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Lavender farm freshens Flint Hills traditions

By Lucas Shivers

Finding a niche crop with a new venture, Aaron and Mary Yoder started Flint Hills Lavender Farm, an up and coming business located in Council Grove.

"Our goal is to use production methods that utilize minimal resources and preserve or enhance the biodiversity on the farm while also producing a high quality agricultural product," co-owner Aaron said.

Currently, Flint Hills Lavender Farm produces and sells lavender products like wreaths, field bundles, sachets, and bath bombs and will soon be adding hand and body lotions among other products.

"Eventually we would like to be able to incorporate some agro-tourism elements into the operation and have annual festivals and workshops," he said. "We plan on making it a great space for family, friends and the greater community."

Business Background

Aaron and Mary met at Kansas State University in 2009 while pursuing degrees in Horticulture and Life Science, respectively.

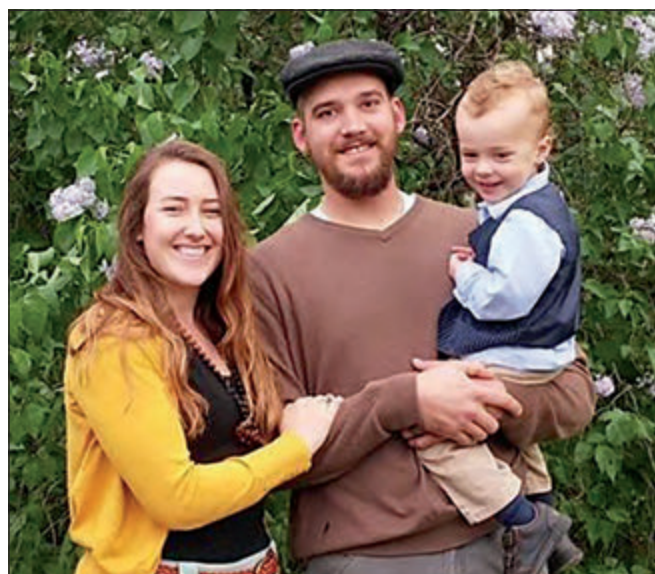
"From the beginning, working in the soil to grow plants has been a part of our relationship," said Mary, co-owner. "We were determined to find a specialty crop that could thrive on my family's homestead taking into account the limited access to irrigation, variable climate and rocky soils that characterize the Flint Hills."

When Mary's father described how well lavender did in the family's herb garden, it ignited their dream.

"After researching lavender, talking to local growers and visiting farms, a test plot of 15 varieties was initiated in 2015," Mary said.

In April 2017, the couple officially registered their business, Flint Hills Lavender Farm, LLC.

"Our test plot now con-



Aaron and Mary Yoder, with their son Elmer, started Flint Hills Lavender Farm near Council Grove.

sists of 27 different varieties of the two species totaling around 500 plants," she said. "With Aaron's experience in horticultural research and production and the knowledge we've gained from the test plot, we've made plans to expand lavender production on the farm."

Farm Details

The multigenerational homestead dates back to Mary's parents, Harry and Melanie Byram. The farm is 160 acres near Council Grove and for the past 30 years has been primarily dedicated to hay and cattle production.

"The plan is to continue to operate as such while making lavender production an additional component of the farm," Mary said. "We've learned that some varieties definitely perform better than others."

"Because lavender is an intensive crop, we hope to produce enough of a profit without having to sacrifice more than five-ten acres away from the existing pastures and rangeland," Aaron said. "Since lavender is such a versatile plant with so many uses, it feels like there are a myriad of opportunities for expansion. Our main limitation is time because it's an intensively managed crop."



The lavender can be used in wreath field bundles, sachets and more.



The Yoders grow 27 different varieties of two species of lavender.

The Yoders recently constructed a misting bench and are working on a 14' x 48' greenhouse that are both essential for propagating and growing new plants.

"Lavender doesn't typically grow true to seed so it needs to be grown from cuttings in order to make sure it has the properties we desire," Aaron said. "With more plantings and time for growing, we hope to be able to do more propagating in the future."

The farm's lavender and products are sold at Aldrich Apothecary on Main Street in Council Grove. The farm

regularly posts on Facebook, Instagram and at flinthillslavender.com.

"As we expand production, our goal is to continue to reach out to new markets in the region - we are definitely looking for opportunities to provide lavender and lavender products in whatever capacity we can to build the local lavender industry" said Aaron.

The Yoders have a long-term vision to branch out their brand and location to broaden their scope. They also plan on distilling their own lavender oil in the future.

"Ultimately, we plan on holding an annual lavender festival at the farm and will produce a greater variety of products including essential oils that we would distill from our lavender fields," Mary said.

Plant Basics

Lavender belongs to the mint Lamiaceae family, which includes thyme and sage. The word *Lavendula* originates from the Latin 'lavare' meaning 'to wash.'

"The driving force behind our business is really is the plant itself," Aaron said. "Because we have limited access to irrigation and rela-

tively challenging terrain, the choice of lavender seemed a logical one as it is both drought tolerant and thrives in rocky, alkaline soil."

Used in fragrance and beauty products, lavender has also historically been used for medicinal and culinary purposes.

"Now that we know it grows in our area, our hope is to develop and explore markets around the Flint Hills region," Mary said. "Lavender can be used in many different applications like aromatherapy, crafts, culinary, decorative and herbal health, so we are excited to explore the marketing opportunities that the harvest might give rise to."

National Connections

The Yoders are part of the United States Lavender Growers Association, a group formed to support and promote the industry and allows a collective voice for lavender growers.

"We attend meetings with the USLGA Region 6 growers and Aaron has been a member of the research and education committee. We are able to gain practical advice regarding production methods and our overall marketing strategy," said Mary.

Thanks to the USLGA, the Yoders receive wisdom and ideas from others within the network.

"In particular two fellow Kansas growers, Mike Neustrom of Prairie Lavender Farm and Jim & Wanda Morford of Morford Lavender Farm, have been incredibly helpful in mentoring us," Aaron said.

"Thanks to help from friends and family, the roots of Flint Hills Lavender Farm are established and growing," Mary said. "We believe the future holds many possibilities and we hope that we can help to build a local industry for this beautiful plant and share it with other folks in the region!"

Watch for signs of aflatoxin in drought-stressed corn

When it comes to the weather in Kansas this year, the state is again one of the haves and the have-nots. Parts of Kansas have had more-than-normal precipitation while others, mostly in the central part of the state, are in abnormally dry to moderate drought conditions.

It is those hot, humid and droughty conditions where aflatoxin is typically found in corn, said Doug Jardine, plant pathologist with K-State Research and Extension. He's encouraging farmers to be on the lookout for signs that it could be present.

Aflatoxin, a poisonous carcinogen, is a naturally occurring toxin caused by the fungus *Aspergillus flavus*, a greenish-yellow, dime-

to quarter-sized mold that grows on corn ears between the kernels. In severe cases, the mold may cover larger portions of the ear.

Jardine said he's had no reports of positive samples of aflatoxin in corn from elevators to date, but he and others have found *Aspergillus* ear rot at levels not seen since 2012. The simple presence of the fungus can but does not necessarily translate to aflatoxin problems, because different field strains of the fungus can be more or less efficient at producing the toxin.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has established 20 parts per billion or higher as the level at which aflatoxin is deemed unsafe

for human consumption, and many buyers of corn for human or pet consumption have more stringent standards, Jardine said.

Most grain elevators now use a test that can be performed quickly at the point of delivery, rather than the outdated black light method, he said. Samples of corn that test at less than 100 ppb are usually accepted without penalty. Levels over 100 ppb may be docked a percentage or not accepted at all.

Jardine shared other facts about aflatoxin:

Ethanol plants may also refuse aflatoxin-contaminated grain because the toxin is heat stable and can concentrate as much as three- to four-fold in distill-

er's grains which are fed to livestock.

Aflatoxin-contaminated corn at any level should not be fed to lactating dairy cows because it can be passed through to the milk.

At 20 to 100 ppb, corn can still be fed to breeding cattle, swine and mature poultry. Grain testing at 100 to 200 ppb can be used for swine over 100 pounds and for beef cattle. Corn with aflatoxin levels from 200 to 300 ppb can only be used for finishing beef cattle.

Grain with aflatoxin levels higher than 300 ppb cannot be used as feed unless it has been cleaned or blended with enough non-contaminated grain to reach safe levels. Blended corn cannot

be moved off-farm without a specific exemption from the Food and Drug Administration. An exemption was granted to several states, including Kansas in 2012. It is too early to know if another exemption will be needed this year.

Drought-stressed corn harvested for silage may also contain aflatoxin.

More information on aflatoxin, including how corn growers can reduce the incidence of it and other mycotoxins after harvest, is available in the Sept. 1 issue of the K-State Extension Agronomy eUpdate newsletter <http://bit.ly/2gQXAWB> or by contacting a local K-State Research and Extension county or district office.

Insight

KANSAS FARM BUREAU
The Voice of Agriculture

No more bacon and eggs?

By John Schlageck,
Kansas Farm Bureau

I love to eat. Like millions of fellow Americans, there's nothing better than food grown and produced on this nation's farms and ranches.

I'll eat a thick, choice ribeye steak hot off the grill any time. Make sure it has all the fixings – baked potatoes, steamed green beans, salad, fresh bread and a chilled gin martini.

I also like a home-cooked omelet with my Sunday morning paper. You know the kind, three eggs filled with sautéed mushrooms,

diced red peppers and onions, cheddar cheese, wheat toast with a couple strips of bacon on the side and a tall glass of cold milk.

And dessert, who doesn't enjoy a piping-hot piece of apple pie with ice cream?

You can't beat great food, prepared right. There's nothing like it.

That's why it's so hard to stomach hearing about the many ways our Kansas and American farmers and ranchers are scrutinized today. Still, every year we expect farmers and ranchers to grow more and more food with less land. Every

year they do so.

Attacks and smear tactics originate from all sides. Environmental groups, animal welfare activists, everyone seems to have their own agenda and the media just can't seem to tell the whole tale.

That's the reason we in agriculture must tell our story. Consumers are people and people forget.

They forget our farmers and livestock producers make sure we eat the healthiest, most affordable food on the planet. These producers also take care of their livestock because it's the right thing to do. It is part of a farmer and rancher's values that embody everything they do.

And what about the Human Society of the United States (HSUS) and People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)

who contend they're leading the charge to "step up for animal welfare."

In case you haven't heard, HSUS has one goal and one goal only – the total elimination of all animal agriculture in this country. Go to their website and check it out. HSUS wants to remove meat, milk and eggs from the human diet, yours and mine.

Most Americans have never lived or worked on a farm. Still they retain nostalgic visions of their grandparents or great-grandparents' farms.

You know the story where these farmers and ranchers of old grew their own vegetables, milked a few cows, raised pigs for bacon, ham and pork chops and cared for a couple dozen chickens who laid eggs in an old white wooden chicken coop.

Like a lot of things from the past, nostalgia might appear to be better than it really was. Many of our grandparents were barely able to eke out a living while raising a large family.

The days of yesteryear on the farm took a lot of hard work from sunup to sundown. Many still went hungry or broke and times were lean.

Today's animal husbandry, or care and feeding of livestock, is no accident. Rather, it's because of the dedicated men, women and children who raise and care for this state's livestock. For generations, Kansas farmers and ranchers have watched over and nurtured cattle, hogs, sheep, chickens and other livestock each and every day.

The more comfortable these animal producers make their animals, the more productive they're going to be and the better opportunity they'll have to make a profit.

The health and welfare of livestock trumps everything else on the farm, even a producer's own comfort. That's been the recipe for success for nearly 150 years and with any luck it'll be the same for another 150 years.

Oh, did I mention?

I'll be grilling a thick, juicy ribeye tonight – medium rare.

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.

Trump will not withdraw from KORUS yet

Following outreach from the U.S. beef industry, the Trump administration announced it does not have immediate plans to withdraw from the Korea-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (KORUS), but will pursue changes. Fox News had reported that the administration was considering withdrawal from the trade agreement, but White House officials told members of Congress that a plan to withdraw was no longer an option.

TCFA and NCBA worked with congressional leadership to explain to the White House the importance of the trade bill to the U.S. cattle and beef industries.

In a letter to U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer and U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, NCBA, the United States Meat Export Federation (USMEF) and the North American Meat Institute highlighted the importance of the Korean market to the industry.

"Simply put, KORUS created the ideal environment for the U.S. beef industry to thrive in South Korea," the letter states. "We would not support any changes in the terms of the KORUS that would jeopardize either our market share or the significant investment that has been made in rebuilding Korean consumer confidence in the safety, quality and consistency of U.S. beef."

Last year, U.S. beef exports to Korea exceeded \$1 billion for the first time, making it the second largest value destination for U.S. beef behind Japan, according to USMEF. Korea's total beef import volume set a record in 2016, increasing 22 percent – the largest percentage increase of any of the world's major beef importers as Korea took larger volumes not only from the United States, but also from other suppliers.



I want to put my two cents worth in on a subject that I might well regret. A week ago, I attended Tyson's announcement that they were going to build a new poultry processing plant and feed mill in Tonganoxie. To be quite honest I attended the event thinking that it was a great thing for Kansas and a real opportunity for agriculture. I was really surprised by the reaction some people had to the proposal and I have spent most of the following week trying to understand both sides of the issue. There are people I know and respect on both sides and that makes it difficult.

Sure, I expected some protests. Let's be honest, Douglas and Johnson Counties have groups who would be there protesting anything modern agriculture might roll out. I did not expect the backlash from local ag producers and residents, although I probably should have. I can understand why they feel the way they do and I would be concerned if I were them too. This project is going to bring big changes to their community, some good and probably some not so welcome.

I must also admit that I was at the time, and still am, in favor of the project. I hope that does not lose me friends and believe me, it is not an easy decision. I have empathy and sympathy for those closest to the situation. I can see both sides and I will continue to educate myself about both sides of the project and I encourage everyone else to also.

One of the concerns I heard was the secrecy that surrounded the proposal and the announcement. I must admit that I was not all that comfortable with it but when you look at things objectively it is easier to understand. There were several other sites under consideration and Tyson was trying to get a good idea if the project was a viable option or a good fit for the area. Again, in the sense of honesty, we all know what would have happened to land values if the process was more public.

