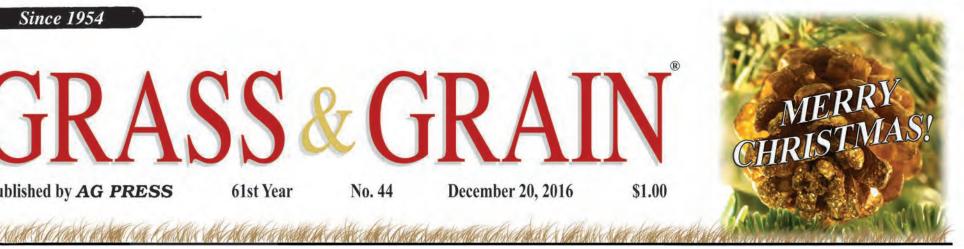
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Thomas examines Trump promises at KLA Convention

By Donna Sullivan, **Editor**

Just weeks after the election that sent shockwaves through parts of the country when Donald Trump defeated Hillary Clinton to become president of the United States, well-known Fox News contributor Cal Thomas took the stage at the Kansas Livestock Association annual convention in Wichita to give his insights into what the election could mean to the country.

"I sense, I hope that things are about to change," he said, adding that he had already met with the president-elect and was planning to again in the near future. He quoted an article by Peter Roff in U.S. News and World Report that praised Trump's cabinet picks, which he said can only be described as stellar. "The men and women he has thusfar chosen to nominate for high office are not in the conventional sense politicians," Roff wrote. "The ways of Washington might be an impediment, but won't sidetrack them from fulfilling the mission they have been given. They are all serious people who line up neatly behind the mandate he received from the American people on November 8 to get the country moving again.

"I don't know if this is a strategy or not, but it seems to me that things are shaping up this way," Thomas said. "Trump is meeting with each of these people and he is giving them their marching orders. He knows the hostility of the major media and their friends in the Democratic party. Their whole thing is to be focused on one thing at a time. What I think Trump is going to do is launch the equivalent of multi independently targeted warheads on Washington. And he's going to do about six or seven things all at once. It will make the heads of those clowns at the NY Times and Washington Post spin faster than that woman in the movie The Exorcist. That's what I hope is going to happen and I think that it's going to be a great strategy."

Thomas believes the only way to judge what's going to happen is by examining Trump's promises, some of which he conceded had been watered down. "But others have not," he said. "And I want to deal with the ones I don't think have been watered down."

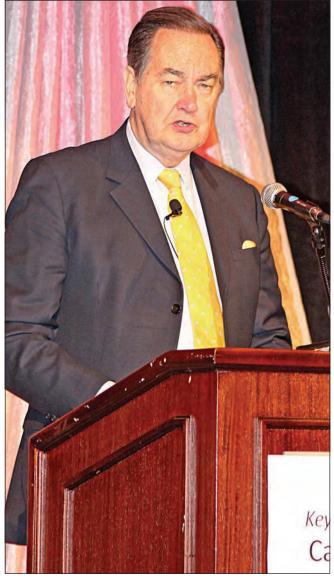
For instance, the Mexican border wall that was the focus of much of Trump's campaign.

"Will it be built? I believe it will," Thomas asserted. "Not always a wall, not a literal wall completely across the southern border, but there will be fences and electronic devices and that sort of thing." Thomas sees securing the border as of paramount importance, but emphasized that it's about controlling immigration, not banning it. "No nation can survive if it doesn't control its immigration," he said. "We want people to come here from other countries if they contribute. What we don't want is people who come here without talent, without a job and just get on the dole and take from the rest of us."

"That's not racism, that's not insensitivity," he continued. "Because if we have open borders, the America that is attracting them will be no more, so we have to have border control." As for mayors that have set up so-called sanctuary cities, Thomas approves of Trump's plan to, with the help of the Republican-controlled Congress deny federal funds to them.

Economic growth was another of Trump's campaign promises Thomas looks forward to seeing fulfilled. "We've had some of the poorest economic growth in the last eight years than we've had in the history of this country since the Great Depression and possibly the great recession. The way to build an economy is to reduce taxes, reduce regulations to what is needed – not to eliminate them all - and that will create jobs. And more jobs create more taxes for the government."

Unnecessary government programs should also come under close scrutiny, according to Thomas. Citing Ronald Reagan's famous line that the only proof of eternal life in Washington is a government program, Thomas quipped that it's easier to kill a vampire than a government program. "And it's a good



The Kansas Livestock Association played host to Fox News contributor Cal Thomas during their 2016 convention and trade show in Wichita. Photo by Scarlett Hagins

analogy, because both tend to suck the lifeblood out of the host."

Thomas proposes a system where the head of each government agency would appear before Congress every couple of years to justify not only its budget, but its very existence. "If the private sector could do a better job for less money, then we get rid of the government program or agency," he said. "It's very simple."

President-elect Trump has said that defeating Isis will be a priority of his administration, and Thomas believes that is a good thing. "We have to control, along with immigration, the kinds of people we allow into this country," he said. "We should not allow people who come from countries that harbor terrorism and foment terrorism, like Saudi Arabia and Pakistan. When you have people who believe their god wants you dead, how are you going to negotiate with those kinds of people? Do you say, 'Well, instead of a bomb, could you burn me at the stake?"

He pointed to the Ohio State University student who recently mimicked the Paris attack earlier in the year, where he drove his vehicle onto a crowded sidewalk and started stabbing people

before a campus policeman took him down. "Why are we meeting these kinds of people in to our country? We have a right to determine who comes here and we should exercise that right."

"If you have a Coca Cola or a glass of wine on your table and you start filling it with water, pretty soon, it will be replaced with water," Thomas illustrated. "And the things that we love most about America are going to be replaced if we allow more and more people in who do not share our values, who do not believe in the Constitution and who believe in a religion that kills the infidels, they hate the Jews, and they hate what they call the cross worshipers."

Stating that we were just one election away from a Supreme Court that would have institutionalized what liberals call the Living Constitution, which changes according to popular opinion and whatever the judges say it is. "No, the Constitution is what the Constitution says it it," he emphasized. "It is self-authenticating. The Founders knew what they were doing when they founded it." Thomas is pleased that Trump has pledged to name people to the Supreme Court in the tradition of the late Antonin Scalia, since he

could have the opportunity to name three or four more justices if he gets elected for a second term, which Thomas says will solidify our Constitution as has not been done for decades.

Trump has promised to bring corporations and the jobs they supply back from overseas, and Thomas pointed out that deals with the Ford Motor Company and Carrier Air Conditioners to halt plans to take parts of their operations to Mexico were evidence of his commitment. Along with keeping companies in the United States, Thomas hopes that a lower tax rate - the United States and Japan are rivals for the highest corporate tax rate - will help repatriate companies that have already left. "The way to bring them back is to cut the tax and when you bring them back they will make more money that they will use to hire more people and sell more products and that's how you get more taxes. It always works that way," he said.

Repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act is another of Trump's promises that Thomas believes will be kept. "Premiums are shooting up, payments are going to go down and people are being disenfranchised," Thomas said. "Competition is what works. Name something the government does well. Competition, medical savings accounts, yes, we keep a few provisions of Obamacare, but competition across state lines, all of this I think will replace Obamacare."

Thomas sees these issues and others as a symptom of a larger problem, one moral in nature, as the country has exceeded the boundaries set what has contributed to our much longer time."

nearly \$20 trillion national debt, which is another great disgrace," he lamented. "The founders wanted limited government. They expected political leadership not to be a permanent career, but a temporary contribution into the welfare of America. When we exceed boundaries - economic, moral, constitutional, even foreign policy boundaries, we get into trouble."

Thomas pointed out that the federal government is taking in record amounts of money from hard-working tax payers, but are approaching the \$20 trillion mark in debt because the government has not lived within its means and is reluctant to say no to any petitioner because politicians trade benefits for votes.

"And our secular progressive friends know that the more people they can addict to the government, the more votes they can expect from the addicts."

"The threats to our liberty today are as bad as I've ever seen them," Thomas said. "Politicians in both parties make promises they know they can't keep. I'm hopeful about this new administration. We've got the political equivalent to turning the money changer's tables over; draining the swamp, I hope and fighting the bureaucracy, which is going to be hard because people don't want to give up their power."

"This is going to be the last chance, in my judgement, for conservatives and the Republican party to show that their ideas work and are superior to the dependency culture created by the left," he concluded. "If it doesn't work and we don't prove that it works, then I think we're going to be in the wilderness by our founders. "This is like the Democrats are for a

Trump administration begins to take shape

While President-elect Donald Trump has yet to select his Secretary of Agriculture, he recently nominated Oklahoma attorney general Scott Pruitt as Secretary of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and CEO of CKE Restaurants Andrew Puzder, as Secretary of the Department of Labor.

As Oklahoma's attorney general, Pruitt has been a vocal opponent of the Obama administration's overreaching regulations, specifically the Clean Power Plan and the Waters Of The U.S. rule. Before he was elected as Oklahoma's attorney general in 2010, Pruitt spent eight years in the state senate.

Puzder, CEO of the company that franchises the fast-food outlets Hardee's and Carl's Jr., is an outspoken critic of the Obama administration's overtime law rule and the drive for a \$15 minimum wage.

Texas Cattle Feeders Association says they will continue to engage with the Trump transition team throughout the remainder of the nominating process to promote qualified nominees and issues of importance to cattle feeders and U.S. agriculture.



A minute with Marshall

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

Record crops, low commodity prices and stalled trade negotiations spell troubled times for Kansas farmers and ranchers heading into 2017.

Like many other small businesses, inputs to produce a bumper crop generally entail an abundance of costs as well. Except for lower fuel prices, most agricultural inputs remain high and continue to rise.

Drive through rural Kansas and you'll see huge piles of red and gold grain lying on the ground. Talk to farmers and ranchers and they'll tell you their near economic prospects don't look good.

"Insight" visited with Congressman-elect Roger Marshall at the recent Kansas Farm Bureau convention to ask him what could be done to remedy some of the ailments in farm coun-

Marshall campaigned on a platform of bringing Kansas farmers a voice on the House Ag Committee. He labeled himself a "fifth-generation farm kid" and said, "I do know what the back side of a tractor feels like and I hauled a lot of hay in my day."

He's practiced as an OB-GYN and served as chairman of the board of Great Bend Regional Hospital. Marshall says some of his best knowledge about agriculture was learned while he served as a board member of the Farmer's Bank and Trust in Great Bend.

"Times are tough in agriculture," Marshall says.
"And there are no simple solutions."

Beefing up our trade policy would help the Kansas

farmer, he says. While he understands President-elect Trump is against the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) in its present form, he is committed to free and fair trade and that may leave room to work.

Many farmers, ranchers and other ag leaders realize if this nation engaged in more free trade it would drive up prices.

"If we passed TPP tomorrow, it'd mean \$400,000 a day of additional cattle sales to the Pacific-rim countries," Marshall says.

Positive trade deals could provide Kansas farmers and ranchers with an opportunity to remain competitive in today's global marketplace. If the United States stays on the sideline, others will continue to sign trade agreements with China, India, Japan and many other developing countries who would welcome Kansas' high quality feed grains, protein, value-added products and manufactured goods.

Marshall also believes decreasing regulations in agriculture, banking and health care could drive the

cost of inputs down.

"The new administration is going to come in and say, 'halt and desist' to the Environmental Protection Agency," the congressman-elect says. "I expect (legislation on) Waters of the United States (WOTUS) to slow down or stop all together.

"When you look at the law that talks about navigable streams, as near as I can tell, water running in a ditch is not navigable where I come from."

Tax reform is another way to help this country's economy and that of Kansas farmers and ranchers, Marshall says. He believes a reduction in corporate taxes will spur companies and individuals to invest money and grow businesses.

Rebuilding this nation's infrastructure could also invigorate this nation's economy

"Buckle in because we're going to start to work on Jan. 4," Marshall says. "Congress will no longer conduct two-and three-day work weeks. Our new president expects us to produce and we expect to operate as a Congress of

action. We're going to turn our economy around."

John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born

and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.

Influencers discuss what the next farm bill will look like

By National Pork Producers Council

Top agricultural influencers met recently at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., to discuss the direction of the 2018 Farm Bill at a forum hosted by the Farm Foundation, a non-profit group that works for sound agricultural public policy.

The panelists included Chuck Conner, president and CEO of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Scott Faber, vice president of government affairs for the Environmental Working Group; and Daren Bakst, an agricultural research policy fellow at the Heritage Foundation. Opinions varied on the next Farm Bill - from farm subsidies to government regulation.

Faber voiced concern about farm conservation and stewardship practices and said that voluntary incentives alone are not working. He would like to see requirements for farmers to show basic conservation in return for subsidies and believes the key to safer food and water is through incentives and clearer regulation.

Bakst sees a need for federal intervention to be passed on to state and local levels to ease regulatory burdens, specifically in the case of water conservation. On subsidies, he believes farmers currently are insulated from market forces, shallow crop loss coverage has distorted farmers' planting decisions, which might harm stewardship judgement, and subsidies should only cover deep crop losses for the market to hold more

Bakst believes the nutrition title of the Farm Bill and the other titles (as a whole) can be addressed and passed individually to achieve more reforms. Conner reminded the panel that is it quite early to begin talks on the 2018 Farm Bill, considering that some of the 2014 Farm Bill provisions have yet to be implemented. He noted that it is unusual for a bill to be drafted in a period of low and declining farm income.

The "success of the Farm Bill depends on our ability to tap into that grassroots populism" that elected the Trump administration, Conner said. He stressed the importance of getting the bill passed on time to minimize the amount of uncertainty for lenders and farmers, and was optimistic about the bill being farmer-friendly with key players in the House and Senate.



"Wul if it's gonna git winter I wish it would freeze our ice thicker!"

Judging by the music in the malls and the decorations that line the streets I greetings as Christmas gets closer as

Judging by the music in the malls and the decorations that line the streets I would say that Christmas is near. Okay, that really isn't a good way to judge the time of year because the decorations have been up and the Christmas music has been playing since sometime early in September. However, the temperature and, more importantly, the calendar, tell me that Christmas is near. Maybe I ought to start my shopping this week. Aw, what is the rush? I still have five days.

Honestly, I haven't even really had time to think about Christmas or even enjoy the season. It seems like every year the hustle and bustle of the season gets to be more and more, drowning out what are its best and simplest joys. We all have commitments and obligations that spring up this time of the year and distract us from the real meaning of Christmas.

My wish for you in the next few days is to put aside the rush and take a few moments to relax and reflect on what Christmas really means. One of my favorite things to do this holiday season is to plug the lights in on the Christmas tree, turn off the lights and the TV and sit in the quiet. It gives me a chance to clear my mind and focus on what really matters.

Maybe it is a side effect of getting older, but the highlights of Christmas are far different now than they used to be. Christmas is a time of renewal and anticipation, it's not about presents, lights and noise. Christmas is the joy of Christ's birth and the promise of a new life. I often think about the shepherds (I guess they are the group from the nativity that I identify with the best) and wonder what that experience was like for them. The faith and courage it took to seek out the stable is beyond my comprehension.

Christmas is also a time we spend with family and friends. This year more than any other I am looking forward to Christmas being a time with family. I suppose Ike being in college and coming home for the break might have something to do with that and I suspect as the years go on it will be even more of a highlight. I hope that you will not allow the preparations for those family events and homecomings to get in the way of enjoying time together.

Another thing I have noticed is the greetings as Christmas gets closer and closer. People seem to be happier this time of the year and more often than not we wish each other a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year as we part ways. Did you ever wonder why we are more likely to wish people well this time of the year as opposed to other times? I think we might all be better off if we greeted and departed with the same attitude year-round that we do at Christmastime.

