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For our sale Friday, Dec. 11 the weaned steers weighing 500-625 lbs. that were in green condition were in good demand at strong prices. All other cattle were selling \$5 to \$10 lower, especially on the unweaned fleshy cattle. Cull cows and bulls were selling \$3 to \$5 lower.

STEER CALVES — 400-550 LBS.

Emporia	4 blk	400@206.00
Havensville	8 blk	443@199.50
Beattie	4 blk	503@191.00
Frankfort	9 blk	486@190.00
Olsburg	4 xbred	473@187.00
Manhattan	9 blk	423@183.00
Alta Vista	10 blk	399@177.00
Alta Vista	12 blk	498@177.00
Blue Rapids	5 blk	522@172.50
Manhattan	4 Hereford	472@168.00
Havensville	11 blk	510@166.50
Wamego	16 blk	495@166.00
Emporia	8 blk	420@165.00
Manhattan	9 blk	492@162.00
Beattie	7 blk	424@161.00
Corning	4 blk	521@160.00
Alta Vista	6 blk	453@160.00
Beattie	4 mix	535@154.00
White City	5 blk	547@151.00
Wamego	5 blk	507@134.00

FEEDER STEERS — 550-1,050 LBS.

Corning	7 Simm	579@181.00
Olsburg	9 xbred	566@180.00
Emporia	12 blk	587@179.00
Prairie Village	5 xbred	570@179.00
Frankfort	21 blk	606@178.50
Manhattan	10 blk	624@178.00
Olsburg	13 blk	585@171.00
Corning	4 blk	581@169.00
Alta Vista	85 blk	609@163.25
Manhattan	7 Hereford	562@159.50
Havensville	32 blk	600@155.00
Waverly	5 blk	569@150.00
Blue Rapids	6 bwf	580@150.00
Wamego	10 blk	588@145.00
Frankfort	8 blk	694@143.00
Bonner Springs	6 blk	867@142.50
Westmoreland	6 blk	691@140.00
Corning	5 blk	702@140.00
Blue Rapids	10 xbred	655@140.00
Clay Center	5 blk	604@140.00
Wamego	4 blk	583@140.00
Manhattan	5 xbred	708@139.50
Clay Center	7 blk	668@137.50
White City	5 blk	641@136.50
Beattie	4 mix	645@136.50
Blue Rapids	9 blk	701@136.00
Westmoreland	6 xbred	855@135.50
Dwight	5 xbred	897@132.50
Manhattan	5 blk	558@130.00
Dwight	4 blk	716@129.00
White City	4 blk	633@128.00
Dwight	8 xbred	1045@127.50
Abilene	4 blk	717@120.00
Alta Vista	7 blk	580@120.00
Enterprise	4 blk bulls	897@109.00

HEIFER CALVES — 375-550 LBS.

Wamego	6 blk	391@160.00
Olsburg	6 blk	430@160.00
Wamego	20 blk	464@158.50
Havensville	4 blk	387@158.00
Havensville	14 blk	465@155.00
Alta Vista	6 blk	436@155.00
Frankfort	4 xbred	430@154.00
Olsburg	4 xbred	470@152.00
Olsburg	7 xbred	531@151.00
Alta Vista	4 blk	441@150.00
Wamego	8 blk	533@148.50
Frankfort	6 xbred	531@141.00
Corning	6 blk	459@137.00
Havensville	21 blk	540@135.50
Netawaka	8 blk	530@130.00
Beattie	5 blk	524@130.00

FEEDER HEIFERS — 550-925 LBS.

Westmoreland	7 blk	652@141.00
Blue Rapids	4 blk	647@141.00
White City	7 blk	555@140.00
Brush, Colo	49 xbred	566@140.00
Corning	6 blk	673@139.00
Enterprise	7 blk	576@137.00
Allen	5 blk	808@133.00
Corning	9 blk	563@132.00
Blue Rapids	9 xbred	564@131.00

Manhattan	11 blk	550@130.00
Waverly	9 blk	662@129.50
Dwight	5 xbred	910@128.50
Clay Center	8 blk	709@128.00

COWS & HEIFERETTES — 800-1,725 LBS.

Winchester	1 blk	805@124.00
Wakarusa	3 blk	825@123.50
Liberty	1 blk	1065@122.00
Lawrence	1 blk	1200@116.00
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Frankfort	1 blk	880@103.00
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Lawrence	1 blk	1015@93.00
Lawrence	1 blk	1140@91.00
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Waterville	1 blk	1075@83.00
Lawrence	1 blk	1235@81.00
Lawrence	1 blk	1245@81.00
Alma	1 blk	1130@80.00
Alta Vista	1 blk	1270@78.00
Manhattan	1 Simm	1535@76.00
Alma	1 blk	1375@74.00
Alta Vista	1 blk	1265@74.00
Alma	1 blk	1190@73.00
Alta Vista	1 blk	1195@72.50
Manhattan	1 xbred	1405@72.00
Manhattan	1 xbred	1235@72.00
Manhattan	1 Simm	1355@72.00
Beattie	1 blk	1710@71.50
Manhattan	1 blk	1250@71.00
Alma	1 blk	1505@71.00
Lawrence	1 blk	1420@71.00
Alma	1 blk	1510@70.00
Alma	1 bwf	1390@69.50
Manhattan	1 xbred	1230@69.00
Onaga	1 blk	1235@69.00
Manhattan	1 xbred	1045@67.00
Alma	1 blk	1280@67.00
Alma	1 xbred	1545@67.00
Alma	1 blk	1365@67.00
Frankfort	1 blk	1305@67.00
Westmoreland	1 xbred	1420@66.50
Lawrence	1 blk	1250@66.50
Manhattan	1 xbred	1155@65.00
Alma	1 blk	1250@65.00
Onaga	1 blk	1200@65.00
Ottawa	1 blk	1210@64.50
Ottawa	1 blk	1220@64.00
Alma	1 xbred	1370@64.00
Ottawa	1 blk	1325@63.50
Waterville	1 blk	1210@63.00
Waterville	1 blk	1165@63.00
Onaga	1 blk	1165@62.00
Frankfort	1 blk	1175@61.00
Russellville, MO	1 blk	1680@60.50
Waterville	1 blk	1425@60.50
Alma	1 blk	1470@59.00
Silver Lake	1 blk	1360@58.50
Manhattan	1 Holstein	1300@58.00
Manhattan	1 xbred	1305@57.50
Manhattan	1 Holstein	1265@56.50

White City	1 bwf	1015@56.00
Onaga	1 blk	1400@56.00
COW/CALF PAIRS		
Age		
Meriden	8 blk	5-6 @2925.00
BULLS — 1,075-2,050 LBS.		
Wheaton	1 blk	1090@100.00

Wamego	1 blk	1585@86.50
Onaga	1 blk	2030@82.00
Alma	1 blk	1650@81.00
Wamego	1 blk	1560@78.00
White City	1 blk	1560@75.00
Manhattan	1 blk	1575@32.00



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50 Choice reputation Angus (OCV) 1st calf hfrs (plevic measured/all shots including 1st round Scourguard) AI bred April 9 & April 19 to Barretts Easy Answer. Cleaned up with LBW Easy Answer & Final Answer breeding bulls.

45 choice Red Angus 2nd calf hfrs, 3 years old, bred to Wooden Cross Char bull May 10th to start calving early Feb.

45 big homeraised OCV Angus & bwf 1st calf heifers, bred to LBW Oleen Angus bulls, due to calve Feb. 20th

34 Big Fancy Angus 1st calf hfrs, Fink Angus bulls turned in May 9 for Feb. calves

33 Big Fancy Angus 2nd calf hfrs, bred to Angus Simm X bulls, complete vaccination program, to start calving March 1st for 60 day calving period

29 homeraised choice reputation OCV Angus 1st calf heifers sired by Bando, Final Answer and Cedar Ridge Angus bulls. Several are AI bred to Barretts 384 Angus bull and cleaned up with Final Answer sons, start calving Feb. 1 for 50-day calving

25 OCV Angus 3 yr old 2nd calf heifers, bred to Angus bulls, due March 25th

25 big blk cows, SS & older, bred Angus for early Feb. calving

20 homeraised older Angus cows, bred to Angus bulls

20 choice blk cows, 2-5 yrs old w/Angus or blk Simm X 10 day to 60 day old calves by side

20 Big Black 1st calf heifers w/Sept-Oct Angus-sired calves by side, running back w/homozygous Gelbvieh blk Polled bull

20 Big Fancy Angus - Gelv. X OCV 1st calf heifers, AI bred to Judd Marshall Balancer bull. All breeding shots, 1st round 4kc Scourguard, pelvic measured

18 choice homeraised blk 1st calf hfrs bred to Angus bulls 30 days, cleaned up, blk Limo bull for Feb./March calving, heifers had 1st round Scourguard

16 Angus 2nd calf hfrs, bred to April Valley Angus bulls for March-April calves

15 blk 1st calf heifers w/Sept-Nov. 1 Red Angus sired calves by side. Heifers running back with blk Angus bull since Nov. 11. Heifers and calves all worked

15 choice Angus OCV 1st calf heifers bred to LBW Advantage Angus bull to calve Feb. 2nd, 1 rd Scourguard, poured

12 big fancy homeraised OCV Angus Char X 1st calf hfrs, bred to In Focus Angus bull for Jan.-Feb. calving

12 Registered Balancer replacement quality heifers, 700-750 lbs.

12 OCV black 1st calf heifers, AI bred to Conneally Right Answer bull, due Feb. 4th

12 Registered Hereford heifers & 18 Red Angus heifers X, heifers AI bred to OCC Extra Easy Angus bull, clean up w/Ohlde Angus bull to calve Feb. 15th

10 Red Angus OCV yearling replacement heifers

9 blk Angus hfrs to start calving Feb. 15th for 60 day calving period, one round Scourguard

9 blk cows, running ages, bred to Dalebanks Angus bull for spring calves

8 Red Angus 1st calf heifers w/Sept-Nov. 1 Red Angus sired calves by side. Heifers running back with blk Angus bull since Nov. 11. Heifers and calves all worked

7 Red Angus 2nd calf heifers, homeraised, OCV, bred to Red Angus bulls for March-April calves

6 Red Angus 1st calf OCV heifers, AI bred to Red Angus bull, clean up w/Mark Harms Red Angus bull for Feb. 6, 60 day calving

5 fancy blk & bwf 1st calf hfrs w/3 weeks to 30 day calves by side, one heavy springer

5 blk cows, 4-8 yrs old w/45 day old calves by side, exposed back Simm

5 Red Angus cows, 3-5 yrs old, bred to Harms Red Angus bull for Feb. 6th, 60 day calving period

4 blk cows, 4-8 yrs old, bred to blk bull for March 1 calving

3 Registered Balancer 1st calf hfrs, one w/calf by side, balance heavy springers

(1) 2-year-old Angus bull

(1) 3-year-old Red Angus bull, Tailgate Ranch breeding. Trich & semen tested

(1) 30-mo-old Purebred Angus 1st calf heifer w/60 day old Angus calf by side

(1) 17-mo-old Purebred Angus bull sired by BC Lookout, semen & trich tested

(1) blk 3/4 Gelv, 1/2 Angus yearling bull, semen tested

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18:

90 choice reputation Angus & simm Angus strs & replacement quality hfrs, longtime weaned, 2 rds shots, 650-800 lbs.

70 choice blk & Char strs & hfrs, weaned 5 weeks, 1 rd shots, 500-600 lbs.

60 xbred strs & hfrs, longtime weaned, green condition, 700-800 lbs.

60 Angus & Angus X strs & hfrs, 750-950 lbs.

50 choice Angus strs & hfrs, 2 complete rds shots, 500-650 lbs.

40 choice bwf strs & hfrs, weaned, 1 rd shots, 500-700 lbs.

30 Angus strs & hfrs, all spring shots, 500-600 lbs.

15 Red Angus Gelv. X strs, 60 days weaned, 2 rds shots, 550-650 lbs.

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KLA membership sets direction on key issues

Members of the Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) approved resolutions on animal identification, taxes, noxious weeds and other issues affecting their business interests during the group's annual business meeting December 4 in Wichita. The

organization's policy process started with member input in committee and council meetings and ended with final approval from the general KLA membership.

"Broad member input and constructive debate strengthen KLA policy and

give clear direction to the officers and staff," said KLA president Matt Perrier, a rancher from Eureka.

The membership approved a new resolution supporting the beef industry long-range plan. Developed by a national task force that

included two KLA members, the plan is built around the single objective of increasing the wholesale beef demand index by 2% annually from 2016 through 2020.

Existing policy on animal identification and disease

traceability was amended to include language supporting the long-range plan for beef. A provision of the plan calls for the cattle industry to secure the broad adoption of an individual animal identification disease traceability system that equips the industry to effectively manage a disease outbreak, while enhancing both domestic and global trust in beef. KLA members elected to support efforts by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and USDA to develop such a system.