The biggest concern I have heard is over Tyson itself. I get that concern. Yes, Tyson is a huge corporation and because of that many people are cautious and with good reason. They are out to make a profit. I am not sure why many of the public think big corporations or other businesses should not make profits. That is why we all are in business and large or small. Are they squeaky clean? Probably not, I am sure we can find examples to prove that. Are they a horrible entity that should be feared, loathed and not trusted? The answer is no.

The answer to both questions is probably somewhere in the middle. Tyson is a successful, large corporation that knows how to make money and will take care of itself. Everyone involved needs to understand that going in.

However, they are also not some evil entity that will win at all costs; that is simply not good business. Would I build barns and sign a contract with them? Maybe, but I would do my homework first and seek some legal counsel. I will say that given the economic challenges ahead of agriculture in the next few years I would look at anything that might provide added income.

I have also heard concerns about the labor force and environmental impacts. Both are very valid concerns and things that must be addressed. The labor issue is a real sticky one and something we must have a candid discussion about. All of agriculture needs the current labor force but there are issues that need to be dealt with and this is no different. As for the environmental aspect, the same KDHE and EPA we all worry about are watching this project also and Tyson must jump through the same hoops anyone else would. These problems can be managed but are very real and need to be watched.

What are the benefits? First, it is another market for our grain. The estimates are that they will use somewhere around eight to nine million bushels of corn and several million bushels of soybeans. More competition for the grain will mean more opportunities for us as producers. The producers who choose to build barns will have the chance to add income and that potentially could be the difference between staying in business and changing occupations. There will also be the chance for jobs associated with Tyson and side businesses, all of which will add to the economy.

This is an opportunity for the ag economy and the economy in general to grow and that is a good thing. Along with growth comes growing pains and a new Tyson plant also brings challenges that need to be discussed and concerns that need to be addressed. All that I am asking is for each of us to do our homework, attend the informational meetings and form an educated opinion not based on emotion. We need to see and understand both sides and do so in a civil manner, protecting our own best interests while looking out for the greater good. That is my two cents worth and probably worth exactly that much.



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Kansas State University and PepsiCo team up on affordable nutrition

Kansas State University has entered into an agreement with PepsiCo, Inc. to focus on making nutritious food and beverage products more affordable and accessible.

As part of the collaboration, the university's faculty and students will work on projects to develop innovative new product ideas for the global food and beverage leader. The partnership will leverage the university's research strengths across multiple food and life sciences to help the company attain its stated goal of increasing the availability of convenient, affordable and enjoyable nutrition for consumers around the world.

PepsiCo officials said the goal is part of the company's 2025 sustainability agenda, which includes aspirations to transform its product portfolio by significantly reducing sugar, salt and saturated fat levels in its products and continuing to expand its focus on delivering positive nutrition.

PepsiCo's nutrition brands, which include Tropicana, Quaker, Aquafina and Naked Juice among others, comprise about 25 percent of PepsiCo's \$63 billion portfolio of food and beverage

brands. PepsiCo's goal is to grow this portion of its business faster than the rest of its portfolio over the next ten years, according to company officials.

"This partnership is a first for PepsiCo and for Kansas State University," said Sajid Alavi, professor of grain science and industry. "The idea is to apply our research efforts toward PepsiCo's interest in developing nutritious packaged foods, and to get those new ideas into the consumer market more quickly."

The collaboration most closely connects the university's efforts in the departments of grain science and industry; and food, nutrition, dietetics and health. The university's Bioprocessing and Industrial Value Added Products Innovation Center, which houses Alavi's extrusion lab, and the Center for Sensory Analysis and Consumer Behavior, are deeply involved in this effort.

"We are excited about the opportunity to take our long-standing affiliation with Kansas State University to the next level," said Jon McIntyre, senior vice president for global snacks research and development

at PepsiCo. "Partnerships with leading experts outside PepsiCo play an important role in unlocking new innovations and making progress against shared priorities. We believe that the unique depth and breadth of food and life science expertise found at K-State has great potential to accelerate our portfolio transformation progress."

Edgar Chambers IV, distinguished professor of food, nutrition, dietetics and health, called the agreement "a natural relationship that engages industry with teaching students and our research over multiple departments and Centers of Excellence."

"Our collaborative approach throughout Kansas State University is being applied to help solve global manufacturing and consumer issues," he said.

Chambers said that Kansas State's Center for Sensory Analysis and Consumer Behavior, which has evaluated products for PepsiCo in the past and is widely respected by industry around the world, will play an essential role in the work.

According to information from the company, PepsiCo will provide funding for up

to five years that will be used to hire graduate students, develop a course that integrates professional and product development skills, conduct independent research, and provide edible prototypes to PepsiCo.

Beyond product development, PepsiCo will be funding two positions for graduate students, and will provide guest lecturers in college classes. The company notes that this commitment to professional development "underscores a mutual interest in supporting women and minorities in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education."

"Working in partnership with a large global company such as PepsiCo is a great challenge and a rare opportunity for us," said John Floros, dean of the College of Agriculture and director of K-State Research and Extension. "It gives us a chance to showcase the talent, knowledge, innovation, and creativity of our faculty and students. It allows us to work side by side with the capable PepsiCo scientists and researchers, and to produce better, nutritionally superior, and more healthful products. It presents a challenge and opportunity to improve the global food system, and the health and

wellness of people everywhere, while positively impacting both the company and the university."

According to Alavi, the current year's goal is for the university to provide two-three edible prototypes, with processing and ingredient specifications, consumer testing, sensory analysis, nutritional claims and packaging.

It is expected that several of these prototypes will be sorghum-based products.

"We are a sorghum university," said Alavi, noting that Kansas State is home to the Center for Sorghum Improvement and the Feed

the Future Innovation Lab for Collaborative Research on Sorghum and Millet.

John Buckwalter, dean of the College of Human Ecology, said his group is "thrilled to partner with PepsiCo and the College of Agriculture on this exciting project."

"The partnership benefits the faculty and students within the colleges as we conduct worthwhile research and train students. In addition, PepsiCo gains access to the tremendous expertise throughout the university as well as of the highly regarded Sensory Analysis program within the College of Human Ecology."

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Farmer's Business Network, Inc., the rapidly growing farmer-to-farmer powerhouse providing new technologies and resources for farmers across America, and K-Coe Isom, the leading ag consulting and CPA firm, announce a marketing agreement benefiting both FBN members and customers of K-Coe Isom. Through the agreement, Farmer's Business Network, Inc. has appointed K-Coe Isom as its exclusive accounting and financial consulting resource in their elite partner and adviser network.

"One of a farmer's biggest challenges is margins and trying to turn a profit," says Charles Baron, FBN network co-founder. "The FBN network gives ag producers access to a level playing field and empowers them with independent and unbiased data, manufacturer direct input savings, and powerful new crop marketing opportunities. The expertise that K-Coe Isom can bring FBN members is invaluable, especially during these tough commodity years."

The FBN network chose K-Coe Isom as their accounting and financial partner because K-Coe Isom shares in the FBN Farmers First vision to help farmers be more profitable. K-Coe Isom selected the FBN network as its ag data analytics partner given the unparalleled analytics available through the FBN network. A majority of K-Coe Isom and FBN employees are farmers, grew up on farms, or have a deep connection to the land, and this shared passion to protect the future of farming makes the relationship strong and a natural fit.

"K-Coe Isom works 'policy to plate' in the ag industry and we maintain a global view when it comes to what impacts ag production. That means we look at everything that affects farm businesses, and then roll up our sleeves to help. Whether it's on Capitol Hill or in the soil, we give our all to create sustainable and profitable operations for our customers," says Kathleen Walton, principal and board chairman at K-Coe Isom. "Our relationship with the FBN network adds another unique ingredient to the mix by giving our customers valuable access to exclusive data that helps them run their businesses at an optimal performance level. We are also excited to be able to draw on our deep roots in agriculture to provide FBN members with ag-specific accounting and financial-consulting solutions."

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- 6 tablespoons popcorn kernels
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- 1/2 cup sugar
- Cooking spray
- 1 cup candy corn
- 1/2 cup salted roasted peanuts
- 4 cups mini marshmallows
- 4 tablespoons salted butter

Heat a large pot over medium-high heat; add the popcorn kernels and oil. When the oil starts to sizzle sprinkle the sugar over the kernels. Cover with a tight-fitting lid and shake the pot until the popping slows down, about 8 minutes. Remove from the heat and pour the popcorn onto a parchment-lined baking sheet, separating the kernels with a spatula or spoon. Let the popcorn cool. Coat a large bowl with cooking spray and add the popcorn, candy corn and peanuts. Cook the marshmallows and butter in a large pot over medium-high heat. Cook stirring until melted and smooth, about 5 minutes. Pour the melted marshmallow mixture over the popcorn mixture and gently stir to coat. Cover your hands with cooking spray then shape the popcorn into 3-inch balls. Let cool.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh:
BACON PEA SALAD
 1 pound cooked & finely chopped bacon
 2 pounds frozen peas, thawed
 3/4 cup grated Cheddar cheese
 1/2 small red onion, chopped
 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 Mix all ingredients together. Chill at least 4 hours. Serve. Keeps up to 4 days.

Lydia Miller, Westphalia:
CROCK-POT ZUCCHINI & BEEF
 1 1/2 pounds ground chuck
 1 large onion, chopped
 2 large cans tomatoes
 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
 1 1/2 teaspoons oregano
 1 teaspoon dried parsley
 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 3/4 teaspoon garlic powder
 3 to 4 cups chopped (1-inch cubes) unpeeled zucchini
 Brown onions and beef and drain. Put in crock-pot with all other ingredients. Simmer on low all day.

Loretta Shepard, Helena, Oklahoma: "Makes a large salad."
STRAWBERRY GLAZE FRUIT SALAD

1 quart fresh strawberries, halved (I have used frozen)
 20-ounce can pineapple chunks, drained
 4 firm bananas, sliced
 In a large bowl gently toss strawberries, pineapple and bananas; fold in the glaze.
Glaze:
 1 cup sugar
 1 cup water
 3 tablespoons cornstarch
 3 tablespoons strawberry gelatin (I recommend Jello brand)

In a medium saucepan stir together sugar, cornstarch and gelatin; add water. Cook stirring over medium heat until thick. Remove from heat and cool completely. Fold in strawberry mixture.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:
QUICK PEANUT BUTTER CHOCOLATE COOKIES
 1 tube refrigerated peanut butter or sugar cookie dough
 24 miniature peanut butter cups
 Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Slice the cookie dough into six 1-inch thick slices then quarter the slices. Lightly press one quarter in each cup of a mini muffin pan. Bake until just set, 9-11 minutes. While the dough is still warm push a peanut butter cup into each cookie cup and let cool in the pan. When the cookies are cool, use a spoon to remove them.

Kathy Hogue of Topeka/Alma "is thinking fall feels like soup and stew time. This recipe offers a fun blend of ingredients for the G&G readers to try. Add some crusty bread and a bowl of fruit for a tasty meal." As a reminder to others as we plan our deeds for the day, if this submission becomes the winning recipe, Kathy would like for the woman's page editor to pass the weekly gift on to another contributor who took the time to share a recipe for you to enjoy.

BLACK-EYED PEA CHOWDER
 1/3 pound bacon, diced
 2 cups celery, chopped
 1 cup green pepper, chopped
 1 cup onion, chopped

10.5-ounce can beef broth
 (2) 16-ounce cans diced tomatoes
 (2) 16-ounce cans black-eyed peas
 1/2 teaspoon thyme
 1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper
 Sauté bacon with celery, green pepper and onion. Add broth, tomatoes, peas, thyme, salt and pepper. Simmer 30 to 40 minutes.

September: National Whole Grains Month Learn The Healthy Benefits

By Cindy Williams, Agent Meadowlark Extension District

Food and Nutrition, FNP
 Did you know that people who eat whole grains as part of a healthy diet have a reduced risk of some chronic diseases? Grains provide many nutrients vital for health and it is recommended that at least half of all the grains eaten be whole grains. September is whole grains month, and on average most Americans eat enough grains, but few are whole grains. Check out the following tips to help increase your intake of whole grains.

What are grains? Any food made from wheat, rice, oats, cornmeal, barley or another cereal grain is a grain product. Examples include bread, pasta, oatmeal, breakfast cereals, tortillas and grits. Whole grains contain the entire grain kernel — the bran, germ, and endosperm. Examples include whole-wheat flour, bulgur (cracked wheat), oatmeal, whole cornmeal and brown rice.

What are the health benefits? Consuming whole grains as part of a healthy diet may reduce the risk of heart disease, help with weight management and reduce constipation. Grains are important sources of many nutrients, including dietary fiber, several B vi-

tamins and minerals. Whole grains at meals. Use whole-grain breads for sandwiches, try brown rice stuffing in baked green peppers or tomatoes, or put whole-wheat macaroni in macaroni and cheese. Try rolled oats or a crushed, unsweetened whole-grain cereal as breading for baked chicken, fish or veal cutlets.

Whole grains as snacks. Snack on ready-to-eat, whole-grain cereals. Add whole-grain flour or oatmeal to baked treats. Try 100% whole-grain snack crackers. Popcorn, a whole grain, can be a healthy snack if made with little or no added salt and butter.

What to look for on food labels. Choose foods that list a whole grain (such as brown rice, oatmeal, bulgur, wild rice, whole-grain corn, whole oats, whole rye or whole wheat) first on the ingredient list. Multi-grain, stone-ground, seven-grain or bran are usually not whole-grain foods. Also, choose products with a higher percent daily value (%DV) for fiber.

To broaden your food horizons with whole grains, try substituting a whole grain produce for a refined one and using the Nutrition Facts Label to help you choose more whole grains at the grocery store.

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Research results indicate that the first three years of life are critical in the development of a child's brain. Effective parenting along with quality child care and early education can greatly enhance children's lives. The kind of care a child gets in their early years prepares them for success in school, friendships, and future roles in our communities. An individual's healthy growth and development is greatly influenced by his or her early childhood experiences. This is why child care is SO important, as many of our children under the age of 5 in Kansas are in a child care setting, whether that be a center or a home based child care.

Quality child care helps build the workforce of the future. Particularly among lower-income children, those who have access to high quality child care are less likely to be held back a grade and do better in school. Those same children are more likely to graduate high school and attend college, all leading to higher earnings for them as adults. The link between quality child care and benefits to the economy have been proven. Access to child care increases labor force participation, boosts local economics and helps support a stable workforce. Young families do not move to towns where there is no child care available. It plays a large role in where families decide to locate and work.

