage shelfs; grill; fan; Mel Mac dishes; luggage; assortment of other

iron kettle; platform scale; metal

Note: For pictures check our website www.thummelauction.com. Lunch by Methodist Church.

DEAN WHITE

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

ANTIQUE AUCTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 - 10:00 AM Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co. Expo, 900 Greeley SALINA, KANSAS

SIGNS & ADVERTISING Signs inc.: Ford Tractor Implement new old stock; Kerr McGee new old stock; Seal Power Banner new old stock; Ford Tractor Service Dearborn Farm Equipment; Chevrolet porcelain; Sears porcelain; Goodrich porcelain: Gamble porcelain; 1952 Coke; Cono-Firestone; DeLaval; Goodrich Silvertone; Cooper Tire; Frontier; Ford Rotary; GTI Race Oil; Mobil Oil; Massey Ferguson; Morton Salt; Prairie Maid Meat; DeKalb; Goodyear; Tee Pee Auto; Ajax Tire; United Air Lines; Circle B Dog Food; Land O Lakes; Coke bottle; Chevron Delco; cardboard Double Cola & 1943 Coke; Wall Drug; Hotel Plaza; Raleigh; Virginia Slim; Ford Tractor radio display; plastic Coors; plastic Olds; Coors hanging light; Clocks inc.: (Chevrolet Paint; Sentry clock; Dempster; Ranch Hand clock;

GM clock; 7 UP); Chevrolet

advertising pickup side boards; **Thermometer** inc.: side (Squirt; Coop; Pepsi; RC; Delco. Teem); Pepsi chalk plastic Coke menu Chevrolet service board; board; Gold Nugget tray; many more signs

COLLECTABLES 1948 Packard carnival fire car; 1950 Garton Kidillac pedal car; Irish Mail cart.

LoBoy penny scale; Sea Raider Submarine arcade coin op game; Schwinn Corvette bike: 5 cup malt mixer; syrup dispenser; 2-1920's Buddy L 25' trucks; railroad lantern w/blue globe; 1960's Coke coil op chest; Coke cooler & other Coke items; 1950's baseball cards inc.: Ted Williams; 1920-1970 car tags; several green & white porcelain service station lights; tire ash trays; Jack Daniels wood box; 1930's to 60's car manuals & brochures; autographed pictures of singers & actors.

See last week's Grass & Grain for complete listings & Check website for pictures www.thummelauction.com

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GRASS & GRAIN

Auction Sales Scheduled

check out the on-line schedule at www.grassandgrain.com

September 1 — Household. washer, dryer, antiques, furniture, artwork, glassware, jewelry & more at Manhattan for Mead-owlark Hills Foundation. Auction services donated by Vern Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 1 — 179.8 acres Osborne County farmland held at Downs for Ronald R. Frevert Family Trust & Frevert Farms, LLC. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 2 — Tractors, combines, trucks, trailers, farm equipment of all kinds, lawn & garden & more online at (www.big iron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

September 3 — Cloud County farmland real estate, furniture, antiques, collectibles at Clyde for Andrew & Josephine Seifert Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 5 — Tractors, vehicle, garage items, furni-

ture, collectibles & household items at Moundridge for Ray Rilling Estate, Leona Rilling. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction.

September 5 — Coin Op, collectibles, furniture at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 5 — Vintage furniture, collectibles, Zane Grev book collection. wood shop tools, jewelry, furniture & misc. at Lawrence for Leo & Wilma Lutz. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Company.

September 5 — Fredericks consignment auction at Falls City, Nebraska.

September 6 — Furniture. 1903 drafting table, Fenglassware, lectibles, household & tools at Manhattan for Seaton/Kohake & Others. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 6 — Indian artifacts & Civil War, furniture, crocks, signs, toys & collectibles at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 6 & 7 (6th: Costume jewelry, Fenton, McCoy, vintage African American items, furniture, hand & garden tools, household & more; 7th: Hummels/Goebels, Glassware, Roy Doulton figures, bottles, clocks, collectibles, diamond ring) held at Topeka for Mary Alden Clarke Trust. Auctioneers: Kooser Auction Service.

September 7 — Gas pumps to be restored, engines & stationary, IHC Cadets, tractors, mowers & gas station items at Burrton for Milford Ediger. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

September 7 — Chapman Labor Day Festival including a Barn Quilt walk and the Class of '77 Car Show, Chapman.