KLA members reaffirmed a resolution supporting regulatory and/or statutory changes in the mandatory country-of-origin labeling program for meat that achieve compliance with World Trade Organization rules and avoid trade disruptions or retaliatory action.

Taxes are another policy priority for the membership. KLA supports property, sales, income and inheritance tax policies that encourage, promote, preserve and protect agricultural activities and provide a favorable business climate for farms, ranches and other livestock operations. KLA members oppose efforts to modify the use-value appraisal methodology used to value agricultural land for property tax purposes. Specific support was expressed for continued sales tax exemptions on inputs, farm machinery and equipment, and livestock.

A new resolution supports state legislation that would make changes in noxious weed laws. The membership supports enhanced enforcement of noxious weed violations on state and federal land. Language in the resolution supports au-

thorizing the Kansas secretary of agriculture to add or remove plants from the noxious weed list based on the recommendations of an advisory committee. It also supports allowing county officials to declare noxious weeds within their jurisdiction, with oversight from the Kansas Department of Agriculture.

Another resolution reaffirmed by KLA members opposes attempts by the Environmental Protection Agency to seek regulatory proposals that inhibit the prescribed burning of native grasslands. This policy suggests air quality problems caused by prescribed burning are rare events that should not serve as the basis for penalizing cities for non-attainment of federal clean air guidelines.

Member policy directs KLA to continue monitoring any pending rule or regulatory changes that could affect the ability of futures markets to provide a meaningful risk management function.

The membership reaffirmed their opposition to state legislation that would enact more restrictive immigration policies than currently exist under federal law. Additionally, KLA continues to support federal immigration policy that allows for an efficient and adequate guest worker program and provides opportunities for employees found to be unauthorized workers to legally complete the immigration process.

These were among 55 resolutions KLA members approved for 2016. Other issues addressed in KLA policy range from motor vehicle regulations to water appropriation to animal health matters.



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Sweep by K-State Crops Team leads to seventh straight national championship

The Kansas State University Crops Team recently captured the title of national Collegiate Crops Contest champion for the seventh year in a row. K-State teams have now won this contest in 14 of the past 17 years.

To win the 2015 national title, the team won both the Chicago Collegiate Crops Contest on Nov. 19 and the Kansas City American Royal Collegiate Crops Contest on Nov. 23. The University of Wisconsin-Platteville placed second in both events, while the University of Minnesota-Crookston took third. Official members of the K-State team were Samantha L'Ecuyer, Morrowville, junior in agronomy; Nicole Sudbeck, Seneca, sophomore in

agronomy; and Michaela Simmelink, Downs, senior in animal sciences and industry. Alternate contestants were agronomy majors Brett Manville, Valley Falls, senior; Hayden Guetterman, Bucyrus, junior; Jessi Bramhall, Seneca, junior; and Sarah Zerger, Cheney, sophomore. The team swept the team and individual awards at both the Kansas City and Chicago contests. K-State placed first at both events in all three phases of the contest: plant and seed identification, grain grading, and seed analysis. Individually, the three K-State team members placed 1-2-3 overall in both contests. Such a sweep of all three contest parts and the top three indi-

vidual placings at both contests is very rare, and has only been accomplished once previously in the 82-year history of the contests — also by K-State, in 2009.

Samantha L'Ecuyer took first place overall at both contests. She won all three components at Kansas City, with perfect scores in both grain grading and seed analysis. At Chicago, she also had a perfect score in grain grading, and was first in seed analysis and second in identification. Her overall score of 1796.8 out of 1800 possible points in Kansas City was the fourth highest ever in the contest, and the highest since a perfect overall score in 1965. Nicole Sudbeck was second overall in both contests. At

Chicago, she was first in plant and seed identification, second in grain grading and third in seed analysis. At Kansas City, she was second in all three components. Michaela Simmelink placed third in both events. She also had a perfect score in grain grading in Kansas City for a first place tie with L'Ecuyer, and was third in seed analysis and fourth in identification. At Chicago, she was third in both grain grading and identification and sixth in seed analysis.

The team was coached by Kevin Donnelly, K-State professor of agronomy. Assistant coaches were Ben Coomes, agronomy senior from Girard, and Marshall

Hay, agronomy graduate teaching assistant from Lynville, Iowa.

In the contests, participants were required to identify 200 different plant or seed samples of crops and weeds; grade eight different samples of grain according to Federal Grain Inspection Service standards; and analyze ten seed samples to determine what contaminants they contain.

The American Royal coordinated the Kansas City contest, with CHS Foundation as the primary financial sponsor. Additional sponsors were the American Society of Agronomy, DuPont Pioneer, and the South Dakota Crop Improvement Association.

The primary sponsor of the Chicago contest was the CME Group. Additional donors in Chicago included the Crop Science Society of America, Growmark Cooperative, and the Society of Commercial Seed Technologists.

For its performance, K-State received a team scholarship award from contest sponsors at Kansas City, and CME Group provided individual scholarships to the top five students at Chicago.

Locally, sponsors for the K-State Crops Team include the Kansas Crop Improvement Association, K-State Department of Agronomy, and the K-State Student Government Association.

Kansas wheat growing conditions are "beautiful"

By Jordan Hildebrand, Program Assistant, Kansas Wheat

Icy conditions were abundant statewide over the Thanksgiving weekend, but with a predicted warmer than normal winter on the way, what lies in store for the Kansas wheat crop?

With a wetter than average November, farmers in central and western parts of the state have found themselves in a position they haven't experienced in years: having a healthy looking start to their wheat crop.

Scott Van Allen, a wheat farmer from Clearwater, reported that even though his wheat growth is a little larger than he usually likes to see at this point, the crop so far looks great. While Van Allen isn't sure if this early growth will translate into bushels next summer, he did say the three inches of precipitation he received from the late November storms have left his wheat happy.

"I haven't seen this much early growth in years," said Van Allen. "It's been so dry for so long it's a switch to actually have some fall moisture."

Beloit farmer Michael Jordan added that the wheat in his area is looking terrific, as well. Jordan said he noticed a later emergence this year, but the .55" of precipitation he has received since November 25 has helped to satiate the area's crop.

"Everything looks refreshed and pretty," Jordan said. "However, that means the weeds are looking pretty healthy, as well."

While this may be a good start for central and western Kansas farmers, the south eastern portion of the state has seen reports of being too wet. Even though these farmers had a dryer than average October, some areas saw almost 8" of precipitation in November.

Aaron Harries, vice president of Research and Operations at Kansas Wheat, emphasized that for the majority of wheat growers in the state, growing conditions are "beautiful."

"These conditions really allow for strong root

growth," said Harries. "Building a solid foundation for the wheat plant is vital for a successful crop."

Farmers should remember that this growing season is part of an El Niño pattern, so far among the strongest on record. Farmers in Oklahoma are also seeing an influx of precipitation in 2015. As of December 1, some areas are seeing up to a 30 inch increase in moisture in comparison to the same date in 2014. While last year's lack of moisture can be attributed to the drought conditions found across the Great Plains, this year's increase is directly tied to the El Niño.

To the north, states like Montana and the Dakotas were predicted to have drier than normal conditions due to the El Niño pattern, but Sioux Falls, S.D., just had its fourth snowiest November on record with 17.3 inches of snow. That is

already more than half of the total snow that South Dakota received last winter. In light of these discrepancies, remember no two El Niños behave in the same way; these observations were trends, not guarantees.

Even still, farmers hold out hope for a wet winter that will help their crop thrive for next season.

"Everything looks really great right now," Jordan said. "And I'm thankful for that."

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40th anniversary buckle celebrates Hesston commitment to National Finals Rodeo and PRCA

Hesston by Massey Ferguson®, a brand of AGCO Corporation (NYSE:AGCO), introduces the 40th Anniversary Edition Hesston National Finals Rodeo (NFR) Collector Series buckles. Four versions of the commemorative belt buckle featuring a saddle bronc rider are now available from local Hesston dealers.

"In 1975, when the then-named Hesston Corporation introduced the first Hesston NFR Buckle Series, I'm sure no one imagined the relationship would mark 40 years and create a 40th Anniversary Edition buckle," says Cale Sledge, tactical marketing manager at AGCO. "However, this milestone is a great reminder of the strong bond between the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA)

and the Hesston brand. It is a long-standing partnership, and we're proud to introduce the 2015 buckle to again commemorate the NFR and our involvement with the event."

Designed by AGCO and manufactured in the U.S.A. by Montana Silversmiths, the buckle versions available include the ever-popular solid brass polished buckle; large and small pewter buckles and a gold and silver plated version. The 2015 design took inspiration from the 1975 version. Supplies are limited and buckles are sold through Hesston dealers.

An enduring tradition and long-standing relationship

The relationship between Hesston and the PRCA began in 1975 when Hesston's advertising team

approached PRCA about televising the final night of the NFR, then held in Oklahoma City, Okla. Rodeo fans were an ideal market for the hay and forage-harvesting and handling equipment manufactured by the Hesston company. Hesston was granted the rights and became the owner and sole advertiser of the full two-hour telecast which reached viewers in Oklahoma and Kansas as well as parts of Texas and Nebraska.

Hesston NFR commemorative belt buckles were introduced in 1975 as an incentive to get rodeo fans to visit Hesston dealerships. The buckles were promoted during the rodeo broadcast and through direct mail.

Both the rodeo telecast and the buckle series were successful in increasing awareness of Hesston and in

turn, equipment sales. And so, the partnership began.

As popularity of the broadcast increased among rodeo fans and Hesston equipment dealers, the number of stations west of the Mississippi that were broadcasting the event increased. Popularity of the event also increased, leading to sell-out crowds even during the weeknight performances. Eventually the NFR outgrew locations in Oklahoma City, and in 1985 moved to Las Vegas, Nev.

Through the years, Hesston has remained committed to PRCA and NFR. Today, the Hesston brand is synonymous with high quality hay and forage harvesting equipment, and Hesston continues the tradition of partnership with rodeo and the NFR. Hay and forage harvesting equipment are

still a major line of products manufactured in Hesston by AGCO.

Share your favorite buckle, win a 40th Anniversary Hesston NFR buckle

Because of the popularity of the Series and the tradition of belt buckles as rodeo attire, Hesston wants to see everyone's favorite buckle, old or new, Hesston NFR Collector Series or not. Buckle collectors and rodeo fans are invited to post an original photo of their favorite belt buckle at the Team Hesston Facebook page for a chance to win a 40th Anniversary Edition Hesston NFR buckle.

Follow the posts on Facebook and vote for your favorite entry! The winner will be chosen from among ten finalists receiving the most votes. Judging will be

based on creativity of the photo and relevance to the Hesston brand. The winner will receive choice of three versions of the 40th Anniversary Edition buckle. Entry deadline is Dec. 15, 2015.

The very first belt buckle commissioned by Hesston was made in 1974 and featured only the Hesston logo in a rectangular frame. Today, these buckles can bring as much as \$1,000! The NFR Commemorative series is among the most successful and widely collected commemorative buckle series available today.

The WNFR, held in Las Vegas from Dec. 3-10, 2015, is sanctioned by the PRCA, the largest and oldest rodeo-sanctioning body in the world and the recognized leader in professional rodeo.