You may be reading this thinking "I am so glad my kids are out of that phase of life where I have to find child care!" Many say it is expensive, hard to find openings, and sometimes inconvenient where it is located in relation to where they work. We know through research that these are all important aspects of child care, along with finding a quality environment that enriches the child. I have heard from a handful of parents over the years their troubles with

child care. Most of the time the problem is "no one has openings." This is a common complaint as waiting lists of centers and in homes in Pottawatomie are long. We need YOUR help to address this problem, even if you do not have children in this phase of life, or have no children, we still want your opinion!

The Child Care Task Force of the Pottawatomie County Economic Development Corporation (PCEDC) and Pottawatomie County Kansas State Research and Extension are conducting four surveys to collect data to determine the demand for child care in the county. The data will then be used to offer services to child care providers training for child care workers and perhaps help to procure loans for child care centers.

Throughout the past year we have formed a Pottawatomie County Child Care Task Force which is working to address the affordability, quality, and quantity of child care in Pottawatomie County. The members of the Child Care Task Force include the child care centers in Pottawatomie County, the Pottawatomie County Health Department, the Wamego Chamber of Commerce, the Kansas University Infant and Toddler Specialist, the Washburn University Small Business Development Center, the Boys and Girls Club, Pottawatomie County K-State Research and Extension, and many others. The director of the study is Dr. Bradford Wiles, Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, Early Childhood Development Kansas State University. If you have an interest in child care, we would love to have you join our coalition.

If you live in Pottawatomie County, I highly encourage you to take the time to fill out a survey. If you know of or are a family that has needed child care, you know that it can sometimes be a difficult process and may

even influence your employment. From the data that we receive from these surveys we will be working to apply for a large USDA Rural Development grant that will help us address our child care issues in Pottawatomie County. We want everyone's opinion in Pottawatomie County, not just those searching for care or have children in care. If you are a citizen in Pottawatomie County, you know that having quality available child care affects the future generation of citizens in this county, as well as our employment opportunities.

Paper surveys will be available at the Pottawatomie County Extension Office and the Pottawatomie County Economic Development building. Links to the survey will be on the websites of the Wamego Chamber, PCEDC, Pottawatomie County Health Department, and the Pottawatomie County Extension Office as well as the child care centers. Pottawatomie Extension website is www.pottawatomie.ksu.edu. The link is on the right hand side of the page for the surveys. A QR Card is available for those wanting to take the survey on their phones. The collection points for the paper surveys will be the Wamego Chamber and Pottawatomie County Extension Office. The surveys will be available until Dr. Wiles determines that the quantity and quality is statistically significant. For questions, please contact Erin Tynon at the Pottawatomie County Extension Office 785-457-3319, etynon@ksu.edu.



Home and Away

Being at "That age"

By Lou Ann Thomas

I celebrated a significant milestone recently — a birthday accompanied by the receipt of a special card. No, it wasn't my AARP membership card. That showed up a while back. The card that arrived this year was my Medicare card.

I know, I can't believe it either. Most days, I feel like a 35- or 40-year-old and still pretty darn frisky and feisty. But there are those days I feel trapped in an older person's body wondering how this happened.

How did this happen? How did I officially reach "that age?" You know, the age when it is unlikely I will ever be carded again — even for Senior Discounts. How did I become that age when I fret about the "younger generation," rail about today's music being incomprehensible and hear myself reminiscing about times past that honestly seem like they happened last week. There is no longer any denying I am at that age when if I am in an accident or do something stupid while driving, any reports that incident generates will likely refer to me as "an elderly woman." As

in "an elderly woman mistook her accelerator for her brake and drove into a Baskin-Robbins store." By the way, if you ever hear that I have done that, know if it really was an ice cream or chocolate store I likely crashed into it intentionally.

This year I enjoyed a lovely birthday brunch with friends, but even so it was not nearly as exciting as other milestones have been. It didn't hold a candle to turning 13 and becoming a teenager, or finally being 16 and able to drive legally, or

even turning 21 and the legal drinking age. I remember thinking I was surely old when I turned 25 and had spent a quarter of a century in this skin suit. Then at 30, well, that was old, right? But 40 showed up and shortly after that I realized the grocery bagger was calling someone "ma'am," but when I turned around no one was there. Fifty, then 60 followed that and now I'm a member of the Medicare Nation — an elite group who has survived life up to this point.

Having grown up as a Baby Boomer I have a lot of company in this new journey through aging. Ten thousand of us retire every day and we will continue to do so for the next 12 years. With numbers like that I believe it's time to stop referring to us as Baby Boomers and embrace the reality of this situation. We are no longer babies. We are now, officially, Geezer Boomers.

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Moyer ranch to host annual Feedlot Field Day in Emporia

The Jaret and Shawna Moyer ranch will host a Feedlot Field Day on Tuesday, October 3, with registration to begin at 2 p.m. The program will address environmental challenges faced by cattle feeders. Discussion will center on proper pen location and design, grass buffer management, non-confined feeding options and more. A comple-

mentary beef meal will conclude the event at 6:00 p.m.

Five sessions will focus on pen placement, cleaning schedule, and management of grass buffers downslope of pens. Additional topics include non-confined feeding and cover crop use, as well as USDA programs that assist cattle feeders. Speakers include beef systems specialists and a beef veter-

erinarian from K-State Extension, K-State watershed specialists, and the Supervisory District Conservationist from the Lyon County Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Moyer will welcome participants to the event, as well as speak about the use of a Bud Box, a system which allows handlers to easily unload cattle and facilitate cattle flow. A Kansas native, Moyer is a board member of the Kansas Beef Council, National Cattlemen's Beef

Association, and the Kansas Livestock Association, where he has also served as president.

The Jaret and Shawna Moyer ranch focuses on growing light cattle using a combination of Flint Hills pastures and a backgrounding facility featuring grass buffers downslope of the pens to slow and absorb drainage from the confinement area. The program incorporates small traps of cover crops for non-confined feeding, and features

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"The Moyer facility showcases how environmentally responsible a cattle feedlot can be," said K-State watershed specialist Jeff Davidson. He listed the ranch's feedlot drainage and well-maintained grass buffers as two instances of how the ranch maintains good water quality.

The day is sponsored by K-State Research and Extension - Lyon County, Sustainable Agriculture

Research and Education (SARE), the Kansas Center for Agricultural Resources and the Environment (KCARE), and Kansas State Research and Extension. Those interested in attending should contact the Lyon County Extension Office at 620-341-3220 or email Lyon County Extension Agent Brian Rees at brees@ksu.edu. More details about the Field Day are on the KCARE website, <http://www.kcare.k-state.edu>.

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A recent ruling by the FDA has required producers to obtain a Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) before

administering antibiotics to livestock through their feed. This has posed some hardship to producers, feed companies and veterinarians but consumers also want to know that their food is safe to eat. Mike Apley, Kansas State University veterinarian, will present information on the current status of the VFD regulation and how judicious use of antibiotics can be safe for consumers and beneficial for livestock producers. Mike Apley has extensive knowledge with antibiotic use in livestock and in 2015 was appointed to the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria.

Many consumers are concerned about producers using GMO crops. One that has received a lot of attention this year is a variety of soybeans that is now tolerant of the chemical dicamba. Dicamba is a broadleaf weed killer that is detrimental to soybeans; however, this new variety of soybeans

can withstand the chemical. This is great news for producers as it provides them with another alternative for weed control in their fields, but consumers wonder if the new GMO crops are safe to consume. Harold Trick, professor at Kansas State University, will provide the facts about GMO's and the work being done with genetically modified organisms.

Animal welfare is another hot button topic. Many people throughout the world believe that ranchers are abusing livestock, whether it is a fact or not. Through years of research and improvement, advances have been made for how livestock are handled in various working facilities. One of the newest methods of reducing stress to an animal is the use of a Bud Box System. Producers want to reduce stress to animals as it will improve animal performance, prevent bruising of meat, and improve the health of the animal. Matt

Perrier, owner of Dalebanks Angus and advocate of reduced stress handling of livestock, will have a live demonstration of the ease and simplicity in which cattle work through the Bud Box system. He will discuss how to make working cattle a pleasant experience for both the cattle and cattle handler.

There will be multiple vendors at the event as well as other sessions throughout the day. Lucas Nodine will discuss Long Term Care and How to Protect Your Assets in the later years of life. Farmers Co-op will present Fall Herbicide Options for Producers and Fall Calf Crop Feeding Strategies. The day will end with the Cherokee County Beekeepers Association giving the Buzz on Bees. The number of beehives has decreased since 1950. Protecting our pollinators has become important; however, managing beehives can be tricky because of the variety of pest, diseases, and use of insecticides. This workshop will be a great opportunity to learn more about this popular pastime.

If you would like more information about the Rural Agricultural Expo, please contact the Columbus Chamber of Commerce at 620-429-3849 or contact the Cherokee County K-State Research and Extension Office at 620-429-3849.

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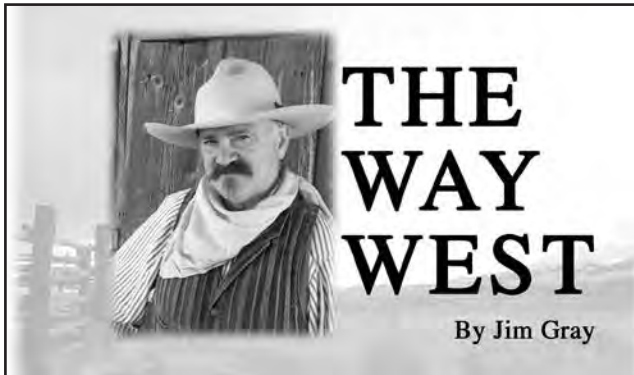
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A Grand Buffalo Hunt

Hunting the plains buffalo was the ultimate hunting experience for Kansas settlers. In early September, 1873, John Hannibal Trautwine, Alex Weaver, and Thomas Fall left their homesteads in eastern Kansas to harvest a winter meat supply on the great buffalo range of the high plains. Their trek to western Kansas was documented in a previous story taken from Trautwine's diary.

Traveling by wagon, the hunters arrived at Stockton, Kansas, on September 18. They were now on the very edge of civilization. Nothing but grass could be seen beyond the visible horizon. Trautwine noted, "...none of the three have ever been on a buffalo hunt and we might make a sorry hunt of it by ourselves." They hoped someone in Stockton could guide them.

They were directed to Mr. Avery, a preacher and farmer with a reputation as a very good hunter. Having secured a guide the inexperienced hunters returned to camp, "...to dream of buffalo, elk, deer, antelope, wolves, and everything that inhabits the plains." The next morning Mr. Avery led the hunting party westward, "...on the trackless plains."

The third day out the hunters began to see large numbers of wolves. "...we guess we are not many miles from buffalo, as wolves are not found in any large numbers distant from the herds at this time of the year. We can see three distinct species of the wolf - the coyote, which is small about the size of the common Shepard dog - the black and the gray wolf, the two latter about the size of a good Newfoundland dog."

Tuesday morning, September 22, the hunters turned north, crossing the North Fork of the Solomon River, Sappa Creek, Beaver Creek, and Prairie Dog Creek. Allowing that they probably camped on further north of the mentioned creeks, their next camp would have been on Beaver Creek, somewhere near the Nebraska state line. Three hundred lodges of Pawnee were pitched nearby.

The guide, Mr. Avery had become ill. Unable to continue, Avery requested to be left with the Pawnee. "...he being acquainted with several of their chiefs and also speaks their language fluently." Luckily, Al Williams, an experienced hunter was in the Pawnee camp in the company of six other men. Williams was described as being five foot, six inches, clean shaven, with light gray eyes and sandy hair. He spoke the dialect of six different tribes of Indians and was said to be a dead shot at one thousand yards.

On Wednesday, September 23, 1873, with Williams in the lead, buffalo were sighted several miles north of the Nebraska line. "...only 9 of them, but that is as

good as a thousand to us ..." Their guide stalked and shot one while the untried hunters watched and learned. "We enjoyed our next meal hugely, I assure you."

That evening the buffalo hunters crossed the Republican River. Near present-day Culbertson, Nebraska, camp was made at the mouth of Frenchman's Fork while Williams scouted the surrounding area for buffalo. After a couple of dull days in camp a herd was found seven miles to the west. Nineteen buffalo were killed, mostly by Williams. Never mind, the rest of the party excitedly butchered the animals with visions of their own triumphs yet to come. "We are all in a flurry for the morrow ..."

As Friday, September 27 dawned, the hunters left camp under an ominous sky.

They had barely crossed the river when Al Williams recognized a "norther" brewing on the horizon. An hour after returning to camp Trautwine wrote, "a prairie storm in all its fury bursts upon us. We were nearly covered with sand, but by night the storm had spent its fury and the night was as calm, clear and serene as could possibly be imagined."

The camp was moved approximately sixty miles west

to the very southwest corner of Nebraska. Williams found a great herd of buffalo at the mouth of the Arikaree River. The outfit make camp west of present-day Haigler, Nebraska, and preparations were made for a "grand hunt".

There was plenty of opportunity for hunting excitement. The inexperienced hunters "found an abundance of game and could get plenty of shots but it seemed that nothing fell."

Fortunately, their guide was able to bring down another nineteen buffalo. Trautwine continued. "We all felt quite good... even if we greenies had done nothing toward accomplishing anything."

A few days later Trautwine was finally able to celebrate his first kill. There would be even more adventure to come. The hunters remained on the plains long enough to witness a pitched Indian battle between warring Indian tribes. Their

hunt for winter meat had turned into quite an excursion; one that would provide years of storytelling of exciting days on a grand buffalo hunt on 'The Way West'.

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In the crosshairs: Alliance releases report from 2017 Animal Rights National Conference

Animal rights activists gathered recently for their national conference, and livestock producers were centered in the crosshairs. According to conference or-

ganizers, nearly 2,000 individuals were present at the event, described as "dedicated to the vision that animals have the right to be free from all forms of human

exploitation." "The speakers at this year's Animal Rights National Conference made their goals clear - ending all forms of animal agricul-

ture, regardless of how well animals are cared for," said Kay Johnson Smith, Animal Agriculture Alliance president and CEO. "Their persistent focus on pressure

campaigns targeting restaurant, retail and foodservice brands is of great concern to the Alliance and our members."