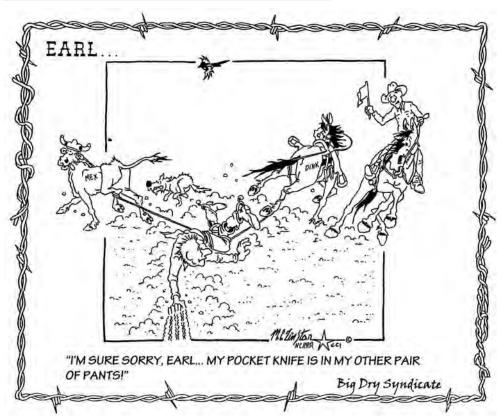
I want to share my Christmas wishes for each of you. They are simple but if we each find time for them I think it will lead for a much better and more meaningful Christmas.

My wish for each of you with these last few days of Christmas is to find that time to unplug, find that quiet place and reflect for just a moment. It might be in your easy chair in front of the tree, maybe with Christmas music, a hot cup of coffee and a cookie (that is the method I recommend) but take just a few moments and let the season soak in.

When you are with family and friends allow yourself to be there and enjoy the time together. Don't let your mind get cluttered with the things you need to do, the obligations you may have or any other distraction. You can let your mind stew over those things later, but for right now focus on the people around you. For a little while let your worries and stress go.

Finally, I hope you find time to spend focused on what Christmas is truly about. I know Christmas Eve services and the services during Advent are some of the most meaningful for me. My favorite part of Christmas is a darkened church, lighted only with candles as Silent Night is sung. That is when I truly feel the Christmas spirit.

I hope that during these final days of Christmas you find time to unburden from the daily grind of life, and take time to remember why we celebrate Christmas. My wish for you is to be able to spend time with the people most important in your life and truly focus on that time together. Most of all I wish each and every one of you a Merry and Blessed Christmas.





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Two K-State graduates to receive 2017 **Distinguished Young Alumni Award**

Two Kansas State University graduates — Dalton Henry, Washington, D.C., and Jorge Mendoza, Columbus, Ohio — are the recipients of the K-State Alumni Association Student Alumni Board's 2017 Distinguished Young Alumni Award.

The award recognizes two K-State graduates who are younger than 35 and are using the scholarship. leadership and service experience they acquired at K-State to excel in their professions and contribute to their communities. The Alumni Association and Student Alumni Board will honor Henry and Mendoza when they return to campus Feb. 27 through March 1 to give keynote presentations and visit with student groups and university

"In fulfillment of the Alumni Association's mission to serve alumni as their link for life to the university, we are pleased to support the Student Alumni Board in presenting this award to simultaneously honor some of our most accomplished young graduates while creating new ties among alumni, students and faculty," said Amy Button Renz, Alumni Association president and CEO.

Henry, a native of Randolph, is the director of policy at the U.S. Wheat Asso-

While at K-State, Henry was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Blue Key Honor Society, College of Agriculture Ambassadors, Ag Communicators of

Tomorrow and Ag Economics Club. Henry also served as K-State student body president during the 2009-10 school year. He graduated from K-State in 2010 with a bachelor's degree in agricultural communications and journalism.

Mendoza, a native of Garden City, Kansas, is the STEM Exploration Program manager at Ohio State University. He graduated from K-State in 2010 with a bachelor's degree in biology.

While at K-State, Mendoza was a member of Developing Scholars Program, McNair Scholars Program, Research Experience for Undergraduates, Hispanic American Leadership Organization, Bridges to the Future and served as president of the Multicultural Honor

"We are so excited to bring back two fantastic K-State alumni, Jorge and Dalton," said Taylor Fry, Student Alumni Board president. "They have both done outstanding things in their careers and have accomplished a great amount at such a young age. As a student, it is inspiring to hear from two individuals that once walked K-State's campus, impacted the university, and then continued to make a difference in their careers. We are thrilled to honor these amazing lead-

For more on the Distinguished Young Alumni program, visit www.K-State. com/DYA or call the Alumni Association at 800-600-ALUM (2586).

ASA welcomes Branstad as incoming ambassador to China

Following news that President-elect Donald Trump will name Iowa governor Terry Branstad the next U.S. ambassador to China, American Soybean Association (ASA) President Richard Wilkins expressed the association's support for the pick, citing the governor's extensive experience working with China and the importance of the marketplace for U.S. sovbean farmers:

"ASA enthusiastically supports Gov. Branstad as the next U.S. ambassador to China. As we have said in the weeks that followed the presidential election. it is extremely important to have voices within the incoming administration that understand and value the huge impact that global trade has on U.S. agriculture and specifically American soybean producers. Nowhere is that relationship more significant than in China, a market that demands nearly 60 percent of our soy exports, and over 25 percent of our production overall.

'Governor Branstad has proven himself to be a valuable ally on this issue. He clearly understands the global nature of the agricultural economy, and knows what American farmers and Chinese buvers mean to one another. We look forward to working with him and his staff in the years to come. We also look forward to continuing our outreach to President-elect Trump to help underscore the priorities of American soybean farmers, including the importance of trade and exports to our industry and all of agriculture. "

USDA announces new conservation opportunities to improve water quality and restore wildlife habitat

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will offer farmers and ranchers more opportunities to participate in the Conservation Reserve Program. The announcement includes new CRP practices to protect water quality and adds an additional 1.1 million acres targeted to benefit wildlife. pollinators and wetlands.

"The Conservation Reserve Program is an extremely popular voluntary program that offers producers and landowners a wide variety of opportunities to prevent erosion, protect wildlife habitat and reduce nutrient runoff," said Vilsack. "With the program close to the legal enrollment limit of 24 million acres, USDA has been working to use all of the tools at our disposal to maximize benefits by combining multiple soil, water and wildlife objectives in the areas where it is needed most."

conservation initiative known as Clean Lakes, Estuaries and Rivers (CLEAR), which will add new tools to CRP that can help to improve water quality. CLEAR will assist landowners with the cost of building bioreactors and saturated buffers that filter nitrates and other nutrients from tile-drained cropland. Early estimates indicate that CLEAR could help to reduce nitrate runoff by as much as 40 percent over traditional conservation methods. CLEAR may cover up to 90 percent of the cost to install these new practices through incentives and cost-share. These new methods are especially important in areas where traditional buffers have not been enough to prevent nutrients from reaching bodies of water.

USDA will also add an additional 1.1 million acres to a number of key CRP practices that are critically important to wildlife and conservation. These include

for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) efforts, which restore high-priority wildlife habitat tailored to a specific state's needs. In addition to SAFE, 300,000 acres will be added to target wetlands restoration that are nature's water filters and 100,000

acres for pollinator habitat

that support 30 percent of

agricultural production.

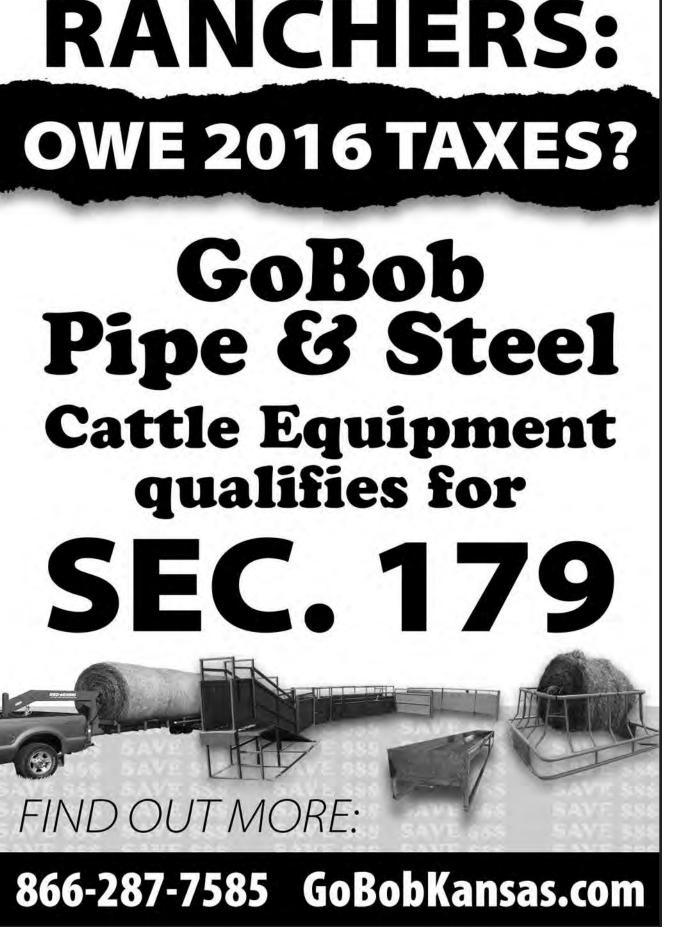
The continued strong demand for CRP combined with the limited acreage available for enrollment and lower land rental rates, allows USDA to modify certain program components without affecting the integrity of the program. Signing incentives are being reduced

by \$25 per acre on certain practices for fiscal year 2018 enrollments (incentives are currently between \$100 and \$150 per acre) and a cap on the maximum soil rental rate is being instituted for Continuous CRP at \$300 per acre. The savings from these changes are being reinvested back in CRP, including the additional acres for SAFE, pollinator habitat and wetlands restoration.

To learn more about FSA's conservation programs, visit www.fsa.usda. gov/conservation or contact your local FSA office. To find your local FSA office, visit http://offices.usda.gov.







Kellee Rogers, Lawrence, Wins

1/4 cup chopped walnuts

1/3 cup dried cranberries

Line 9-inch square pan with foil so foil extends over sides of pan. Spray lightly with nonstick spray. Melt vanilla chips in small saucepan over low heat, stirring until smooth. Remove from heat. In bowl combine powdered sugar, frosting and cream cheese; blend well. Stir in melted chips, walnuts, cranberries and orange peel. Spread in pan. Refrigerate about 1 hour or until firm. Remove fudge from pan by lifting foil, remove foil. Cut into squares.

be made early in the morning of serving and kept cool, then bake and 'voila' everyone will want your recipe! Merry Christmas to All!"

MUSHROOMS

2 tablespoons fresh, finely chopped parsley

1 tablespoon lemon juice, fresh

3 cloves garlic, minced or crushed

1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons olive oil

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Remove mushroom stems and set aside to use in recipe later. Set caps aside. Place mushroom caps on foillined baking sheet; set aside. In a heavy skillet heat olive oil over medium heat and cook until you see no pink; drain. Remove from heat. Stir in bread crumbs and set combine cream cheese, parsley, lemon juice and garlic until smooth. Combine cream cheese mixture and sausage. Fill each cap with sausage and cream cheese mixture. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Bake 14-16 minutes or until mushrooms are tender and lightly browned. For a finishing touch, drizzle with olive oil. Yum!

Meri Rhodes, Tampa: "So easy and no candy thermom-

TOFFEE GRAHAM CANDY 15 whole graham crackers

1 cup butter 1 cup brown sugar

1 1/2 cups chocolate chips

Line a large greased cookie sheet with graham crackers. Melt butter and brown sugar in a saucepan. Boil 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Pour and spread over crackers. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Immediately sprinkle chocolate chips on top. Let chocolate melt and spread evenly. Cut while warm into squares or cool completely and break into pieces.

Leah Shaw, Silver Lake: SHRIMP MOUSSE 1 can tomato soup, undiluted

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8-ounce package cream cheese

1 1/2 envelopes unflavored gelatin 1/2 cup cold water

1 1/2 cups celery 1/2 cup onion

1 cup mayonnaise 1/2 teaspoon salt $3\ cans\ small\ drained\ \&$

Crackers

rinsed shrimp

Heat the tomato soup to boiling then add cream cheese and stir over low heat until cheese dissolves. Remove from heat and cool slightly. Dissolve gelatin in cold water. Chop celery and onion. Add softened gelatin to soup mix along with vegetables, mayonnaise and salt; add shrimp. Mix well and pour into mold. Refrigerate overnight. Serve on your favorite crackers.

Sandra Norris, Salina: "I got this recipe from Angel Care Home Health flyer about 2 weeks ago. I made it for the Oakdale Plaza Apartments potluck dinner on Dec. 8 and it tastes good!"

PUMPKIN CRUNCH CAKE 2 cups pumpkin puree 12-fluid-ounce can evaporat-

ed milk

4 eggs

1 1/2 cups white sugar 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice

1 teaspoon salt 18.25-ounce package yellow cake mix

1 cup chopped pecans 1 cup margarine, melted

8-ounce container frozen whipped topping, thawed

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Combine the pumpkin, evaporated milk, eggs, sugar, pumpkin pie spice and salt. Mix well and spread into the prepared pan. Sprinkle the yellow cake mix over the top of the pumpkin mixture and pat down. Sprinkle the chopped pecans over the top of the cake mix then drizzle the melted margarine all over the top. Bake at 350 degrees for about 1 hour but no longer than 1 hour and 20 minutes. Top cooled cake with whipped topping when ready to serve.

Jeannine Colstrom, Osage City: "I found this recipe in the 'Taste of Home' several years ago. I think it is an excellent holiday coffee cake rather than dessert. Perfect addition to a holiday brunch."

CRANBERRY NUT DESSERT

1 cup flour 1 cup sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries, finely chopped 1/2 cup slivered almonds 1/2 cup melted butter or margarine

2 eggs 1/2 teaspoon almond extract

Combine flour, sugar and salt. Add chopped cranberries and most of almonds (save a couple of tablespoons of nuts to sprinkle over top). Toss to coat. Stir in the butter, eggs and extract (mixture will be thick). Pour into a 9-by-9-inch greased pan. Sprinkle with almonds. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Drizzle a light glaze over hot cake and serve warm.

Glaze: 1 tablespoon butter 1 tablespoon milk

1/2 teaspoon almond extract

Powdered sugar Combine and heat in mi-

crowave just until butter melts. Add powdered sugar until right consistency to drizzle over warm cake.

Nancy Horne, Alta Vista:

"Here is a cookie that is hard but a good one."

BANANA CRESCENT 1/2 cup chopped almonds 6 tablespoons sugar, divided 1/2 cup margarine, cut into pieces

1 1/2 cups plus 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour 1/4 teaspoon salt

1 extra ripe medium banana, peeled 1/2 cup chocolate chips

Pulverize almonds with 2 tablespoon sugar in blender. In a bowl beat the margarine and add the almond mixture with remaining 4 tablespoons of sugar. Puree the banana in blender. Add to the almond mixture and mix well. Then add the flour and salt and mix well. Shape tablespoonfuls of dough into logs then shape into crescents. Place on lightly greased cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 25 minutes (and ves I said 25 minutes) or until golden. Cool on wire rack. Melt the chocolate chips in microwavable dish. Dip the ends of cookies in the chocolate. Refrigerate until chocolate

NOTE: I use white chocolate as I am allergic to the dark chocolate.

Beth Scripter: "Had these at a quilt retreat and they were so good, fast and easy for a crowd."

OMELET IN A BAG

Good Ziploc bags

Large pot of boiling water 2 eggs

Toppings of your choice. peppers, onions, salsa, cheese, bacon, ham, etc.

Put two eggs in the ziploc bag and squeeze the eggs until they are mixed. Add any toppings you prefer. Squeeze out the air in the ziploc bag (very important). Seal it very well. Write your name on the bag. Add the ziploc bags to the boiling water. Can cook up to 8 bags at once and boil for 13 minutes. They are done and everyone can eat at once!