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Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	
2012 Case IH MX315 MFD	1207	\$189,000	\$172,000	SN	Case IH 3950 28' disc		\$24,900	\$21,500	CC	Case IH 4300 35' FC	\$16,500	\$13,500	MA	2000 Case IH RS561 rd. baler		\$7,500	\$5,000	MA	
2006 Case IH MX305 MFD	2236	\$118,500	\$112,500	WA	Case IH 496 26' disc		\$6,500	\$5,000	WA	Case IH 4900 22' FC	\$7,250	\$6,000	WA	2005 Case IH RBX562 rd. baler		\$12,500	\$7,000	SN	
2011 Case IH MX290 MFD	1028	\$176,500	\$155,000	CC	Great Plains 2400TC 24' VT		\$23,000	\$19,500	WA	Case IH Tigermate 200 32' FC	\$32,500	\$27,500	WA	1995 Case IH 8465 rd. baler		\$3,500	\$2,000	CC	
2004 Case IH MX285 MFD	3430	\$96,000	\$85,000	CC	JD 630 26' disc	SOLD	\$13,500	\$10,500	SN	JD 960 28' FC	\$5,950	\$4,500	CC	1998 Case IH 8480 rd. baler		\$5,000	\$3,800	CC	
2012 Case IH MX260 MFD	960	\$155,000	\$145,000	WA	JD 650 34.5' disc		\$26,500	\$21,500	HW	Krause 4231 33' FC	\$8,950	\$6,000	WA	1991 Hesston 1160 14' swather		\$4,950	\$4,000	CC	
2006 Case IH MX245 MFD	3571	\$112,500	\$108,000	SN	Krause 4906A 22' disc		\$8,500	\$6,500	MA	Krause 4241HR 43' FC	\$12,500	\$8,500	MA	2015 JD 835 11.5' disc mower		\$30,000	\$27,500	HW	
2003 Case IH MX230 MFD	5840	\$83,500	\$73,500	HW	Krause 4907A 26' disc		\$13,500	\$11,500	MA	Wil-Rich 3400 45' FC	\$21,500	\$13,500	HW	JD 992 NH 499 12' swather		\$5,750	\$5,750	SN	
2009 Case IH MX215 MFD	1605	\$119,500	\$110,500	HW										JD 530 rd. baler		\$4,000	\$3,000	WA	
2010 Case IH MX210 MFD	1020	\$128,500	\$114,000	CC										2006 NH BR780 rd. baler	5000	\$12,500	\$8,000	HW	
2002 Case IH MX170 MFD w/ldr	11	SOLD	\$8,500	MA										1998 NH 664 rd. baler	SOLD	\$7,500	\$5,500	MA	
2013 Case IH Max125 MFD w/ldr	4000	\$63,500	\$59,500	SN															
2012 Case IH Max115 MFD w/ldr	417	\$83,500	\$78,500	HW															
2011 Case IH Puma 230 MFD w/ldr	1304	\$134,500	\$126,500	HW															
1994 Case IH 7240 MFD	5772	\$59,500	\$54,500	CC															
1990 Case IH 5140 MFD w/ldr	13932	\$28,500	\$26,500	WA															
2011 Farmall 105U MFD w/ldr	1165	\$53,500	\$49,500	HW															
1982 IH 5088 2wd	??	\$16,750	\$14,500	WA															
1982 IH 3288 2wd w/ldr	9100	\$9,500	\$8,000	MA															
1977 IH 986 2wd	8800	\$12,500	\$12,500	WA															
1987 JD 4650 2wd	5910	\$42,500	\$37,500	WA															
2008 NH T6070 MFD w/ldr	5268	\$68,500	\$59,500	MA															

FEEDING				SKID LOADERS				MISCELLANEOUS						
Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.
Haybuster H1000 tub grinder		\$13,500	\$12,000	CC	2013 Case TR320 skid loader	459	\$54,500	\$50,000	SN	WF 13x91 auger		\$13,950	\$10,000	WA
Haybuster 2650 bale buster	SOLD	\$14,500	\$13,500	CC	2000 Case 75XT skid loader	2465	\$18,500	\$15,000	CC	Meridian 375 seed tender		\$16,000	\$14,000	WA
Kelly Ryan 5x12 feed wagon	SOLD	\$1,500	\$1,000	CC	2012 Gehl 5640E skid loader	343	\$35,950	\$31,500	MA	Dempster LTC250 spreader		\$15,250	\$14,250	HW
Mono-Mixer 1490 feed wagon		\$12,500	\$10,000	CC	2010 JD 332D skid loader	2965	\$29,900	\$27,500	SN	Alloway 20' flail shredder		\$3,000	\$2,000	MA
Supreme 900T feed wagon		\$39,500	\$36,500	WA	2011 JD 320D skid loader	215	\$34,500	\$31,000	WA	LandPride RCM5515 shredder		\$9,500	\$8,500	CC
Supreme 700T feed wagon		\$36,500	\$32,500	MA						RHS FPIV 80' sprayer		\$22,500	\$18,500	WA

PLOWS				DRILLS				PLANTERS						
Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.	Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.
Balton DW6035 14 shank applicator		SOLD	\$24,750	HW	Case IH SDX40 w/ADX2230		\$72,500	\$62,500	CC	Case IH 1200 8RN w/liquid		\$17,500	\$14,500	CC
Landoll 2200 WP 5 shank		\$13,800	\$10,000	WA	Case IH 5500 30' drill		\$19,500	\$17,000	CC	Case IH 1200 16RN w/liquid		\$47,500	\$42,000	HW
Landoll 2310 WP III 5 shank		\$31,500	\$27,500	WA	Great Plains 3S3000 30'	SOLD	\$23,500	\$17,500	MA	Case IH 1250 24RN FF w/liquid		\$115,000	\$95,000	HW
Sunflower 6331 9 shank		\$9,900	\$8,500	CC	Great Plains 2600 26'		\$24,500	\$21,500	CC	Case IH 1250 16RN w/liquid		\$79,500	\$70,000	CC
					JD 1870 36' w/1910 cart		\$60,000	\$53,500	CC	Case IH 1250 16RN FF w/liquid		\$85,000	\$77,500	MA
					JD 455 30' drill w/dry	SOLD	\$15,000	\$12,500	CC	Case IH 1250 16RN w/liquid		\$88,500	\$73,500	SN

HEADERS				
Model	Hours	Adv. List	Sale	Loc.
2005 Case IH 1020 30'		\$17,500	\$13,500	WA
2009 Case IH 1020 30'		\$19,000	\$17,000	CC
1998 Case IH 1020 25'		\$8,800	\$7,300	WA
1990 Case IH 1020 22.5'		\$6,800	\$4,000	CC
1998 Case IH 1020 20'		\$12,500	\$8,500	HW
2010 Case IH 2020 30'		\$18,500	\$15,500	SN
2011 Case IH 3020 30'		\$25,500	\$21,000	CC
2011 Case IH 3020 25'		\$22,500	\$16,500	WA
1995 Case IH 1010 22.5'		\$7,250	\$5,000	CC
1997 Case IH 1063 6RN		\$14,500	\$11,500	MA
1989 Case IH 1083 8RN		\$10,500	\$6,500	MA

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow. Demand light to moderate for dairy alfalfa and alfalfa pellets, light for stock cow and grinding alfalfa as well as grass hay. The market is rather lackluster as more attention is focused on getting hay delivered to cover needs through the holidays. Hay supplies of all types are plentiful. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange: www.kfb.org/commodities/haypasture/index.html

Southwest Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa, Horse, small squares 220.00-240.00. Dairy, .90-1.00/point RFV, Supreme 170.00-185.00; Premium 155.00-180.00, Good 120.00-135.00. Stock or Dry Cow alfalfa, 100.00-120.00 mostly 100.00-110.00. Fair-Good grinding alfalfa, at the edge of the field 70.00-90.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies 105.00-120.00, mostly 105.00-115.00. The week of 11/30-12/5, 9,690T of grinding alfalfa and 1,125T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, Good, large bales 60.00-65.00 delivered. Corn stalks 50.00-55.00, ground and delivered 80.00-100.00. Cane or BMR Sudan, Good large bales 60.00-65.00, 75.00 delivered. The average paid by feedlots on December 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 126.97/T down 1.79 from last month, usage was 956T/day up 10 percent, total usage was 28,692T.

South Central Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady.

Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Dairy, .90-1.00/point RFV, Supreme, 170.00-200.00; Premium 160.00-185.00; Good, 120.00-135.00. Stock Cow alfalfa, 100.00-120.00. Fair-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 75.00-85.00; Utility-Fair 70.00-75.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots, 105.00-125.00, mostly 115.00. The week of 11/30-12/5, 5,062T of grinding alfalfa and 1,325T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 145.00-150.00, 17 pct protein 155.00-170.00; Dehydrated 17 pct 240.00. Straw, Good, large bales 55.00-65.00. Cane or BMR Sudan, Good large bales 60.00-65.00. Corn stalks 50.00-55.00. The average paid by feedlots on December 1 for alfalfa ground and delivered was 112.15/T down 3.04 from last month, usage was 327T/day down 3 percent, total usage was 9,809T.

Southeast Kansas

Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or Goat, mid squares 250.00; Dairy and Stock Cow 1.00 to 1.05/point RFV, Premium-Supreme 180.00-200.00. Bluestem: Good, small squares, 100.00-140.00, mid and large squares 70.00-90.00, mostly 70.00-75.00, large rounds 50.00-70.00, mostly 50.00-55.00, Fair, 40.00-50.00; Brome: Good, Small squares 120.00-145.00, mid and large squares 95.00-125.00, large rounds 60.00-70.00, fair 50.00-60.00. Grass Mulch, large round 45.00.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy and Grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow to spots moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares, 250.00-300.00; Dairy Premium-Supreme .90-1.00/point RFV delivered; Stock cow, Fair-Good, 100.00-120.00. Fair, Grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 70.00-90.00. Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 100.00-120.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

USDA announces strengthened Process Verified Program

Last week USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announced improvements to strengthen the USDA Process Verified Program (PVP). For almost 20 years, AMS has administered the PVP to help agricultural suppliers differentiate their products in an increasingly competitive marketplace. The changes announced build on that strong tradition by providing the public with even greater transparency and confidence in the "USDA Process Verified" shield.

"As consumers demand additional information about food products, more and more companies are turning to USDA's Process Verified Program (PVP) to effectively communicate about specific production practices and marketing claims," said Dr. Craig Mor-

ris, Deputy Administrator of the AMS Livestock, Poultry and Seed Program. "The changes announced today are part of our commitment to continuous improvement, ensuring consistency and providing consumers with even more information about exactly what PVP-audited marketing claims mean."

First, in order to ensure consistency, increase efficiency, and protect the integrity of the PVP, AMS moved the program to a single management structure that works across commodity programs. By providing uniform requirements and auditor procedures, this guarantees that the "USDA Process Verified" shield represents the same level of transparency and independent USDA verification regardless of the product.

In addition, the USDA PVP will now require any marketing claim or verified process point to be clearly defined, in plain language, on the USDA website. All products with the "USDA Process Verified" shield will also display the website address, so that consumers can easily find additional information about the actual meaning of any marketing claims or process points.

Both of these changes increase transparency and accountability by making it easier for consumers to understand the meaning of PVP-approved marketing claims. Consumers can be confident that labeling claims associated with the "USDA Process Verified" shield are subject to rigorous, on-site, third-party audits conducted by independent Federal employees. In

turn, companies can assure customers that USDA has independently verified that their quality management systems meet the highest international standards. This allows companies to effectively communicate about specific production practices and marketing claims - from antibiotic use in animal agriculture to genetic modification of grains - that are important to consumers. AMS looks forward to shar-

ing stories about various companies and products that are benefiting from this valuable program. You can follow these stories on the AMS Twitter feed at https://twitter.com/USDA_AMS.

Learn more at <http://processverified.usda.gov/>.

You can also access a blog and infographic on the program at: <http://blogs.usda.gov/2015/12/07/usda-process-verified-program-transparency-from-farm-to-market/>.

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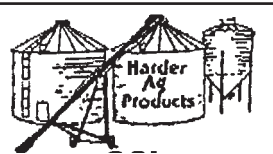
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COWS			
Herington, 1 rwf	1065@94.00	White City, 17 blk	616@165.00
Marion, 1 blk	1175@85.50	Florence, 9 blk	609@161.00
White City, 1 red	1365@85.50	Cedar Point, 19 blk	627@160.00
White City, 1 red	1140@80.50	Marion, 3 blk	455@158.00
Marion, 1 blk	1040@75.00	Lost Springs, 9 mix	633@155.50
White City, 1 blk	1190@75.00	Lost Springs, 18 mix	604@155.00
White City, 1 blk	1495@73.00	Marion, 6 mix	593@154.00
White City, 1 blk	1300@72.00	Council Grove, 62 mix	826@153.75
White City, 1 blk	1480@71.50	Herington, 26 mix	897@153.75
Lincolnville, 1 blk	1200@71.50	Herington, 25 blk	826@152.00
White City, 1 blk	1305@71.00	Lost Springs, 2 blk	555@151.00
White City, 1 blk	1415@71.00	Lincolnville, 58 mix	893@150.25
White City, 1 blk	1185@70.50	Alta Vista, 2 blk	743@148.00
White City, 1 blk	1240@70.50	Council Grove, 63 blk	831@147.50
Marion, 1 red	1105@70.50	Lincolnville, 14 blk	670@147.00
Marion, 1 red	1310@70.50	White City, 13 blk	734@147.00
Tampa, 1 blk	1490@70.50	Herington, 4 mix	668@146.50
White City, 1 red	1315@70.00	Herington, 3 blk	662@145.00
Marion, 1 blk	1485@70.00	Lost Springs, 5 blk	707@144.50
White City, 1 red	1475@69.00	Herington, 5 mix	893@141.50
Alta Vista, 1 blk	1380@69.00	Cedar Point, 9 mix	714@140.75
Marion, 1 blk	1190@68.50	Lost Springs, 10 mix	710@140.00
Ramona, 1 blk	1565@68.00	Ramona, 18 blk	883@140.00
Herington, 1 bwf	1630@67.00	Marion, 3 blk	712@140.00
Tampa, 1 blk	1445@67.00		
Herington, 1 bwf	1570@66.50		

BULLS			
Burdick, 1 red	990@100.50		
White City, 1 red	1245@65.00		
White City, 1 blk	1510@65.00		
White City, 1 blk	1860@63.50		
Marion, 1 blk	1535@63.00		
Marion, 1 blk	1455@62.50		
Hope, 1 blk	1325@61.50		
Hope, 1 blk	1720@60.50		
White City, 1 red	1505@60.00		
Marion, 1 blk	1560@59.00		
Marion, 1 blk	1225@58.00		
White City, 1 red	1550@55.50		

STEERS			
White City, 1 red	1500@65.50		
White City, 1 blk	1245@65.00		
Ramona, 1 blk	1510@65.00		
White City, 1 blk	1860@63.50		
Marion, 1 blk	1535@63.00		
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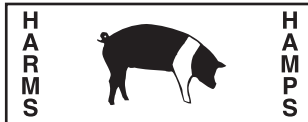
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PED risk expected to increase as natural immunity dissipates

The executive director of the U.S. based Swine Health Information Center warns, as natural immunity to Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea, resulting from previous exposure dissipates, the risk of the virus spreading will increase, writes Bruce Cochrane.