Activists in attendance

were encouraged to be as extreme as necessary to advance their goals. "Breaking the law can often be a good thing to do," said Zach Groff, Animal Liberation Collective. Groff spoke about the 'nature of confrontational activism' such as "protests, open rescues from farms without permission, vigils..." According to Groff, "This is a type of activism that can often upset people, it can rile people up."

A major focus of this year's conference was on pressuring restaurant, retail and foodservice brands to adopt certain policies, with the end goal of forcing them to stop selling animal products. When an audience member commented about 'humane' policies not being as good as complete liberation, Krista Hiddema, Mercy for Animals (Canada), hinted at no animal products being sold as the end goal, stating "We're never going away." Hiddema also stated that "We (the animal rights movement) are winning against the largest organizations in the world," and "they are terrified of us."

To read more speaker comments from the conference, visit <http://tinyurl.com/AnimalAgAlliance-2017>.



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AROUND KANSAS



Of all the sad stories making the rounds over the past couple of weeks, this one struck me as especially sad and outrageous.

The *Marysville Advocate* reported that Marshall County Sheriff Dan Hargrave expects to file charges against five male suspects for last week's extensive damage to Pecena Cemetery.

The historic Pecena Cemetery southwest of Bremen was vandalized extensively on two occasions a couple of weeks ago. Vandals destroyed early tombstones from this Bohemian and Slovenian community cemetery as well as toppling over monuments on more recent family gravesites.

I shared the story on Facebook and more than a hundred people responded and/or posted comments. It's obvious that this story struck a nerve with more folks than myself.

My friend Roger Ringer wrote, "I have been trying for years to get a Historic Sites act that upgrades the penalties for this and preserving many sites that are abandoned. There is no protection for any graveyard

that is unattended or not in recent use 15 years after the activity. In other words if no one has tended a grave or buried someone there the stones can be pulled and the site farmed, grazed, or developed."

I have not had the time to investigate that, but I will; this is a cause near and dear to my heart.

When I moved to Topeka more than twenty years ago, I came to know the area through the Historic Topeka Cemetery. Eventually, I lived there as resident historian. Cemeteries helped shape my sensibilities as an historian. As a child, I helped my Granny tend the family cemetery and she told stories of those long gone. I understood that those people were just as real as I - only separated from us now.

That understanding is essential to understanding history.

In researching the historic Topeka Cemetery, I researched the whole garden/rural cemetery movement and the cultural influences of the times. To over-simplify and over-summarize, after the discovery of the Rosetta Stone and the fascination

with ancient Egypt, Europe regarded the treatment of the dead as a sign of high culture. America followed Europe's example and cemeteries became our first public parks, places to reflect upon our memories and our own lives.

The desecration of graves and monuments marks the decline of civilization, and it is sad and sickening.

The persons responsible for the vandalism in Marshall County should be made to fix the damage, apologize to the families, and then study the history of those individuals and their journey to America.

And, as my friend retired Army Colonel D. K. Clark said, "They should be taken to the woodshed."

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Kansas ranches named finalists for conservation award

Sand County Foundation, in partnership with Ranchland Trust of Kansas and the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts (KACD), has named finalists for the Kansas Leopold Conservation Award. The award honors Kansas landowners for achievement in voluntary stewardship and natural resource management.

The finalists are the Vorhees family, owners of Lazy VJ Farms near Fredonia; Ted and Brian Alexander, owners of Alexander Ranch at Sun City; and Beaver Creek Buffalo of Goodland.

Rotational grazing and cross-fencing are used to prevent overgrazing in the Vorhees family's cow-calf operation. They also have created wetlands, buffers and riparian areas to improve water quality, reduce soil erosion and provide wildlife habitat.

Alexander Ranch successfully has used a rota-

tional grazing system for nearly 30 years. The Alexanders also have done extensive clearing of eastern red cedar trees and increased native plant and wildlife diversity. Beaver Creek is managed by Ken and Laurie Klemm, while partnering with Peter and Marian Thieriot on a meat marketing venture known as The Buffalo Guys. The ranch is man-

aged using holistic practices and is a frequent site for conservation experimentation.

The 2017 Leopold Award will be presented November 20 at the KACD Convention in Wichita. A check for \$10,000 and a crystal depicting renowned conservationist Aldo Leopold will be awarded to the overall winner.

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Kansas Corn Corps young farmers return from Domestic Ag Tour

As the first class of Kansas Corn's Corn Corps young farmer program progresses, applications are being accepted for the second Corn Corps class. The deadline for applications is Sept. 30. The current Kansas Corn Corps class recently returned from a domestic agriculture trip to Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. The Corn Corps class participated in two retreats last winter and has one more learning retreat scheduled before completing their program by attending the 2018 Commodity Classic in Ana-

heim, California, Feb. 28-Mar. 1.

"It's exciting to see what a close-knit group our first Corn Corps class has become," Kansas Corn's Director of Industry Relations Stacy Mayo-Martinez said. "The domestic agriculture trip was another way to provide learning experiences and networking opportunities for these young growers."

During the domestic agriculture trip, Corn Corps members visited a variety of farms and agriculture-related industry including a distillery; a dairy; a beef, grain and vegetable farm; a blueberry farm, a vegetable farm and a winery. The group wrapped up the tour with a dinner with Michigan's Director of Agriculture Jamie Clover Adams. Ms. Adams also served as the Kansas Secretary of Agriculture from 1999 to 2003.

"The trip gave us the opportunity to see other areas of production agriculture, from

blueberries and root vegetables to large-scale dairy and pork facilities," said Corn Corps member Geoff Burgess of Sterling. "While we may produce a different end-product, we all want our product to be quality and produced in a safe manner."

Dallin Willis, Garden City encouraged young farmers to consider applying for Class 2 of Kansas Corn Corps.

"Corn Corps has definitely been a valuable program. If you want your operation to be on the leading edge, this is where to meet those farmers," Willis said. "The greatest thing I've gained is that I'm meeting farmers that are on the leading side of technology and are wanting to do things better and improve their farms. You don't just throw a rock and find those farmers, this program has helped me meet them."

The Kansas Corn Corps program is focused on providing participants the opportunity to learn new techniques, strategies and information they can take back to their farms. This 16-month program provides learning and networking opportunities for young corn farmers and is sponsored by the Kansas Corn Commission and Kansas Corn Growers Association.

Kansas Corn is taking applications from farmers 45 and younger to participate in Class 2 of Kansas Corn Corps until September 30, 2017. The program has room to accept up to 15 farms into the program in each class. Participants representing up to 15 farms will be admitted into the program. Participants can be individuals or couples. For more information, and the application, visit, kscom.com/corncorps.

Class 1 Corn Corps members are Tanner McNinch, Ness City; Krystale Neitzel, Lawrence; Brandon Heier, Grainfield; J.D. Hanna, Silver Lake; Lowell Neitzel, Lawrence; Dallin Willis, Garden City; Matt and Janna Splitter, Lyons; Geoff Burgess, Sterling; Coby and Megan Baalman, Menlo, and Kelsey Pagel, Wetmore.

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There will be some glass but most is wooden, primitive, toys, unique items. There will be a large collection of primitives.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
Jim Hale 10' wooden carved Indian (one of a kind); single seat buggy

Sunday we will be selling the furniture, many pieces with original paint; pine green cupboard; wainscot cupboard; tall tin sided pie cupboard; painted base cabinet; pine 2 door cabinet; pine chimney cabinet; meat block from one first Dillions grocery store in Topeka; 6' pine table; wooden Coca Cola chest; curved glass china; oak flat glass secretary; oak flat glass 2 door china; fancy kitchen cupboard w/etched glass; oak commode; oak highboy; 20's china cabinet; 20's chest & dresser; maple kitchen cabinet; possum belly cabinet; walnut bed; walnut cradle; Lincoln

rockers; spinning wheel; chests; rockers; round oak table; drop leaf tables; trunks; magazine racks; wooden benches; cast iron bed w/brass knobs; wood burning kitchen stove; small wood burning stove w/enamel doors; copper washing machine; several quilts appliqued patriotic w/American eagle in center, Sunbonnet Sue, many quilts and tops from 1800's; large collection crocks (3 gal Ice Water, Hansen's Laboratory, yellow ware cake holder; blue & gray sponge ware; wall salts; many others); churn collection (crock, glass & wooden); stair rail; doors; old lumber; tin ridge row; iron wheels; iron & metal items; 2 large cast iron kettles; Peerless wooden corn sheller; separator; tin seats; wash tubs; shutters; ox yoke; forge; Maytag engine; cast iron seats; large collection of other items.

NOTE: Lunch will be served by Oz Highlander concessions.

This is a collection of three generations of family heirlooms, primitives and great finds. Marjorie was a long time collector of antiques and early period items. She lived in her family home built in 1856 and loved to decorate with antiques of that era. The auction will be held at her family farm. Many items have been stored for years. This is a large quality primitive auction. Plan on coming if you like pine furniture and old primitives. Saturday will probably be a 5 to 6 hour auction, Sunday will run long also. Check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction.com.

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Reaching out: Kansas State University agricultural economist volunteers with Farmer-to-Farmer program

Ask Brian Coffey how he started his summer and he can tell you about faraway lands and hard-working people.

For several weeks, the Kansas State University assistant professor used his expertise in agricultural economics as a volunteer in Tajikistan with the Farmer-to-Farmer Program, working with local fruit and vegetable growers to encourage strategic marketing and business planning.

The USAID-funded program provides technical assistance by U.S. volunteers to farmers, farm groups, agribusinesses and other agriculture-related entities in developing and transitional countries with the goal of promoting food security, agricultural processing, production and marketing in sustainable ways. Farmer-to-Farmer Tajikistan is implemented by ACIDI/VOCA, an economic development organization with work in southern Tajikistan targeting development of producer organizations and rural enterprises.

"Many farmers grew up when present-day Tajikistan was a state of the Soviet Union. In those days, agricultural production was centrally planned. Farmers in the region produced crops and delivered the harvest to a set location at a particular time," Coffey said.

In the 20-plus years since

USDA merges GIPSA and AMS

Building upon the reorganization plan unveiled in May, Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the realignment of a number of offices within the agency in order to improve customer service and maximize efficiency.

The actions involve innovation, consolidation and the rearrangement of certain offices into more logical organizational reporting structures, according to a USDA press release.

Of particular interest, the Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) will be merged into the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS).

Currently, both GIPSA and AMS carry out grading activities and work to ensure fair trade practices, USDA said. Grain inspection activities will become a separate area within AMS, and the Packers and Stockyards Program will be merged into a new structure that is part of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act.

Additionally, USDA determined that the Codex Alimentarius program (U.S. Codex Office), currently housed in the Food Safety and Inspection Service, will be moved to the newly created Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs (TFAA) mission area. The U.S. Codex Office is an interagency partnership which engages stakeholders in the development of international governmental and non-governmental food standards. The focus of the Codex Office aligns better with the mission of TFAA, according to the press release.

To read the USDA press release and view a short video from Perdue, go to tinyurl.com/TCFA-GIPSA-AMS.

its independence, the country has been moving toward a market economy and now farmers have some flexibility about what they grow and where they sell. That freedom also brings risk, as there is no guaranteed outlet for their crops.

"One of the main goals of my involvement," Coffey said, "was to help farmers begin to think through production decisions by first thinking about what consumers want and are willing to pay for. Another goal was to encourage farmers to think in terms of profit and loss and not just yield."

That comes pretty naturally to Coffey, who teaches production economics, a course required of all undergraduate students seeking a major or minor in agricultural economics or agribusiness at Kansas State University. His major areas of research are in livestock economics and the scholarship of teaching and learning.

"I enjoy learning more about how we can effectively teach undergraduates to appreciate, understand, and apply economic principles," he said.

A particular challenge with his volunteer work in Tajikistan was that many working-age men have left to work in other countries, leaving women to raise the family and care for their crops. Some of the women manage commercial operations. Others are caring for small plots beside their homes and consider the crops a way to supplement their families' diet. Those tending small plots often have surplus fruits or vegetables or excess land that is not being used.

"We were trying to find strategies that would convert these excesses into cash income. Even small amounts of cash could make a big difference," Coffey said, adding that work in this area helps develop rural enterprises, plus empowers women by teaching them strategic marketing and business principles.

"I am always amazed at the role that culture plays in determining what economic strategies could be successful. It is so easy to assume that what works in one place should work everywhere. That is not how the world works," he said, adding that

even in short-term assignments, it is essential to start by understanding the local situation as best you can.

There are often good reasons why people are not doing some things that an outsider would think are obvious paths to success, he said. "It is always eye-opening to see that people around the world face so many challenges specific to their locations."

Almost anyone can volunteer, said Coffey, adding that Farmer-to-Farmer is looking for volunteers with expertise in agriculture, agribusiness or business, including planting, crop care, harvest, storage, marketing, accounting and other areas. More information is available at www.farmer-to-farmer.org.



After the live stocker show at the Flint Hills Beef Fest, placings are combined with placings in the grass futurity to determine the winners of the Beef Fest Grand Award, which is the Best of Grass and Show. Winners received a plaque, a belt buckle, and a check for \$500. Winner of the Beef Fest Grand Award in the heifer division for 2017 is Pen 15 – Arndt Farms, Michael and Steven Arndt, Emporia. Pictured are Michael Arndt, Flint Hills Beef Fest president-elect Joan Olson and Steven Arndt.

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BUSINESS LIQUIDATION & MOVING AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 — 10:00 AM

Location: 1412 K-4 Hwy — VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS

Directions: Blue Building Next To Liberty Gas And Convenience Store Along K-4 Hwy

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Garrett and Megan have been in a Successful Lawn and Landscape Business in Valley Falls for several years. They have decided to sell their Business, Home & Personal belongings and move out of state. Wonderful Opportunity to purchase Commercial Lawn, Landscape & personal Items.