Julie Schultz, Alma: CHEATER PICKLES 7 buds of garlic 3 cups sugar

12-ounce jar jalapeno slices

Gallon of kosher dill pickles whole (I use Mt. Olive on both the pickles & the jalapenos; any brand will do)

Dump out the pickle juice then dump out the pickles. Slice the pickles like you like them to eat. Into the jar put 3 cups of sugar and 12-ounce iar of juice and all sliced jalapenos (if you like them not so hot just add a half jar; save rest in refrigerator for next batch). Stir up with wooden spoon somewhat. Add pickles back into jar with 7 garlic cloves diced up and put the lid back on jar. With a ziploc bag under lid to keep it from leaking, screw lid on tight. Lay jar on towel on a counter and roll it every time you wish. After 7 days of rolling jar back and forth and back and forth, they are ready to eat. Keep in the refrigerator and eat when you desire. These are very good.

Doris Shivers, Abilene: DOUBLE OAT BREAKFAST COOKIES

1/2 cup butter, softened 1/2 cup smooth peanut butter 1 1/4 cups sugar 1/2 teaspoon baking soda 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 cup water

1 teaspoon vanilla 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup rolled oats 1 cup golden raisins and/or milk chocolate pieces 3 cups round toasted oat ce-

real (such as Cheerios) Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a large mixing bowl beat butter and peanut butter with electric mixer on medium to high speed for 30 seconds. Add sugar, baking soda and salt. Beat in water, egg and vanilla until combined. Beat in flour until combined. Beat in as much of the rolled oats as you can with mixer. Stir in any remaining rolled oats, Stir in raisins and oat cereal. Drop dough by scant 1/4 cupfuls about 3 inches apart onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Flatten slightly. Bake for 10-12 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cool on cookie sheet for 5 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack and let cool completely. Store cookies in a tightly covered container for

Shirley Deiser, Kanopolis:

up to 5 days or freezer for up

ELEPHANT EARS ½ cup milk 2 cups sugar 4 teaspoons cinnamon 1 cake or package of dry

yeast 14 cup warm water 2 cups flour 2 tablespoons sugar

to 3 months.

½ teaspoon salt ½ cup soft butter 1 egg volk

2 tablespoons soft butter 1/3 cup melted butter ½ cup chopped nuts

Scald milk. Cool. Combine the 2 cups sugar and 4 teaspoons cinnamon; set aside. Soften yeast in warm water. Combine flour, 2 tablespoons sugar and salt. Cut in 1/2 cup soft butter as for pastry. Add egg yolk, scalded milk and yeast and mix well. Chill dough until firm enough to handle, 2 hours or more. Turn onto lightly floured board and cover with cloth and let rest 10 minutes. Roll to a 10-by-18-inch rectangle. Spread with 2 tablespoons butter. Sprinkle with ½ cup sugar-cinnamon mixture. Roll as for jellyroll, sealing edges. Cut into 1-inch slices. Reserve 6 tablespoons sugar mixture for topping. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. On a large piece waxed paper sprinkle remaining mixture. Place slices of dough on sugar, cut side up, allowing room in between slices. Brush with melted butter and sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of sugar mixture and nuts. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake immediately for 12 minutes or until lightly browned.

Cristi Ellexson, Tescott: "A fun holiday candy.' POLAR BEAR CLAW **CANDY**

12 ounces vanilla almond bark 30 caramels, unwrapped 1 cup peanuts 1/4 cup heavy whipping cream 1 tablespoon unsalted butter

1 teaspoon vanilla

Sea salt, to taste

Line 1-2 baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside. Place caramels, butter and cream in a large microwaveable bowl and microwave in 30-second increments, stirring in between, until melted and smooth. Stir in vanilla and peanuts, adding extra sea salt, if desired, and stir until evenly coated. Let mixture cool to room temperature, stirring occasionally so it doesn't set, then use a tablespoon or small scoop to drop spoonfuls of mixture onto lined sheets. Place in refrigerator or leave out until set, 30-60 minutes. In a second microwaveable bowl, melt almond bark in 30-second increments, stirring in between, until fully melted. Take caramel/peanut cluster and dip each one completely in melted bark, then shake off excess. Return to lined baking sheet and

refrigerate until set. Serve immediately or store in airtight container.

Lisa Conger, Topeka: CRANBERRY COOKIES

2/3 cup butter 2/3 cup brown sugar 2 eggs

1 1/2 cups flour

1 1/2 cups old-fashioned oats 1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon salt 1 1/4 cups dried cranberries

1 cup chopped pecans 2/3 cup vanilla or white chips

Cream butter and brown sugar. Add eggs and mix well. Combine the dry ingredients then gradually add to the creamed mixture. Stir in the remaining ingredients. Drop by tablespoonfuls 3 inches apart onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until golden brown. Remove to wire racks to cool. Makes 4 dozen.

Lvdia J. Miller, Westphalia: PAYDAY CANDY

1 can Eagle Brand milk 24 ounces salted peanuts 1/2 stick butter

14- to 16-ounce package regular marshmallows 1 package peanut butter

Spread half of peanuts over bottom of a 19-by-13-inch nan. Melt marshmallows, Eagle milk, butter and peanut butter chips over low heat or can use microwave, stirring every one minute. Pour mixture over nuts. Pour on rest of nuts and pat down. Refrigerate.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

CHRISTMAS PIE

(2) 8-ounce cans crushed pineapple 12-ounce package cranber-

ries, chopped 1 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup sugar

3 tablespoons flour 2 tablespoons butter 3/4 cup chopped walnuts or

pecans 1/4 teaspoon salt

Pastry for double crust pie

Drain pineapple reserving 1/4 cup juice. Set pineapple aside. In saucepan combine the cranberries, sugars and juice. Bring to a boil, cook and stir for 5 minutes. Combine flour and pineapple; add to cranberry mixture. Cook and stir over medium heat until mixture comes to a boil, cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Remove from the heat, stir in the butter, nuts and salt. Cool then pour into 9-inch pastry-lined pie plate. Place crust on top. Cut slits in top. Bake at 400 degrees for 40-45 minutes or

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: CRANBERRY DIP

12-ounce package fresh cranberries 1 cup white sugar 1 cup apricot jam

until golden brown.

1 cup chopped pecans 8-ounce package cream cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine cranberries with sugar in a 2-quart baking dish with a lid, stirring well to coat all the berries. Bake in the oven covered for about 30 minutes until the cranberries pop and release the liquid.

Remove from oven and stir in the jam and pecans. Refrigerate overnight to blend the flavors. To serve allow the cream cheese to come to room temperature and pour dip over the block of cream cheese on a serving dish. Serve with crackers or pretzels.

Final Holiday Contest Kellee George, Lawrence: CRANBERRY WALNUT WHITE FUDGE 12-ounce package white vanilla chips 1/2 cup powdered sugar 1/2 cup vanilla ready-to-spread frosting 3 ounces cream cheese

1 teaspoon grated orange peel

Joyce Jandera, Hanover: "This mushroom dish set around a prime rib or pork loin or roast turkey, makes a very impressive display. Not a long, hard recipe and can

SAUSAGE STUFFED

48 large fresh mushrooms 1 pound fresh pork sausage, browned & drained 1/2 cup bread crumbs, dry

aside. In a medium-size bowl

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2016 Grass e3 Grain Holiдay Recipe Contest

Martin, Salina: "Serve in small coffee cups as it is very rich!"

SPICED DRINKING **CHOCOLATE**

1/2 cup cocoa (unsweetened, like Nestle's)

1/3 cup sugar

1 teaspoon cornstarch

1/2 cup water

1/2 cup water (another) 1 cup milk

1/8 teaspoon vanilla extract

Cinnamon & nutmeg

In a medium saucepan stir together the cocoa, sugar and cornstarch. Whisk in 1/2 cup water and set over low heat. Whisk in the other 1/2 cup water and the milk and cook stirring over medium-low heat until thickened, about 10 minutes. Stir in vanilla, a sprinkling of cinnamon and a

Katrina Morgan, Americus: **CHERRY DELIGHT**

Crust:

18 graham cracker squares (crushed)

1/4 cup sugar

pinch of nutmeg.

1/4 cup margarine, melted

Mix well and reserve 1/4 cup for topping. Press into 9-by-9-inch pan.

Filling:

8 ounces cream cheese, softened

1/2 cup sugar

8 ounces whipped topping, thawed

Mix sugar with softened cream cheese. Stir in whipped topping. Spread onehalf of cream cheese mixture on graham cracker crust. Spread cherry pie filling over this layer. Spread the rest of the cream cheese mixture over pie filling. Sprinkle with graham cracker crumbs left from crust. Chill 2 hours before serving.

Mary Rogers, Topeka: HOT COCOCA CHEESECAKE DIP

4 envelopes hot cocoa mix without marshmallows

8-ounce package cream cheese

4 ounces Cool Whip, thawed

In a bowl add the hot cocoa mix and cream cheese. Mix on medium with a hand mixer until thoroughly incorporated. Add the Cool Whip and continue to beat until combined. Scoop into

serving bowl. Serve with

Shirley Deiser, Kanopolis: TEXAS TRASH

chocolate chip cookies.

(Hot & Spicy)

1 box Cheerios cereal 1 box Wheat Chex cereal

1 pound nuts

2 tablespoons savory salt 2 tablespoons Worcester-

shire Sauce 1 tablespoon liquid smoke

flavoring 2 tablespoons Tabasco sauce

2 tablespoons garlic powder

1 box Rice Chex cereal

1 hox pretzel sticks 1 stick butter

Melt butter and add seasonings and sauces. Pour

over cereal, nuts and pretzel mixture. Bake at 250 degrees for 2 hours, stirring every 15 minutes. NOTE: This mixture will be

very crispy. If you want it to be less crispy, cook for only 1 hour. If you don't want as hot and spicy, decrease or eliminate the Tabasco sauce.

Lucille Wohler, Clay Cen-

EASY SALISBURY STEAK 1 can cream of mushroom

1/3 cup bread crumbs

Small finely chopped onion 1 egg

1-pound ground beef 1 tablespoon oil

Mix 1/4 can cream of mush-

room soup, bread crumbs, onion, egg and ground beef. Mix well and shape into 4 patties. Heat oil in skillet and cook patties until brown. Drain. Add remainder of soup and bring to a boil and cook over low heat for 10 minutes or until cooked through.

Kellee George, Lawrence: MOUND CANDY BARS

1 brownie mix

5 cups coconut

1 can condensed milk 1 can chocolate frosting

Make brownies according to directions. Mix coconut and milk and spread over brownies when you take out of oven. Melt frosting in microwave and pour over top of brownies.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: **CRANBERRY** STREUSEL PIE

1 pound cranberries, fresh or frozen, thawed & chopped

1 cup white sugar 3/4 cup flour, divided 9-inch unbaked pie crust 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup chopped walnuts 1/2 stick butter, softened

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Stir together cranberries, white sugar and 1/4 cup flour in a bowl until blended. Spread filling evenly in pie crust. Combine brown sugar, walnuts, butter and remaining flour in bowl. Make crumbly. Sprinkle over filling. Bake until filling is bubbling and topping is golden brown, about 45 minutes. Cover edges with foil if browning too much. Transfer to a wire rack to cool.

Joyce Jandera, Hanover: **CHERRY PIE BARS**

3 cups all-purpose flour 3/4 cup sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt 1 1/2 cups cold butter, cubed

3 cups canned cherry pie filling (about 1 1/2 (21ounce) cans

3/4 cup chopped pecans 1 cup powdered sugar

4 to 5 teaspoons whole milk 1/4 teaspoon almond extract

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line bottom and sides of a 9-by-13-inch pan with heavy duty foil allowing 2 to 3 inches to extend over sides. Lightly spray the foil with cooking spray. Pulse flour, granulated sugar and salt in a food processor until combined. Add butter cubes and pulse until mixture is crumbly. This can also be done with a pie crust blender. Reserve 1 cup flour mixture. Press remaining flour mixture into bottom of prepared pan. Bake in oven until lightly browned, 25 to 30 minutes. Spread cherry filling over crust in pan. Toss together reserved 1 cup flour mixture and pecans. Sprinkle pecan mixture evenly over filling. Bake in preheated oven 40 to 45 minutes. Cool completely in pan on wire rack, about 1 hour. Lift baked bars from pan using foil sides as handles. Stir together powdered sugar, 4 teaspoons milk and almond extract. Add additional milk to get right consistency. Drizzle over pecan mixture. Cut in 48 bars.

Kellee George, Lawrence: PEPPERMINT POPCORN 1 pound white candy coating 24 cups popped popcorn 1/2 to 3/4 cup finely crushed

peppermint candy

In microwave or heavy saucepan melt candy coating; stir until smooth. In a large bowl combine the popcorn and crushed candy. Pour candy coating over top; toss to coat. Pour onto a waxed paper lined baking sheet. When hardened break apart. Store in an air-tight container.

Cristi Ellexson, Tescott: "These are festive cookies

I've made in the past for goodie plates at Christmas."

BUTTERSCOTCH EGGNOG STARS 2/3 cup butter, softened

1 cup sugar 1 egg

1/4 cup eggnog

2 cups flour

3/4 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

1/2 cup crushed hard butterscotch candies

Optional Icing:

1 1/2 cups powdered sugar 1/4 teaspoon rum extract

2-3 tablespoons eggnog Yellow-colored sugar

In large bowl cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and eggnog. Combine flour, baking powder, salt and nutmeg; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well. Divide dough in half. On lightly floured surface roll out one-half at a time to 1/4-inch thickness. Cut with floured 3 1/2-inch star cutter. Cut out centers with 1 1/2-inch star cutter. Line baking sheet with foil, grease foil. Put cutouts on pan. Sprinkle 1 teaspoon crushed candy in centers. Repeat with remaining dough. Bake at 375 degrees for 6-8 minutes or until edges are golden. Cool on sheet pan for 5 minutes then slide cookies and foil onto wire rack

to cool. Icing:

Beat powdered sugar, rum extract and eggnog to drizzling consistency. Drizzle over cooled cookies. Sprinkle with colored sugar, if de-

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: **CHEESE LOG**

(2) 8-ounce packages cream cheese

1 jar Kraft Old English cheese

1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese 1 teaspoon lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon grated onion (or use dried minced onion)

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon dry chives 1 teaspoon parsley

1 tablespoon mayonnaise Have cheeses at room tem-

perature. Mix all together in large bowl. Shape into 2 logs. ••••

Cristi Ellexson, Tescott: "I just made these and they are the perfect gingerbread ... easy to make."

ICED GINGERBREAD **BARS**

1/2 cup light brown sugar 1/2 cup unsalted butter, soft-

1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon ginger

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg 1/4 teaspoon cloves

1/4 teaspoon salt, or to taste 1 1/2 cups flour (don't overmeasure)

1/2 teaspoon baking soda 1/4 cup medium/mild molasses (no blackstrap, too harsh)

1 cup powdered sugar 2 teaspoons water/cream/ milk

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line 8-by-8-inch pan with foil and grease; set aside. In mixer bowl add brown

sugar and butter; cream until smooth, scraping sides. Add spices; beat to combine.

Add flour • and soda; beat to combine. Mixture will be dry. Add molasses; beat to combine. Put mixture in pan then hard pack with a spatula. It will be dry and crum-

bly but it bakes together fine. Bake about 20 minutes until center is just set: edges will pull away slightly. Don't overbake because they firm

up as they cool. Cool on wire rack about 45 minutes before icing. You can drizzle or cover with icing that you prepare from powdered sugar and water (or cream or milk). Icing will set in about

15 minutes. • Don't overmeasure or hard pack the flour or the bars will be dry and crumbly.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: DATE NUT MERINGUES

3 egg whites

1 cup sugar 1/2 teaspoon vanilla 8-ounce package dates,

chopped 1 1/2 cups chopped pecans

In a bowl beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually add sugar, beat until stiff peaks form, about 6 minutes. Beat in vanilla. Fold in dates and pecans. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls 2 inches apart onto lightly greased baking sheets. Bake at 325 degrees for 12-15 minutes or until firm to the touch. Remove to wire racks to cool. Store in air-tight container.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

CHRISTMAS PIE (2) 8-ounce cans crushed pineapple

12-ounce package cranberries, chopped

1 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup sugar 3 tablespoons flour

2 tablespoons butter 3/4 cup chopped walnuts or pecans

1/4 teaspoon salt Pastry for double crust pie

Drain pineapple reserving 1/4 cup juice. Set pineapple aside. In saucepan combine the cranberries, sugars and juice. Bring to a boil, cook and stir for 5 minutes. Combine flour and pineapple; add to cranberry mixture. Cook and stir over medium heat until mixture comes to a boil. cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Remove from the heat, stir in the butter, nuts and salt. Cool then pour into 9-inch pastry-lined pie plate. Place crust on top. Cut slits in top. Bake at 400 degrees for 40-45 minutes or until golden brown.