September 7 — Signs & adcollectibles, vertising, 1948 Packard carnival fire car, 1950 Garton Kidillac pedal car. Irish Mail cart at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 7 — 20th annual Labor Day auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

September 8 — Antiques, antique furniture, collectibles, glassware, art work, linens & needlework, costume jewelry. household & more at Topeka for 2 estates. Auctioneers: Whitmore Estate

Liquidator. September 8 — Household, garage & outdoor items at Hillsboro for Elda Hiebert. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

September 9 — Tractors, combines, trucks, trailers, farm equipment of all kinds, lawn & garden & more online at (www.big iron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

September 10 ances, furniture, household, antiques, collectibles, yard & outdoor items at Hillsboro for Jean Oblander. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

September 10 - 153.65 acres Marion County cropland, grass & wildlife held at Hillsboro for Gregory & Christina Flaming. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service,

September 12 — Boat, guns, coins, antiques, collectibles, glassware, pottery, household, appliances, shop & yard items at Cottonwood Falls for Estate of the late Don & Helen Evans. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 12 — large line of tillage, hay, tractors, ATVs & farm items at Fort Scott for Clifton Beth. Auctioneers: Marty Read Auction Service.

September 12 — Tractor, farm equipment, antique tractors, equipment, antiques & collectibles near Wilson for Gene Malir. Auctioneers: Meitler Auction Service.

September 12 — 3-Bedroom brick home with detached garage on corner lot, roping saddle, tack, horse trailers, furniture & tools at Derby. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

September 12 — Cars, pickup, trailers, lawn mowers, mechanic & carpenter tools, household & antiques at Belleville for Mrs. Clifford (Rosie) Swanson. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

September 12 — 1999 Cadillac El Dorado, player piano, 52" flat screen TV,

CLIFTON & WHITNEY BETH FARM AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - 10:00 AM 2256 Valley Road - FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

The following farm equipment and machinery will be offered at public auction located from Ft. Scott, KS go north on 69 Hiway 10 miles to Fulton exit or Wagon Road, then go 1/2 mi. east to 225th Rd. then south 1 mile. WATCH FOR SIGNS.



TRACTORS

JD 7800 MFWD 16 spd. trans air 6490 hrs., rear duals, great inside rubber, front weights, small 540 & 1000 PTO, great tractor; JD 4430 Quad Range diesel, 2 year AC and injection pump rebuild, great rubber, 540 & 1000 PTO; 895 Versatile, 5993 hrs. with bare back; JD 8630 with 3 pt. and PTO quad range transmission 50 series Motor Air; IH 706 diesel 3613 hrs. 39267 S-X serial 2 pt. lift, 540 and 1,000 PTO; H Farmall



SKID LOADER

5640 Turbo diesel Gehl skid loader only 424 hrs., runs great, Series E with 6' bucket.

LOADER ATTACHMENTS

Belltec hydraulic post hole digger with 12" auger; Dual spear big bale attachment

SKID LOADER TRAILER Heavy duty tilt 16'X6' Penal hitch tandem axle trailer with foldup ramps, 8 hole wheels.

TRUCK & PICKUPS 1979 Chevy auto Scottsdale 3.4 ton 4X4 350 V8, grill guard; 1963 IH Loadstar CO 1800 cab over with 16' bed with 40" metal grain sides hoist duals, 345 V8 engine: 1998 GMC 34 ton 4X4 extended cab SLT short bed auto 454 V8 pickup with dual spear hydraulic slip in bale spear; Ford 600 2 ton grain truck with hoist and 18' bed V8 5 spd; Chevy C50 Bulk fuel truck 5 compartments 1525 gallon total capacity; 1973 Ford Grain truck 20 ft. bed, good shape.





4X4, 223 hrs.; Honda Pioneer 500 cc 4X4, only 47 hrs., windshield, mirrors, top, doors, **GOLF CART**

3 pt. with Bean. Corn and Milo drums; JD 7000 6 row planter.

5500 Case IH 30 ft. folding drill

FIELD CULTIVATORS

DISCS 25' Case IH 496 disc; Case IH

off set disc. **PLOWS**

drous applicator.

NH portable grinder mixer.



UTV'S 2009 Polaris Ranger 500 cc

EZ-GO electric golf cart with windshield, plastic canopy and rear rack (Ser.# 1136918) **PLANTERS**

959 IH Cyclo Air 12 row planter **GRAIN DRILLS**

Soybean Special 15" spacing, great paint, always shedded, Yetter markers, Monitor needs renair: IH 5100 double drill 21 hole (two drills with dolly) include cylinders and hoses, great rubber.

