Cowboy Up
by Ron Wilson
Poet Lariat

A Good Kaw-se

Where can a person find a 24-foot-tall statue of a pioneer Kansas wheat farmer? Such a structure was built more than a half-century ago in Manhattan, Kansas as a mythical tribute to our pioneering ancestors. Today, this character even has his own bobblehead. His name is Johnny Kaw.

The originator of this fictitious character is Dr. George Filinger, a K-State professor of horticulture. The story dates back to 1955, when the city of Manhattan was celebrating its centennial. Reportedly the centennial committee was having a hard time generating interest in a centennial celebration of local history. Dr. Filinger thought that a larger-than-life character similar to Paul Bunyan would spark interest, while symbolizing the actual wheat farmers and pioneers who settled this state. Dr. Filinger created a story about the legend of Johnny Kaw, which ran in serial form during several weeks in the local paper.

In Dr. Filinger's imaginary story, Johnny Kaw was a settler's son who came west and grew to gigantic proportions in the favorable Kansas climate. Johnny was so big and strong that he swung his scythe (what a great word) across the landscape while harvesting wheat and cut off all of the tall hills. He and his friend Pecos Bill dug out the Grand Canyon and spread the soil across Kansas. When Paul Bunyan came down from the north country and stomped on Johnny's wheat crop, Johnny fought him and drug a channel with Paul Bunyan's face, thus creating the Mississippi River. These fun, tall tales in the local paper did generate interest.

Eleven years later, a group of citizens got together and built a giant statue of Johnny Kaw, holding his scythe (there it is again). The statue stands in the southeast corner of Manhattan City Park, where in recent years it has either gone unnoticed or people have no clue what that big thing is.

Fast-forward to 2018. After 52 years, Johnny's statue needs some renovation. Civic leaders recognized the need for a fundraising effort to renovate Johnny and to create an attractive plaza area around him. Karen Hibbard and her excellent Manhattan Convention and Visitors Bureau staff, who are always looking for a good time and for opportunities to promote Manhattan, had the great idea to have a birthday party for Johnny. Plans took off from there.

On May 10, 2018, Manhattan threw a birthday party for Johnny and also celebrated National Tourism Week. There were cake and refreshments and a 5K run around city park. Johnny wore a festive party hat but I noticed that he never cracked a smile. Radio personality Dave Lewis led the festivities, which included remarks from city leaders. Local musician Dave Zerfas composed and performed an original song in Johnny's honor and I did a poem (see below). Johnny Kaw bobbleheads and history books were available, with the proceeds going to support the project. The commendable intent is that private funds will be used for this project and no taxpayer dollars will be utilized.

That evening's program generated a good turnout and was a lot of fun. I really do appreciate the fact that city leaders would choose to honor those historic wheat farmers who built our state. In this modern high-tech world, it seems that too many people want to ignore our agricultural heritage. Johnny Kaw is a big (and I mean big) symbol of recognition of our past pioneers.

I was glad to be part of this program. I even got a bobblehead out of it!

Johnny Kaw
By Ron Wilson, Poet Lariat

It was many years ago, came a statue in our park:
A symbol of our history, a municipal landmark.
His name was Johnny Kaw, symbol of a pioneer,
Who came out west to Kansas
and tamed the wild frontier.
A giant of a man, he threshed our Kansas wheat,
Making us the breadbasket,
giving the world food to eat.
He dug out the Grand Canyon,
with that cowboy Pecos Bill,
And spread the soil across Kansas,
his purpose to fulfill.
When Paul Bunyan stomped his crops,
then Johnny just had to deliver:
He drug Paul's face across the land,
making the Mississippi River.
These Kansas tall tales make a story quite unique:
A fitting way to celebrate National Tourism Week.
As a symbol of our state,
Johnny stands without a flaw:
So it's time to celebrate:
Happy Birthday, Johnny Kaw!

Trump's $50 billion tariff announcement harsh reality for soybean growers

Weeks of speculation have ended with new anxiety for growers of America's leading agricultural export: President Trump announced last Friday he is indeed levying 25 percent tariffs on $50 billion of Chinese products under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974. This decision not only inflames trade tensions between the two countries, but also means U.S. soybean growers, who shipped roughly $14 billion in soybeans last year to China – their number one export market – stand to quickly feel the impact of retaliatory tariffs.