Today, I'm excited to share with you one of my most favorite "soup" recipes. It came several years back from Pinterest (that wonderful site) and I can't think of another chili that I'd rather have than this! It's unique and very simple to make.

A combination of chicken, corn and beans, with a creamy white cheese sauce make this chili taste amazing, either on its own or with a biscuit or tortilla chips. This is literally a one-pot wonder! The chicken can be put in the slow-cooker frozen, and then evervthing else gets poured in, stirred together and left for hours.

You'll Need:

2 chicken breasts (still frozen)

1 can Original Ro-tel 15-ounce can corn ker-

15-ounce can black beans (I used soy)

1 package Ranch dressing mix 1 tablespoon ground

cumin 1 teaspoon chili powder

1 teaspoon onion powder

8-ounce brick cream



Here's our cast of ingredients! To get started, lightly grease a 4- or 5-quart crock-pot and place the frozen chicken

breasts in the bottom of it. Top the chicken with all of the rest of the ingredients, minus the cream cheese.

Stir together beans, corn, Ro-tel and seasonings.

Slow-Cooker White Mexican Chili



Top with the cream cheese and cook on low for 6-8 hours or high for 3-4 hours. Right before serving, pull out the chicken breasts and shred them. Put chicken back into the chili, stir and let cook a few minutes longer.





Serve with either tortilla chips (you can almost eat it like a dip!) or with fresh biscuits.



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"Our Daily Bread" Holiday Bonus Drawing Winners

All G&G Area Cooks who sent recipes for the holiday contests were entered in a special drawing. The four cooks whose names were drawn will each receive \$35. They are:

> Rita Dawson Lebo, KS

Lydia Miller Westphalia, KS

Mary Hedberg Clifton, KS

Maria Miller McFarland, KS

A big THANK YOU to all who shared their favorite recipes with G&G Cooks during this holiday season!

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The light from inside the warm church beckoned us in from the sharp Kansas cold. The simple white interior was decorated in traditional Swedish colors and patterns. We huddled with friends and strangers, heard the Christmas story read from Luke from the lips of a pastor who moved from Africa and still has a thick accent. His voice was exotic and appropriate, a reminder that the the story we hold dear comes from far east of us. The carols, the voices, the candles – each was a part of the holy story

and it was like sitting in the middle of a living Christmas

This little church lives

The church was originally built in the Swedish community of Stockholm, located south of Weskan in Wallace County. This little colony only existed until early in the 20th century. The church was moved to Weskan in 1954 and was an important part of community life until the parish was closed by the Lutheran Synod in 2014. The historic church building was offered to the Fort Wallace Memorial Association and moved in August of 2014. Contractor Von Sherer, assisted by his wife Jamie, spent four months restoring the church to a Victorian appearance with white walls, hardwood floors and antique-style fixtures.

So it is not lost to its congregation, but open to a larger one. Its presence on the museum grounds is a gathering place and a reminder of the faith brought to the prairies and plains by those who came before.

And here at the holiday season there is vet another reminder that we remain the Soldier State.

Wakeeney and the other three state veterans' cemeteries at Fort Dodge, Fort Riley, and Winfield, and our national cemeteries, take part each year in the Wreaths Across America project. The effort began with Arlington National Cemetery and now serves hundreds of cemeteries throughout the world.

The tradition began with

a little boy's visit to our first National Cemetery, Arling-

Morrill Worcester was only a 12-year-old paperboy when he won a trip to the nation's capital. The images of Arlington stayed with him. Years later, he was the owner of a successful business, Worcester Wreath, when he saw an opportunity in the surplus wreaths at the end of the holiday. He contacted Maine Senator Olympia Snowe and arranged to place wreaths in one of the older sections of Arlington, one not often visited A number of other individuals and organizations stepped up to help and a tradition was born, a tradition not widely noticed until 2005 when a photograph of those snow-covered, wreath-laden graves was shared on the

Others wanted to do the same. Worcester began sending seven wreaths to every state, one for each branch of the military, and for POW/ MIAs. In 2006, with the help of the Civil Air Patrol and other civic organizations, simultaneous wreath-laying ceremonies were held at over 150 locations around the country.

In 2007, the Worcester family, along with veterans, and other groups and individuals who had helped with their annual veterans' wreath ceremony in Arlington, formed Wreaths Across America, to continue and expand this effort, and support other groups around the country who wanted to do the same. The mission of the group is simple:

Honor. Remember. Teach.

In 2014, Wreaths Across America and its national network of volunteers laid over 700,000 memorial wreaths at 1,000 locations in the United States and beyond, including ceremonies at the Pearl Harbor Memorial, as well as Bunker Hill, Valley Forge and the sites of the September 11 tragedies. This was accomplished with help from more than 2000 fundraising groups, corporate contributions, and donations of trucking, shipping, and thousands of helping hands. The organization's goal of covering Arlington National Cemetery was met in 2014 with the placement of 226,525 wreaths.

The wreath-laying is held annually, on the second or third Saturday of December. WAA's annual pilgrimage from Harrington, Maine to Arlington National Cemetery has become known as the world's largest veterans' parade, stopping at schools, monuments, veterans' homes and communities all along the way to remind people how important it is to remember, honor and teach.

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"SAKW, A Partner in Natural Resource Protection," theme for 66th SAKW annual meeting The State Association of Kansas Watersheds (SAKW) 66th annual meeting is to be held moving forward through difficult times ahead.

in the Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel on January 17-18, 2017. Barb Oltjen, president of SAKW from Robinson, will preside over the meeting that will bring together representatives from the 76 watershed districts in Kansas, many state and federal agencies, organizations, and individuals.

By sticking with the theme of the meeting the attendees will hear from their many partners presenting past accomplishments and future challenges to natural resource protection efforts. Conservation program managers, partners, and customers must do a better job of telling the stories of how each program benefits our community, our state, and our country.

The first day's keynote speaker is John Floros, Dean, College of Agriculture, Kansas State University. Dean Floros will outline how Kansas State University strives through research and education to present the best options all of production agriculture might need

The second day keynote speaker, Rich Felts, president of Kansas Farm Bureau, will speak on how Kansas Farm Bureau offers partnerships with anyone interested in sustaining production agriculture in Kansas today and into tomorrow.

Reports from several agencies, Kansas Water Office, Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Water Resources and Conservation, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service, will be presented throughout the conference.

A report from Dan Sebert, executive director of the National Watershed Coalition, looks through the national perspective how we are advancing the cause of natural resource pro-

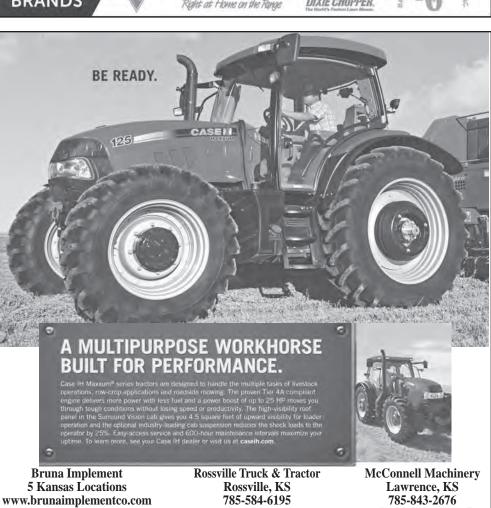
The evening session of the first day's activities will be the annual Legislative Banquet where watershed districts can dine and converse with legislators as they begin their challenging task of creating policy to guide Kansas through the next fiscal year.

Other presenters will speak on watershed district audits, budgets, emergency action planning, dam breach efforts, and other additional available federal programs.

Information on annual meeting registration, motel reservations, resolutions listings, and the complete meeting agenda can be found on the SAKW website at www.sakw.org. Additional questions about the annual meeting can be directed to Herbert R. Graves Jr., SAKW executive director, Phone: 785-922-6664, Fax: 785-922-6080 or by e-mail at sakwwatersheds@ sbcglobal.net.







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The Hotel de Straughn

In the fall of 1878 Ford County Sheriff Bat Masterson was almost constantly on the trail of one outlaw or another. The county seat of Dodge City was a magnet for a wide variety of ne'er-dowells with only trouble on their minds. Masterson already had Tom O'Haran behind bars for killing Deputy U. S. Marshal Harry McCarty in a Dodge City saloon back in in July. O'Haran was still there in September when Bat was busy breaking up confidence games, catching horse thieves, and chasing train robbers. At the same

dians escaped the reservation, passing west of Dodge City in an attempt to reach the Dakotas.

Meanwhile back in Dodge, Fanny Keenan's death brought emotions to the boiling point in early October. Keenan, also known as Dora Hand, was a popular singer on the theater circuit. Jim Kenedy, the killer of "The Cowboy's Sweetheart" was tracked down by Sheriff Masterson and his formidable posse of Charley Bassett, Wyatt Earp, Bill Duffy, and Bill Tilghman.

Kenedy was placed be-

ran (McCarty's killer), Dan Woodward, (assault with attempt to kill), James Shelly (robbery), Arthur Baldwin (default on a fine), and H. "Skunk Curley" Gould (assault with attempt to kill). Bat's jailer, John W. Straughn, had a reputation for providing secure "accommodations" in the Ford County Jail. The editor of the Ford County Globe referred to the lockup as the Hotel de Straughn and bestowed the distinction of Colonel upon Mr. Straughn. The Dodge City Times followed suit referring to the county inmates as "Straughn's Boarders".

The last named 'boarder", Skunk Curley Gould, was a bullwhacker on one of the many wagon trains that crossed the plains. During a stop at Dodge City Gould shot a man by the name of Fred Cogan. Cogan's hometown paper, the Great Bend Weekly Tribune reported that Cogan had been shot through the shoulders during the big Indian raid in western Kansas. They may not have wanted to tarnish his name

that his wound may have been result of an argument over a woman. A witness by the name of Josie (last name indistinguishable) was on the Sept 20th warrant issued to hold Gould on a two-thousand-dollar bond. In the meantime, Colonel Straughn was happy to lodge Skunk Curley in the county boarding house.

When W. H. Brown was found in possession of a horse that was not his, Sheriff Masterson added Brown's name to the register at Hotel de Straughn. But Col. Straughn was not infallible. He was authorized by the Ford County Commissioners to alter the door to the holding cell in the jail. The intention was to improve security by making a small hole to pass food through to the "boarders" without unlocking the door. Col. Straughn began the work on Friday. December 6, 1878. To aid in the work Straughn enlisted the aid of one of the prisoners to help saw a bar from the other side of the door. A missing bolt required a visit to the blacksmith shop.

Grass & Grain, December 20, 2016 erable jailer inspected the partially sawn bar, struck it with a hammer, and to his satisfaction, found the bar sound.

> "Confident that all was secure, the jailer went to the blacksmith shop, where he was detained for some time." The prisoners must have held their breath when Straughn struck the bar with his hammer, for they had concealed the fact that the saw had also been drawn across the inside of the bar. While Straughn was away, the prisoners pried the bar with the help of a heavy board until the bar gave way. The Ford County Globe reported that the prisoners "immediately struck out for tall timber," which must have been quite a feat considering the surrounding plains offered almost no trees to obstruct the horizon in any direction outside of Dodge.

Three of the seven prisoners were not inclined to make an effort to escape and sounded the alarm. With the sun sinking in the west Sheriff Masterson, promptly saddled up and charged out of town at the head of a large posse. Bat's brother. Jim Masterson found Skunk Curley hiding in a buffalo wallow. The posse stayed out until Sunday, December 8th without success.

December brought the news that two of the fugitives had been captured at Kinsley. Sheriff Masterson brought them back to Straughn's "hotel" the next day. Only W. H. Brown remained at large. He must have truly made it to tall timber for he was never heard from again.

The loss didn't discourage Sheriff Bat Masterson. He had no time to be discouraged. There were lots more outlaws just itching to spend Christmas at the Hotel de Straughn on The Way West.

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Eleventh class Of Young Stockmen

This marks the 11th year for the Kansas Livestock As-

Attending the KLA Convention was the final session for

During their first session in Topeka last February, attendees were exposed to advocacy training, the legislative process and services provided by KLA and NCBA. The second installment took the group to Kansas City in May, where they learned about the agribusiness and retail beef industries. YSA members visited central and western Kansas in September to tour beef and dairy operations representing

The 2016 class includes Dustin Aherin, Manhattan; Wyatt

Washington; Justin Clark, Toronto; Kassie Curran, Wichita; Sadie Derstein, Kismet; Shelby Hill, Prairie Village; Clare Horne, Lyons; Trey Lohman, Leavenworth; Colton Lynch, Garden City; Kenton Mangan, Tribune; Joe Meiwes, Moran; Macey Mueller, Halstead; Jed Ricke, Pratt; Barrett Smith, Macksville; Chance Steele, Sabetha; Erik Steffens, Dighton; Nolan Wasson, Selden: and Jared Whitcomb, Cottonwood

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graduates at KLA Convention

sociation (KLA) Young Stockmen's Academy (YSA). The class of 20 graduated December 2 at the close of the KLA Convention. Merck Animal Health is the exclusive sponsor of the program. This class brings the total number of YSA

this year's class and provided these young producers the opportunity to interact with KLA members from across the state and gain more industry knowledge. YSA members got a firsthand look at the inner workings of the association by attending the KLA Chairmen's Circle meeting. The group also took part in the policy-making process by attending committee and council meetings where members discussed issues affecting their business interests, including noxious weeds, livestock price reporting, water appropriation and motor vehicle regulations. Immediately prior to the convention, the YSA class received their Masters of Beef Advocacy degrees, following an in-depth spokesperson training session with National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Senior Executive Director of Communications Daren Wil-

various segments of each industry.

Kuhn introduces triple mower combinations for maximizing output

(rear mount) and GMD 3525 F (front mount) can combine to create a triple-mount machine that takes productivity to a whole new level. The total combined working width of up to 32'6" knocks down large fields in no time, while exclusive features provide strong returns on investment by reducing maintenance and downtime.

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Meetings on grain marketing strategies for 2017 to be held in north central Kansas

Two meetings will be held in January on grain marketing strategies for 2017 organized by K-State Extension. The first will be at the Jewell Community Center on January 10th and the second will be at the High School gym in Norway on January 19th. These workshops are designed to help Kansas crop producers make profitable marketing decisions for their crops in 2017 – a period forecast to be one of continued large

supplies, low selling prices, and limited profitability.

This workshop is developed to provide three things to participants:

First, Grain Market Situation and Outlook for the remainder of the 2016/17 marketing years for corn. grain sorghum, wheat and soybeans. The particular focus will be on available cash and forward contract grain prices, basis trends, and futures & options pricing opportunities for the December 2016-September 2017 period.

Second, the Top Performing Grain Marketing Strategies for Kansas corn, grain sorghum, wheat and soybeans for the 1990/91 through 2015/16 marketing years will be reviewed. The focus will be on how well pre-harvest forward contracts, hedges and put options, harvest cash sales, and post-harvest on-farm and commercial storage, storage hedges, and call options performed over time for Kansas crop producers.