IH 26 ft. Vibra shank with harrow; IH 4600 Field Cultivator 28' with harrow; 25' John Deere 960 Field Cultivator with har-

496 32' disc; 18' Miller cutting

JD 5 bottom semi mounted plow and Oliver semi mounted plow.

CHISEL 30 ft. IH 55 chisel with anhy-

OTHER EQUIPMENT 3 pt. post hole digger; 4 wheeled hay wagon; Tractor dozer blade with brush guard;



Two 1300 gal. fuel tanks on stands with hose and filters. **GRAVITY FLOW WAGONS** M & W 300 bu. With metal 1 ft extensions; 275 Unverferth

away auger SHOP & TOOLS Wrenches, hammers, screw drivers, air compressor and other

gravity flow with hydraulic swing

shop and tool equipment. ZERO TURN MOWERS 2014 Gravely ZT 60 HD Zero Turn with 24 HP Kawasaki engine, like new, only 59 hrs; John Deere zero turn lawnmower.

351 hrs, 42" deck.



HAY EQUIPMENT

Vermeer 10 wheel rake model WR22; 567 JD Mega wide Big Round Baler and Cover Edge net wrap, 1,000 PTO; Sitrex Magnum10 wheel high capacity rake; JD 1470 disc mower conditioner, rubber rollers, nice mower; NH side delivery pull type rake; Hay rake.

ROTARY MOWERS 10' pull type rotary mower; 7' rotary mower.

AUGER Swing away 60' portable Westfield 12" auger.

CATTLE PANELS Heavy duty 10'7 bar pipe cattle panels on 2 wheeled panel trailer, approx. 20 panels. **BOAT**

14' aluminum Jon Boat on trailer **HAND GUNS** Ruger Mark 111 Target pistol 22

LR w/box; Ruger 10/22 22LR w/box; Smith & Wesson 9mm Model M/P; Star 9mm Largo; Ruger model P-85 9mm. RIFLES

Ruger 10/22 rifle 22 LR w/box; Marlin mdl XT-Stainless 22 Mag.



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2110 Harper Dg. Fairgrounds, Bldg. 21 LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Leo & Wilma are moving to a senior living community and will offer OUTSTANDING QUALITY ITEMS! Very large auction! VINTAGE FURNITURE, COLLECTIBLES; Vintage Fireplace

Andiron Set (custom made); 100+ Vintage Padlocks; 20+ Cast Iron Implements Seats; ZANE GREY BOOK COLLECTION, WOOD SHOP TOOLS, JEWELRY Sells First 9 AM; FURNITURE & MISC.

See last week's Grass & Grain for listings & Please visit us online at www.KansasAuctions.net/elston for pictures!

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GLASSWARE. VARIETY OF PIECES & COLORS 10 Longaberger pottery pieces;

Thomas Kinkade prints: Acorn one-cent vending peanut jar; antique glass light shades; 5 gallon crock jug; churn; stoneware: Pfaltzgraff; nice pictures & artwork: vases: German

toaster; coffee maker; antique ledgers; large gold framed mirror; Eskimo statue; fur coats; Bev Doolittle print; kitchen primitives; antique green kitchen jar; ironing board; over-the-stool cabinet; Sango china; paperweight; beadwork; silverware; new Fiesta ware: kevs: chenille spread: teapot: crystal prisms: iron horseshoes & stars; brass cross; pressure cooker; canner; canning jars; 2 brass lamps (hoof legs); piano music; lots of movies; globe on stand; many nice games; plastic scooter; dolls: upholstery material: Samsung DVD/VHS player; Pioneer tape deck; 2 antique brass lamps; assorted dishes & glassware; books; HP printer; comforters: blankets: pillows: stereo & speakers; many CD's; 2 brass Eagles 3 radiant heaters; electric roaster; CD player; vacuum; fans; space heater; seashells; fabric; floor & table lamps; dinosaur coat rack; wood doll house; baskets; US Military bayonet; lots Holiday decorations; artificial Christmas tree: various Halloween costumes; apple peeler; hot plate; kitchen ware; candy dish; wood rolling pin; wood mask; buckets; 10spd bike; golf clubs; child's sled; sport umbrella; 3 infrared heaters: fireplace tools: log car-