Since peaking in March 2014, there's been a steady decline in the number of farms in the United States infected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea.

Dr Paul Sundberg, the executive director of the Swine Health Information Center, says one of the reasons is that as the virus went through the production units in the U.S. it did cause infection and that causes a natural level of immunity so we have less susceptible animals.

Dr Paul Sundberg-Swine Health Information Center said, "We don't know what the winter's going to hold for us.

"We do know from our research that we can expect that the immunity from natural infection is not long lasting so a sow herd or even a finisher or any farm that's gone through an infection recently very well may

have susceptible animals that show up as early as four to six months after a natural infection.

"We expect that we have an increased number of susceptible animals out in the countryside right now.

"What we've been trying to do is communicate to producers and veterinarians the need to be vigilant, the need to keep those biosecurity practices in place because we can't assume that PED went through the wave of the countryside and is going to be gone.

"It very well may come back. We don't know exactly how that's going to happen yet this winter, of course, but we're doing some planning with biosecurity updates and updates about enhancements that we hope will get us through this winter at a continued low level."

Dr Sundberg says we know there's live virus in the countryside and we expect the number of susceptible animals is increasing and that means that we have to be absolutely vigilant about biosecurity.

Animal rights activists targeting law enforcement, religious groups

Hannah Thompson of the Animal Ag Alliance shared her latest knowledge on the activities of animal rights activists on the Oklahoma Farm Report's *Beef Buzz*. There has been quite a bit of work done by the activist groups in targeting religious organizations over the years by convincing people that it is immoral to eat meat. They have created partnerships with several organizations which have allowed them to distribute "educational materials" for summer camps and other activities to help spread their views on animals. However, another influential group of people is now being targeted by the activists - law enforcement personnel. The activist groups sponsor awards for law enforcement and offer "trainings" on identifying animal cruelty.

In the wake of these events, the Animal Ag Alliance is encouraging producers to build relationships with local law enforcement. By inviting them to a farming or ranching operation for a visit, they can see firsthand how animal welfare is properly practiced. This could also be beneficial if a crisis ever does occur for those law enforcement officials to be familiar with the location and practices of the operation.

Listen to the entire interview by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/AAA-12-4-15>.

October meat exports show improvement, but still down year-over-year

October U.S. pork and beef exports in October edged higher than the previous month, but were still down from a year ago, according to data released by USDA and compiled by the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF).

Pork exports were down 3 percent year-over-year in volume to 177,191 metric tons (mt), and fell 21 percent in value to \$447.8 million, reflecting lower global pork prices. Through the first ten months of the year, exports were down 4 percent in volume (1.76 million mt) and were 17 percent lower in

value (\$4.65 billion).

Similar to the previous two months, pork muscle cut exports improved significantly year-over-year in October, increasing 8 percent to 141,923 mt. But the total results were again held back by weak variety meat exports, which fell 31 percent to 35,268 mt.

October beef exports rebounded to some degree from their low September totals, but were still down 14 percent from a year ago in volume (94,524 mt) and fell 26 percent (to \$508.2 million) compared to the record-high value posted in Octo-

ber 2014 (\$687.1 million). Through the first ten months of 2015, beef exports were down 12 percent in volume to 877,229 mt and were 10 percent lower in value at \$5.28 billion.

Pork exports solid in North American markets, improving in China

October pork exports to Mexico edged slightly lower than a year ago but remained strong at 59,766 mt. For January through October, exports to Mexico were up 5 percent in volume to 589,564 mt, while export value fell 20 percent to \$1.04 billion.

Exports to Canada improved 2 percent year-over-year in volume (16,689 mt) in October, while value fell 15 percent to \$62.9 million. Despite the weak Canadian dollar, pork exports to Canada have performed relatively well this year, with January-October volume down 5 percent to 165,655 mt and value down 13 percent to \$652.9 million.

October exports to China/Hong Kong improved from last year's low levels, posting the largest volume (32,899 mt, up 23 percent) since early 2014, while export value was down 3 percent to \$64.3 million. November results could reveal further improvement, as eligibility to export to China was restored for several U.S. facilities near the end of October. For January through October, exports to China/Hong Kong were down 5 percent from a year ago in volume (271,903 mt) and 13 percent lower in value (\$567.2 million).

October exports also trended higher for the Philippines (4,724 mt, up 73 percent), Australia (3,575 mt, up 62 percent), the Caribbean (3,619 mt, up 15 percent) and Taiwan (2,162 mt, up 123 percent), albeit from very low levels last year.

Pork demand remains sluggish in leading value market Japan, with October exports down 10 percent from a year ago in volume (29,849 mt) and value falling 45 percent to \$117.2 million. For January through October, exports were 13 percent below last year's pace in volume (344,609 mt) and down 19 percent in value (\$1.34 billion). After record-large imports last year, Japan's volume from all suppliers was down 7 percent through October. However, its large frozen inventories have declined over the past several

months and this could stimulate future demand.

January-October exports accounted for 24 percent of total pork production and 21 percent for muscle cuts only, down from 27 percent and 22 percent, respectively, during the same period in 2014. Export value per head slaughtered averaged \$48.84, down 23 percent year-over-year.

"The slowdown in Japan and weak global demand for pork variety meat clearly represent a drag on overall exports in 2015," noted USMEF president and CEO Philip Seng. "Recent plant relistings will expand opportunities for U.S. pork in China, which is a high-volume market for variety meat. But the global pork variety meat market is intensely price-competitive, especially with very large volumes currently emerging from the European Union, which are further buoyed by the weak euro."

Beef exports cool to Korea and Taiwan, but improve in some key markets

South Korea and Taiwan have been top performers for U.S. beef exports in 2015, but demand in these markets softened in October. Exports to Korea were down 7 percent in volume (10,342 mt) in October and fell 30 percent in value (\$58.8 million). For January through October, exports to Korea were still up 7 percent in volume to 102,919 mt and reached \$671.7 million in value, which was steady with last year's pace.

In Taiwan, October exports fell 16 percent in volume (2,718 mt) and 13 percent in value (\$24 million), but January-October exports were still up 3 percent in volume to 29,490 mt and value remained on a record pace at \$265.3 million, up 9 percent.

The decline in Korea and Taiwan was offset to some extent by higher October totals in the Middle East, ASEAN and Caribbean. For January through October, these regions posted the following results:

Export volume to the Middle East was down 16 percent year-over-year to 96,518 mt, but value was up 8 percent to \$246.8 million. Egypt continues to be a critical destination for U.S. live and other variety meat, while the leading muscle cut markets are the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait.

Led by strong exports to

the Dominican Republic, the Caribbean was up 1 percent year-over-year in volume to 19,149 mt and 10 percent higher in value to \$135.9 million.

Exports to the ASEAN region were down 16 percent from a year ago in volume (17,452 mt) but were 7 percent higher in value (\$115.3 million), led by substantially larger shipments to Vietnam and Singapore.

Similar to pork, U.S. beef exports to Japan have struggled in 2015. Though Japan remains the largest value destination for U.S. beef, it slipped below Mexico in volume as January-October exports were down 15 percent 176,236 mt. Export value to Japan was down 18 percent to \$1.1 billion.

"Japan's total beef imports from all suppliers are down about 6 percent this year, but it is noteworthy that both Australia and Mexico have made gains in Japan while imports from other suppliers are down significantly," Seng explained. "Both countries enjoy lower tariffs in Japan through their respective economic partnership agreements, and the year-to-date results certainly show the importance of this advantage."

Beef exports to Hong Kong were also well below year-ago levels through October, falling 25 percent in volume (92,389 mt) and 29 percent in value (\$641.1 million). Although officials from the U.S. and China continue to discuss resumption of beef exports, China remains closed to U.S. beef.

January-October beef exports accounted for 13 percent of total production and 10 percent for muscle cuts only - each down one percentage point from the same period last year. Export value per head of fed slaughter averaged \$278.06, down 5 percent from a year ago.

Lamb exports still struggling

October lamb exports also showed modest improvement compared to recent months but remained lower year-over-year. For January through October, exports were down 15 percent in volume to 7,585 mt and down 33 percent in value to \$15.8 million. Growth markets in 2015 include Saudi Arabia, Hong Kong, Costa Rica and Honduras, but these gains were offset by lower exports to Mexico and Canada.

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Kansas youth receive more than \$20,000 in scholarships

Nineteen scholarship winners for the 2015-16 school year were recognized during the annual Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) Convention December 2 in Wichita. A total of \$19,500 was presented by the Kansas Livestock Foundation (KLF).

Elizabeth Wilk was chosen to receive a \$1,500 Ralgro Wheels for Bucks (WFB) scholarship from Merck Animal Health and KLF. This award recognizes K-State veterinary school students with a career goal of being a large animal veterinarian. Wilk is the daughter of Kenneth and Sally Wilk from Osage City. She is a first-year veterinary student at K-State.

Five Kansas students each have been awarded, through KLF, \$1,000 Wheels for Bucks Scholarships. All are currently attending K-State. Tanner Aherin is the son of Dennis and Joyce Aherin from Phillipsburg. He is a junior majoring in agricultural economics. Rustin Ardery, the son of Shannon and Zandrea Ardery from Mullinville, is a junior majoring in animal science. Cooper Clawson is the son of Dan and Tamra Clawson of Meade. He also is a junior and is majoring in agricultural economics. Ty Nienke is the son of Robert and Julie Nienke from Lorraine. He is a sophomore majoring in agricultural education. Nathan Peterson, son of David and Marla Peterson of Assaria, is a senior majoring in agricultural technology management. This scholarship is presented to students entering or returning to a Kansas community or senior college and pursuing a degree in agriculture or a related field.

Wyatt Durst of Morrowville has been awarded the \$1,000 Concrete Cattle Waterers Scholarship through KLF. Durst is the son of Ed and Jennifer Durst. He is a freshman at Hutchinson Community College majoring in animal science. This scholarship is awarded to a student entering or returning to a Kansas community or senior college and pursuing a degree in agriculture or a related field.

Two \$1,000 Glenn & Clyde Lindstrom Scholarships have been awarded through KLF to Justin Schmutz and Spencer Yenni. Both are attending Kansas State University. Schmutz, the son of Jan and the late Ron Schmutz from Salina, is a sophomore majoring in agriculture technology management. Yenni is the son of David and Kim Yenni of Lindsborg. He is a junior majoring in agricultural economics. This scholarship is awarded to students of sophomore level or above attending a Kansas junior or senior college and pursuing a degree in agriculture. Preference is given to students residing within the boundaries of Unified School District 400 in northern McPherson and southern Saline counties.

Nine students from across the state have received \$1,000 "Youth in Agriculture" scholarships from KLF. Lindy Bilberry is the daughter of Larry and Ann Bilberry from Garden City. She is a junior at K-State majoring in agribusiness. Kord Curran is the son of Joseph and Kim Curran of Farlington. He is a freshman attending K-State and majoring in agribusiness. Chelsey Figge, daughter of Keith and Beverly Figge of Onaga, is a junior at K-State majoring in agricultural education. Gabryelle Gilliam is the daughter of Jerry

Gilliam and Cristi Gilliam, both of Washington. She is a freshman at K-State majoring in agricultural communications. Matthew Hamon is the son of John and Lisa Hamon of Ozawkie. He is a freshman at K-State majoring in agricultural economics. Dean Klahr, the son of Dennis and Eunice Klahr from Holton, is a freshman at K-State majoring in feed science. Tyler Langvardt is the son of Mitch and Jennifer Langvardt of Chapman. He is a freshman at K-State majoring in agricultural communications. Michael McKinney, son of Mark and Jana McKinney from McPherson, is a freshman at K-State majoring in animal science and leadership. Elizabeth Patrick is the daughter of Don and Catherine Patrick of Tonganoxie. She is a sophomore at Highland Community College majoring in agricultural education. Funded by the KLF Club Calf Sale held during the Kansas Junior Livestock Show, these scholarships also recognize students entering or returning to a Kansas junior or senior college and pursuing a degree in agriculture or a related field.