COMMERCIAL LAWN, LANDSCAPE & BUSINESS ITEMS
Oklahoma Moss Landscape Rock, Several Pallets; Several 2'x2'x8' Concrete Stacking Blocks; Misc. Pavers and Decorative Rocks; Misc. Paving Stones and Landscape Stones; 2000 Lb. Platform Scales/ Electronic Indicator; Misc. Tin Siding, Used; Water Feature Basins; (4) Poly Fish Bins w/Pumps and Aerators; Country Line 25 Gal. Pull Type Sprayer; Newer Power Washer; Rigid Power Washer 3000 Psi; 10' x 50' Pond Liner; Lot of Misc. Shelving and Racks; CST Berger Leveling Laser & Tripod; Ryobi Miter Saw; Skill Saw; Merry Front Tine Garden Tiller; Lot Of Misc. Gardening Supplies; Bird Houses; Sales Counter; Basalt Stones; Fire Fountains; New Aqua Basins; Pond Lights; Pond Pumps; Cash Register; (3) Fish Food Dispensers; (3) Fountains; Gazing Balls; Several Misc. Desks and Filing Cabinets; Amana Refrigerator/Freezer; Kelvinator Chest Type Freezer; (5) High Bay Lights; 10' Step Ladder; Acetylene Torch Kit

and Bottles & Gauges; 15' Roll Landscape Fabric; Echo HC-150 Gas Bush Trimmer; Shop Vac; (2) Hd Floor Fans; Storage Bins Full Of PVC Parts and Pieces; Hobart Handler 135 Wire Welder; Propane Portable Heater; Craftsman Tool Box on Wheels; Large Combination Tool Box On Wheels; Hanna PH Meter; 2-Floating Pond Meter/Led Lights, 5 & 9 Disk; Pond Master Air Pump 20Grande Biofills Filter; longen System G2; Ultralear 1000 UV Clarifier/Sterilizer 14W High Output; Ultraklear 2500 UV Clarifier/Sterilizer 28W High Output; Acanthus Fountain; Column Fountain; Aquabasins, S, M, L; Spillway Bowls 24, 32, & 40"; Crescent Basins, Big; Aquasurge 5000. **Business Inventory Comprehensive List @ Holtonlivestock.com**

TRACTORS, DUMP TRUCK, TRAILER, MOWER & ACCESS.
2016 Kubota L5460 HST 4x4 w/ LA1055 front loader, cab, heat & air, front & rear remotes, 155 one owner hours; Mahindra 6' 3pt Roto Tiller, PTO; 1995 Kenworth T300 Dump Truck, 300Hp Cummins, 9 dp, 481,000 mi; 2016 DMAX 26'+2' GN Trailer, 3-7000 lb. axles, tool box, LED lights, one owner; 2016 Kubota ZD1021 60" Zero Turn Mower; MF Super 90 Tractor; Minneapolis Moline R Tractor.

APPLIANCES & HOUSEHOLD
Wood dining table w/4 chairs & bench seat, 1 leaf, heavy; china cabinet; misc. glassware in china cabinet; leather recliner loveseat w/console; leather rocker recliner; stuffed couch; JBL Studio 5.1 Series entertainment center w/Surround Sound, Blu-Ray player; heavy wood entertainment stand; LG Sensor elec. dryer; LG washer, Inverter Direct Drive, True Balance; queen bed 4 pc. wood bedroom set; bedroom set; child's pull out bunk bed; baby crib; 6 drawer dresser; knee hole desk; wood hall tree w/mirror; misc. pots, pans, kitchenware.

Hundreds of Dollars of Inventory Used in Lawn and Landscape Business Not Mentioned.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017 — 6:00 PM
1192 E. 612 Road — LAWRENCE, KANSAS

In the little town of Clinton, KS. Just minutes from Douglas County's ultimate fishing hole, Clinton Lake.



Auction will be held on Site:
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Kansas Barn Alliance hosts BarnFest '17 in Concordia

The Kansas Barn Alliance will be hosting BarnFest '17 on October 5 & 6 in Concordia.

The October 5 events will be held at the Concordia Christian Church Fellowship Hall and the Historic Brown Grand Theatre. Amanda Loughlin from the

Kansas State Historic Preservation Office will share information on benefits and methods of listing a barn on the State and National Historic Register. Tom Kennedy of St Louis will speak on barn repair and restoration. A newly released film - *The Barn Raisers* will be shown

at the Brown Grand Theatre. This film tells the story of midwestern barn building from ground up and the people that built them. Four Kansas barns are featured as a part of this film.

Winners of the 2017 competitive "Let's Get Started" barn restoration planning

grant will be announced. Awardees receive matching funds for an evaluation of their barn and priority list for repairs from a preservation contractor.

The second day will be a carpool tour of seven historic Cloud County barns including a catered lunch at

The Barns at Bear Bottoms.

Barn owners and supporters throughout Kansas and Nebraska are encouraged to attend and learn about methods of barn maintenance and restoration.

Participants may choose to attend one or both days of BarnFest '17. Registration

and additional information is online at KansasBarnAlliance.Org Register prior to September 25 to save on registration.

The Kansas Barn Alliance promotes barn restoration throughout Kansas.

AG PRESS 785-539-7558 Call us for Catalogs, Sale Flyers, Magazines, Calendars, Brochures, Books, Newspapers and ask for Sandra

MEADOWLARK BENEFIT AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017 — 9:30 AM
 UTOPIA ROOM, ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 2900 KIMBALL AVENUE, MANHATTAN, KANSAS
 (PARKING & ENTRANCE ON NORTHEAST SIDE OF CHURCH COMPLEX)
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Meadowlark residents, families and friends have donated many quality items for their 3rd Annual Auction benefiting Meadowlark Foundations Good Samaritan Fund.

Sofas; recliners; chairs; dining sets; bookcases; washer & dryer sets; beds; chests; dressers; tables; patio furniture. The list goes on & on to include Artwork, lamps, glassware; collectibles; home décor; jewelry; seasonal items. Danish modern bedroom set; shell back chair; twin adjustable beds; Empire spinet desk (burled Walnut); Art Deco waterfall cedar chest; antique Oak high back Lawyer's chair; leather sofa & recliners; pillow back club chair; French Provincial bedroom suite; 1930's Oak dining table & 6 chairs; Mahogany knee hole desk; Franciscan Desert Rose; McDonald's plates; Lenox items; silver & turquoise jewelry including squash blossom necklace; several 14KT gold & silver pieces; dark green leather sofa; Maple hutch/buffet; **MANY MANY MORE ITEMS.**

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Managed fields can be dove hunting hotspots

Each summer, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWP) Public Lands Division staff begin working fields that will attract doves come September. When the dove season opens on Sept. 1, these specially managed fields can be dove magnets, providing outstanding hunting opportunities. There are dove fields in all regions of the state, but they vary each year due to weather and managers' time commitments. All 2017 dove fields are listed at www.ksoutdoors.com; simply click on "Hunting," then "Where To Hunt!" then "KDWP Dove

Hunting Fields."

Wildlife areas with specially managed fields for dove hunting are categorized by region. Be sure to read through the description of each area. Some fields may be reserved for youth or youth/mentors on the first few days of the season, many require non-toxic shot, and some may limit the number of hunters through special permits. Be sure to note if iSportsman Electronic Daily Hunt Permits are required. With an iSportsman account, hunters can check in and out by phone, smartphone or computer. It's quick and easy. Visit

<https://kdwpt.isportsman.net/> to learn more.

Dove fields are often planted with sunflowers or wheat and managed to attract large numbers of doves. Fields may be small and require hunters to be respectful of other hunters, allowing safe distances between parties and taking only safe shots.

Opening day will be here before you know it. It's time to stock up on shotgun shells and visit the local gun club for some practice. It's also a good idea to spend a couple of evenings scouting the fields to learn which the doves are using.

Konza Prairie station receives \$225,000 federal grant

(AP) - The National Science Foundation has awarded Konza Prairie Biological Station and the Division of Biology nearly \$225,000 to upgrade facilities for long-term bison research.

The *Manhattan Mercury*

reports the money will be used to replace some Konza Prairie corrals, build more pens, provide researchers easier access and add more remote scales to document the body weight of about 280 bison.

Konza Prairie director John Briggs says the bison

experiment studies how bison grazing affects the tallgrass prairie and measures bison performance, such as seasonal weight gains, in response to grassland conditions.

The research began in 1987. The facilities were last improved in 1997.

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Winner of the Beef Fest Grand Award in the steer division for 2017 is Pen 73 - Loomis Ranch, Jason and Justin Loomis, Council Grove. Shown are Jason Loomis, Flint Hills Beef Fest president-elect Joan Olson and Justin Loomis.

LAND AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 — 10:00 AM
 Golden Wheel Community Center, 114 S. Concord St.
 MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS

35.2 ACRES± OTTAWA COUNTY, KS LAND

Legal Description: An approximate 35-acre tract in the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4, S24, T10, R05W. **Address:** 1487 N 60th Rd., Minneapolis, KS.
Tract Info: This small farm is approximately 35.2 acres, all in native grass. There is a small pond along with a two-bedroom home and several useable outbuildings. The home is a native rock home with a bedroom in the loft, a single bath, a bedroom, a kitchen and a living-room on the main floor. There is a very nice deck on the south and west side of the home with a **great view**. A shop building with two stalls and an open storage area is just south of the home. **This property would make a great weekend getaway or a nice retirement home.**

Property Location: From Minneapolis: Take North 120th out of Minneapolis to Mulberry Road, then proceed West 6 miles to 60th Rd. and go North almost 2 miles. The property will be to the West right before you reach Oxbow Rd.

Broker's Notes: This property would make an excellent weekend getaway for a family looking to ride 4 wheelers, fish, shoot, grow a garden, or just relax in the country. There are several outbuildings and one has a finished area above it for possibly more living quarters. **Don't miss out on a chance to have your own private get away! Contact me with any questions you may have on this property.**
 Buyers Agency welcome. Call for details. Mark Uhlik - 785-325-2740

Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before November 3, 2017. Seller to pay 2016 taxes. 2017 taxes will be prorated to date of closing. Title insurance, escrow and closing costs to be split equally between buyer and seller. Buyer to take possession at closing subject to tenants rights. Property to be sold as-is, where-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of sale. This is a cash sale and not subject to financing, have your financing arrangements made prior to auction. **Midwest Land and Home** is acting as a Seller's Agent. All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential buyers are encouraged to verify all information independently. Scheiblers of Minneapolis, KS will act as escrow and closing agent. Announcements made the day of sale take precedence over all other information.

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The effects of late season usage on cool season grasses

By David Hallauer,
Agent, Meadowlark
Extension District, Crop
and Soils, Horticulture

You don't have to travel very far from east to west or north to south across northeast Kansas to find huge differences in soil moisture levels. It's easy to see the effects of moisture levels not only on our field crops, but on forage crops as well.

As we head in to mid-September, cool-season grasses are responding to cooler temperatures with increased growth in preparation for winter dormancy. Photosynthesis via green plant leaves produces energy that is transported to roots to maintain the plant through the winter and ini-

tiate green up when conditions are right next spring. Our management now, therefore, has a lot to do with how plants will grow and produce next year!

For those in areas with adequate moisture, you might be looking out at a hay field that appears to have recovered well from summer harvest and think it might be a good time for some grazing. For those with little to no moisture this past summer, even a little regrowth might be better than what a drought-stressed pasture is producing right now, making grazing pretty attractive as well. While I won't say that it can't be done successfully, doing so will take some careful management on the

part of the grazer so that longer-term damage doesn't occur.

Without adequate energy reserves in the root system going into winter dormancy, plants can lose winter hardiness and can have the green up process slowed come spring time. So while it may appear that there is plenty of green growth out there right now, it doesn't take much removal to put the plant in to a deficit again. Grazing (or taking a second cutting of hay) this fall has to be done with extreme caution. At all times, the stand should have at least four to six inches of green growth - with even more preferred. Harvesting below a four-inch level

means that the plant not only has to respond to the harvest of photosynthetic area, but depletes root reserves to do so. If adequate time and rest isn't given to replenish those root reserves, the stand can be compromised.

If in doubt, stay out! Fall grazing without adequate recovery time before our first killing frost can do long-term damage to the cool-season grass stand. There are certainly species differences to consider as well (fescue tends to be more tolerant to heavier grazing than does brome grass or native species during this time of the year), but all grasses need recovery time so that stand reductions are avoided. Be-

fore turning cows out, do a thorough walk-through of the area to be grazed, using a ruler or other measuring device to determine the average grass height. If it's not tall enough, try to find an

alternative. If regrowth has been good, grazing might be okay, but should be done with extreme caution to avoid removal of forage growth needed to help next year's stand.

South Korea lifts U.S. poultry ban

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced recently that the government of South Korea has lifted its ban on imports of U.S. poultry and poultry products, including fresh eggs. Korea had imposed the ban in response to a recent detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI).

On August 11, the United States notified the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) that it is now free of HPAI. This notification removed any justification for U.S. trading partners to restrict imports of U.S. poultry due to HPAI concerns. Currently, Korea imposes a ban on all U.S. poultry in response to any HPAI detection, but USDA continues to work with Korean officials towards limiting any future

import restrictions to the affected area, consistent with OIE guidelines.

"The United States has the strongest avian influenza surveillance program in the world and we were at once able to quickly identify, confine, and control this most recent disease outbreak. Our hope is that Korean officials will recognize that our system works and will move towards a regional approach in the event of any future findings of bird flu," said U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue. "South Korea is one of our best trading partners, and we want to continue being their most dependable supplier of high-quality food and farm products. Korea's lifting of its most recent ban is an important move for our poultry and egg industries, but it

is still just the first step."

In 2014, the last full year without any HPAI-related trade restrictions in place, South Korea purchased \$122 million in U.S. poultry products, including eggs, making it the United States' tenth-largest market. South Korea's imports from all sources exceeded \$350 million in 2016, but only \$39 million came from the United States.

Korea has also announced a temporary measure that will allow U.S. eggs and egg products to enter the country duty free in the face of a shortage of domestic supplies. Earlier this year, USDA worked with Korea's agriculture ministry to reopen the market for U.S. eggs and egg products, but imports were again restricted after the

HPAI detection in Tennessee. Year-to-date exports through June have totaled \$12 million, up nearly \$10 million compared with the same period last year.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017 — 9:00 AM
CLAY CENTER, KANSAS
AUCTION LOCATION: 1210 18th Road or Hwy. 24 across from Clay Center Airport

VEHICLE & MOWER (12:00): Mercury Sable LS; JD STX38 COLLECTIBLE FURNITURE & COLLECTIBLES, QUILTS & QUILTING ITEMS, BOOKS & DVDS, HOUSEHOLD
See last week's *Grass & Grain* for listings & go to kansasauctions.net/reynolds

SELLER: ELIZABETH ANN LEE

AUCTIONEERS NOTES: Mrs. Lee was a master quilter and had won several awards for her work. Mrs. Lee's husband Thomas Lee was president of the Union State Bank in Clay Center & an avid historian. We will be running 2 rings part of the day.