rier; mops/cleaning supplies; stair step basket; lots of ribbon; chairs in a bag; hip boots; sports equipment; coolers; rods & reels; garden tools; 8' scaffold with riser & safety bars; 4' roofing scaffold; DeWalt 10" chor saw; lawn aerator; push mower; lawn spreader; ladder; saw horses: leaf vacuum: folding aluminum ladder; shop vac; 30' aluminum extension ladder; bolt cutters; snow shovels; garden hose; grow light shelf; wheelbarrow; air compressor; dolly; Remington ram set, 22 ammo; chain saw: 6' level: leather tool bel; router; 1/2" drill; skill saw; porter cable belt sander; Craftsman plane; electric extension cords; nail gun & tric extension cords; nail gun & nails; post drill; files; clamps; surveyor point & tripod; antlers; copper soldering iron; blow torch; dado blade; caulk guns & caulk; license tags; Nautical items; rifle scope; halogen light; antique door with beveled glass; Oak door; shop broom; filet knife; face shields; 3 tool belts; walkie-talkies; electric belts: walkie-talkies: electric water pump; boat compass; hinges: drawer knobs: new plumbing & electrical supplies; door locks; RR spikes; garden tools & fence; hand tools; planes; Craftsman wrenches; antique hooks & brackets; lots of miscellaneous!

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September 12 — Furniture, antiques, household goods, tools & misc. at Clifton for Theresa Auctioneers: Schwab. Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

September 12 — Shop tools. antiques, collectibles, furniture, household, tractors, mower, trailers & misc. at Herington for Forrest & Marie Anderson Estate. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer, Dave Bures, Lee Holtmeier.

September 12 — Tractors, truck, mower, Gator, machinery, tools & other, household & antiques North of Culver for Dean White. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 13 — Jeep, collectibles, furniture, lawn & garden, tools & misc. at Lawrence for Lou & Cindy Parsons Estate, living estate of Gene & Cindy (Parsons) Chubb. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

September 13 — Appliances, furniture, household & misc. at Manhattan for Stanley & Yuan Lee. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 13 — Tools, tractor, equipment, riding lawn mower, Corvette, household at Blue Rapids for Ron & Elaine Botts. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

September 14 — 3BR, 1 BA ranch-style home at Manhattan for Rachel L. Pence. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 15 — 5,000 square foot commercial building held at Wamego Yang-Xiao Family for Trust. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 17 - 156.9 acres Greenwood County native grass, timber & wildlife held at Eureka for Jerry & Kelly Alderson. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 17 — 4 bedroom, 2 bath home at Manhattan

for Aaron L., Dennis L. & Janell Knudson. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions, in cooperation with Rvan & Sons Realtors.

September 19 — Furniture, household, dishes, glassware, antiques, lectibles & more at Abilene for Shetter & Gfeller. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

September 19 — Pastureland real estate with outbuildings, livestock equipment, tools & collectibles North of Onaga for Vincent M. Cass Estate. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC.

September 19 — Real estate (house) & household at Wakefield for Ron & Marsha Hunsecker. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz, salesman & auctioneer.

September 19 — Consignment auction at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

September 26 — V-tail Bonanza airplane, 4440 JD tractor. Lincoln portable welder, mowers, Shopsmith, many tools at Enterprise for Kevin & Guy Prichard. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service. September 26 — Ellis County land in 3 tracts (T1: 157

acres+/- cropland; T2:

325+/- native grass; T3: 151

acres +/- native grass pas-

ture) held at Ellis for Shannon C. Wood Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

September 27 — 4 bedroom, 2 bath rural home on 5 acres held at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

October 3 — Coins at Iola for collection from Earl & Mary Clemans Estate. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty.

October 3 — Vehicles, guns, household & misc. at Clay Center for Merton Bletcher. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

October 10 - Furniture, advertising, glassware, household, antiques, collectibles & tools at Abilene for the McCormick Estate. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

October 10 — 254 acres Marshall County farmland held at Frankfort for Gary Griffis Family. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Jeff Dankenbring, Mark Uhlik.

October 10 — Farmland & hunting land real estate, Minneapolis Moline collectible tractors & other farm machinery, tools East of Goff for Kenneth J. Wessel Estate, Linda Allen, executor. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC.