Third, as a group, workshop participants will "test drive" 2017 Grain Marketing Strategies, working through probable 2017 Kansas grain price outcomes and trends as well as the marketing choices that are likely to be available for major grains during the December 2016 through September 2017 period. Both a post-harvest corn storage scenario, and a pre-harvest to harvest wheat

sales scenario will be examined.

Speakers for this event are Dr. Dan O'Brien, K-State University Extension ag economist, and Carrie Williams, AgMark grain merchandiser. The meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end around 2:00 p.m. with lunch provided. This is a free event and open to all interested farmers and ag business professionals. For registration to the Jewell meeting, contact the Post

Rock Extension District at 785-282-6823 by January 6th. This meeting is sponsored by AgMark, Central National Bank, and Randall Farmers Co-op Union. To register for the Norway meeting, contact the River Valley Extension District at 785-243-8185 by January 16th. This meeting is sponsored by AgMark, Elk State Bank, American State Bank & Trust Company, United Bank & Trust, and Central National Bank.

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With harvest over, and cold temperatures sneaking in, now is the time to start preparing your equipment to withstand the upcoming winter weather. Just like cattle growing their winter coats, or lining the north side of an old barn with

square bales, farm equipment should also be prepared to survive the freezing temperatures.

Start your winterization process by properly cleaning and servicing the equipment that is going to be stored. Remove dirt and debris from the outside and inside of the machine. A power washer can be used to clean the exterior, but

be careful to avoid spraying the high intensity water around seals. Do a regular service of the equipment by changing the oil, cleaning or replacing air filters and checking the tire pressures. It is also critical to check the antifreeze, lubricate bearings and joints and remove the battery, if possible, and store in a dry place.

The next step, but often the most procrastinated on, is to repair any damage done to the machines during the previous growing season. Properly repairing machinery cuts back on rust and deterioration as well as lets you get started promptly in the spring. Putting a fresh coat of paint on repaired areas will also help to cut down on corrosion.

One step that should never be forgotten is to clean out the equipment. For planters, drills, seeders and combines, that means removing any excess seeds and plant materials left in the bins or augers. For balers, any partial bales

or remaining hay should be cleaned out to prevent rust and decrease tension on the

The final step, if it is an option for your operation, is to store the equipment in a shed. This is the most effective way to protect machinery from weathering. If building space is limited, the next best option is to securely cover the equipment with a water-resistant tarp.

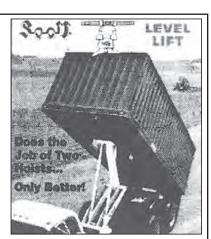
Properly winterizing equipment will not only cut down on the headaches

next spring, but it will also increase the life and resale value of the equipment in the future.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call me at the office (620) 331-2690 or email me at jlsigle@ksu.edu. To view this or any past articles or radio recordings from the Wildcat District Ag Agents, please visit the Wildcat Extension District website at www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu.

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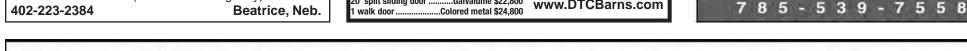
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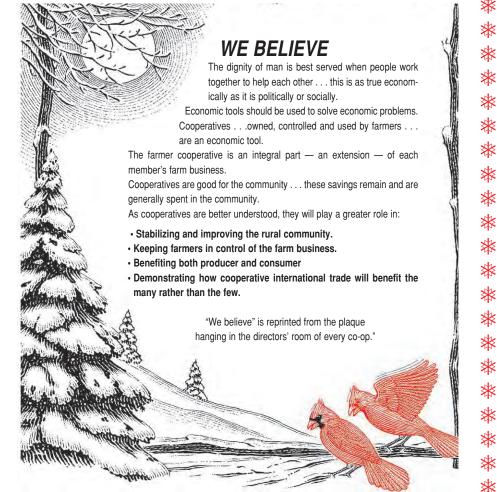
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Free to Bee campaign launches

Appreciating nature is more than idle buzz at Greteman Group. The Wichita-based marketing agency recently launched Free to Bee, an interactive microsite designed to both entertain and educate visitors. Visitors plant virtual gardens to help bees thrive. They scroll over objects and fun facts pop up (I mean, did you know that honey bees never sleep and their wings stroke 11,400 times a min-

"We think visitors will be charmed by the site and have lots of fun with it," says Sonia Greteman, agency president and creative director. "We also hope they leave encouraged to do their part by creating bee-friendly habitats in their yards and communities. The actions are simple, but the effects profound."

The site communicates bees' vital role in pollinating flowers, fruit trees and crops (Bees play a part in almost every bite of food we eat). Whimsical graphics and playful animation serve to make the time onsite fly and learning fun.

Getting up close and personal with bees does more than encourage a deeper understanding of their place in nature. A flight with the winged wonders also reinforces Greteman Group's market niche - aviation marketing. The agency sent a Free to Bee branded email to clients as part of its annual holiday tradition.

"We abandoned traditional gift giving more than 20 years ago," says Greteman. "Clients watch their mailboxes and inboxes each year, never knowing what we'll develop. We mix it up, cycling between digital and 3-D print. Whatever comes,

they know it symbolizes a gift on their behalf to a worthy nonprofit."

This year's charitable donation goes to Botanica, the Wichita Gardens. Its 18 acres of wildflower meadows, canopied woodlands, formal gardens and water features offer sanctuary for pollinators and humans

"We appreciate the innovative way to get the word out about Botanica and spread to new audiences,' says Marty Miller, Botanica executive director. "The Free To Bee campaign highlights a benefit of the gardens that isn't always communicated. We also appreciate people keeping Botanica in mind for their charitable giving during the holiday season."

Kate Sheppard, Botanica education program manager/Downing Children's Garden, notes additional habitat has been added.

"Botanica has deepened its commitment to pollinators this past year by installing hives, which produce raw honey from all the flowers our guests enjoy," says Sheppard.

Just another reason to appreciate the winged won-

beauty "Nature's wouldn't be possible without bees," says Greteman. "A lot rides on those tiny wings.'



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1997 NH 6640, SLE, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/ldr., 2,836 one owner hrs. 2002 JD 6320, CA, power quad,

3 pt., pto, 9,528 hrs., w/Alamo side mower 1992 JD 5400, 3 pt., pto, ROPS,

3,704 hrs. 1990 JD 2755, CA, 3 pt., pto, 1.905 hrs.

1983 JD 4250, CA, quad, 3 pt., pto, 6,854 One Owner Hrs., Super Nice 1982 JD 4040, CA, quad, 3 pt.,

pto. 3.080 hrs. on overhaul 1980 JD 4440, CA, quad, 3 pt., pto,w/Koyker 565 ldr., 9,128

1978 JD 4640, CA, p.s., 3 pt., pto,18.4x42, 6,614 2 owner 1975 JD 4430, CA, p.s., 3 pt.,

1971 JD 2520, gas, 3 pt., pto, w/ JD 148 ldr.. Good

1969 JD 4020, 3 pt., pto, w/JD 148 ldr., Clean 1968 JD 4020, 3 pt., pto JD 7800, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/18.4x42 duals JD 2510, gas, cab, 3 pt., pto

JD 401-B, gas, 3 pt., pto, Needs JD 401-B, gas, 3 pt., pto, Needs

Tune Up 1999 CIH MX-120, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/L-300 ldr. 1992 CIH 5250, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/ldr., 3,285 hrs. 1991 CIH 5130, CA, syncro,

3 pt., pto, 6,931 2 owner hrs. CIH 885, 3 pt., pto, 4,611 hrs., ROPS, Nice 1982 IH 5088, CA, 3 pt., pto, 5.623 One Owner Hrs.

1981 IH 5288, CA, 3 pt., pto, 8,330 hrs., 20.8x38 1980 IH 1086, CA, 3 pt., dual

pto, 6.439 hrs. 1980 IH 1086, CA, 3 pt., dual pto, 6,062 hrs. 1980 IH 1086, CA, 3 pt., dual

pto, 5,232 hrs., reverse out. 1978 IH 1586, CA, 3 pt., pto, 20.8x38, 4.391 hrs. 1977 IH 1586, CA, 3 pt., pto, 18.4x42, 7,087 hrs.

IH 1486, CA, 3 pt., dual pto, Needs rear end work

IH 966, 3 pt., dual pto IH 856, 3 pt. pto, 5,608 two

IH 706, gas, f.h., pto IH 504, n.f., gas, f.h., pto IH 250-A, 3 pt., pto, shuttle, w/ ldr., 1,786 hrs.

1979 CASE 2090, CA, p.s., 3 pt., pto, 3,739 hrs. KUBOTA L-2850, MFD, 3 pt.,

MF 2350, 3 pt., pto MF 1030, MFD, 3 pt., pto, 4,335 hrs.

MF 1100, 3 pt., pto BELARUS 420-A, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/ldr.

1972 AC 200, cab, 3 pt., pto, 4,291 hrs. AC 6080, 3 pt., pto w/ldr. 1994 WHITE 6124, CA, 3 pt., pto, 14.9x46 duals, 5,407 One

Owner Hrs., Super Nice WHITE 2-70, 3 pt., pto 1975 FORD 5000, 3 pt., pto FORD 7635, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto. w/ldr.

COMBINES & HEADS

1987 JD 6620, Titan II, CA hydro, 4x4, chopper, 3,309 hrs., Good 1984 JD 6620, Sidehill, CA, hydro, chopper, Clean 2009 JD 630, flex, Nice 2006 CIH 2020, 20', w/air reel CIH 1020, 20', flex 1991 JD 915, flex 1990 JD 915, flex 2) 1988 JD 920, flex 1981 JD 213, flex JD 454, row head JD 643. Low tin, corn head JD 643, High tin, corn head IH 863, corn head MF 1163, corn head

WOODS, 1 row, pto, corn picker, IH, 8', pull type, disc Good J&M, 25', head trlr.

PLANTERS & DRILLS

JD 8300, 23x7, SD JD 8300, 21x7 JD 7000, 6x30, no till, plateless JD FB, 17x7, SD, Nice JD FB, 17x7, SD, w/seeder GP, 21x7, DD, 1,635 acres GP, 21x7, DD GP 1500, 15'x7 1/2", no till, cart,

Clean GP 13'x7 ½". DD, drill GP 1205, no till, Low Acres CIH 5400, 20'x15", Good CIH 900, 12x30, horizontal fold WHITE 5100, 4 row, 3 pt. CRUSTBUSTER 3400, 20x8,

DD TYE, 15', 8", 3 pt. FERGUSON, 2 row, lister JD 7200, 6x30, vac, dry fert., Yetter no till coulters. Clean JD 7200, 6x30, finger, Good JD, 2 row, 3 pt.

HAY EQUIPMENT

JD, DD openers

NH 688, rd. baler VERMEER 605-H, rd. baler JD 336, wire, sq. baler, Nice NH 269-w, sq. baler AC, Roto baler, white top NH BR-740, crop cutter, Xtra Sweep, net wrap, Nice low

NH 492, 9', swather NH 488, 9', swather IH 8330, 9', swather JD 1209, 9', swather, Good NH 1010, bale wagon NH 1012, bale wagon NH 1034, bale wagon

GEHL 415, right hand, rake, w/ dolly wheel JD 640 rake JD 670 rake, w/dolly wheel RHINO RC-456, 10 wheel rake,

Like New MH rake JD 200 Stack Mover WORKSAVER bale spear Bale fork

JD chopper hay head JD 33, 24', hay elevator

SHREDDERS JD CX-20, bat wing, Clean JD CX-20, bat wing, Good SCHUTTE, 15', bat wing WOODS, HD 315, 15', bat wing ALAMO,15', bat wing, for parts FMC, 14', pull type BUSHHOG, SQ720, 7', 3 pt. BUSHHOG, 7', 3 pt. IH, 6', pull type FORD 951, 5', 3 pt. JD, 5', 3 pt. 5', 3 pt.

LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

NH 213, manure spreader JD L. manure spreader 2) JD, ground drive, manure spreader

JD 54, manure spreader JD 40, manure spreader KELLY RYAN, 4x10, manure

spreader GEHL 250, manure spreader IH 540, manure spreader IH 100, manure spreader JD 38 chopper, 2x30, Low Acre,

Nice KELLY RYAN, 5x12, feed wagon wagon, w/re-mix GEHL 100, grinder-mixer

GEHL 55, grinder-mixer, Nice JD 400, grinder-mixer GEHL 99, blower HYDRA FORK, hyd. bale fork 20', fence panels, New

TILLAGE

JD 630, 30', disc WHITE, 25', disc DEUTZ ALLIS 2500, 24'., disc CIH 496, 22', disc CIH 496, 20', disc CIH 3900, 20', disc, Nice KRAUSE 903, 20', disc KRAUSE 1904, 20', disc 2) JD BWA, 16', disc IH 470, 16', disc JD 210, 13', disc JD AW, 12', disc JD 340, 12', offset, disc MILLER, 12', offset, disc For photos, Visit us on the web:

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JD, 6', offset, disc JD 1630, 10', plow disc JD TW, 10', plow disc JD TWA, 10', plow disc JD, 14', spring shank, chisel MF, 11 shank, 3 pt., chisel KRAUSE, 11 spring shank chisel KRAUSE, 7 shank, 3 pt., chisel GLENCOE, 9 spring shank, soil saver CIH 6500, 9 spring shank, soil

AC, 4 btm., 3 pt., plow JD F-145, 3x16 plow JD, 3 btm., pull type, plow CASE, 3 btm., 3 pt., plow IH, 3 btm., f.h., plow AC, 2 btm., pull type, plow 7' & 10', pull type, packer DUNHAM, 8', pull type, packer JD, 5 shank, ripper MF, 3 shank, ripper AC, single shank, ripper DEARBORN, spring shank, cult. DEARBORN, 9 & 11 shank,

6x30, Danish tine, cult. AC, 6x30, rolling cult. FMC, 4 row, rolling cult. IH 4600, 24', field cult. KENT, 30', field cult. 3) Harrow Sections

CONSTRUCTION

2012 4640E, cab, skid ldr., 105 One Owner Hrs. 2006 NH LS-170, skid ldr., 1,412 hrs. 2006 NH LS-160, skid ldr., 1.688 hrs 1992 GEHL 4615, skid ldr., 3,259 hrs. NH L785, skid ldr. 2005 JD 315-SG, cab, Extend-ahoe, 2,400 hrs., Good McMILLAN, hyd., post hole dig-

Tree Shear, hyd. Pallet fork for L785 OTTAWA bale spear for L785 SWEEPSTER broom 72" rock grapple

LOADERS & BLADES JD 520, fits JD 2520 2) JD 158 JD 148 JD 145 MF 1016, fits 1030 MF 236, fits utility IH 2350, fits 66-86 KOYKER K-5, fits JD WESTENDORF WL-42, fits IH 2) JD Grapples, fit 148-158 Bale spear for JD 520 JD grill guard Westendorf grapple fork BUHLER, 10', 3 pt., hyd. BMB, Earth, 10', 3 pt., hyd. 2) JD 534, 9', dozer BISON, HD, 9' 8', f.h., rear 8', 3 pt., rear IH, 7', f.h. JD, 7', rear

2) 6', 3 pt., rear BEHLEN, 5', box, w/teeth, Like New

6', box blade FORD, 6', dozer 2) HENKE, 11', snow blade 8', pickup snow blade, made to fit JD 4020

WAGONS

PARKER, w/Top Air Conveyor ANTHONY, 5x10, box wagon LINDSAY, flare box wagon Gravity wagons: DMI, PARKER, KILLBROS,

FARM KING, EZ FLOW, DAKON, WESTENDORF,

TRUCKS, VEHICLES & TRAILERS

1999 FORD F-350, V10, auto, w/ Hiniker snow blade 1995 FORD F-250, 7.3, 5 sp., 195,500 mi 1992 DODGE 250, Cummins, auto, 4x4, w/bale bed 1989 FORD L-8000, 7.8 Ford, 15 sp., twin screw, w/24' Jerden roll back bed 1983 FORD F-700, V8, 5 sp., 6x4, w/water tank 1981 CHEVY Top Kick, 3208 CAT, 5x2, single axle, 5th

1973 IH 1600, V8, 5x2, w/16' box & hoist 1973 IH 1600, V6, 5x2, w/water tank 2006 ACURA TL, V6, auto 2005 BUICK Rendevouz. V6.