Another scholarship recipient honored was Kandace Griffin of Strong City. The K-State student earned a \$1,200 scholarship from the Kansas CattleWomen (KCW). Griffin is the daughter of Justin and Katrina Griffin. She is a sophomore majoring in agricultural communications and animal science. This scholarship, funded by the KCW silent auction, is awarded to a student entering or returning to a Kansas community or senior college and pursuing a degree in dietetics, food safety, agriculture or a related field.

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HANOVER	5 XBRD STR	444@201.00	CLIFTON	3 BLK HFR	715@130.00
WASHINGTON	4 BLK STR	478@196.00	BREMEN	2 BLK HFR	675@130.00
FRANKFORT	1 BWF STR	475@196.00	RANDOLPH	1 BLK HFR	670@130.00
SENECA	12 BLK STR	505@194.00	LINN	21 XBRD HFR	755@129.50
BAILEYVILLE	14 XBRD STR	515@188.50	FRANKFORT	1 XBRD HFR	655@129.00
FRANKFORT	4 XBRD STR	448@187.50	HERKIMER	2 BLK HFR	747@128.50
MORROWVILLE	4 CHAR STR	488@187.00	BREMEN	2 BLK HFR	850@127.50
BARNES	5 CHAR STR	494@186.00	SENECA	1 BLK HFR	720@125.50
HANOVER	8 XBRD STR	518@185.50	FRANKFORT	1 XBRD HFR	815@125.00
WYMORE,NE	9 XBRD STR	503@183.00	HERKIMER	2 XBRD HFR	895@125.00
FRANKFORT	2 BLK STR	507@181.00	WYMORE,NE	3 BLK HFR	696@125.00
WASHINGTON	9 BLK STR	538@176.00	WASHINGTON	2 BLK HFR	587@125.00
DILLER,NE	4 WF BULL	475@174.50			
WASHINGTON	4 BLK STR	583@171.75	HFRETES		
BREMEN	2 CHAR STR	547@170.50	MARYSVILLE	2 BLK HFRETTE	885@123.00
BEATRICE,NE	6 XBRD STR	575@169.00	LINN	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,010@122.00
BARNES	22 CHAR STR	586@166.25	PAWNEE CITY,NE	11 BLK HFRETTE	1,054@122.00
FRANKFORT	14 BLK STR	514@166.00	CLIFTON	2 BLK HFRETTE	885@120.50
FRANKFORT	16 BLK STR	599@165.75	FRANKFORT	1 BLK HFRETTE	905@114.00
BEATTIE	5 BLK STR	621@165.50	LACROSSE	1 BLK HFRETTE	970@114.00
DILLER,NE	4 BLK STR	491@164.00	HERKIMER	1 BWF HFRETTE	950@94.00
BREMEN	2 RED STR	595@164.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,185@90.00
HANOVER	9 BLK STR	646@161.75	POMONA	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,290@89.50
MARYSVILLE	6 XBRD STR	505@161.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,215@88.50
WATERVILLE	4 BLK STR	603@161.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,255@87.00
HADDAM	3 XBRD STR	573@161.00	FRANKFORT	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,140@86.00
FRANKFORT	6 XBRD STR	595@159.50	FRANKFORT	1 WF HFRETTE	990@71.00
FRANKFORT	19 XBRD STR	645@158.50			
HANOVER	2 BLK STR	585@158.00	COWS		
WASHINGTON	4 MIX STR	575@158.00	POMONA	1 BLK COW	1,385@83.00
BURCHARD,NE	10 XBRD STR	674@156.50	LACROSSE	1 BWF COW	1,235@74.50
WYMORE,NE	21 XBRD STR	609@155.50	BLUE RAPIDS	1 BLK COW	1,130@70.00
BAILEYVILLE	2 BLK STR	572@155.50	HANOVER	1 BLK COW	1,225@70.00
WATERVILLE	11 BLK STR	677@155.00	HERKIMER	1 BWF COW	1,290@66.50
SENECA	8 BLK STR	649@155.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK COW	1,300@65.00
AXTELL	5 BLK STR	643@155.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,120@65.00
SENECA	3 BLK STR	620@154.50	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,140@65.00
WYMORE,NE	8 XBRD STR	717@154.50	LACROSSE	1 BLK COW	1,650@64.50
FRANKFORT	2 XBRD STR	595@154.50	FRANKFORT	1 RED COW	1,260@64.00
BARNES	19 CHAR STR	694@154.25	WASHINGTON	1 BLK COW	1,620@63.50
BAILEYVILLE	120 XBRD STR	900@153.75	POMONA	1 BLK COW	1,440@63.50
FRANKFORT	13 XBRD STR	753@153.50	HANOVER	1 BLK COW	1,195@63.00
BAILEYVILLE	17 BLK STR	662@152.00	HANOVER	1 XBRD COW	1,125@63.00
FRANKFORT	10 BLK STR	693@151.75	BLUE RAPIDS	1 CHAR COW	1,450@63.00
BREMEN	6 RED STR	693@151.25	POMONA	1 BLK COW	1,425@62.50
DILLER,NE	3 WF BULL	496@151.00	DILLER,NE	1 BLK COW	1,545@62.50
FRANKFORT	4 WF STR	695@150.00	SENECA	1 BLK COW	1,450@62.00
FRANKFORT	7 BLK STR	740@150.00	POMONA	1 BLK COW	1,675@61.00
BEATTIE	4 BLK STR	547@150.00	FRANKFORT	1 BLK COW	1,840@61.00
FRANKFORT	7 WF STR	563@149.50	FRANKFORT	1 BWF COW	1,680@60.50
DILLER,NE	4 BLK STR	643@149.00	POMONA	1 RED COW	1,370@60.50
FRANKFORT	22 XBRD STR	834@147.75	FRANKFORT	1 BLK COW	1,535@60.50
BREMEN	8 CHAR STR	718@147.75	ODELL,NE	1 BLK COW	1,420@60.50
WASHINGTON	14 BLK STR	710@146.50	BLUE RAPIDS	1 BLK COW	1,495@60.50
HADDAM	6 XBRD STR	790@145.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK COW	1,180@60.50
LINN	18 BLK STR	691@145.00	HERKIMER	1 BWF COW	1,175@60.50
MARYSVILLE	5 BLK STR	862@144.00	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,445@60.00
BEATRICE,NE	3 XBRD STR	753@143.50	WATERVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,475@60.00
CLIFTON	1 XBRD STR	655@143.00	AXTELL	1 WF COW	1,360@59.50
SENECA	9 BLK STR	804@143.00	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,535@58.50
FRANKFORT	11 CHAR STR	930@143.00	ODELL,NE	1 BLK COW	1,375@58.50
MARYSVILLE	5 BLK STR	718@141.50	WASHINGTON	1 BLK COW	1,340@58.00
BAILEYVILLE	1 BWF STR	800@140.50	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,415@58.00
BREMEN	4 XBRD STR	833@140.25	SENECA	1 BLK COW	1,390@58.00
WASHINGTON	3 BLK STR	675@140.00	POMONA	1 RED COW	1,325@57.50
LINN	25 XBRD STR	770@140.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,400@57.50
HANOVER	8 BLK STR	757@140.00	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,880@57.00
BEATTIE	2 BLK STR	742@140.00	GREENLEAF	1 BWF COW	1,355@57.00
BURCHARD,NE	1 BLK STR	870@135.00	GREENLEAF	2 BLK COW	1,625@57.00
CORNING	13 BLK STR	750@135.00	LACROSSE	1 BLK COW	1,225@57.00
HERKIMER	2 BLK STR	940@132.00	WYMORE,NE	1 RED COW	1,230@57.00
RANDOLPH	7 MIX BULL	1,284@83.00			
BARNES	1 CHAR BULL	1,250@82.00			
HEIFERS			ADULT BULLS		
ST. GEORGE	6 BLK HFR	318@180.00	WILBER,NE	2 RED BULL	1,737@101.00
WASHINGTON	1 BLK HFR	365@177.00	WATERVILLE	1 BLK BULL	2,055@98.25
BAILEYVILLE	4 BLK HFR	423@170.00	WILBER,NE	2 BLK BULL	1,672@98.00
BARNES	3 CHAR HFR	396@166.00	WATERVILLE	1 BLK BULL	2,225@96.00
FRANKFORT	4 XBRD HFR	407@166.00	ODELL,NE	1 BLK BULL	2,005@95.50
BAILEYVILLE	12 XBRD HFR	440@164.00	NARKA	1 BLK BULL	2,310@94.50
HANOVER	2 BLK HFR	375@160.00	WASHINGTON	1 BLK BULL	2,065@90.50
DILLER,NE	2 WF HFR	390@157.00	BLUE SPRINGS,NE	1 BLK BULL	1,760@86.00
HANOVER	7 BLK HFR	495@156.50	HANOVER	1 BLK BULL	1,625@84.00
WATERVILLE	4 BLK HFR	468@156.00	OLSBURG	1 MIX BULL	1,440@83.00
MORROWVILLE	5 CHAR HFR	448@154.00	HANOVER	1 BLK BULL	1,910@81.00
WASHINGTON	2 BLK HFR	500@153.00			
SENECA	8 BLK HFR	461@153.00			
BARNES	20 CHAR HFR	520@150.00			
MARYSVILLE	4 RED HFR	457@150.00			
WATERVILLE	7 BLK HFR	600@147.00			
FRANKFORT	3 XBRD HFR	466@147.00			
WYMORE,NE	4 BLK HFR	453@145.00			
FRANKFORT	8 BLK HFR	502@145.00			
LINN	8 BLK HFR	600@144.00			
BAILEYVILLE	11 BLK HFR	630@143.75			
BURCHARD,NE	18 XBRD HFR	622@143.25			
MORROWVILLE	1 CHAR HFR	405@143.00			
SENECA	19 BLK HFR	613@141.75			
HADDAM	2 BLK HFR	687@141.00			
WYMORE,NE	12 XBRD HFR	537@141.00			
BAILEYVILLE	8 BLK HFR	546@140.50			
FRANKFORT	3 XBRD HFR	583@140.00			
RANDOLPH	4 BLK HFR	576@140.00			
MARYSVILLE	1 XBRD HFR	445@140.00			
WASHINGTON	6 BLK HFR	498@140.00			
SENECA	1 BLK HFR	445@140.00			
FRANKFORT	4 WF HFR	473@139.50			
MARYSVILLE	14 XBRD HFR	597@139.50			
BARNES	11 CHAR HFR	625@139.00			
PHILLY,NE	1 BLK HFR	540@139.00			
AXTELL	4 BLK HFR	687@138.00			
MORROWVILLE	9 CHAR HFR	576@138.50			
CLIFTON	4 XBRD HFR	556@137.50			
FRANKFORT	21 XBRD HFR	763@137.35			
MARYSVILLE	6 BLK HFR	736@136.75			
MARYSVILLE	4 BLK HFR	647@136.50			
SENECA	2 BLK HFR	590@136.00			

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR 12-17-2015

30 BLK 1ST CALF HFRS	START CALVING JAN. 13	
115BLK STRS/HFRS	400-650#	WVx2 HR
40 BLK STRS/HFRS	500-700#	WV HR
95 BLK STRS/HFRS	500-750#	WV HR
60 BLK STRS/HFRS	550-650#	WV HR
75 BLKX STRS/HFRS	550-700#	WV HR
30 CHARX STRS/HFRS	550-700#	WV HR
83 BLK STRS/HFRS	550-750#	WV HR
35 WF & BWF Str/Hfrs	550-800#	WVx2 HR
30 MIX STRS/HFRS	600-700#	WV HR
150BLK STRS	600-750#	WV HR
30 BLK STRS/HFRS	600-800#	WV HR
25 MIX STRS/HFRS	650-800#	WV HR
50 BLK HFRS	700-825#	WV HR
78 BLK STRS	875-900#	WV
117BLK STRS	875-900#	WV
1 FAT STEER (GRASS FED)	1050-1100	

Farm Bureau honors members and friends at 97th annual meeting

Kansas Farm Bureau recognized members and friends at its 97th Annual Meeting, Dec. 7-8 in Manhattan.

The organization featured its Friends of Agriculture. This award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to

Kansas Farm Bureau and agriculture or rural Kansas. They include:

Helen Norris from Sumner County. From 1990 to 2011 Helen served on KFB's women's leadership committee with 14 of those years serving as chair. She also represented the Midwest re-

gion on the American Farm Bureau Federation Women's Leadership Committee.

Bob Haselwood from Shawnee County has been active with Farm Bureau and the United Soybean Board for a number of years. Bob is director of the United Soybean Board and serves on their executive committee. He is also a commissioner for the Kansas Soybean Commission, and serves on the Shawnee County Farm Bureau board.