October 10 — 40hp front assist tractor w/loader, farm

AND AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 — 10:00 AM

Days Inn Ellis - ELLIS, KANSAS

Ellis Days Inn is located just south of I-70 Exit 145,

205 N. Washington St.

TRACT 1: 157 Acres +/- Ellis County Cropland. Approximately

137 acres of 'almost level' cropland. Located 2.5 miles north &

TRACT 2: 325 Acres +/- Ellis County Pasture. Has rolling hills of

native grass, several deep valleys which had seeps in the bottom, and some trees. Located 1 mile east and 5.5 miles north of Ellis

TRACT 3: 151 Acres +/- Ellis County Pasture. An exceptionally

clean native grass pasture with rolling hills. Two ponds. One oil

well and a tank battery on the property. The owner's share of the

mineral rights will be sold with this tract. This tract is just across the

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mile west of Ellis Ks at the corner of 110th and Locust Grove.

Ks. At the corner of 130th and St. John / St. Andrew Rd.

tov collection, woodworking equipment, tools, household at Longford for Melvin & Vona Curtis Rev. Trust. Auctioneers:

Reynolds Auction Service. October 13 — 120 acres m/l Clay County farmland, home & 5 acres m/l, sheds & outbuildings, rural water held at Longford for Melvin & Vona Curtis Rev. Auctioneers: Trust. Revnolds Real Estate & Auction Service.

October 24 — Machine tools, hand air & elec. power tools, used & reconditioned industrial related items at Clay Center for Weir Enterprises LLC & others. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

October 28 — Annual Fink Beef Genetics Angus & Charolais Bull sale at Randolph.

November 7 — Irvine Ranch annual production sale (Simmental & SimAngus) at Manhattan.

November 14 — Furniture, household, dishes, glassware, guns, tools, antiques, collectibles & much more at Abilene for Jean Chamberlin. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

November 14 — 1.187 acres Marshall County farmland held at Marysville for

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Page 15 Moore Family Farms. Auc-Home, Jeff Dankenbring, tioneers: Midwest Land & Mark Uhlik.

ABOR DAY AUCTION MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 — 9:00 AM

115 N. Reno - BURRTON, KANSAS (90% of the items in this auction were used to operate a gas service station or used on farms prior to the 1950's. Large Auction! Check web. Thanks, Vern)

MISCELLANEOUS: Walker Crude Oil Tanker; Collector Toys; Emerson Seed Cleaner; 2 wood seed cleaners; Feed Mill No. 0 Land Crank Grinder; Hog Oiler; Wooden Drive Pulleys & others; 9' wooden barrel roller; barrel trucks; Buggy Shaft; Han water pumps; Coleman Lanterns; kerosene cans; Railroad jacks/other jacks; McCormick Deering; Advertising

GAS PUMPS To Be Restored: Clear Vision Pump Co. #21610: Butler Visible Model #718; Model #43 Guard; Older Tolkein **SIGNS:** 72' Elec. Pump. Sinclair H-C Gasoline; 59" Anderson Prichard Motor Fuels; 15" x 60" Sinclair Opaline Motor Oils: Round Tiolene Motor Oil: Skelly Oils & Grease; Gargoyle Oils Vacuum Oil Company; Round 36" Kendall; Gasoline; 70"x70" Phillips 66; 16"x93" Cities Service Oil Co. 30" Derby Products; 30" Eason Gasoline; White Rose Gasoline; Many More

ENGINES & Stationary: Whitte Complete 1/2 Horse Fairbanks Motor; McCormick Deering 1HP; Detroit 2 cycle/copper cooling tank & truck, runs; International 11/2HP Type-La-Engine/Truck. John Deere 11/2HP Pump/ Jack/ Skids, runs; Maytag engines; Maytag Washing Machine/Maytag motor; Engine Trucks & Iron Truck Wheels; Rare Upright Maytag Engine.

200+ OIL CANS: Sinclair, Mobil, Atlas, Empire, Kendall, Standard, Nourse, Twin Tractor, National, Parity, Camel Penn, Shell Wings, York

IHC CUB CADETS, TRACTORS/MOWERS 1958 Massey 65 Propane, WF, 3PT, 3X3 TRANS.

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REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 — 10:00 AM

Auction and property located 1 mile North of ONAGA, KANSAS on the Onaga Road to Wasson Road then 1/2 mile East to 23730 Wasson Road — ONAGA, KS • SALE ORDER: Shop Tools, Livestock Equipment, Collectibles & Household ★ REAL ESTATE TO SELL AT 1:30 PM ★

Legal Description: The West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 11 East of the 6th PM, less a tract, Pottawatomie County, KS.