1996 LINCOLN Towncar, V8, 1992 ACURA Legend, V6, auto Lawn mower trailer

MISC. EQUIPMENT

HITCH DOC HDS8210, 7', 3 pt. snow blower, Like New Fiberglass Fert Sprdr. On trailer DEGELMAN, pto, rock picker JD LF-10, fert. Sprdr. FETERL, 10", drive over, hyd. drive, auger, Like New Pasture Renovator, 3 pt. Post hole digger Sprayer, 100 gal., w/gas engine Sprayer, 150 gal., 3 pt. JD GATOR, 4x2, Needs work

JD AMT 600, 5 wheeler Flatbed, 7'x12', hyd., trailer MEYERS, snow balde CRAFTSMAN, chipper-shredder Pick up fuel tank, 100 gal., w/ hand pump

MISCELLANEOUS

Truck flathed IH cab Ottawa, quick tach for JD 158 JD Joy stick 30-40 Series

JD no till coulters K&M step for 856 Backhoe bucket, 12" 2) 9x8 garage doors w/openers 2', 4' & 5', pallet racking 75) stackable, metal chairs Misc, New Drain pipe Misc., New Metal trim JD, no till fert. Openers 4) Yetter, no till coulters, New Kinze planter boxes. New IH flat top fenders WEIGHTS: JD front, 30, 40, 50 & 60 Series JD front brackets 30-60 Series

AC front IH front, 75 & 100 lb.

IH front brackets CASE front

TIRES

Listed in pairs unless noted otherwise: New Firestone, 23.1x26

18.4x38, clamp on duals 20.8x34, clamp on duals 3) 20.5Rx25 20.5x25

18.4x38, 10 bolt duals, Good tires

231x34, AC combine, Good Tires

16.9x24, 8 bolt, Good Tires 1) 184Rx38, 10 bolt, Firestone, Good 18.4x38, 9 bolt, Good tires

23.1x26 JD combine 1) 18.4x38 rim 18.4x34 clamp on duals. Good Tires

23.1x26, IH combine RC, Good 18.4x38, Clamp on duals, Good 15.5x25, 6 bolt, Good 15.5x25 24.5x32, combine rims

23.1x26, IH combine RC 18.4x38, 10 bolt, IH hubs 16x38, 10 bolt, w/hubs 28Lx26. JD combine 18.4x26, combine 16.9x34, clamp on duals 18.4x38, clamp on duals, Good 18.4x42. JD cast 18.4x38 JD 10 bolt hubs 20.8x38, clamp on duals

18.4x38. 9 bolt duals 18.4x38, clamp on duals 16.9x24, Case rims 18.4x38, clamp on duals 18.4x30, clamp on duals

18.4x26. JD combine 18.4Rxx38 clamp on duals 20.8x38, 10 bolt duals 15.5x25 18.4x38, clamp on duals

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Meat exports see double-digit October increase

ports continued to build momentum in October, with both achieving double-digit increases from a year ago, according to statistics released by USDA and compiled by the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF).

October pork exports totaled 201,936 metric tons (mt), up 14 percent year-overyear and the largest monthly volume since March 2014. Export value was \$521.1 million, up 16 percent. For January through October, export volume was 6 percent above last year's pace at 1.86 million mt, while export value was up 3 percent to \$4.79 billion.

Exports accounted for 25.5 percent of total pork production in October and 21 percent for muscle cuts only. For January-October, exports accounted for 25 percent of total production - up a full percentage point from a year ago - and 21 percent for muscle cuts, up



slightly. Export value per head slaughtered averaged \$47 in October, up 8 percent year-over-year, while January-October export value averaged \$49, steady with the same period last year.

October beef export volume was 105,938 mt, up 12 percent from a year ago, while export value climbed 10 percent to \$559.5 million. For January through October, export volume was up 9 percent from a year ago at 954,868 mt, while value was down 3 percent to \$5.1 billion. Beef muscle cut exports were especially strong in October at 75,903 mt – the largest volume in two years.

Beef exports accounted for 14 percent of total production in October and 11 percent for muscle cuts only. January-October ratios were just over 13 percent and 10 percent, respectively - up slightly from the same period last year. Export value per head of fed slaughter averaged \$269.35 in October, up 5 percent year-over-year. Through the first ten months of 2016, export value averaged \$254.71 per head, down 8 percent.

"With pork production at a record level and beef production also on the rise, it is imperative that we work to expand global demand and accelerate the volume of product entering the international markets," said Philip Seng, USMEF president and CEO. "With strong support from USDA, our U.S. industry partners and our international contacts, USMEF has intensified its marketing efforts in key destinations and capitalized on opportunities to regain market share - not only in mainstay markets such as

Korea, but in a wide range of countries. This has laid the groundwork for a strong finish to this year and further growth in 2017.'

Led by Mexico, pork exports strengthen in Western Hemisphere markets

Pork exports to Mexico remained strong in October, increasing 9 percent from a vear ago in volume (65.271 mt) and 6 percent in value (\$115.2 million). For January through October, exports to Mexico pulled within 2 percent of last year's record pace in volume (576,008 mt) and remained 1 percent higher in value (\$1.05 billion). This strong performance has been especially supportive of prices for U.S. hams, the highest-volume export item to Mexico. Through October, in pesos, U.S. ham prices were 21 percent higher than a year ago while demand in Mexico remained strong. Ham prices strengthened further in November, and weekly export data showed even larger shipments to Mexico. To overcome the difficult exchange rate situation, USMEF has emphasized the quality and consistency of U.S hams with Mexico's meat processors and worked with these companies on new product development.

Pork exports to leading value market Japan were also strong in October, increasing 4 percent from a year ago in volume (30,987 mt) and 9 percent in value (\$127.9 million). Through the first 10 months of the vear, exports to Japan were 7 percent below last year's pace in volume (320,491 mt) and 4 percent lower in value (\$1.29 billion). Chilled pork exports to Japan remained on a record pace through October, totaling 180,793 mt. Pork muscle cut exports

to China/Hong Kong continued to moderate in October, reflecting a rebound in China's domestic pork production, but variety meat exports to the region remained strong. For January through October, total pork/ pork variety meat exports to China/Hong Kong were up 66 percent from a year ago in volume (450,257 mt) and 55 percent higher in value (\$878.8 million).

Other January-October highlights for U.S. pork exports include:

After a slow first half of 2016, exports to Colombia continue to rebound. Though January-October exports were still down 13 percent year-over-year in volume (30,713 mt) and 20 percent in value (\$70.6 million), October exports climbed 68 percent in volume (5.862) mt) and 77 percent in value (\$14.6 million). October muscle cut exports to Colombia were the largest on record at 5,428 mt, up 58 percent from a year ago.

Following a slowdown in September, pork exports to Central America rebounded strongly in October, especially in Honduras, Guatemala and Panama. January-October exports to Central America were up 18 percent from a year ago in volume (53,259 mt) and 12 percent in value (\$126.9 million).

Exports to the Dominican Republic were 9 percent above last year's pace in volume (20,945 mt) and 4 percent higher in value (\$45.8 million), including a 32 percent increase in October export value (\$4.8 mil-

Although January-October exports to Korea remain well below last year's large

muscle cut exports to Korea reached 11 469 mt in October, the largest since March. Combined pork/pork variety meat exports were 12,121, up 11 percent from a year ago. October export value climbed 26 percent to \$33.8 million.

Beef exports set new monthly record in Taiwan; chilled exports continue to shine

October beef exports were highlighted by a record performance in Taiwan, where volume was up 90 percent from a year ago to 5,177 mt. This pushed January-October exports to Taiwan to 35,241 mt (up 20 percent year-over-year) valued at \$284.9 million, up 7 percent and on track for a new record.

October exports were also outstanding to Japan, where volume soared 40 percent to 20,089 mt valued at \$119.8 million (up 34 percent). January-October exports to Japan were up 21 percent in volume (213.636 mt) and 13 percent in value (\$1.24 billion). Japan's October imports of chilled U.S. beef exceeded chilled imports from Australia for the second consecutive month.

In Korea, October exports were 16,897 mt (up 63 percent year-over-year) valued at \$98.8 million (up 68 percent). January-October exports to Korea were 139,592 mt valued at \$814.2 million, up 36 percent and 21 percent, respectively, from a year ago. Export value to Korea is on pace to exceed the 2014 record of \$847.4 million, and with a strong finish could approach the \$1 billion mark in 2016.

Chilled beef exports to both Japan and Korea have excelled in 2016, with shipments to both markets up nearly 40 percent yearover-year. Through October, chilled exports were the largest on record to Korea and the largest to Japan

Other January-October highlights for U.S. beef exports include:

Despite the persistent weakness of the peso, beef exports to Mexico were up 8 percent from a year ago to 195,799 mt, though export value to Mexico has trended lower this year (\$812.1 million, down 11 percent).

While January-October exports to Hong Kong were lower year-over-year (86,943 mt, down 6 percent, valued at \$525.2 million, down 18 percent), October exports were easily the largest of the year in both volume (11,998 mt) and value (\$72.8 million).

Fueled by strong growth in Indonesia and Vietnam, exports to the ASEAN region increased 27 percent in volume (22,206 mt) and 3 percent in value (\$119 mil-

Despite a decline to leading destination Egypt, beef liver exports increased 9 percent to 67,394. Larger volumes to Mexico and the addition of South Africa, a promising liver market that reopened earlier this year, offset lower shipments to Egypt, which takes about 75 percent of U.S. liver ex-

Lamb exports trend lower, but muscle cuts improve

October exports of U.S. lamb fell 31 percent from a year ago to 600 mt, but this was due to a steep decline in variety meat exports. Lamb muscle cut exports were 224 mt, up 19 percent. Lamb export value in October was \$1.41 million, down 4 percent. January-October exports were down 6 percent from a year ago in both volume (7,120 mt) and value (\$14.8 million), as gains in Bermuda, Hong Kong, the ASEAN region and the United Arab Emirates were offset by lower exports to leading market Mexico.



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Garden City sports editor awarded Pro Rodeo honor

A Garden City man has won the PRCA's Media Awards Excellence in Rodeo Print Journalism.

Brett Marshall, sports editor for the Garden City Telegram, was honored with the award during the PRCA's annual awards banquet held in Las Vegas on November 30.

Marshall got involved in rodeo when he moved back to his hometown area eight years ago. As sports editor for the Telegram, he covered the Beef Empire Days Rodeo, held annually in June. He hadn't covered a rodeo since the 1980s in Hutchinson, and it was new to him. Rodeo personnel, including secretary Barb Duggan and stock contractors Jim and T.J. Korkow of Korkow Rodeo helped him, giving him the information he needed and introducing him to cowboys and rodeo contract personnel.

Since then, Marshall has covered the Beef Empire Days

every year and loves it. "Those three days I cover the rodeo are three most fun days I have all year." He credits Jim and T.J. Korkow and the rodeo crew for making it enjoyable. "They make it fun. It doesn't feel like work when I go there."

His rodeo stories have ranged from interviews with winning cowboys to the livestock. One year, he wrote a story from the perspective of a bucking bull. The story was well-received, he said. "It got a lot of responses."

Tom Blackburn, a former member of the Beef Empire Days rodeo committee, said Marshall is deserving of the award. When Marshall first covered the rodeo eight years ago, "He got right in there, and even though he didn't know anything about rodeo, he asked questions and worked hard at establishing relationships and getting to know rodeo."

Marshall, who was involved in amateur golf, among other

sports throughout his career, has developed a love for the sport and the contestants. "They're the most courteous group of athletes I deal with, far and away," he said. "I have a high regard for what they do. When they earn their winnings, it's what they've done, and nobody else has done it for them. I think the cowboy competitor in the PRCA is a very committed individual and they love what they do. They do it with a passion.'

Other media category winners include Excellence in Rodeo Photography, won by Ric Andersen, and Excellence in Rodeo Broadcast Journalism, won by Marty Campbell.

The PRCA Media Awards are given each year to winners in the categories of rodeo photography, rodeo broadcast, and print journalism, for their excellence in portraying pro rodeo.

Berger named 2016 K-State Animal Sciences & Industry Distinguished Alumnus

Dr. Larry Berger, this year's Kansas State University Department of Animal Sciences and Industry Distinguished Alumnus, has had a notable career as a researcher, professor and department head. Berger was recognized for his accomplishments and presented the 2016 Distinguished Alumnus Award Wednesday. Dec. 7 in Weber Hall on the K-State campus.

Through the years, Berg-

er has received numerous awards for teaching and research. His research emphasis was on the use of protein and energy nutrition and animal management techniques to improve the production efficiency of beef cattle. He was author or co-author of more than 330 research publications and was nationally recognized for research excellence with the American Society of Animal Science

Ruminant Nutrition Award. He served on the NRC subcommittee to produce the 1996 Nutrient Requirements of Beef Cattle and he made five trips to consult feedlots in China, and gave invited presentations in seven countries.

A native of Waterville, he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from K-State ASI in 1973 and 1975. During his time at K-State he was on the livestock judg-

He began his faculty career at the University of Illinois after receiving his doctoral degree in ruminant nutrition from University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1978. He was at Illinois for 31 vears and then in 2009 was named animal science department head at UNL.

"Larry is uniformly respected by his fellow scientists because he has technical excellence in nutrition

and he has combined this industry challenge, the rewith a great understanding sult being that he always of animal agriculture," says provided science-based Evan Titgemeyer, K-State solutions with both applied and basic understanding of ASI graduate program director and research coordiboth the problem and solunator. "Because of Larry's tion." technical expertise, research excellence, inviting

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Berger retired in July 2016 from UNL and now he and his wife, Sue, live in Champaign, Illinois. The couple has three children — Eric, Nadia and Austin.

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Rabobank: supply-driven global meat markets to put pressure on prices

St. Louis, Mo. (December 12, 2016) – Consumers are set to benefit from downward pressure on global meat prices during 2017, according to a new report from the Rabobank Food & Agribusiness Research and Advisory group. The report, Prices Under Pressure in a Supply-Driven Market: Global Outlook for Animal Protein in 2017, also finds:

- High supply and competitive market expected to push down current prices
- China forecast to maintain record levels of pork imports into 2017
- More complex production market forecast, with pressure to mitigate threats including concerns over antibiotic use and greenhouse

While global meat consumption continues to rise, a supply-driven and more competitive market will create challenges for producers, putting pressure on prices and margins, Rabobank forecasts. The predictions are included in its report Prices Under Pressure in a Supply-Driven Market: Global Outlook for Animal Protein in 2017.

Rabobank predicts that

China will continue to exert a huge influence on global meat markets. The world's most populous country increased pork imports to record levels in 2016 and Rabobank forecasts these import levels will remain constant next year. China's beef and poultry imports are also expected to rise.

In the U.S., production is expected to continue growing, but consumers' appetites are being tested as record levels are reached. The strong dollar and uncertainty over future trading relationships with China and Mexico create potential headwinds for American producers. The U.S. is currently the world's largest exporter of pork to China, excluding the EU.