Jerry McReynolds farms in Rooks and Osborne counties. He has been actively involved in Farm Bureau and other agricultural organizations, including serving on KFB's board of directors, past president of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers and Rooks County and Kansas Extension boards. He was a delegate to the Kansas State Board of Agriculture for 14 years, and a member of the first class of the Kansas Agriculture and Rural Leadership program. Dale Roberds, Cherokee County, was elected to the Kansas Farm Bureau board repre-

senting the 3rd district in 1991. He also served American Farm Bureau Federation committees. Dale served in many capacities on the Cherokee County Extension council, and was charter member and past president of the Kansas Soybean Association. T.D. Fanning taught agricultural science and industry for 41 years. T.D. is the only agricultural instructor to be inducted into the Kansas Teachers Hall of Fame. His students nominated him for an honorary State and American FFA Member Degree, which he also received.

Bill Wood received the national Extension achievement award and he served on the Kansas Extension Agent Association board for four years, including one year as the chair. He currently serves on the Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom board of directors. Paul Fleener is a native of Greensburg. He and his wife, Shirley, co-founded an international medical relief organization, 'Project Concern.' Fleener also served on several state

advisory councils and task forces for education, transportation, and other issues. He worked for Kansas Farm Bureau in 1968 as director of legislative research, then became director of public policy until he retired in 1998. John Blythe began working with Kansas Farm Bureau in 1967. Among his many accomplishments, he is credited with leading the legislative effort creating the adoption of Use Value Appraisal for agriculture land. John was awarded posthumously. Dale and Danell Strickler, Cloud County, received the Kansas Farm Bureau Natural Resources Award. This award goes to the farm family who exemplifies good land stewardship. The Symns operate a diversified crop and livestock farm. The Stricklers' farm consists of 180 acres of dryland pasture and 126 acres of irrigated pasture. They utilize their pasture ground to graze beef cattle.

The Stricklers rotate crops, as well as using no-till and rotational grazing, to maintain and preserve their natural resources. Dale began growing crops in 2000 when it was very dry and they quickly decided they would have to change habits to preserve water and top soil. Utilizing pivot and subsurface drip irriga-

tion, Dale and Danelle turned their cropland into pastures. Perennial pastures, cover crops and subsurface irrigation have all helped make the change to more sustainable practices cost-effective as well as affordable. For their cattle, they ensure that there are designated watering areas along streams and the Stricklers utilize alternative water sources to keep livestock out of surface waters. They are careful to time their herbicide and pesticide applications to reduce runoff and spread them throughout the year, as well as using terraces to reduce soil erosion.

Tony Kimmi, Farm Bureau Financial Services Kansas Business Center Director, received KFB's Partnership Award. This award recognizes someone from Farm Bureau Financial Services who has gone above and beyond for the state's largest farm organization. Tony has been with Farm Bureau for 21 years, and is an asset to Farm Bureau members. He was instrumental in developing KFB's member benefits that is well used throughout the state.

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House Agriculture Committee reviews the Farm Credit System

Recently, the House Agriculture Committee held a public hearing to highlight the Farm Credit System (FCS) and its century-long mission of providing credit to agriculture and rural America, as well as the role of the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) in ensuring the soundness of the FCS and its lending practices. The committee heard from representatives of FCA on how they are working to ensure that the system banks are staying within bounds of their statutory mandate.

Congress established the FCS in the Federal Farm Loan Act of 1916 at a time when credit was largely unavailable or unaffordable in rural areas, and lenders avoided agriculture loans due to their associated risks. The FCS was created to provide a permanent, re-

liable source of credit to American agriculture.

"Providing credit to America's farmers and ranchers is essential, especially at a time when net farm income is decreasing and farmers are facing lower commodity prices and farmland values. In times like these, our farmers and ranchers need access to reliable sources of credit at competitive rates. Together, the Farm Credit System, the network of commercial and community banks, and USDA loan programs all play an important role in providing farmers with that access. I appreciate the witnesses today for highlighting the challenges and successes of the FCS and look forward to finding ways to ensure its solvency during the good times and the bad," said Chairman K. Michael Conaway.

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5 mix bullcalf	565@151.00	4 blk hfr	833@136.50
6 mix bullcalf	611@146.50	27 mix hfr	855@138.50
7 blk bullcalf	639@144.00	16 mix hfr	869@137.00
2 blk cow bred 4-5	1013@1625.00	12 mix hfr	890@134.00
4 blk cow bred 5-6	1149@1825.00	2 blk hfr	890@125.00
9 blk cow bred 7	1117@1675.00	80 mix hfr	1003@137.75
4 blk cow bred ss&sm	268@1190.00	9 blk hfr bred	1049@1935.00
10 blk cow bred 7	1284@1475.00	2 blk hfr bred	1113@1150.00
2 blk cow bred 7-8	1378@1400.00	3 blk str	388@188.00
13 mixed cow bred 7-8	1438@1285.00	5 mix str	442@194.00
3 wf cow bred 7-8	1458@1475.00	5 blk str	493@181.00
7 blk cow bred 7-8	1464@1350.00	2 mix str	498@180.00
7 blk cow bred ss&ss	1487@1150.00	7 blk str	535@174.50
3 blk cow bred 7	1513@1425.00	40 blk/blkwf str	568@176.50
4 mix hfr	388@181.00	19 mix str	585@163.00
3 blk hfr	389@170.00	2 blk/blkwf str	593@143.50
16 blk hfr	401@181.00	2 mix str	593@143.00
6 blk hfr	433@170.00	12 blk str	594@163.50
3 blk brf hfr	450@164.00	3 blk str	598@147.00
8 blk hfr	469@163.50	9 blk/blkwf str	618@159.00
8 mix hfr	480@156.00	6 blk str	623@158.50
3 blk hfr	482@157.00	33 blk str	627@160.50
7 mix hfr	487@156.50	2 blk str	628@145.00
11 blk hfr	489@171.00	18 blk str	636@148.00
5 blk hfr	493@156.50	5 blk str	638@155.00
21 mix hfr	518@170.00	4 blk str	661@147.00
4 blk hfr	525@148.00	15 blk str	665@149.50
3 blk hfr	527@148.25	34 blk/blkwf str	678@154.50
6 mix hfr	539@142.00	7 mix str	687@141.00
13 mix hfr	542@149.00	6 mix str	689@140.50
21 blk hfr	547@153.00	11 blk str	697@140.00
8 blk hfr	564@144.50	4 mix str	700@130.00
10 blk hfr	575@153.00	3 mix str	713@145.00
2 blk hfr	580@155.00	13 mix str	715@146.00
13 mix hfr	587@139.00	27 blk str	716@154.50
8 blk hfr	588@157.00	5 blk str	717@143.00
4 blk hfr	595@148.00	16 blk/blkwf str	741@146.00
6 mix hfr	610@140.00	6 blk str	746@143.00
6 blk hfr	612@154.00	18 mix str	749@148.25
29 blk/blkwf hfr	613@145.50	3 blk str	758@143.50
2 blk hfr bred	628@125.00	16 mix str	770@147.50
9 blk hfr	635@140.00	9 mix str	785@142.00
2 blk hfr	643@136.00	18 mix str	836@145.00
3 mix hfr	655@130.00	59 mix str	842@145.00
15 blk hfr	673@139.50	11 mix str	865@144.75
2 blk hfr	685@134.00	12 blk str	904@139.50
15 mix hfr	698@141.00	39 mix str	942@143.00
8 blk hfr	757@145.50	23 mix str	963@138.25
10 blk hfr	759@134.50	22 mix str	976@132.50
8 mix hfr	780@143.50		

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR December 16:

- 80 blk hfrs 550-650# 60 days weaned
- 150 blk str 600-700# 60 days weaned
- 125 blk str 825-875# pending

MORE CONSIGNMENTS PENDING!

We will not have a Sale on December 23rd due to the holidays!

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!
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VALENTINE LIVESTOCK AUCTION CO. Valentine, Neb.

Special Spring Calf Sale
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015
S.T. 12:30 p.m. • Expecting 3,000 head

Listings: All weaned over 40 days

150 blk, bwf, few rd str & hfrs (G.O.)	800-900#..Monte & Ruth Linabery
225 blk, blk-x str	Nic Risse genes likeable 600-735#.....Mike Mosher
180 rd & blk str	NI 700-750#.....Moore Ranch
80 angus & bwf str	NI Connealy genetics 675#.....Powder Horn Rn
190 blk str condition, green, top cut 525-575#	.....Lazy Trails Rn
140 blk str NI 550-650#	.....Dallas, Mark & Burt Dimond
150 blk hfrs NI 475-550#	.....Craig & Caleb Miles
190 blk & angus hfrs NI B.V. breedable, Risse genes 550-650#	.....JP Partners
100 blk & angus hfrs NI B.V. breedable, Risse genes 550-650#	.....Leo Goss
160 blk & blk (100s-60h) NI Littau genes, likeable 550-675#	.....Mierhenry & Travnicke
85 angus (45s-40h) NI hfrs breedable 575-675#	.....Nic & Gina Risse
160 blk, few bwf drugfree 400-500#	.....Blaine & Helen Sherman
95 blk, bwf (60s-35h) NI angus sired 500-625#	.....Rick, Dawn & Ron McFadden
85 blk, blk-x 600-725#	.....Don & Jolene Grunhaupt
110 blk str NI 425-500#	.....Dean Marshall
170 rd angus str NI green genes plus! 575-650#	.....Gary Macleod
75rd angus str running out, grass kind 500-575#	.....Shane Wobig
42 angus & blk hfrs NI not topped 550-600#	.....Phil Miller
40 blk, few bwf hfrs NI 500#	.....Chance Colombe
59 blk, blk-x (4 rd) (46h-15s) 475-600#	.....Justin Albert
50 blk, few rwf & bwf (10s-40h) 550-600#Blackford Rn LLC
43 blk (21h-22s) NI non-weaned NI 650-800#Jim & Kristi Farley

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JC LIVESTOCK SALES INC.

Wednesday Sale, Hogs NOON • Cattle 12:30 PM

For the week of December 9, 2015:

STEERS					
1	315	212.00	9	498	147.50
1	325	211.00	4	533	145.50
4	356	201.00	7	545	143.00
13	411	193.50	6	557	141.00
3	437	190.50	11	607	140.00
6	497	185.00	22	690	137.00
22	484	184.00	5	751	134.50
8	558	183.50	11	763	134.50
7	616	176.50	5	811	128.50
18	608	175.50			
9	651	162.50			
61	833	158.75			
10	697	151.50			
13	741	148.00			
15	944	145.00			
9	808	143.50			
5	962	135.50			

Top Butcher Cow was \$74.00 @ 1,795 lbs.
Top Butcher Bull was \$86.50 @ 1,855 lbs.
Bred Cows: \$910 to \$1,550
Pairs: No Test
Fat Hog Top: \$24.50 @ 343 lbs.
Sows: \$18.50 to \$20.50
Pigs: \$20/hd to \$26/hd

CONSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 16:

60 Ang X Strs/Hfrs550-700 lbs.....Weaned

50 Blk X Strs/Hfrs600-750 lbs.....Weaned

60 Mix Strs700-750 lbs.....Yearlings

60 Mix Strs800-825 lbs.....Yearlings

60 Blk X Strs825-875 lbs.....Yearlings

PLUS MORE BY SALE DAY!

NO SALE DECEMBER 23rd due to CHRISTMAS.
We WILL have a Sale Dec. 30th (last sale of the 2015 year!)

If you need assistance in marketing your cattle please call & we will be happy to discuss it with you.

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CLAY CENTER LIVESTOCK SALES INC.

Cattle sales Tuesday, 11:00 AM.

For the week of December 8, 2015:

STEERS:					
5	415	204.50	5	504	156.00
4	406	200.50	2	608	151.00
3	465	193.50	4	576	144.50
7	479	188.00	12	595	144.50
4	508	185.00	18	611	144.00
15	587	183.50	6	638	143.00
6	593	172.00	17	703	139.50
17	637	162.50	36	697	138.00
21	657	160.50	10	820	137.50
25	894	155.00	20	823	134.00
41	694	153.50			
34	821	150.50			
45	875	150.00			
11	807	147.00			
7	865	143.50			
5	844	140.50			
9	909	136.75			
30 Hol	873	95.50			

Top Butcher Cow: \$75.00 @ 1,555 lbs.
Top Butcher Bull: \$90.00 @ 1,905 lbs.
Bred Cows: \$1,135 to \$1,575
Pairs: \$1,485 to \$1,875

HEIFERS:					
10	403	181.00			
3	458	169.00			

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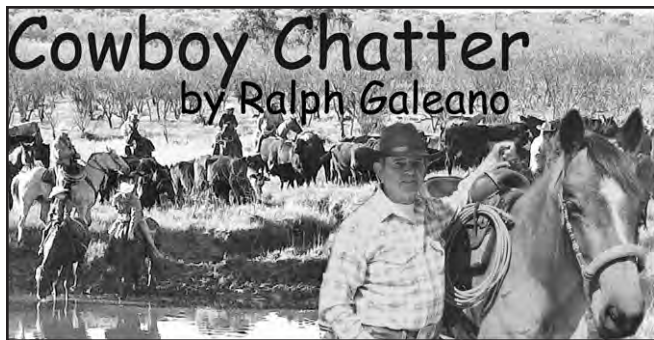


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Cowboy Chatter

by Ralph Galeano

The Fly

Have you ever noticed how a horse or cow can shiver their skin to get rid of a fly that lands on them? It's amazing how they can make a portion of their skin vibrate in the area a bug has landed.