This property consists of 70.9 acres m/l of mostly native grass pasture with 2 brome grass terraced hav fields. This land lavs fairly well and it has 1 pond, a small creek and rural water with meter. The farmstead includes a 1978 14'x63' manufactured home with a 9'x32' add on; appliances included. There is an attached 2-story garage/shop area with a concrete floor plus a 2-bay shop and other outbuildings. The buildings are being sold in an "As Is" condition.

Real Estate Terms: The Seller requires 10% down the day of sale with the balance to be paid on or before Oct. 19, 2015. Possession will be upon closing. The Seller and Buyer to equally split the title insurance and closing costs of the Pottawatomie County Abstract Co. 2015 taxes to be prorated to date of closing. Statements made sale day take precedence over printed material. Sale subject to seller's confirmation. Cline Realty & Auction represents the seller's interest.

For more information or viewing of real estate please call John E. Cline, 785-889-4775 or Annette Cline, 785-556-3971 or check website: www.mcclivestock.com/clinerealty

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES 3 copper boilers; ash bucket; hand blow torches; several old

traps; old ice skates; 2 old sausage stuffers; meat saw; meat grinder; cast iron pot; old oil cans: sausage press: old primitives; nail keg; galvanized oblong bath tub; very old bushel basket; smaller anvil; old bucksaw; antique fence stretcher; 4 cream cans; very old chain drive garden planter: 1 ear corn sheller: Elv's Dandy hay knife; larger cast iron kettle with handle; very old Schwinn boys bike; 2 old vises with anvil ends; 10 old sad irons; very old 12-drawer wooden cabinet: old Brookine hand oil fill can: shoe cobbler set; very old electric toaster; old lantern; hand fly sprayer with glass jar; old metal cooler; lye soap; old saddle; very good old metal Pleasure Chest cooler: wooden baskets: old clear & brown bottles; assorted glassware, vases, collectible mugs, green jars, old tins, old wooden boxes; 3 old fire extinguisher bombs; glass insulators; many old 33 records; wooden baby bed; another very old bicycle; old dresser with mirror; many old salt & pepper shakers; 2 old metal

hanging lamps; old trophies; old typewriter; many old lamp & light fixtures; old round bottom kitchen cabinet bottom with enamel top; old library table; several flat metal & wooden trunks; old child's fold out chalkboard; old books; old metal fire extinguisher; cistern pump; toy metal truck; old buckets, metal utensils, slaw cutter; unique antique pigeon hole wooden cabinet; old wooden swivel office chair; white dropleaf table: Global Van Line tov semi tractor trailer; small toy cars & bi planes; old low solid wood rocker; nice hand painted large horse painting; several old unique pictures & frames; old violin (from Germany); old 15-drawer wooden storage cabinet; old 4-

post wooden bed; old 3-drawer chest; many nice collectible glassware pieces, (2) 12-place setting of china; 13 glasses & pitcher set; serving bowl, platters,

PICKUP & 4-WHEELER (to sell at 1:20 PM)

Ford 1984 F-250 XLT, extended cab pickup, AT with gooseneck hitch; Arctic Cat 400 4x4 fourwheeler, 372 hrs., 590 miles, front & rear rack, nice shape, runs good; Arctic Cat 300 2wheel drive four-wheeler, nice

condition, runs well.

MOWER, LIVESTOCK **EQUIPMENT & TOOLS** Craftsman 20hp rider mower (later model, good shape); heavy duty push string trimmer with Briggs motor, used very little; 20plus mostly 16' long green metal panels; several sheep or goat panels, 8'x3'; assorted metal gates; 7' galvanized stock tank; 2 inside cone big round bale feeders; 1 poly round bale feeder; 1 regular round bale feeder: 5 poly bottom feed bunks: 12 wire end hog panels; used corrugated tin; new & used lumber; old dump rake; heavy duty Servis 3 pt. 8' blade, good; 60-gal. Tractor Supply sprayer with hand gun & 12V electric pump: 15-gal, 4-wheeler sprayer; poly pickup water tank; 1 sack cement mixer on wheel with electric motor; small pull concrete roller; pile of concrete blocks: 2 old front Ford tractor wheels: 2 pair of semi dual truck chains; pickup & car chains; chain boomers & chains; heavy wooden work bench; Homelite portable generator; hydraulic pallet jack: har clamps: 5 screw cabinets: large shop fan on a stand: Sears bench grinder: Craftsman 9-drawer metal tool box with 10drawer stacked top; assorted wrenches, sockets of all types, screwdrivers, chisels, punches, drill bits, large pipe wrench, drills. battery charger, drill press, air