Justin Sherrard, Rabobank's global strategist - animal protein, said, "In a market driven by supply, we expect prices to come under pressure next year – a boon to consumers but a clear challenge for producers and processors. With rising demand, we forecast that China will maintain its 2016 record levels of pork imports next year and could increasingly seek something

akin to 'imports-plus', locking in supply as it targets food safety and security for its growing population. Meanwhile, U.S. producers head into 2017 grappling with the potential of changes to the country's trade policy and further currency movements. Indeed, with worldwide currency fluctuations depending on political machinations as well as central bank decisions, we are becoming accustomed to expecting the unexpected."

Elsewhere, Rabobank predicts an increasingly complex production market, making it more challenging for producers to exploit opportunities. They may come under additional pressure to adapt their systems to mitigate threats including the focus on antibiotics use, the attention on livestock as a source of greenhouse gases and growing retailer competition. Rabobank highlights that this complexity is creating new growth opportunities for the producers and processors that read the market well and respond swiftly.

They are likely to respond by strengthening supply chains, coordinating inputs and increasing transparency to improve traceability in supply chains, Ra-

bobank says. Justin Sherrard added. "The onus is very much on producers to mitigate the concerns of consumers, particularly around animal health and welfare issues, by adapting their production models and supply chains. This is a challenge which will continue to be a major theme in 2017."

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COMBINES
2011, CaseIH8120, 1467/998Hrs, R(W) Tag#175312 \$199,900(W)
2013, Case IH7230, 1042/747 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 176540\$207,000(W)
2011, Case IH 7088, 1639/1220 Hrs, R(W) Tag#178388
2014, Case IH 6130, 693/583 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 176088 \$219,000(W)
2009, JD 9770STS, 2100/1424Hrs, 2WD Tag#176988\$127,500(S)
2003, JD9750STS, 3879/2837Hrs, 2WD, W/930RHeadTag#176620\$59,500(G)
2011, New Holland CR9060, 1003/750Hrs, 2WDTag#176129\$195,000(G)
2010, New Holland CR9060, 1005/691 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 168553 \$159,900(S)
2011, New Holland CR9060, 1203/982 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 172113\$149,900(M)
2008, New Holland CR9060, 2430 Hrs, R(W) Tag# 178010 \$135,000(E)
2008, New Holland CR9060, 1665/1125 Hrs, R(W) Tag# 171947\$129,900(C)
2007, New Holland CR9060, 1350/985 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 177028\$119,500(H)
2005, New Holland CR960, 2116/1497 Hrs, R(W) Tag# 172066\$89,500(S)
1997, New Holland TR98, 4507/3470 Hrs, 2WD Tag# 166656\$18,900(E)
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1997, New Holland 1R98, 4507/3470 Hrs, 2WD 1ag# 16	0000 \$18,900(E)
PLATFORM HEADS	
2010, CaseIH2162, 35' FlexDraperTag#176364	\$46,000(E)
2011, Case IH 3020, 35' Flex Head Tag# 176336	\$24,000(E)
2013, Case IH 3020, 25' FlexHead Tag# 178456	\$24,500(S)
2011, CaseIH3020, 25'FlexHeadTag#179043	\$22,500(W)
2006, CaseIH2020, 30'FlexHeadTag#171221	\$9,500(W)
1996, Case IH 1020, 25 FlexHead Tag# 176460	\$12,500(W)
1999, Case IH 1020, 25' Flex Head Tag# 177099	\$7,900(W)
1994, Case IH 1020, 25' Flex Head Tag#170672	\$4,900(H)
1991, Case IH 1010, 25' Rigid Head Tag# 177531	\$4,500(C)
2011, Gleaner 9250, 40' Flex Draper Tag#175841	\$45,000(M)
2010, Gleaner 9250, 30' Flex Draper Tag# 167297	\$37,500(M)
2011, John Deere 635F, 35' Flex Head Tag#175180	\$19,900(T)
1996, John Deere 930 F, 30' Flex Head Tag#177904	\$9,500(H)
1996, John Deere 930 R, 30' Rigid Head Tag#170097	\$5,900(E)
2010, MacDonFD70, 35'FlexDraperTag#178021	\$49,500(E)
2008, New Holland 88C, 36'Flex Draper Tag# 176901	\$34,500(E)
2012, NewHolland880CF, 30'FlexDraperTag#165073	\$49,500(W)
2014, New Holland 740CF, 35' Flex Head Tag# 176280	\$24,000(T)
2011, NewHolland740CF, 30'FlexHeadTag#179047	\$22,500(W)
2012, New Holland 740 CF, 25' Flex Head Tag# 176144	\$21,900(M)
2008, New Holland 74C, 30' Flex Head Tag# 165707	\$18,900(H)
2008, NewHolland74C, 30'FlexHeadTag#170231	\$14,900(G)
1999, New Holland 971, 30' Rigid Head Tag#168330	\$6,900(E)
1993, New Holland 971, 30' Rigid Head Tag#166027	\$3,900(C)

CORN HEADS	
2013, Capello 830C, 8 Row, 30", Chopping Tag# 175506	\$49,500(S
2014, Case IH 4408, 8 Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 176228	\$45,900(W)
2014, Case IH 4408, 8 Row, 30°, Hydraulic Tag# 176087	\$49,500(M)
2012, Case IH 3408, 8 Row, 30°, Hydraulic Tag# 170512	\$39,500(S
2011, Case IH 3408, 8 Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 167191	\$29,900(S)
1998, Case IH 1083, 8 Row, 30" Tag# 171440	\$8,500(W)
1998, Case IH 1083, 8 Row, 30" Tag# 177532	\$8,500(C)
1983, International 863, 6 Row, 30" Tag# 174977	\$3,900(W
2015, Drago N12, 12 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 176544	\$69,900(D)
2011. Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 171183	\$34,900(W)
2011, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 171642	\$34,900(W
2012, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 171415	\$34,900(M)
2010, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 176186	
2013, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag# 179000	\$39,500(W
2011, Drago N8, 8Row, 30°, Self-Adjusting, Tag#168142	\$34,900(G)
2011, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag#171193	\$34,900(M)
2010, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag#178188	\$34,900(C)
2010, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag#166383	\$34,900(W)
2010, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30", Self-Adjusting, Tag#166766	\$34,900(W)
2009, Drago N8, 8 Row, 30°, Self-Adjusting, Tag# 178600	\$24,500(T)
2010, Gleaner 3000, 12 Row, 30", Electric Tag# 171661	\$34,900(W)
2004, Gleaner 3000, 12 Row, 30", Electric Tag# 171303	\$19,500(M)
2008, Gleaner 3000, 6 Row, 30", Electric Tag# 176919	\$14,900(S
1992, Gleaner 830 HUGGER, 8 Row, 30" Tag# 171936	\$4,500(H)
2008, John Deere 612C, 12Row, 30°, Hydraulic Tag#172704	\$34.900(E)
2010, John Deere 608C, 8 Row, 30" Tag# 170531	\$29,500(S
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2009, New Holland 98D, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag#170948	\$29,900(S
2010, New Holland 98D, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 178663	
2008. New Holland 98C, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 169937	\$19,900(M)
2005, New Holland 98C, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag#166434	\$17,500(W)
2002, New Holland 96C, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 168176	
1999, New Holland 996, 8Row, 30", Hydraulic Tag# 168106	
1996, New Holland 974 , 8 Row, 30" Tag# 175967	\$7,500(W

TRACTORS 175 + HP
2008, Case IH QUADTRAC 485, 3227 Hrs, 5 Remotes, PTO, 3PT Tag# 175338\$189,000(W)
2014, CaseIHMAGNUM315, 564Hrs, Luxury Cab Tag#173853\$194,500(W)
2015, Case IH MAGNUM 250, 260 Hrs, PowerShift Trans.
Tag# 179027 \$175,000(W)
2011, Case IH MAGNUM 225, 2956 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178526\$119,500(D)
2006, Case IH MX275, 4600 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178527 \$99,500(G)
2004, Case IH MXM190, 5866HrsLoaderTag#178662\$62,500(M)
1995, John Deere 8870 , 8130Hrs, Power SyncTrans. Tag#178079\$49,500(E)
1980, John Deere 4840 , PowerShift, LoaderTag#178055 \$19,500(E)
2005, New Holland TJ325, 7841 Hrs, 3PT, PTO Tag#176604\$97,500(G)
1995, New Holland 9680, 7933 Hrs, 4 Remotes Tag# 173549 \$49,500(E)
1995, New Holland 9680 , 7565 Hrs, 4 Remotes Tag# 170083\$37,500(E)
2014. New Holland T8.360, 200 Hrs, Luxury Cab Tag# 166883\$179,500(W)
2013, New Holland T8.360, 400 Hrs, Luxury Cab Tag# 165376\$172,500(W)
2012, NewHollandT8.360, 1245Hrs, LuxuryCabTag#176891\$169,900(E)
2008, New Holland T8050, 3646 Hrs, MegaFlow Tag#176811 \$129,500(S)
2008, New Holland T8010, 1850 Hrs, SuperSteer Tag# 178363\$97,500(W)
2005, New Holland TG230, 4050 Hrs, SuperSteer Tag# 179007\$78,500(W)
2007, New Holland TG215, 2685 Hrs, SuperSteer Tag#177041\$92,500(H)
1979, New Holland TW30, 8320 Hrs, 3 Remotes Tag# 177510 \$19,500(C)
2012, Versatile 250, 1385 Hrs, 4 Remotes Tag# 175762\$105,000(E)

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TRACTORS < 99 HP	
2010, Bobcat CT445, 703 Hrs, Loader, ROPS Tag#174068	\$19,900(E)
2010, Case IH FARMALL40, 696Hrs, ROPS Tag#178963	\$12,500(W)
1984, Ford 4610, 2WD, Loader Tag# 178614	\$9,500(T)
International 666, 2WD, Loader, Cab Tag# 175792	\$8,900(E)
1971, International 656, 2WD, Gas, 1 Remote Tag# 178793	\$4,500(W)
2002, John Deere 6420, 4000 Hrs, Loader, C/H/A Tag# 175615	\$55,000(T)
2006, JD 3720HST, 2275 Hrs, 1 Remote, ROPS Tag# 177712	\$15,900(W)
2013, Massey 4609, 869Hrs, Loader, C/H/ATag#178256	\$45,000(T)
2006, Massey 5445, 4760 Hrs, 1 Remote, ROPS Tag# 171583	\$17,900(C)
1975, Massey 1085, 4600 Hrs, 2WD, Cab Tag# 178023	\$7,800(E)
2003, New Holland TS100, 4016Hrs, 2WD, C/H/ATag#171568	\$21,900(C)
2002, NewHollandTS100, 2350Hrs, 2WD, C/H/ATag#177982.	\$24,900(M)
2000, New Holland TS100, 5800 Hrs, 2WD, C/H/A Tag#178048	\$22,500(E)
2012, NHPWRSTART4.75, 749Hrs, Loader, C/H/ATag#177710	\$45,900(W)
2015, NHPWRSTART4.75, 124Hrs, Loader, C/H/ATag#178902.	\$44,500(C)
2012, NH PWRSTAR T4.75, 613 Hrs, ROPS Tag# 177427	\$33,900(W)
2015, NHWORKMASTER55, 246Hrs, 2WD, ROPSTag#177727	\$18,500(S)
2009, NHBOOMER3045, 1000 Hrs, Loader, ROPS Tag# 175186	\$22,900(T)
1950, Ford 8N, 2WD, Gas, 540 PTO Tag#171799	\$2,000(E)
1950, Ford 9N, 2WD, Gas, 540 PTO Tag# 176893	\$3,250(E)
2001, JD 4500, 458 Hrs, Loader, W/Attachments Tag# 178904	\$17,000(C)
2015, JD3038E, 30Hrs, Loader Tag#178985	\$23,900(W)
2012, NHBOOMER 30, 24Hrs, Loader Tag#173755	\$16,900(S)

WINDROWERS	
2013, Case IH WD2303, 1206 Hrs, 19 DiscHead Tag# 174835	\$94,000(D
2011, Case IH WD1203, 650 Hrs, 16' Head Tag# 178325	\$79,500(W
2013, John Deere R450, 1294 Hrs, 16' DiscHead Tag#170800	\$86,900(D
1998, John Deere 4890, 4200 Hrs, 18' Head Tag#178524	\$22,500(G
2013, Massey WR9770, 614Hrs, 16'DiscHead Tag#172822	\$109,500(G
2014, NHSPEEDROWER240, 284Hrs, No.HeadTag#176421	\$129,900(W
2014, NHSPEEDROWER130, 600Hrs, 16'HeadTag#178087	\$91,500(E
2014, NHSPEEDROWER130, 375Hrs, 16'HeadTag#178101	\$92,500(E
2009, New Holland H8080, 2400 Hrs, 15.5 DiscHead Tag#1768i	30\$72,500(E
2014, NewHolland H8060, 431Hrs, 16'DiscHead Tag#176000	\$109,900(W
2010, New Holland H8060, 1602 Hrs, 15.5 Disc Tag# 178652	\$79,500(M
2013, New Holland H8040, 1021 Hrs, 16'Head Tag#175434	\$82,500(E
2013, New Holland H8040, 791 Hrs, 16' Head Tag# 178329	\$79,500(W
2014, New Holland H8040, 1367 Hrs, 18'Head Tag#176503	\$76,500(D
2014, NewHolland H8040, 1397Hrs, 18'Head Tag#176504	\$76,500(D
2012, NewHolland H8040, 700 Hrs, 16'Head Tag# 178092	\$77,500(E
2013, NewHolland H8040, 1970 Hrs, 18' Head Tag#171129	\$71,900(G
2013, NewHolland H8040, 2209Hrs, 18'HeadTag#171130	\$69,900(G
2011, New Holland H8040, 1896Hrs, 18'HeadTag#171138	\$68,900(G
2011, NewHolland H8040, 3073Hrs, 18'HeadTag#175080	\$68,400(G
2009, New Holland H8040, 2563 Hrs, 18' Head Tag#166814	\$52,500(D
2005, NewHolland HW365, 2048 Hrs, 18' DiscHead Tag#173000	\$59,900(C
2001, New Holland HW320, 2432 Hrs, 18'Head Tag#178512	\$22,900(G
1995, New Holland 2550, 2964 Hrs, 18' Head Tag# 178049	\$27,500(E
1995, NewHolland 2550, 3817 Hrs, 18'Head Tag#170736	\$19,900(D
1997, NewHolland 2550, 3550 Hrs, 16'Head Tag#176560	\$21,900(D