How do they feel something so tiny through their thick hide? I've often wondered at the sensitivity of an animal's skin to be able to detect such a light creature landing on them.

We can feel those tiny insects landing on our skin too. It's irritating when a fly lands on us but we react a little differently than an animal does. What usually happens when we feel one set down on our skin is we take a good slap at the spot where we think it has landed. In the process we generally miss the fly and cause ourselves more pain from the slap than the fly would have caused.

God gave the animals a

more sophisticated defense system than he bestowed on humans. We can't shiver our skin to chase them off and we don't have that long, hairy, flyswatter of a tail that he gave horses and cows. So, when we feel a fly or mosquito land, we take a slap at it with our hand, hat, or whatever is handy.

Those pesky little boogers can teach us something. Don't try this on a cow because you may get kicked. Broke horses are a little more tolerable of our shenanigans, so use one of them. Next time you have your horse tied up, try barely touching his skin with the tip of your finger and see what happens. Barely touch him and see if his skin doesn't shiver like it does when a fly lands on him. If he's alive, his skin will begin fly flickering and jiggle up and down in the area you touched. Now, try it again in his girth where you usual-

ly poke him with your spur. His skin jiggles again because he can feel that light touch you have placed there. If you've got nothing better to do and the cows don't need milking, take the time to go around his body lightly touching him in the areas you usually cue him with your spurs, legs or heels. See what I mean? He feels that light touch every time.

Think about the fly the next time you work with your horses. It doesn't matter whether they're young colts or older horses that haven't learned the light touch and are a little tough to respond to your cues. They feel your every touch to their skin whether it's with spurs or your legs. You can make a better horse if you think about the fly during your training regimen and how sensitive a horse's skin is.

Take it one step further and think about your verbal commands. Horses have good ears too. They probably hear a lot better than we do. They live in a natural environment so most don't have to listen to the noise pollution humans are subjected to, like horns honking and machinery screaming in our ears. Those civilization

noises dull our hearing. That's why we're always saying "huh" and the hearing-aid people are rich enough to spend the winter in Florida.

You don't have to shout to make your horse understand you. Say "whoa" softly and I'll bet you'll get a better result than when you shout. My wife is always telling me that I don't have to shout when I talk to her. She doesn't understand that she's not the same as a sensitive horse. I get her attention pronto if I raise the decibel level. What's more, I can't startle her like I can a horse. What is your first reaction when surprised by a loud shout?

Treat your cues the same way. Do them softly and see what happens. If nothing happens, bump him a little harder. Next time speak softly again and cue lightly.

World Champion trainer Jack Hennig says, "If they never feel soft, they'll never know soft." Don't do it too lightly because you may get swished with a fly swatter. You'll know your cueing is too light if your horse keeps swishing at you with his tail. Remember how sensitive his skin is and only use enough pressure to get the movement you want.

Once you start getting satisfactory results, try using even less pressure. Softness takes work and patience. Work on it a little each time you ride your horse. Pretty soon you'll find yourself having to work less to get better control. When it starts working for you, it's a win-win situation. Your horse is more comfortable with less pressure and you're more relaxed in the

saddle. You can concentrate more on the job at hand rather than spurring and pulling on the reins.

And don't worry about using too much fly spray. It will keep the flies away but won't stop your horse from feeling your light touch.

Contact Ralph Galeano at horseman@horsemanpress.com or www.horsemanpress.com

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1 Holstein	1160@69.00	4 black	628@145.50
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Alaska recognizes Kansas Forest Service

Alaska Gov. Bill Walker recognized Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback, and Kansas state forester Larry Biles, with a certificate of appreciation for the role the Kansas Forest Service played in helping fight Alaska's wildfires throughout the 2015 fire season.

In a letter expressing gratitude for Kansas' contributions to the effort, Gov. Walker mentioned this was the second worst fire season that Alaska has seen since the 1950s, with more than five million acres burned.

"We were greatly assisted in our fighting of these fires because of efforts and resources provided from

the Lower 48 and Canada, standing alongside our own Alaskan crews," Walker wrote. "From ground crews and heavy equipment operators, to smoke jumpers, helicopter and plane crews and pilots, and everyone in between, I offer my heartfelt gratitude."

Individually, Kansas wildland firefighters supported recent firefighting efforts for a combined total of 463 days on 31 fire incidents in eight states, including Alaska.

For more information about the Kansas Forest Service at Kansas State University, visit www.kansasforests.org.

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Dec. 11 sale. Slaughter Cows up to \$75.00

STEERS		HEIFERS	
525-600 lbs.	\$160-\$180	500-600 lbs.	\$142-\$156
601-700 lbs.	\$150-\$160	601-700 lbs.	\$140-\$146
701-800 lbs.	\$142-\$160	725-800 lbs.	\$136-\$139
801-925 lbs.	\$144-\$152		

Friday, December 18th Sale:
100 Red Angus, 670-800 lbs.; 40 red Char X, 700-900 lbs.; 36 blk str, 700-800 lbs.; 100 blk, 650-800 lbs.; 40 blk, 600-700 lbs.; 42 blk, 600-750 lbs.; 60 Char, 600-750 lbs.; 50 blk str, 550-650 lbs.; 78 Char x blk red, 700-800 lbs.; 35 blk red, 700-750 lbs.

END OF YEAR SALE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29th!

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STEERS		HEIFERS		BULLS	
8 bk bwf rbf 467@197.75	11 bk bwf 797@147.50	29 bk Char 708@144.75	9 bk 743@144.00	15 bk bwf 569@144.00	8 bk bwf 669@142.25
7 bk bwf 519@191.50	52 bk Char 1019@143.00	8 bk bwf 619@137.00	13 Limo 963@136.00	5 bk 641@135.50	
10 bk bwf 555@185.50	33 bk red 734@143.00	6 bk bwf 630@162.00	10 bk Char 393@166.50	7 bk bwf 490@176.00	
10 bk 564@180.50	5 bk bwf 674@142.25	8 bk 507@157.00	8 bk 507@157.00	8 bk bwf 679@139.25	
20 bk st 583@174.00	9 bk gray 913@139.75	8 bk red 419@151.00	8 bk red 419@151.00		
9 bk 568@173.50	12 bk bwf 915@135.50	2 Brangus 1205@72.00	2 Brangus 1205@72.00		
8 bk bwf 595@175.00		2 bk bwf 1403@71.00	2 bk bwf 1403@71.00		

Butcher Cows: \$50-\$80, mostly \$55-\$70 2-5 lower, but very active.
Butcher Bulls: \$85-\$97.50, mostly \$90-\$93, 2-3 lower, but very active.
Preg Cow: \$925-1625
Pairs: \$2200

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 17 LAST SALE OF THE YEAR:

- 143 mostly bk st 800-900 lbs. off the grass
- 70 bk bwf red st - hef 400-650 lbs. off the cows vac. once
- 28 red Angus-x st - hef 500-650 lbs. weaned 60 days and vac twice
- 50 red Angus bred hefs AI bred to red-Angus Bull then put red-Angus - on for clean-up start calving Feb. 5. From the Mann Ranch
- 25 bk bwf rbf cows 5-10 yr old spring calvers. Bred to Angus Bulls
- 63 fancy bk bwf red hrs start calving Feb 1 for 60 days bred to Vision Quest. Low birth weight Angus bulls from Jeremy Raaf from Grizzly Kansas.

NO SALE DECEMBER 24 & 31
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MARKET REPORT FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015

STEERS		HEIFERS	
5 blk bwf str	424@215.00	4 blk hfrs	282@201.00
8 blk str	486@213.00	8 hef hfrs	278@190.00
3 blk str	473@207.00	6 blk hfrs	333@189.00
6 blk str	510@207.00	4 blk hfrs	447@169.00
3 bwf str	520@201.00	6 blk hfrs	452@167.00
5 blk str	360@201.00	8 blk bwf hfrs	426@161.00
6 blk males	400@200.00	4 blk hfrs	527@159.00
6 mix str	421@200.00	9 blk hfrs	545@158.00
21 blk str	500@196.00	8 blk bwf hfrs	501@156.00
10 bwf rwf str	497@194.50	25 blk bwf hfrs	489@152.75
7 blk bwf str	532@194.00	12 blk red hfrs	495@148.50
10 blk bwf str	547@194.00	6 blk hfrs	532@148.00
8 blk str	505@190.00	6 blk hfrs	539@146.50
7 blk str	572@183.00	5 blk hfrs	531@146.00
14 blk str	602@174.00	13 blk red hfrs	577@145.25
20 blk str	618@173.25	6 blk hfrs	625@145.00
10 blk bwf str	559@172.50	12 blk bwf hfrs	532@145.00
10 blk str	547@171.00	4 blk hfrs	621@144.00
7 blk str	588@170.50	8 blk hfrs	573@143.50
9 blk char str	622@169.75	13 blk hfrs	599@143.50
6 char str	600@166.00	5 rwf blk hfrs	607@143.00
12 blk bwf str	645@164.50	14 blk hfrs	642@142.50
15 blk red str	615@164.00	12 char hfrs	566@142.00
14 blk str	646@162.00	34 mix hfrs	760@140.00
11 red blk str	639@161.50	9 blk red hfrs	675@139.50
10 blk str	746@158.00	13 blk hfrs	710@139.50
32 blk str	691@158.00	6 blk hfrs	595@138.50
10 blk bwf str	685@154.00	5 blk hfrs	697@133.00
26 blk red str	760@152.75	12 blk hfrs	924@129.00
9 blk red str	711@152.00		
4 blk str	800@150.50		
5 blk str	787@147.50		
6 blk str	798@141.00		
8 blk red str	902@140.00		
6 hols str	475@138.00		

RESULTS FROM SPECIAL COW SALE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015

BRED COWS		COW/CALF PAIRS	
5 blk bwf 3-4 3 prd	1270@2,450.00	10 blk hfr pairs	1158@2,500.00
9 blk cows 7-8 3 prd	1420@1,310.00	2 blk pairs 4-6 2 prd	1717@2,400.00
7 blk bwf hfrs 2+3 prd	1222@2,425.00	1 char pair SS 2+	1585@2,300.00
10 blk hfrs 2-3 prd	978@2,100.00	5 blk bwf pairs 5-6	1628@2,300.00
3 blk bwf cows 3-4 3 prd	1201@2,025.00	1 blk pair 8	1730@2,100.00
10 blk bwf hfrs 2-2+ prd	1032@2,025.00	1 blk pair 7	1855@1,950.00
10 blk hfrs 2 prd	1118@2,010.00	1 blk pair 8	1255@1,875.00
5 blk bwf hfrs 2-3 prd	904@2,000.00	1 blk pair 7	1385@1,850.00
9 rnf cows 3-5 2-3 prd	1251@1,985.00	1 red pair 8	1590@1,800.00
4 blk cows 3-5 2+3 prd	1216@1,950.00	3 blk bwf pair 8	1418@1,700.00
5 blk cows 4-5 2+3 prd	1199@1,930.00	6 blk pairs A	1602@1,700.00
6 blk bwf cows 4+6 2-3 prd	1465@1,900.00	2 blk pair A	1477@1,600.00
6 blk hfrs 2 prd	957@1,900.00	5 blk bwf pairs A	1361@1,425.00
5 blk cows 4-5 2+3 prd	1228@1,875.00	5 red pairs A	1579@1,400.00
6 blk cows 3-5 3 prd	1134@1,850.00		
10 b cows 3-5 2+3 prd	1172@1,800.00		
10 b cows 3-5 2+3 prd	1233@1,800.00		
7 blk cows 2-5 2-3 prd	1090@1,775.00		
5 blk bwf hfrs 2-3 prd	925@1,750.00		
8 blk cows 4-6 2+3 prd	1315@1,750.00		
3 blk bwf hfrs 3 prd	853@1,600.00		
12 blk cows 7-8 3 prd	1387@1,575.00		
11 blk cows 8 2 prd	1505@1,500.00		
10 blk cows 7-8 3 prd	1408@1,475.00		
2 hef cows 2-3 3 prd	1075@1,450.00		
10 blk cows 3-6 2 prd	1201@1,410.00		
2 blk cows 6 1 prd	1100@1,400.00		
12 blk hfrs 2-3 prd	990@1,375.00		

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Market Report - Sale Date 12-10-15 Head Count: 2127
300-400 lb. steers, \$140-\$247; heifers, \$130-\$199; 400-500 lb. steers, \$130-\$211; heifers, \$120-\$179; 500-600 lb. steers, \$120-\$182; heifers, \$110-\$155.50; 600-700 lb. steers, \$120-\$177; heifers, \$100-\$142; 700-800 lb. steers, \$110-\$155, heifers, \$100-\$144, 800-900 lb. steers \$110-\$140.50, heifers, \$100-\$138.50. Trend on Calves: Choice steer calves, steady to \$5 lower. Choice heifer calves, \$5 lower. Trend on Feeder Cattle: Feeder Heifers, \$10-\$12 lower. Feeder steers, \$10-\$15 lower. Butcher Cows: High dressing cows: \$65-\$76; Avg. dressing cows: \$55-\$65; low dressing cows, \$30-\$55. Butcher Bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls, \$80-\$95.50. Trend on Cows and Bulls: Cows, \$5 lower. Bulls, Steady.