Independent Cashier: Diane Lykins

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LARGE FARM MACHINERY RETIREMENT AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 — 10:00 AM

RAIN DATE: MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

Located at the farm, from HERINGTON, KS 4-way stoplight of highway 56 & 77, go East on 56 2 1/2 miles. WATCH FOR AUCTION SIGNS.



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TRACTORS & TRUCKS

2014 Case-IH Model 125 MXM front wheel assist, 600 hrs.; Case-IH Model 175 MXM front wheel assist D, 2500 hrs.; IH Model 1066D turbo, 8175 hours; IH Model 856 gas tractor w/ Farmhand loader, 9318 hours; IH Model 756 D tractor, 9200 hours; IH Farmall 400 Swartz front gas tractor; 1979 White Road Boss semi tractor; Neville 24' 600 bushel grain trailer; Farmall M, salvage tractor; Chevy Series 65 15 1/2' steel bed & hoist; Chevy Series 60 Viking 15 1/2' steel bed & hoist; Chevy Series C-60 16' steel bed, dual hoist.

COMBINE

Case IH Mo. 1666 Axial Flow, grain monitor, 3784 hrs.; 25' rigid head header, 1010 new guards & sickle; Model 1020 25' bean header; Series II BBK-S225 25' header carrier, like new.

HAY EQUIPMENT

NH haybine swather, 14', HS Series, H7150, like new; Hesston Mo. 4755 big square baler, 3'x8' bales; NH Mo. 851 big round baler; NH Mo. 273 square baler; Hand S folding 12 wheel rake; NH side delivery rake; Welco 8 bale accumulator; Farmhand 8 bale fork; 8x25' pull hay wagon; dual axle 20' hay trailer; 16' square bale elevator; misc. bale carriers and bale feeders; Hutch 42'x8" PTO Mobile grain auger; 30' grain auger; 2 IH Mo. 950 grinder mixers; Farmhand 825 grinder Feedmaster; Artsway 425 grinder mixer; 2 roller mill grinders; Hutchinson transfer grain auger;

Balzer 4-wheel feed wagon; 3 Grain-O-Vators Mo. 30; 2 Gehl Mo. 99 silage blowers; Hercules Harvester heavy duty silage unloader; Big John 40' booms 500 gallon tank PTO sprayer; 750 plus liquid tank; 4 old silage wagons with good running gears.

TILLAGE EQUIPMENT

Great Plains 24' solid stand, double disc fold up drill; Great Plains Mo. 1800 TT 18' heavy tillage vertical till, like new; Case-IH Mo. 496 24' disc; Hutchmaster rolling plow, 12' offset disc; JD 15' Soil Saver; Case-IH Mo. 4300 vibrashank 28' with eveners; IH 11 point chisel; Krause 15' disc with 6 point chisel; IH 6 bottom and 5 bottom steerable plows; 3 bottom rollover plow; Lely 3 point 16' roto tiller; PTO 2 wheel wood floor manure spreader; mineral feeder and cattle oiler items; nice 4-hole Mirro Fount frostless cattle waterer; cattle crossing sign; 10 or more sacks full of alfalfa seed (no test), used; lots of used lumber; 300 gallon gas barrel; misc. front and wheel tractor weights; Homemade dirt mover/leveler; post auger.

TOOLS, ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & SALVAGE

START at 10 AM on Trailer Items
Allis 6' pull type combine, always shedded; old corn binder in shed; Arctic Cat 300 4x4, AS IS; roll of yard fence and other rolls of wire fence; post vise; nice anvil; 5 old cistern pumps; lots of pine boxes and galvanized buckets; wooden and wire chicken crates; 3 single leg milk stools; square wood top for hand crank washer;

Union 20 gallon crock; 5 gallon Red Wing crock with handles; 2 gallon Pittsburg crock and more; Farm Master pasteurizer; cream separator; 24 bottle Pepsi crate; wood frame corn sheller; old double truck horns; old toys; old license tags; cow kickers, dehorn er and clasper; single horse drawn cultivator; red wagons, old scooter (as is); Sholgren Gorton front wheel pedal bike; old barn lanterns and barn hinges; 4 IH lug wrenches; dump rake with seat; 1 row horse drawn planter w/seat; steel wheels; CI press wheels; wooden wagon wheel; single & double trees and other horse items; 1-horse buggy shave and 2-horse buggy shave; porch posts; McCormick Deering horse drawn sickle mower; Oliver Superior steel wheel grain drill; dirt slip; farm platform scale; hard core doors; strap on ice skates; and lots more collectible salvage items; old toys, some old homemade pine wood toys; galvanized items; axes, shovels, spades, etc.; rope block & tackles; wood ladders; wire egg basket; steel fanning mill on 2-wheel pin hitch trailer; 1 cast and other metal implement seats; Road and Advertising Homelite signs; steel wheel 40 bushel grain box; 3 pump jacks; Big Ox blade; 3 pt. rear boom lift; 10'x11' overhead fiberglass garage door; kero tank heaters; used 20" truck tires; pickup tool box; 3-horse goose-neck new stock trailer; 25' goose-neck flatbed new trailers.



SELLERS: RICHARD & PHYLLIS VISSER

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: All trailer items and miscellaneous sold first. Farm Machinery after Lunch. TERMS: Pay by Cash or Good Check. Statements made day of auction take precedence over printed material. Not responsible for accidents.

AUCTIONEERS: BOB'S AUCTION SERVICE, Bob Kickhaefer, 785-258-4188, BAS Clerk/Cashier: Bob's Auction Service • Lunch by Burdick Relay For Life • Port-a-Pot on grounds.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 — 10:00 AM

Auction will be held at 208 Main street in WELLS, KANSAS

(Wells is located 6 miles East of North Minneapolis exit on Highway 81)

REAL ESTATE

Tract I: 1664 sq. foot ranch style home w/4 bedrooms, 3 baths, utility porch, front room, dining room, kitchen, 1/2 basement, central heat & air, on rural water with 2 septic tanks. The home is in good condition. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Escrow fees will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Taxes will be pro-rated to closing. 2016 taxes were \$1,056.38. The seller will do no inspections or repairs. All inspections must be made before September 30, 2017.

Tract II: 5 lots with buildings across the street from the above home. The main 2 buildings con-

nect, one has concrete floor w/heat and window air conditioner, there are also 2 other out buildings. The buildings were used as a used car dealer. The seller will do no inspections or repairs. All inspections must be made before September 30, 2017. Terms on both tracts will be 10% down payment day of auction, with the balance due upon closing on or before November 10, 2017. Possession will be upon closing. All statements made day of auction will take precedence over printed material. **Thummel Real Estate & Auction LLC is acting as seller agent.** 8' x 40' ABC Super Coach mobile home 1 bed, 1 bath; 8' x 27' aluminum mobile home w/roof to be moved.

TRACTORS, SHOP TOOLS & OTHER

Ford 8N tractor 12 volt, new tires; Ford 9N tractor 12 volt; Ford 6' finishing mower; 3 pt. carrier; 3 pt. 6' blade; 3 pt. dirt slip; 3 pt. 8' single disc; 1/2 sack cement mixer; Toro LX427 riding mower; Agco Allis 409 riding lawn mower; lawn trailer; Lawn Chief chipper; MTD 45/21 snow blower; Hustler front tiller; Huffly Sheraton 6 hp riding mower; B & S Elite 3500-4800 generator; Tools inc.: Fliteway twin cylinder air compressor; 2 Gray air jacks; TSI 5-50 air transmission jack; Snapon stack tool box; Lincoln 180 amp welder; Peerless Diagnostic scope; Walker press; Sioux value machine; manual tire machine; Silver Beauty 300 amp battery charger; Alemite power washer; 8" drill press; Delta 10" miter saw; portable air compressor; porta power; Lincoln tire balancer; greaser; bench grinder; acc torch; Wilton vice; metal shop table; 6" table saw; assortment tools; socket sets; end wrenches; pullers; many good

tools; clamps; extension cords; yard tools; weed eaters; tractor chains; wheel barrow; floor fan; squirrel cage fans; garden seeder; 31" x 52" safe; tune up cabinet; wooden 8' shop table; 6' fiber step ladder; extension ladders; file cabinets; Chilton LX427 riding mower; Agco Allis 409 riding lawn mower; lawn trailer; Lawn Chief chipper; MTD 45/21 snow blower; Hustler front tiller; Huffly Sheraton 6 hp riding mower; B & S Elite 3500-4800 generator; Tools inc.: Fliteway twin cylinder air compressor; 2 Gray air jacks; TSI 5-50 air transmission jack; Snapon stack tool box; Lincoln 180 amp welder; Peerless Diagnostic scope; Walker press; Sioux value machine; manual tire machine; Silver Beauty 300 amp battery charger; Alemite power washer; 8" drill press; Delta 10" miter saw; portable air compressor; porta power; Lincoln tire balancer; greaser; bench grinder; acc torch; Wilton vice; metal shop table; 6" table saw; assortment tools; socket sets; end wrenches; pullers; many good

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLE & HOUSEHOLD

Guns inc.: Strum Ruger semi 22 standard pistol; Winchester 94 Wells Fargo commemorative 30-30; Antiques inc.: 2 door painted ice box; square oak 5 leg table; painted commode; walnut commode; oak rockers; sow belly cabinet; parlor table; oak plant stand; walnut sofa table; sewing machine base table; 4 kitchen clocks; coaster wagon; egg basket; Oliver typewriter; pop

bottles; model ship; Rex lard tin; Capers Farmer sign; cast iron boiler; cherry pitter; notary stamp; butter mold; school bell; Mason sword; bracket lamp; Santa Fe railroad lantern; telegraph key; banquet lamp; kerosene lamp w/reflector; coffee grinder; large assortment glass; refrigerator dishes; bell collection; gas iron; wooden boxes; granite pans; wind charger blade; wash tub; jars; records; silhouette pictures; sheet music; set china; quilts; bedspreads; 1950's bike; insulators; Household: Bernette 234 Overlock sewing machine; American Home sewing machine; Story & Clark piano; electric piano; walnut Duncan Phyfe table & chairs; water fall dresser & chest; floral couch; recliners; dinette table; end tables; full bed; flat top desk; jewelry cabinet; file cabinets; Kenmore grill; patio table; Wind Tunnel vacuum; sewing items; assortment household items; canners; paper cutter; typewriter; upholstery material; many other household & collectibles.

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Kansas Junior Livestock Show celebrates 85th year

The Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS), proudly sponsored by Cargill, will celebrate its 85th year by

hosting 812 youth from 95 counties who have entered 2,033 animals. This is the largest number of youth entered in more than 20 years. The livestock total includes 130 market steers, 334 breeding heifers, 262 market hogs, 275 breeding gilts, 325 market lambs, 316 breeding ewes, 220 meat goats and 171 commercial doe kids. The statewide event will be held September 29 through October 1 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson. For the fourth consecutive year, Douglas County leads the state with the most exhibitors, 34, and the largest number of total livestock entries, 97. Youth from Douglas County also have entered the most market lambs, 20, and tied with Reno County

for the most breeding ewes, 19. Reno County entered the most steers at 6. The largest number of heifers, 27, was entered by Pottawatomie County for the second consecutive year. Montgomery County youth have entered the most market hogs at 18, with Leavenworth County bringing the largest number of breeding gilts, 15. Labette and Miami counties tie for the most market goats at 11. Allen County competitors have entered the most commercial doe kids, 10. KJLS will award cash for the top five in both market and breeding shows in all four species. Direct cash payouts will range from \$4,000 to \$500 for steers; \$1,000 to \$300 for heifers; \$2,000 to \$500 for market

hogs; \$750 to \$250 for breeding gilts; \$2,000 to \$300 for market lambs; \$500 to \$50 for registered breeding ewes; \$500 to \$100 for commercial ewes; \$2,000 to \$400 for market goats; and \$750 to \$200 for commercial doe kids. Saturday evening, KJLS will present scholarships to exhibitors who have excelled academically, in community service and in 4-H/FFA. This is the 25th year for the scholarship program, which has awarded a total of \$411,000 to 306 exhibitors since 1993. Last year, a total of \$20,500 was awarded to 12 exhibitors.

Separate from the selection of species champions, a showmanship contest will be held. The top showman in both junior and senior divisions of each species will receive a silver belt buckle. Prizes also will be awarded for second through fifth place in each division. KJLS will again be offering the LEAD Challenge, which is an educational and advocacy event that provides an opportunity for exhibitors to learn about current industry issues and apply that information in a competitive environment. Exhibitors will be divided into three age divisions: junior, intermediate and senior. All will participate in the LEAD Listen & Learn, showmanship and skills stations. There are 35 juniors, 68 intermediates and 32 seniors entered in this year's challenge. The Kansas Livestock Foundation (KLF) will sponsor a club calf show and sale during KJLS. Steer and heifer prospects from some of the top club calf producers in the Midwest will be consigned. The event will take place September 30. Sale commission proceeds will go toward KLF Youth in Agriculture scholarships. The Mid-America Classic Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest will be held September 29 in conjunction with KJLS. This event, which has been held for more than 30 years, provides competitors the opportunity to sharpen their livestock evaluation skills, develop their critical thinking and decision-making abilities and refine their public speaking skills.

The Kansas Livestock Association, Kansas State University and the Agri-Business Council of Wichita serve as major show sponsors. In addition to Cargill, other sponsors include Merck Animal Health, Seaboard Foods, Ag Choice/MFA, Kansas Farm Bureau and Farm Bureau Financial Services, Friends of KJLS, Range Master Trailers, Syngenta and the Kansas Department of Agriculture. Hundreds of volunteers from across the state also help organize and put on the show.



1st Place heifer - \$700 - Pen 14 - F.J. Redeker and Son, Francis and Tony Redeker, Olpe, won the \$700 prize for the first place heifer at the Flint Hills Beef Fest in Emporia. Pictured are Tony Redeker, Flint Hills Beef Fest President-Elect Joan Olson and Francis Redeker.