hoses, air bubble, Air Cheetah hydraulic air jack, chains, comea-longs; tire bead breaker bar & tire irons; 1" air impact wrench with sockets, good; 10' aluminum step ladder; large truck tire wrench; 7" Win portable grinder; floor jack, hydraulic jacks; disc sander; long handled pruning saw; very good metal & wood work bench; wheelbarrow; 3 good metal shelving units car ramps & stands; shovels & forks; various rolls of cable for fencing aluminum extension ladder; large 2" water transfer pump with Briggs engine; PLUS MANY MORE ASSORTED TOOLS.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

Very nice 4 glass door china hutch with 4 bottom doors: 2 nice solid wood end tables; very nice Duncan Phyfe dining table with chairs; round glass top table newer style dresser with mirror nice oak entertainment set queen bed frame & headboard complete; king bed frame with drawers & headboard: McCalls 5drawer cabinet; wicker fold up chairs; 2 metal 2-drawer filing cabinets; large heavy duty metal desk; oval kitchen table; 4 solid wood straight back chairs; glass front record cabinet: Sylvania radio & cassette player; Schafer electric organ with bench & lots of music; Vita-Master treadmill; many trinket items: Hoover Stem-Vac Plus 1000 carpet cleaner: Vision Dirt Devil wide alide vacuum: Singer sewing machine in cabinet; many radios & cameras; very nice card table; kitchenware Speed Queen wringer washer, good; many burlap furniture wraps; Cold Spot upright deep freeze.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

(2) 2-person tents; Coleman camp stove: wool blanket Pendleton blanket: halters & bridles; small live trap; walkers; plus other assorted items.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This will be a large auction with many useful and collectible items! We will run 2 rings part of the time. TERMS: Cash or valid check. Not responsible for accidents or theft. Statements made sale day take prece-

dence over printed material, LUNCH ON GROUNDS.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 — 9:30 AM

810 Lincoln - WAMEGO, KANSAS

screen TV; black TV stand: dining room suite with china cabinet, table & 6 chairs: loveseat; Oak table, 2 leaves, 4 chairs; Lazy boy recliner; Maple roll top desk & chair; Bedroom set with bed, chest, dresser & night stand; couch & loveseat: full bed & chest: Maytag washer & dryer: dresser & chest; hall table; console stereo; 2-tier table; 3 glass top end tables; wingback chair; 2drawer chest with mirror; dining table; 2 round Oak dining tables (one claw foot); file cabinet; sewing rocker; 2 end tables: TV's: DVD cabinets: white wicker couch, 2 chairs & stand; 2-220 & 2-110 air conditioners; patio furniture; Zenith console TV; office chair; valet; Vitamaster treadmill: dehumidifier: John Deere mower: 2 portable roller conveyors up to 35-40' & adjustable height.

Set of crystal-pitcher, bowl; sherbets, tumblers, liquors etc: Bavarian Germany china (blue flowers): large Asian sword: cane; 6 sets of crystal &

bells; child's dishes; vases; Dept. 56 Angel; etched crystal; relish dishes; red/clear bowl; white Pfaltzgraff dishes: Japan china; salt & peppers; crystal vase; Romantic Rose teapot, creamer & sugar; blue satin bowl & candleholders; Anniversary clock; Fostoria covered bowl; purple swirl pitcher; Bradford plates; KU items; crockpot; plastic ware; soup & coffee mugs: kitchen rack: set of china; covered candy dish; 3 sizes of Christmas glassware; wood train bookends; glasses; crochet doilies; kerosene lamp; figurines; cast iron griddle: Tupperware: kitchenware: Foreman grill: towels: sheets: phones; tape recorder; bread maker; camcorder & stand; lots of cameras; Electrolux & vacuums; pole & table lamps; DVD/VCR player; pictures; pillows; CD's; luggage; typewriter; cap collection; books; adding machine; picture frames; humidifier; lots Christmas decorations; King bedspread; milk stool; baskets;

1999 Cadillac El Dorado, only 90,317 miles, sun roof, full power, extra clean! charca player piano & rolls (extra nice); 52" Toshiba flat screen TV: block TV etand: bells: child's dishes: vases: bells: child's dishes: vases: annea & household itoma. ances & household items.