2013, CaseIHMAXXUM110, 1359Hrs, LoaderTag#177388	\$77,500(H)
2009, CaselHMAXXUM125, 2265Hrs, LoaderTag#176806	
2012, CaselHMAXXUM140, 2650Hrs, LoaderTag#178853	\$79,500(H)
2015, CaseIHPUMA 130, 200Hrs, Powershift Tag#178311	
2000, Case IH MX110, 11,446 Hrs, Loader Tag# 177409	
2005, Case IH MXU125, 4157 Hrs, Loader Tag# 172740	
1998, CaselH8920, 9085Hrs, Loader Tag#178674	
1978, International 3588, Tag# 178980.	
2005, John Deere 6420, 3650 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178861	\$49.500(H)
1992, John Deere 4560, 10,000 Hrs, Power Shift Tag#177893	
1984, John Deere 4250, 10,600 Hrs, 2WD Tag #178997	
2015, MF6615DELUXE, 789Hrs, Dyna6Trans, Tag#177665	
2012, MF 5480 , 856 Hrs, Loader Tag# 176115	
2002, McCormickMTX110, 2041Hrs, Loader Tag#177110	\$47.500(W)
2013, New Holland T5.115 , 824 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178406	
2014, New Holland T6.140 , 846 Hrs, Loader Tag# 177132	
2013, NewHollandT6.140, 922Hrs, Semi-PwrShiftTag#176701	
2013, NewHollandT6.140, 912Hrs, Semi-PwrShiftTag#176702	
2012, New Holland T6.155 , 1259 Hrs, Loader Tag# 177426	
2013, New Holland T6.165 , 757 Hrs, Loader Tag# 175301	
2013, New Holland T6.165 , 757 His, Loader Tag# 176906	
2013, New Holland T6.165 , 513 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178903	
2014, New Holland T6.165, 615 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178004	
2013, New Holland T6.165, 856 Hrs, Loader Tag# 177907 2013, New Holland T6.165, 872 Hrs, Semi-PwrShift Tag#175303	
2013, New Holland T6.165 , 821Hrs, SuperSteer Tag#176001	
2013, NewHolland T6.165, 370Hrs, Semi-PwrShift Tag#174104	
2014, New Holland T6.165, 726Hrs, Semi-PwrShift Tag#176010	
2013, New Holland T 6.175, 375 Hrs, Loader Tag#175955	
2013, NewHollandT6.175, 427Hrs, LoaderTag#175954	
2014, New Holland T 6.175, 568 Hrs, Semi-Power Shift Tag#17600	
2013, New Holland T6.175, 505Hrs, SuperSteer Tag#175053	
2013, NewHollandT6.175, 922Hrs, SuperSteerTag#176706	
2013, NewHolland T6.175, 1046Hrs, SuperSteerTag#176704	
2014, New Holland T6.175, 354Hrs, SuperSteer Tag# 177909	
2012, New Holland T7.170, 591 Hrs, Loader Tag# 171602	
2012, NewHollandT7.210, 380Hrs, PowerShiftTag#172052	
2011, New Holland T6030 PLUS, 1423 Hrs, Loadr Tag# 177340	
2008, New Holland T6050, 3000 Hrs, Loader Tag# 175708	
2013, New Holland T6070, 814 Hrs, Loader Tag# 176003	
2013, New Holland T6070, 1465 Hrs, Semi-PwrShift Tag#176005	
2011, NewHollandT6070PLUS, 1337Hrs, LoaderTag#176896	The second secon
2007, NHT6070PLUS, 5400Hrs, Semi-PowerShiftTag#178567	
2000, New Holland TM150, 4340 Hrs, Loader Tag# 177903	
2008, New Holland TV6070, 3565 Hrs, Loader Tag# 173790	
2002, New Holland TV140, 4485 Hrs, Loader Tag# 172142	
2000, New Holland TV140, 7185 Hrs, Loader Tag# 178528	\$39,500(G)

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\$91,500(E)	201
\$92,500(E)	201
\$72,500(E)	200
109,900(W)	200
\$79,500(M)	200
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\$79,500(W)	201
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\$71,900(G)	200
\$69,900(G)	200
\$68,900(G)	
\$68,400(G)	200
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\$27,500(G)	
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\$21,900(D)	
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MOWER CONDITIONERS	
1998, Hesston1340, 12'Disc, Center-PivotTag#178059	\$9,500(E)
2013, John Deere 946, 13 Disc, Center-Pivot, Flails Tag# 178207	\$24,500(W)
2010, MacDonA30-D, 14', Center-Pivot, SteelRollsTag#176663	\$22,500(C)
2009, MacDon A30-D, 16', Center-Pivot, Steel Rolls Tag#175731.	\$18,900(E)
2012, NH H7560, 16' Disc, Center-Pivot, Flails Tag# 174021	\$27,900(E)
2011, NHH7560, 16'Disc, Center-Pivot, Flails Tag#171778	\$19,900(E)
2010, NHH7550, 13'Disc, Center-Pivot, Flails Tag#177525	\$25,000(C)
2011, NWH7460, 16'Disc, Center-Pivot, RubberRolls Tag#175438	\$18,500(E)
2001, NH1475, 16", Center-Pivot, RubberRolls Tag#178020	\$9,950(E)
2002, NH1475, 16', Center-Pivot, Rubber Rolls Tag#178014	\$9,500(E)
2008, NH499, 12', Center-Pivot, RubberRolls Tag#175678	\$6,900(H)
2002, NH499, 12', Center-Pivot, Rubber Rolls Tag#172291	\$7,900(W)
2010, NH 488, 9', Side-Pull, RubberRolls Tag#178619	\$9,950(T)
YEAR-END BLOW OUT!	

2006.	Case	IH MXL	1115, 39	40 Hrs.	KMW	Loader	Tag#	177336
		Was\$	48.300 N	ow	\$46,9	50(W)		
2006,	Cas	e M	XU-115,	FW	A,	Ta	ag#	177337
		Was	\$41,000N	low	\$32,8	50(W)		
2006.	Case	IH	MXU115		3454	Hrs.	Tag#	177334
		Was\$	39,500N	ow	\$32,9	50(W)		
2006.	New	Holland	TM120,	4870	Hrs.	Loader	Tag#	177345
		Was\$	41,950 N	ow	\$39,7	50(H)		
2006,	New	Holland	TM120,	3281	Hrs.	Loader	Tag#	177346
		Was 5	43,900N	OW	.\$39,1	50(T)		
2009,	New Ho	olland Te	020 DEL1	A. 288	7 Hrs. 2	WD, C/F	I/A Tag#	177356
		Was	\$34,100N	IOW	.\$24,1	150(E)		
2008,	New H	olland 7	6030 DE	LTA.	2511 F	rs, Load	dr Tag#	177335
		Was \$4	7,800 NO	WC	544,7	50(E)		
2003,	Masse	y 4345	3697	Hrs.	2WD.	C/H/A	Tag#	177343
		Was	18,950 N	OW	\$13,9	00(W)		
2003,	Masse	y 4345	3685	Hrs.	2WD.	C/H/A	Tag#	177349
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December 31 - Winchester commemorative guns & other Winchester

long guns, other long guns, hand guns, collectible ammo at Abilene for Alan & Barbara Pettijohn. Auctioneers: Revnolds Auction

December 31 — Harley Gerdes 32nd annual New

Years consignment auction at Lyndon.

January 7, 2017 — Vintage advertising signs & advertising memorabilia, vintage pedal vehicles & construction/farm toys, collectibles & misc. at Lawrence. Auctioneers: Elston Auction. & Auction Service.

January 10. 2017 tracts of land in Saline County held at Salina. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

January 14, 2017 — Real estate & equipment held at Summerfield for CG's Grocery Store. Auctioneers: Olmsteds & Sandstrom.

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Grass & Grain, December 20, 2016 tioneers: Wilson

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> January 24, 2017 - 575 acres Franklin County land in 5 tracts held at Ottawa for L.A. "Art" Witham Estate. Auctioneers: Miller &

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February 3 — 160 acres m/l Marshall County land held at Frankfort for Johnny C. Bramhall Estate. Auctioneers: Horigan Auction.

March 11, 2017 — Annual Concordia Optimist Club consignment auction at Concordia.

with carcass results DNA scores align Red Angus

Cattlemen and women frequently ask if DNA scores are truly predictive of phenotypic results. A recent study completed by the Red Angus Association gathered DNA data on a set of Red Angus calves and followed the cattle through harvest. collecting phenotypic data. The results illustrated the Igenity® DNA scores accurately predicted carcass weight, marbling score and overall carcass value.

The cattle were raised and owned by Bob and Elaine Yackley of Onida, South Dakota, and fed at a custom feed yard. A total of 91 head of 2015-born steers comprised the group that was DNA-tested with Igenity Silver and followed through data on each individual animal.

The top 25 head with the highest DNA scores for Average Daily Gain (ADG) and marbling were compared to the bottom 25 head, which exhibited the lowest combined DNA scores for the same two traits. Summarized results for the two groups are shown in the table.

This comparative analysis reveals that the top-DNAscoring steers produced heavier carcass weights as a result of faster rates of gain (21-pound advantage). They also had higher average marbling scores and higher quality grades, with notably more upper-two-thirds fed-cattle market, the difference in value between the two groups was \$50.60 per head favoring the high-DNA-scoring steers. Weight and marbling make a big difference when selling cattle on a grid.

"These cattle had the right combinations of genetics and management in addition to being fed to the correct endpoint," explained Gary Fike, RAAA director of commercial marketing. "The fact that out of the 50 head in this comparison, there was only one Yield Grade 4 in the low-DNA group and none among the top-DNA steers is a testament to that."

Fike, who organized and conducted the field study, sults demonstrate how DNA can be successfully used in commercial operations. "This is real-world data," he said. "By using DNA testing and eliminating low-scoring animals for the traits of interest, producers can be confident they are building superior genetic value into their herds. That is why we recommend testing all replacement heifer candidates and culling low-scoring females before breed-

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jectively described cattle in the industry by seeking and implementing new innovative technologies based on sound scientific princi-

DNA Scores

Igenity ADG Score*

Igenity Marbling Score*

Actual Carcass Results

Carcass Weight (pounds)

Ribeye Area (square inches)

Marbling Score

Backfat (inches)

High Choice

Low Choice

Yield Grade

Value Per Head

Select

Igenity ADG & Marbling Average*

DNA Scores and Actual Carcass Results

ples that measure traits of economic importance. For more information, visit redangus.org.

Bottom 25

Head

Average

5.5

3.7

4.6

Average

836

512

13.7

0.55

48%

48%

4%

3.1

\$1,583.87

Top 25

Head

Average

8.0

Average

857

568

14.3

0.54

68%

28%

4%

2.9

\$1,634.46

\$50.60

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Abilene Centennial #3

Legend Lawman

Teddy Roosevelt

Teddy Roosevelt

Buffalo Bill

Buffalo Bill

2ga. Mag.

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12ga.

32-40

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Golden Spike

Choice grade carcasses. harvest to obtain carcass Even in a softened further noted that these re-AHA now accepting applications for junior activities internship

The American Hereford Association is now accepting applications for the summer junior activities intern-

The selected intern will assist with the planning and execution of junior shows and leadership events and will gain experience in association work.

Applicants should be college juniors or seniors and must be enrolled in an agriculture-related major. The selected candidate should be a self-starter who is detail-oriented, outgoing and have the ability to work well with all types of people. Travel to the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) and other shows should be expected as part of the internship.

The internship will span from approximately mid-May to mid-August, with

specific start and end dates depending on the applicant's availability. Applications are due Feb. 15.

Junior activities internship applicants can send a cover letter, résumé and references to Amy Cowan, AHA director of youth activities, at acowan@hereford.org or P.O. Box 014059, Kansas City, MO, 64101. For more information, contact Cowan at

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Kuhn, the innovator in disc mowers for over 50 years, is excited to announce the new GMD 11 Series mounted disc mowers. These machines continue Kuhn's tradition of reducing downtime while pushing the boundaries of productivity. Three sizes are available to suit the needs of diverse operations: GMD 3511 (11'6" cut width), GMD 4011 (13' cut width), and GMD 4411 (14'3" cut width). Thanks to their horizontal pivoting design, the GMD 11 mowers are easy to transport down narrow roads and through small gateways despite their wide working widths.

Specially designed features make the GMD 11 Series a profitable investment. Lift-Control hydro-pneumatic suspension adapts to all field conditions. Pendulum articulation follows the ground closely, yet reduces soil contamination of the cut crop. The Optidisc® cutterbar has differential disc spacing to improve cut quality and crop evacuation, as well as a lubed-for-life design that eliminates the cost and downtime of oil changes. Should the mower strike an obstacle in the field, the non-stop safety system pivots the unit back while the Protectadrive® disc bearing stations protect the cutterbar. The GMD 11 Series of disc mowers from Kuhn will be the first choice for any producer looking for reliability and maximum return on investment in a large mounted disc mower.

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TRACT 1: 75 acres +/- of cropland - the W ½ SW ¼ of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 2 West of the 6th P.M., Saline County, KS; EXCEPT a tract of land located in the Northwest corner of the SW 1/4 of Section 36 (full legal description will be provided).

LOCATION: The property is located to the southeast of the southeast corner of New Cambria, KS. It is located on the east side of the road. The parcel surrounds the New Cambria wastewater facility.

TRACT 2: 14.5 acres +/- of cropland - the East 14 ½ acres of the South 51 acres of the SE 1/4 of Section 31, Township 13 South, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Saline County, KS.

LOCATION: Travel 1 mile south of New Cambria, KS to E. Stimmel Rd and then 1¾ miles east. It is on the north side of the road. TRACT 3: 78 acres +/- of cropland - the N ½ SW ¼ of Section 9. Township 14

South, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Saline County, KS. LOCATION: The property is located 6 miles east of Salina on Country Club Road and 1/4 mile to the north on Kipp Rd. It is on the east side of the road.



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- Mauser .30 cal pistol, "Broom handle", 4" barrel, mod. 1905 .32 ACP auto, very good #
- Rock Island .45 ACP 1911-A1, target sites, like new
- Hi-Stander sport king .22 auto
- Browning mod. 1900 .32 ACP, very good, all matching numbers, SR# 691531
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- 2 Winchester 30-30
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How Do You Know It's Christmas?

So how do you know it's Christmas?

'Cause the sheep can always tell.

They follow a little tradition and have for quite a spell.

On Christmas Eve around midnight, the sheep, wherever they are

All rise in quiet unison and fixate on a star.

And from their stirring comes a sound, a chuckling tra, la, la

That weaves and builds itself into a soft melodious baaa

Which carries like a dove's lament when nights are very still

As if they're calling for someone beyond a yonder hill.

legend herders The passed on down attributes

this tradition To one late night in Beth-

lehem. A heavenly petition Wherein a host of angels came and lured them with

The herders left in haste, they say, and stayed gone all

Well, sheep don't do too well alone. They've never comprehended

That on that night they waited up, the world was upended.

So, now when daylight shortens up and nights get long and cold

I make my check at midnight like we've done since days of old.

And if I find the flock intent and standing all around

I listen for the heavenly host above their throaty sound

And scan the dim horizon in an effort discern

The sign the sheep are seeking, that their shepherds will return.

And I am but a watchman in this drama that replays

Around the earth this time if year, and so I stand and gaze

And though I see no special star or hear no sweet noel.

I know it must be Christmas, 'cause the sheep can always tell.



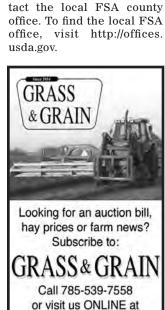
Agriculture under secretary Michael T. Scuse recently announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has approved and obligated the first loan under the Highly Fractionated Indian Land Loan program (HFIL). The program, made possible by the 2014 Farm Bill, provides revolving loan funds to qualified intermediary lenders, allowing qualified tribes and individuals the ability to purchase tribal farmland that has multiple owners. Scuse made the announcement during the Intertribal Agriculture Council Membership meeting in Las Vegas, Nev.

"This program was created to address a longstanding barrier to agricultural financing in Indian country," said Scuse. "Working with intermediary lenders, the program allows USDA to help increase the availability of farm loans to Native Americans who want to start or expand a farming or ranching operation on Indian lands."

Under the 1887 Dawes Act. Indian reservation land was divided and allotted to individual tribal members such that with the passing of each generation, title ownership was divided and parceled among heirs, while the land was not. As a result, land once owned by a single person could today be owned by hundreds or thousands of individuals, resulting in what is known as "highly fractionated Indian land." In many instances, landowners are unknown or cannot be located, which complicates the coordination of ownership or prevents the use of the property altogether. There are more than 245,000 owners of three million fractionated land interests, spanning approximately 150 Indian reserva-

Under HFIL, tribes and tribal members can submit an application directly to an intermediary lender. To participate, intermediary lenders first must be approved by USDA. The lenders may be private and tribal nonprofit corporations, public agencies, Indian tribes or lenders subject to federal or state regulation (such as a credit union or other fiwill lend to the intermediary, which will relend to the applicant. The intermediary lender also will administer the loan for the applicant.

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