Early Consignments for December 17:

- 575 red & blk str/hfrs 700-800 lbs. home raised, weaned, 2 rounds shots
- 15 red angus cross cows, 6-9 yrs. old with 250 lb. calves at side, home raised cows
- 60 str, 850 lbs.

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Butler, Bohn, Thomson emphasize cooperation

Beef Marketing Group Chief Executive Officer John Butler and Pratt Feeders general manager Jerry Bohn opened Beef Industry University, sponsored by the Farm Credit Associations of Kansas, with an overview of the beef industry long-range plan. The Kansas cattlemen were on the national task force charged with developing an industry roadmap for 2016 to 2020. Task force members developed four key strategies around a single objective - increase the wholesale beef demand index by 2% annually over the next five years. "If we don't have demand for our product, we are lost," stated Bohn. "Growing beef demand is going to be a focus of what we hope is the whole industry."

To accomplish this goal, Butler said the task force created four key strategies: driving growth in beef exports; protecting and enhancing the business and political climate for beef; growing consumer trust in beef and beef production; and promoting and strengthening beef's value proposition.

Kansas State University veterinarian Dan Thomson reinforced Butler and Bohn's comments, saying the industry must work together as one, from the retailer to the packer to the feedyard to the rancher. Part of that includes the judicious use of antibiotics and getting prepared for the Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD). Thompson said the VFD doesn't disrupt commerce, and it allows producers to be responsible and provide a good, accurate story to consumers.

"We must change our industry to preserve our future and preserve our heritage. That includes appropriate antibiotic use for animal health and food safety," he said.

SmartLabel™ provides consumers detailed food information

The Grocery Manufacturers Association (GMA) recently announced its new SmartLabel™ initiative. Over 30 major food and consumer goods manufacturers have already announced that they will utilize this technology to enhance transparency in the products they sell. Products under the SmartLabel™ will have detailed information regarding nutrition, ingredients, allergens, third-

party certifications, social compliance programs, usage instructions, safe handling instructions and other facts. This information will be accessible by an online search or by scanning the product directly in the store with a smart phone.

Several of the companies will begin using the technology this month and early 2016. It is expected that nearly 30,000 products will be part of the program by

the end of 2017. According to the press release, early estimates indicate that within five years, more than 80 percent of the food, beverage, pet care, personal care and household products that consumers buy will be using SmartLabel™.

To view the full press release from GMA, visit <http://tinyurl.com/GMA-12-4-15>.

North American Limousin Foundation releases GE-EPDs

By Joe Epperly, NALF assistant executive director

Limousin breeders and their commercial customers benefit greatly from new breeding and selection tools. The North American Limousin Foundation (NALF) has launched genomic-enhanced EPDs (GE-EPDs) with the fall 2015 international cattle evaluation. This provides GE-EPDs for all Limousin and Lim-Flex® animals that have

completed DNA testing for genomic profiles.

A recalibration in cooperation with GeneSeek® and the Canadian Limousin Association has supplied genomic profiles on more than 4,500 Limousin and Lim-Flex animals. Molecular breeding values from either a high- or low-density genomic profile test are then blended into EPD calculations to produce GE-EPDs. This recalibration has led to the doubling of the number of animals included, the number of traits enhanced, and the genetic correlations.

The advantage to animals with GE-EPDs is increasing EPD accuracy values on many traits equivalent to having 8-20 progeny. This adds greatly to the predictability in selection for genetic merit of young, unproven seedstock. Animals

that are genomic-enhanced will have the NALF GE-EPDs displayed on their animal detail screen and performance reports in the NALF-DigitalBeef platform. Traits that are genomic-enhanced are highlighted in yellow on these reports.

"We are excited to offer cutting edge tools for the selection of superior genetics to members and commercial producers purchasing Limousin and Lim-Flex animals. NALF has options for DNA testing that fit both your budget and needs for various traits," says Brittany Barrack, NALF director of registry and performance.

For questions regarding DNA testing options and procedures, contact Brittany Barrack, NALF director of registry and performance at 303-220-1693, ext. 57 or Brittany@NALF.org.

Grass & Grain Weather Report Dec. 15, 2015

Seven Day Forecast	In-Depth Local Forecast	Today's Local Outlook																																																
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Sell At St. Marys Cattle By Auction STARTING TIME 10:30 AM

We sold 1820 cattle December 8. There was good demand for light steer and heifer calves suitable to carry over for grass, and for weaned cattle. They sold at steady prices. Heavier unweaned calves were \$5.00-10.00 lower. Feeder steers and heifers sold \$5.00-10.00 lower. Cows and bulls were \$2.00-5.00 lower.

Item	Price	Item	Price	Item	Price	Item	Price				
1 blk str	250 @ 261.00	40 blk/red str	626 @ 162.50	2 bwf char hrs	490 @ 182.50	50 blk/char hrs	986 @ 135.00	1 blk cow	1225 @ 62.00	1 blk cow	@ 1225.00
1 bwf bull	290 @ 248.00	15 blk/bwf str	629 @ 162.50	7 blk/red hrs	429 @ 182.00	11 blk hfrs	975 @ 124.00	1 blk cow	1230 @ 61.50	1 rn cow/cf	@ 1200.00
1 blk str	360 @ 240.00	10 x-bred str	594 @ 160.00	19 blk/bwf hrs	475 @ 180.00	11 blk/bwf hrs	1025 @ 119.50	1 char cow	1480 @ 61.00	1 blk cow	@ 1175.00
1 blk str	325 @ 232.00	4 blk str	595 @ 160.00	8 blk hrs	521 @ 179.00	5 blk/red hrs	436 @ 178.00	2 gelv cows	1318 @ 60.25	1 blk cow	@ 1135.00
1 blk str	350 @ 229.00	27 blk str	688 @ 160.00	3 blk/bwf hrs	407 @ 174.00	5 blk/red hrs	436 @ 178.00	1 wf cow	1545 @ 60.00	4 blk cows	@ 1110.00
2 bwf str	433 @ 218.00	20 blk str	687 @ 157.50	10 blk/bwf hrs	546 @ 173.00	3 blk/bwf hrs	407 @ 174.00	1 wf cow	1130 @ 59.50	1 blk cow	@ 1085.00
3 blk str	475 @ 213.00	59 blk/bwf str	932 @ 157.50	4 blk/bwf hrs	471 @ 172.00	11 blk hfrs	510 @ 174.00	2 blk cows	1158 @ 59.25	1 blk cow	@ 1000.00
5 blk/bwf str	430 @ 213.00	15 blk str	810 @ 157.25	12 blk/bwf hrs	510 @ 161.00	1 blk cow	1055 @ 101.00	1 blk cow	1180 @ 58.75	1 blk cow	@ 850.00
4 blk str/bulls	480 @ 211.00	22 blk/bwf str	715 @ 155.25	7 blk hrs	507 @ 155.00	1 blk hfrt	1020 @ 99.00	3 blk cows	1317 @ 58.00	1 sim hr	@ 850.00
4 blk/bwf str	433 @ 208.00	5 blk/bwf str	653 @ 155.00	27 mix hrs	537 @ 153.50	2 blk cows	1243 @ 89.00	1 bwf cow	1350 @ 57.50	1 char cow	@ 725.00
21 blk str	402 @ 207.00	5 shtn str	657 @ 154.50	7 mix hrs	541 @ 150.00	1 blk hfrt	1090 @ 88.00	1 blk cow	1170 @ 56.00		
5 blk str	442 @ 207.00	12 blk/bwf str	783 @ 154.00	6 blk/red hrs	519 @ 148.00	2 blk hfrs	1243 @ 89.00	1 bwf cow	1110 @ 55.50		
6 blk/bwf str	468 @ 207.00	22 blk/bwf str	715 @ 155.25	5 blk/bwf hrs	584 @ 161.00	1 blk hfrt	1025 @ 86.00	3 jers cows	892 @ 50.00		
3 blk str	408 @ 205.00	8 blk/red str	770 @ 153.00	33 blk/bwf hrs	655 @ 153.25	2 blk hfrs	1325 @ 85.00				
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2 blk str	408 @ 200.00	8 blk str	836 @ 152.50	14 blk hrs	684 @ 153.00	1 bwf cow	1085 @ 80.00				
16 blk/bwf str	495 @ 198.00	23 blk/bwf str	837 @ 152.50	34 blk hrs	585 @ 152.75	1 blk cow	1160 @ 79.00				
2 blk str	510 @ 197.00	60 blk/bwf str	963 @ 149.85	26 blk/bwf hrs	579 @ 152.50	2 blk/bwf cows	1163 @ 75.00				
4 blk str	548 @ 192.00	120 blk/red str	942 @ 151.75	8 blk/bwf hrs	613 @ 152.50	1 blk cow	1340 @ 74.00				
4 blk/bwf str	509 @ 191.00	23 blk/char str	713 @ 150.00	6 blk hrs	648 @ 152.50	2 blk cows	1505 @ 73.00				
12 blk/red str	528 @ 186.00	58 blk/red str	919 @ 150.00	3 blk/bwf hrs	597 @ 152.00	1 bwf cow	1345 @ 72.50				
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7 wf bulls	474 @ 160.00	5 wf/char str	961 @ 138.00	3 blk/bwf hrs	597 @ 152.00	2 blk cows	1535 @ 70.00				
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				5 blk hrs	806 @ 137.50	1 char cow	1010 @ 63.50				
						1 blk cow	1100 @ 62.50				

STOCKER & FEEDER STEERS

7 blk/bwf str	562 @ 186.00
4 blk str	621 @ 182.00
37 blk str	561 @ 179.75
4 x-bred str	565 @ 175.00
14 blk str	579 @ 175.00
6 blk/bwf str	595 @ 171.00
5 blk/bwf str	643 @ 170.00
11 blk/red str	606 @ 168.50
3 blk/bwf str	570 @ 165.00
16 blk str	639 @ 165.00

HEIFER CALVES

2 blk hrs	338 @ 205.00
11 blk hrs	432 @ 196.00
5 blk/sim hrs	288 @ 195.00
7 blk/bwf hrs	349 @ 193.00
5 mix hrs	464 @ 193.00
4 blk hrs	301 @ 192.50
2 bwf hrs	388 @ 189.00
8 blk hrs	438 @ 189.00
5 blk/bwf hrs	497 @ 186.00
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COWS & HEIFERETTES

1 blk hfrt	1100 @ 108.00
1 blk hfrt	1065 @ 107.00
1 blk cow	1055 @ 101.00
1 blk hfrt	1020 @ 99.00
2 blk hfrs	983 @ 98.00
1 blk hfrt	1325 @ 94.00
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1 bwf cow	1085 @ 80.00
1 blk cow	1160 @ 79.00
2 blk/bwf cows	1163 @ 75.00
1 blk cow	1340 @ 74.00
2 blk cows	1505 @ 73.00
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1 red cow	1200 @ 65.50
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1 blk cow	1410 @ 64.00
1 char cow	1010 @ 63.50
1 blk cow	1100 @ 62.50

PAIRS & BRED COWS

2 char cows	@ 1675.00
1 blk cow	@ 1575.00
1 blk cow	@ 1300.00

BULLS

1 blk bull	2025 @ 90.00
1 blk bull	1840 @ 86.50
1 blk bull	2025 @ 82.50
1 wf bull	2090 @ 80.00
1 wf bull	1435 @ 79.50
1 wf bull	1250 @ 75.50

CONSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 15:

- 25 Angus str & hrs, 550-600 lbs., weaned, vacc.
- 20 Angus str, 600-625 lbs., weaned, vaccinated
- 25 blk hrs, 550-650 lbs., weaned, vaccinated
- 60 black steers, 850-875 lbs., Northern origin
- 60 black steers, 875-900 lbs.
- 61 black crossbred steers, 900-925 lbs.
- 58 black steers, 900-925 lbs.
- 60 black steers, 900-925 lbs.
- 120 black Charolais red steers, 900-925 lbs.
- 125 black Charolais heifers, 800-850 lbs.

PLUS MORE BY SALE TIME!

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