JOHN DEERE AND BELT
BUCKLE COLLECTION: BUCKLE John Deere spring seat; **Pewter tractors** 2-4010's; 4020; 2-60's; 2-H's; AR, 2 B's; 7800, G, D, 730, 8010, 310D backhoe/loader; 450G crawler; MC crawler.

MC crawler.

John Deere Tractors & combines: JD 50th Anniversary pull-type combine; 9600 combine; Tractors: 2640, M, A, R, G, 630, GP, Overtime, A-Precision, 8760 4WD, D, Historic set; 31 1/64 tractors; 10 John Deere banks, calendars, gas pumps, lunch buckets, buggy's, wagons; 150 years of JD 6pc set on plaque; 3 parts Express trucks; JD books; gold 'E' engine & others; Ertl well pump; setoff 8 1/64 tractors. pump; setoff 8 1/64 tractors.

pump; setoff 8 1/64 tractors. **BELT BUCKLES:** 33 different JD belt buckles; 14 Gold Hesston NFR buckles, 1984-1998; 51 Hesston buckles, 1975-1996; 10 NFR youth buckles; 8 misc. local buckles; Caterpillar buckles; JD dishes; JD canis-

NOTE: Nice clean interesting Auction!

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

T. Tommy and Bad News

First, a little about T. Tommy; he likes Corrientes, carries a stock whip and is good help when you need a team ropin' partner, a good hand on a gather, isn't bad on a backhoe and is good to his dog.

I'm sure he has had many fine team roping horses. His arena is open to all and he always has some steers around to practice on.

He and I have many things in common, including that our 'build' is similar. To put it descriptively, we don't have a lot of meat on our bones. As we grow older we get stringier, looking more like a praying mantis or an old greyhound than the Michelin Tire man. We can still reach the stirrup but the saddle seat gets harder and harder to sit in, the older we get. We have no natural padding.

At the last branding we were comparing gripes and I showed him my solution to our problem. It involves leather string, a piece of wool fleece and... one of man's greatest creations since rubber was invented, the coccyx cushion! Yes! It is designed to pad those who have broken their tailbone (which neither of us have.)

He climbed into my saddle and made a short circle. I could see the light in his eyes. A tear ran down his cheek, "It's so... so... the relief... I can... it makes me... I can sit tall in the saddle again!'

Well, Larry has known T. Tommy longer than I have and so is able to tell more stories about him than I can. Like the time he did a complete cartwheel from the back of his horse and lived to tell about it. T was dayworking on a big ranch and they had gathered the cows and calves for a branding. He was in the corral heeling

the calves and draggin' them to the fire.

It was hot and dusty, just another good cowboyin' day. T was riding one of his better horses, a black one named Prieto (which means Bad News in Mexican). It can get crowded in the brandin' pen with two or three ropers, three muggers, the hired man, the owner's daughter, the veterinarian and the local banker. Somehow T. Tommy swung back to throw, and caught Prieto under the tail which caused him to rear straight up!

T. Tommy hugged Prieto around the neck to keep from falling over backwards. Prieto balanced precariously, then crashed down on his front feet and fired T. Tommy over his head. Prieto shucked him like an ear of corn! What the trajectory lacked in height was made up for in centrifugal force. He executed a dive, a flip, not unlike the Olympics Pike Position, or maybe a half-pike, or simply catapulting off like a monkey shot out of a cannon. Whump! He was flattened on his back!

Within the hour he turned the color of a fruit basket filled with prunes, plums, blackberries and overripe peaches. The crew was sympathetic and let him sit out the last hour of roping without docking his pay.

He still looks back with agony but makes sure everybody tells the story right and knows that the judges gave him a 54. As for his coccyx cushion, he tried to make his own. I admit it is cheaper, but the child-size pool lifesaver he found at WalMart won't stay inflated. Everyone has to wait while he blows it up. Of course he still smokes, so it takes a little longer. Between breaths,



Sidaley Lambdin showed the reserve champion mare at the Ottawa County Fair.



Katie Thrush was selected as reserve champion senior beef showman at the Ottawa County Fair by judge Bobby Strecker.