LAND AUCTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017 — 10:00 AM
Landoll Lane Conference Center — MARYSVILLE, KS
540.25 ACRES± MARSHALL COUNTY, KS LAND

TRACT 1: 227.92 acres±, consider PRIME cropland.
 TRACT 2: 229.13 acres±, consider PRIME cropland.
 TRACT 3: 83.2 acres± with 39.39 acre DCP cropland.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 — 10:00 AM
AUCTION LOCATION: 2343 U Road — STRONG CITY, KS 66869

SELLER: Property of SUE SCHWILLING & The Late WAYNE SCHWILLING

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Sue and Wayne have lived on the ranch for many years. Wayne was an automotive air conditioning and electrical mechanic for 55 years. Wayne also enjoyed woodworking. Sue will no longer be involved in the ranching and is liquidating all the equipment and Wayne's tools. Come enjoy the day, there is older unique equipment you don't see often, plus lots of salvage iron and equipment!

TRACTORS, VEHICLE & MOTORCYCLE: Allis Chalmers One- Seventy, Wide Front, 3-pt, 2 Hyd, Gas, shows 7,080 hrs [#17-37830]; Ford 2000 Tractor w/ Front Loader, Good Rubber, shows 2,168 hrs; Allis Chalmers D-17, Gas, Wide Front, not running, [#17-14754-M]; Allis Chalmers WD, Narrow Front, 2-pt, not running [#WD 233891]; 1968 GMC 1-ton Truck, Dually, Flat Bed, Auto, V8, 2x4, Shows 49,314 mi; 1969 Honda Mini Trail Motorcycle (Has not run for some time).

EQUIPMENT: Case IH RS451 Round Baler, Twine [#CFH0157311]; John Deere Model-H Manure Spreader, Working Cond; International 990 Haybine, 9-ft, No Crimper [#02200225U020770]; New Holland 490 Haybine, 12-ft, No Crimper [#228402]; Antique Drag Rake; Antique Drag Spring Tooth, Approx 12-ft; McCormick Deering 12 Hole Drill on Steel; 2-Section Drag Harrow; Antique Pull Behind Hay Rake on Steel, Not Complete; Pride of the Farm Creep Feeder, Rough; Ferris Wheel Bale Loader; McCormick 46 Square Baler, Twine; New Holland 845 Round Baler; Allis Side Delivery Rake, Wheel Driven; Shop-built Utility Trailer, rough; 3-pt Tumble Bug; 3-pt 2-Bottom Plow; Allis Snap Coupler Tumble Bug; 9-ft Drag Disk; Approx. 5-ft Box Blade, Snap Coupler; One Section Drag Harrow; Allis Hay Elevator, no motor, Approx. 20-ft on Wheels; Allis Chalmers 7-ft Sickle Mower; Allis Antique Pull Behind Hay Rake, PTO Drive; 2-Wheel Sprayer w/ Booms; Allis Cultivator for WD; Aluminum v-Bottom Boat; Misc Scrap & Salvage (Manufactured Home Frame (bent frame) w/ Axles, JD 10-ft Disc, Craftsman 42" Riding Mower, etc); Scrap buyers come prepared for lots of old equipment and loose scrap.

SAW MILL & LUMBER: Stationary Saw Mill, Belt Driven/PTO; Bolt on Front of Tractor Buzz Saw; Lots of Rough Cut Cedar, Oak and Walnut Lumber, much of which has been planed.

TOOLS & SHOP: Victor Cutting Torch w/ Bottles & Cart; MAC (Hex Drivers, Ratchet Wrenches, Open & Closed End Wrenches, Offset Open End Wrenches, Fuel Line Wrenches, Pry Bar, Vacuum & Fuel Pump Tester, Tap & Die Set, End Wrenches, Standard & Metric, Rethreader Dies for Coarse & Fine Threads); Matco 20 Drawer Tool Chest; Lincoln 225 Welder & Helmets; Misc Air Drills (MAC Impact, Chisel, Ratchet Tools); Sets of Craftsman End Wrenches; Snap-On CJ134 Tilt Steering Pivot Pin Puller; Craftsman End Wrenches, Standard & Metric; Matco 1/2" Sockets; Crowsfoot Set; Craftsman Router Bits; Makita 400mm Planer; Craftsman Lower & Upper Tool Box; Dremel 730 Disc-Belt Sander; Craftsman 12" Bandsaw; Lathe Tools; Power King Lathe; Craftsman Router; DeWalt Radial Arm Saw x2; 6" B&D Bench Grinder; Dremel Moto-Shop Band Saw; Router Dove Tail Template; Misc Hand Tools (C-Clamps, Bolt Cutter, Socket Driver Set, Nut Drivers, Screw Drivers, Soldering Gun, Misc Specialty Pliers, Drill Bits, Allen Wrenches, Misc Swivel Sockets, Short & Long Straight Sockets, Hand Plane, Hole Saws); Bearing Driver Set; Tapered Drill Bits; Impakdriver; Volt Meter Tester; Sickle Grinder; Older Shop Smith; "12" Refrigerator, x8 cans; Fire Point 55 Space Heater; Mitre Saw; Circular Saw x2; Craftsman Table Saw; Hand Drills; Craftsman Sander; Palm Sanders; B&D Hand Grinder; Misc Old New GM Parts; Shop Vac; 4" Belt & 6" Disc Sander; GM Creeper; Midland 23-101 Multi-meter; Cosco Carpenter Table; Delco Air Conditioning Parts; 5-pc Dent Puller; Handy Man Jack; Delta Bench Top Drill Press; Buffalo 3/4" Drive Socket Set; Pipe Clamps; Air Conditioning gauges; Metal Floor Cabinet w/ Shelves; Shop Smith Long Clamps; Town & Country Front Tine Tiller, needs work; Misc Yard Tools; Hand Sprayer; MTD Front Tine Tiller; Craftsman Weed Eater; Safety Gas Can; Homelite Super XL Chain Saw.

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: Antique Grinding Wheel on Base; Manning Bowman #52 Electric Fan; Pepsi & Coca-Cola Crates; Metal Toy Grader & Dump Truck; Large Chicken Crate; Misc Bicycles; Kids Wagon; Bird House; Cast Shelf Brackets; BBQ Grill; Window AC; Coleman Lantern; Clay Flower Pots; Lawn Chair; Crockett Set; Hand Cultivator; Cream Separator; Belt Driven; Cream Can; Thermos Cooler; Misc Pop Bottles; Duck Decoys; Metal Lamp Base; Filet Knives; Ammo Box; Antique Kitchen Cabinet Top; Wood Stove; Misc Ashtrays, Olympia Beer, Budweiser; Post Vise; Pennzoil Barrel; Log Tongs; Wood Cabinets; **AND MORE ITEMS NOT LISTED.**

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017 — 1:30 PM
 Sale held at the HERITAGE CENTER, 1056 SE ISABEL ROAD, MEDICINE LODGE KS.
 12:00 Lunch provided by American AgCredit:
Sellers: Roy Stewart Trust

Following applies to all tracts; Tenant Rights; Closing on or Before Nov. 15th, 2017; Title Ins. 50% Buyer, 50% Seller; Taxes Prorated to Day of Closing; Earnest Money \$20,000.00 Each Parcel. Surface Rights Only. All acreages are approximate. Sale Bill Subject to change.

Tract 1 sells at 1:30 pm Legal: S2 15-32-11 Barber Co. KS. Located on HWY 160, All Crop Land.

Tract 2 Legal: NW 4 & W2 SW4 of 14-32-11 Barber Co. KS. Located on HWY 160, All Crop Land.

Tract 3 Legal: W2 W2 21-33-10 Barber Co. KS. Located Between Sharon & Hazelton KS. 138 acres± grass, 16± acres cropland, 26'x30' building (new in 2012); has one very large pond.

Tract 4 Legal: 1,035 acre± tract in Sections 17,18,19 & 20-33-10 Barber Co. KS. Grass, some cropland, & 5 ponds.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 — 10:00 AM
 2323 N. JACKSON — JUNCTION CITY, KS 66441

FURNITURE & APPLIANCES: Love Seat, Wing Back Chair, Overstuffed Chair, 4 Drawer Oak Chest Of Drawers, Lamp Table, Coffee Table & End Tables, Gentleman's Dresser, 2-Cedar Chests, Dressing Table (Needs Refinished) TV Stand, Milk Stool, Jewelry Boxes, Pole Lamp, 2-Sewing Machines, RCA TV, Propane Deck Heater (New), Propane Heater w/Bottle. **COINS, GLASSWARE & COLLECTIBLES:** Coins (Morgan Dollars, Presidential Dollars, Canadian Silver Dollar, Mexican Silver Dollar, Franklin & Walking Liberty Half Dollars, Washington, Golden Plate State & Platinum State Quarters, Seated Half, Roosevelt, Liberty, Seated &, Mercury Dimes, Buffalo, Three Cent, Jefferson & Wooden Nickels, Large Cents & 2003 Silver Proof Set), Fine Silver Bars, Crystal Vases, Cake Compote, Crystal Candy Dish, Crystal Water Glasses, Crystal Water Pitcher w/Glasses, Glass Paperweight, Ceramic Cookie Jar, Ceramic Birds Figurine, Ceramic Bird House, Candle Holders, Crock Jugs, Crock Churn, Blue & Gray Crock Jars, Costume Jewelry, 2-Kerosene Pocket Lamps, Kerosene Lamps, Antique Picture Frames & Some To Be Refinished, Team Of Mules Print, Antique Camera w/Lens, Large Doll, Teddy Bear Collection, Wire Egg Basket, Baskets, Harley Davidson (Leather Jacket XL, Leather Vest 40, Leather Chaps & Boots 9 1/2 -10), Old US Bus Stop Sign, Mocca Coffee Grinder, Butternut Coffee Grinder, Cl Dog Nut Cracker, Horse Weather Vane, Hand Carved Bear, Quilted Bear, Pig Rug Beater, Dubb Handi Wash Board. **TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS** Craftsman Router & Bits, Metal Ramps, Craftsman Roto Zip, Alpha Spy Drone w/Control & Camera, Brief Cases, Luggage, Granite Roaster, 3-Pr Binoculars, Terraotta Pots, Urn Planters, Lots & Lots of CD's (Classic Rock & Country), Rugs, Fishing Rods & Reels, Tackle Box, Total XLS Gym Set, Games, Christmas Decorations, German Christmas Decorations, 7 1/2 Ft Christmas Tree, Holiday Decorations, 5 Light Chandelier (NIB), **JUST A PARTIAL LISTING.**

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LAND AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017 — 10:00 AM
Best Western Holiday Manor — McPHERSON, KANSAS
423 ACRES± MCPHERSON COUNTY, KS LAND

TRACT 1: 155.7 acres± cropland. TRACT 2: 130.6 acres± cropland.
 TRACT 3: 115.1 acres± cropland. TRACT 4: 21.4 acres±.

PROPERTY LOCATION: All tracts located on the south edge of McPherson on south side of Highway 61.
Some of the more productive land McPherson County has to offer!
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LAND AUCTION

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 — 7:00 PM
 Courtyard Marriott, 3020 Riffel Drive
 SALINA, KANSAS

90 Ac+/- Till/Pasture combo at I-70 & Hedville Rd
 The S/2 NE/4 and part of the N/2 NE/4 Sect 33-13-4, Saline Co.
 Taxes: \$530.82 on 88.4 taxable acres

47 acres +/- productive tillable
38.46 Base acres - 26.58 wt bs - 4.22 milo bs - 7.66 bean bs
27 acres +/- pasture
16 acres +/- waterways and wildlife habitat

Located just 6 miles west of Salina off of I-70 @ the Hedville exit #244. 1/2 mile of 1-70 frontage and 1/4 mile of Hedville Rd blacktop frontage.

This property has a well and a rural water tap and is located in the desirable Ell-Saline school district. Excellent views in the pasture would make for an outstanding building site.

Call or visit our website for complete details & a Sale Bill!
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Auction Sales Scheduled

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Sealed Bid Auction (deadline September 22) — 3 Bedroom House built by Abilene High School construction science classes.

Online Only Auction — September 27 — 2011 Case IH Maxxum 125 at www.brnauctions.com.

Online Only Auction (ends Sept. 28) — Clem's Convenience Corner general store with gas pumps, 28 storage units & more located at Milford for Terry & Laura Clement at www.ruckertauctions.com. Auctioneers: Ruckert Realty & Auction.

Online Only Auction (ends Sept. 29) — Residential Fire sale, 3BR, 2BA home with smoke damage located in Manhattan at www.ruckertauctions.com. Auctioneers: Ruckert Realty & Auction.

September 19 — 2 prime building lots in the Cedar Circle Addition held near Manhattan & Wamego for Cedar Circle Subdivision, Myron & Jody Schwinn. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 23 — Coins at Portis. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction.

September 23 — Vehicles, boat, tractors, farm equipment & farm supplies at Haven for Kuehn Farms, LLC. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

September 23 — Meadowlark Benefit auction inc. furniture, glassware, household, artwork, collectibles, jewelry & more at Manhattan for Meadowlark Foundation. Auction services donated by Gannon Auctions.

September 23 — Furniture, appliances, coins, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Ray Evans & Others. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

September 23 — Trailers, lift, tractor, vehicles & business supply retirement auction at Emporia for Dieker's Trailer and RV Sales and Service. Auctioneers: Swift-n-Sure Auctions.

September 23 — 1992 Mercury car, many hand & machine quilts old & new, antiques & collectibles, high quality furniture, antique furniture, glassware at Clay Center for Elizabeth Ann Lee. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service.

September 23 — Vehicle, collectibles, mechan-

ics, woodworking & hand tools, household & many unique items at Wamego for Caroline Fairchild. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

September 23 — Combine, semi, tractors, vehicles, trailers, equipment, collector vehicles, coins, collectibles, household & misc. at Eudora for Mrs. (Bruce/Butch) Bonnie Neis. Auctioneers: Mark Elston, Chris Paxton, Jason Flory.

September 23 — Tractors, trailers, vehicles, farm & livestock equip., lawn & garden, trailers, 4-wheelers, tools, lumber, collectible farm items at New Strawn for New Strawn Consignment Auction. Auctioneers: Darwin Kurtz, Lyle Williams, Laverne Yoder, Lowell B. Platt, Gary Johnson.

September 23 — 423 acres m/l McPherson County cropland held at McPherson for LLZ, LLC. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Homes, Jeff Dankenbring & Mark Uhlik.

September 23 & 24 — Primitives & collectibles, Jim Hale 10' wooden carved Indian, single seat buggy, furniture, collection of crocks, antiques & much more at Auburn for Marjorie A. Jenkins Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 24 — Furniture, dining room suite, Sole F60 treadmill, large gas grill, collectibles & household at Manhattan for Dede Wills. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 24 — Household & collectibles, camper & guns, glassware & more at Topeka for Dr. David & Gerry Thurston. Auctioneers: Kooser Auction Service.

September 24 — Home in Linn & household held at Linn for Verna Beikmann. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

September 26 — Real estate (located at Clinton), 3BR, 2BA home held at Lawrence. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates Realty & Auctions.

September 26 — 2BR, 1BA home (located on Hwy. 24) held at Manhattan. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 26 — 90 acres m/l productive tillable & pasture land held at Salina for the John Komarek

Trust. Auctioneers: Horizon Farm & Ranch Realty, LLC.

September 30 — Vehicles, tractors, farm & livestock equipment, shop tools, lawn & garden, farm primitives & collectibles, construction supplies, lumber, windows & doors held at Hutchinson for K-14 Consignments. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

September 30 — Tractors, vehicle, motorcycle, equipment, saw mill & lumber, tools & shop, antiques & collectibles at Strong City for property of Sue Schwilling & the late Wayne Schwilling. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 30 — Coins, collectible glassware & furniture, toys, artwork inc. Sandzen & other Swedish artists, 2012 Ford Focus SFE, 2009 Suzuki SX4-AWD, housewares & furniture at McPherson for Charlotte Ternstrom Estate & others. Auctioneers: Oswalt Auction Service.

September 30 — Business liquidation & moving auction, commercial lawn, landscape & business items, car, tractors, dump truck, trailer, mower & accessories, appliances, household & more at Valley Falls for G&M Lawns, Garrett & Megan Lacy. Auctioneers: Harris Auction Service.

September 30 — Real Estate (T1: 4BR home, T2: 5 lots with buildings across from home), tractors, shop tools & other, antiques, collectibles, household at Wells for Leo & Javene Whitley Trust. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 30 — Pickups, mower & equipment, furniture, antiques, pottery & household at Conway Springs for Harold Gilges Estate, Sharon Gilges, seller. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.

September 30 — Approx. 100 acres of Flint Hills grass & brick home; 700 Clark Bobcat, forklift, JD tractors, 1977 Ford 250 flatbed pickup, front end loader, trailers, tools, shop equipment, household at Paxico for Richard "Dick" & Sarah "Sally" Short. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 30 — Consignment auction at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Real-

ty & Auction Service.

September 30 — 35.2 acres m/l Ottawa County, KS native grass land with small pond, 2BR home, outbuildings & more held at Minneapolis for Katharine Vass. Auctioneers: Midwest Land and Home, Mark Uhlik, Jeff Dankenbring.

September 30 — Large farm machinery auction, tractors, trucks, combine, hay & tillage equipment, tools, antiques, collectibles & salvage items held East of Herington for Richard & Phyllis Visser retirement. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

October 1 — Antiques & collectibles at Salina for Jack & Donna Vanier. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 1 — Fishing & camping items, 300+ lures, household, woodworking tools, shop tools, etc. at Tecumseh for Mrs. Mel "Janie" Grandstaff. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

October 3 — Mitchell County, KS cropland, creek & wildlife held at Beloit for Joe & Carmen Konzem. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 7 — Car, household, collectibles & tools at Scandia for Dorothy Sandell. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 7 — Tractors, antiques, collectibles, household, tools & more at Delavan for Roy Harvey, Kickhaefer Brothers. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

October 8 — 100s of name brand shop tools, welding items, forklift & much more at Tecumseh for Mrs. Mel "Janie" Grandstaff. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

October 8 — Approx. 180 guns at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

October 11 — 1,720 acres m/l Barber County, KS land in 4 parcels, cropland, pasture & ponds held at Medicine Lodge for Roy Stewart Trust. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction & Real Estate.

October 12 — Pottawatomie County Highway Commercial property held at Manhattan for Nielson Trust. Auctioneers: Donald Prell Realty & Auction, LLC.

October 12 — 50.74 acres between Topeka & Lawrence (ponds, pasture timber, cropland, home site) held at Tecumseh. Auctioneers: JP Weigand & Sons, Inc.

October 14 — Fully restored antique John Deere tractor on steel, antiques, Roseville pottery, collectibles of all kinds, antique tools & firearms at Wells for Mrs. Leroy "Maxine" Windhorst. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service.

October 14 — Vehicles, backhoe, tractor, older gas payloaders, trailers, '58 IHC grain truck, Kawasaki Mule, PTO generator, tree shear, Stihl 170 chain saw, old cast seats, many tools & farm related items held NW of Chapman for the Ben Hillyard Estate. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

October 14 — Household & collectibles at Marysville for Lucille Godfrey. Auctioneers: Olmsted's & Sandstrom.

October 14 — Kansas Auctioneers Association 10th annual Livestock Auctioneers Competition held at Fort Scott Livestock Market, Fort Scott.

October 14 — 142.2 acres m/l of Dickinson County, KS land (farmland, older 3BR home) held at Chapman for Vera Mae Cregan Living Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land and Home, Mark Uhlik, Jeff Dankenbring.

October 14 — Judd Ranch 27th Annual Cow Power Gelbvieh, Balancer & Red Angus Female Sale at Pomona.

October 18 — 229 acres m/l Wabaunsee County native grass pasture land held at Alma for Holy Family Catholic Church. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

October 21 — Guns, ammo, knives, gun cases, etc. at Osage City. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

October 21 — 2002 Ford F150 XLT SC truck, antiques, collectibles, graniteware Mobil Oil sign, Graves & Triangle Truck Line memorabilia, Belt Buckles Fire memorabilia, tools, furniture & household at Salina for Mike & Faye Breer Estate/Theresa Baxa. Auctioneers: Baxa Auctions, LLC.

October 21 — 152.39 acres m/l Washington County, KS land held at Palmer for Raymond Beikman. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik & Jeff Dankenbring.

October 21 — Farm machinery & household at Delavan for Bill Bruckner. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

October 21 — Country acreage, car, classic cards, tools, household at Washington for Robert R. Jones. Auctioneers: Raymond

Bott Realty & Auction.

October 22 — Shannon Creek Cattle Co. Quarter Horses 9th Production Sale at Olsburg.

October 25 — Fink Beef Genetics Angus and Charolais Bull sale at Randolph. October 28 — Antiques & collectibles at Blue Rapids for Floyd Sutton Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsted's & Sandstrom.

October 28 — 540.25 acres m/l Marshall County land held at Marysville for CRW Ranch, LLC. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Jeff Dankenbring & Mark Uhlik.

October 29 — Household & guns at Hope for Dan Emig. Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service, Bob Kickhaefer.

November 4 — Land Auction at Blaine for (Richard) Mary Helen Howell Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsted's.

November 4 — Collector tractors, Ford F600 truck, '69 Ford PU, 1930 Ford Model A & parts, Mustang parts, hi-wheel wagon, tools, antiques & collectibles at Sabetha for Elwin & Mary Strahm. Auctioneers: Ash Realty & Auctions, LLC.

November 9 — 2,007.6 acres Smith County land held at Franklin, Nebraska for Lovell Ranch. Auctioneers: Marshall Land Brokers & Auctioneers.

November 10 — 160 acres m/l of land East of Vermillion for Cutting Estate. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Realty & Auction Co.

November 16 — Clay County Real Estate for Helen Schurle Trust in Green, KS. Auctioneers: Greg Kretz.

November 18 — Full line of late model farm equipment at Frankfort for Dan Gerstner. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Auctioneer.

November 30 — 147 acres Dickinson County farmland & grassland held at Abilene for Deanna Pagenkopf Rundle. Auctioneers: Riordan Auction & Realty.

March 6, 2018 — Bull sale at Lacrosse for Cornwell Farms.

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Beautiful dining room suite with table, 6 chairs; china cabinet & buffet; King bed with matching dresser & 2 night stands; Beautiful entertainment center; 3 cushion sofa; 2 corner curio cabinets; antique Cherry dropleaf table; 5-drawer chest-of-drawers; Maple china hutch; Entertainment center; dropleaf dinette table & 2 chairs; wooden corner shelf; bookshelves; Maple full size bed; very nice drum table; curio cabinet; living room chair; 2 cushion sofa; 6-drawer Maple chest-of-drawers; round stand; floor lamps; white & maple hutch; small Queen Anne

dropleaf stand & matching coffee table; sofa table & matching end tables; brass footed coffee table; wingback arm chair; small round white dropleaf dinette table & 2 chairs; Mahogany stand; Walnut stand with Queen Anne legs; Walnut 2-drawer handmade jewelry/silver chest; large maple framed mirror; magazine rack; shelving; **Sole F60 treadmill**; large Weber gas grill; set Spode china; Lords of London & other quality artwork & prints; approximately 30 Norman Rockwell & other Collector plates; Noritake china; Demitasse & soup cups;

lots of stemware; 3 sets of quality plates; crystal bowls; sets of dishes; Stiffle lamps; what-not shelf; area rug; Hoover & Shark vacuums; War/History/Furniture & other books; Holiday decorations; cat items; new coffee maker; salt cellars; purple handled flatware; hamper; vases; flower pots; lamps; baskets; placemats; phones; games; clocks; DVD & VCR tapes; small kitchen appliances; sets of glassware; jewelry; kitchenware; canisters; sets of bowls; Corningware; bakeware; purses; mirrors; household items.

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AUCTION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017 — 10:30 AM
Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co. Expo 900 Greeley
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ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES
Hoosier cabinet; oak side board; J C Sandberg Victor floor safe; pine buffet; corner cupboard; pine dry sink; walnut Cornish & Co. organ; organ chair; English serving table; cherry spoon carved chest; cherry commode; needle point rocker; oak glass ball parlor table; Victorian needle point chair; Immigrant's chest; gun case; set walnut chairs; 2 camel back trunks; table top store showcase; child's rocker; cobbler's bench; captain's chair; pressed back chair; plank seat chair; pine work top cabinet; library table; point foot stool; tree hall tree; 7 high back ice cream chairs; oriental rug; duck rug; wire plant stands; **modern**

furniture: 2 marble top custom end tables; coffee table; Lane couch; wing back chairs; octagon curio cabinet; round table & chairs; high back chairs; massage chair; lounge chair; twin bed w/box springs & mattress; bar chairs; modern floor rugs; lounge; wall mirrors.

COLLECTIBLES
Daniel Parker "Winter on Fire Hole" coffee table; small brass cannon; Bronze's inc. Kelsey mountain sheep; bronze bear; duck bronze "Bayou Woody" Sandra Van Zandt; fish/lilly bronze; "Battle Gettysburg" picture; Guy Coleleach Waterfowl print; assortment Wayne Willis prints; Terry Burelson print; Wayne Willis pheasant & turkey prints; Trails of Prayer Bev Do-

little print; several other pieces of art; stain glass duck; Michel Ricker pewter collection; Jerusalem wood egg; assortment pictures; leaded glass windows; Ricker Bartlett collectibles; Norman Rockwell plates; crystal glasses; Boehm Christmas china; gamebird plates; cut glass pieces; Lenox Boehm bird plates; Lladro Christmas bells; Spode Christmas china; pewter items; steins; assortment of other glass; kerosene lamp; turquoise jewelry; wall mirror; quilts; 2 shelf clocks; 30" bisque doll kid body; globe; wooden duck decoys; grain brass Boehm divider; brass spittoon; wrench display; parking meter; assortment of other collectibles.

NOTE: This is a very nice collection from the Vanier home. The VANIER'S ARE DOWNSIZING; Check our web site at www.thummelauction.com. for pictures.

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not since summer took the bait

Guess the order buyer's coastin',

I been told they hibernate!

Half the crew's been on vacation,

I took mine way back in June

Whoa! Better ride a little slower,

I might finish way too soon!

All the sick pens dang near empty,

'cept a few ol' chronic pets

So I pull the odd puffed-up one,

helps to justify the vets

But mostly I just check the pens

if there ain't no fats to ship.

And I do some contemplatin',

ain't nobody cracks the whip

But my cowboy intuition says enjoy it while you can

'Cause a thunderhead is buildin'

that will change the battle plan

When the dog days in the feedlot

will have finally run their course

And the fall'll bear down on us

like she's ridin' Hell's own horse!

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The nature of the beast

By Jody Holthaus, Agent, Meadowlark Extension District, Livestock and Natural Resources

By the time you read this, the Grazing School will be over. My presentation is on the behavior of grazing animals. I guess I have been fascinated with this, since I've heard some of the old wives' tales about cattle facing into a storm etc. etc. Plus, I didn't get to take Dr Owensby's class at KSU, so I'm self-taught!

Cattle's first choice of eating in the pasture is new growth or regrowth. We learned this lesson one year, when we only burned one side of a native pasture. The cattle camped out on the side that was burned. Their second choice will be mature green leaves, third pick is green stems and then mature dry leaves and then if forced, dry stems. Now we've all seen those pastures where they are forced to eat everything, even the grass under hedge trees and multiflora rose!

There is no scientific evidence to support that cattle have nutritional wisdom. They cannot determine whether or not they need a certain mineral or vitamin.

When forage is plentiful and good, they will spend less time grazing and more time resting. Of course when the grass is not good, they will have to graze longer. If you use a higher stocking rate, they will graze longer, competing for the best grass. If the grass is short they will graze longer, because they will not be able to sweep up the grass with their tongues.

Small herds in small pastures stay together. They will graze all together when grass is plentiful. When forage becomes scarce, they will graze individually.

It is optimum to have watering sources 400 to 600 yards away; if it's longer they will travel to water as a group, which can hurt your gains as well.

Cattle will avoid areas that have their feces, sheep are not as particular. Urine is only a short-term aversion for cattle.

Of course, when you see cattle in ponds early in the season, you can suspect horn flies. Later in the year, when temperatures rise, it could be a cooling off trick, especially in fescue pastures.

Cattle will bunch together in heavy fly infestations.

Of course, every herd has the boss cow. The pecking order is quickly established when placed in the pasture. Hopefully, your pastures will stand up in this dry stretch, and may your boss cow be a pet!

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