The American Soybean Association (ASA), on behalf of all U.S. soy growers, is disappointed in the Administration's decision, which follows weeks of imploring the President and his team to find non-tariff solutions to address Chinese intellectual property theft and not place American farmers in harm's way. ASA has twice requested a meeting with President Trump to discuss how increasing soy exports to China can be a part of the solution to the U.S. trade deficit without resorting to devastating tariffs.

Chinese government officials have announced that their response to Trump's widespread trade tax on Chinese goods will be quick and certain, which is bad news for soybeans farmers. A study by Purdue University economists predicts that soybean exports to China could drop by as much as 65 percent if China imposes a retaliatory 25 percent tariff on U.S. soybeans.

Davie Stephens, Kentucky soybean grower and vice president of ASA, is among growers distraught over the newly announced tariffs, and China's possible retaliation.

"Crop prices have dropped 40 percent in the last five years, and farm income is down 50 percent compared to 2013. As a soy grower, I depend on trade with China. China imports roughly 60 percent of total U.S. soybean exports, representing nearly one in three rows of harvested soybeans," Stephens said. "This is a vital and robust market that soy growers have spent over 40 years building and, frankly, it's not a market U.S. soybean farmers can afford to lose."

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) has released a revised list of Chinese goods subject to the additional 25 percent tariff stemming from concerns over intellectual property theft and technology transfers. U.S. Customs and Border Protection will begin collecting the additional duties on the bulk of that list beginning July 6.

"As the country's leading agricultural export at $27 billion, trade is vital for soybean growers and, while China has not yet directly retaliated against imports of U.S. soybeans, it seems imminent," Stephens said. "ASA continues to advocate for increased trade opportunities, not trade-reducing tariffs, to help boost agriculture industries and rural communities in the current down farm economy," said Stephens.

ASA is among grower and industry groups whose members have been imploring Congress to urge the Administration to back away from tariffs and return to the negotiating table with China. Under the hashtag #TradeNotTariffs, members of these organizations have continued to amp up awareness on social media, sharing with the public how trade tariffs could devastate their livelihoods.

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Greta was a long time collector and over the years had accumulated some unique items. There will be a nice assortment of ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES at this auction, plus a whole bunch of OLDER TOYS! This is the first of several auctions we will have for her estate.
DIRECTIONS: From East side of Strong City, go East on US-50 for 8 mi. OR from Emporia, go West on US-50 for 9 mi. to ZZ Rd., turn South & continue for 0.5 mi. to the school house on the West side of the road. **WATCH FOR SIGNS!**
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We had a light run of feeder cattle and calves for our sale Friday, June 15 with not enough cattle of any class to fully test the market. Cull cows sold from steady to $4 higher on the high dressing cows.

STEER CALVES — 350-550 lbs
Manhattan 3 blk 460@183.50
Manhattan 3 blk 493@172.00
Blue Rapids 9 blk 534@169.50
Blaine 3 blk 373@150.00

STEERS — 550-775 lbs
Blue Rapids 22 blk 642@158.50
Auburn 3 blk 555@156.00
Auburn 6 blk 612@153.00
Baldwin City 6 blk 601@150.50
Baldwin City 5 bwf 658@150.00
Manhattan 4 blk 588@148.00
Manhattan 10 blk 657@145.00
Auburn 8 blk 734@142.00
Blue Rapids 7 blk 762@140.50

HEIFER CALVES — 450-550 lbs
Manhattan 4 blk 457@164.00
Baldwin City 3 blk 466@148.00
Scranton 6 bwf 537@146.00
Manhattan 4 blk 533@141.00

HEIFERS — 550-725 lbs
Blue Rapids 17 blk 584@148.50
Manhattan 9 blk 566@147.75
Blue Rapids 4 blk 627@138.00
Frankfort 6 blk 652@131.75
Frankfort 19 blk 702@130.00

BULLS — 1,025-1,625 lbs
Manhattan 1 blk 1035@95.00
Manhattan 1 blk 1220@94.00
Scranton 1 Heref 1615@94.00
Riley 1 blk 1580@78.00

COWS & HEIFERETTES — 950-1,675 lbs
Westmoreland 3 blk 1143@99.50
Westmoreland 5 blk 1362@95.00
Westmoreland 6 blk 1369@94.50
Westmoreland 1 blk 1120@89.00
Council Grove 1 blk 965@75.50
Westmoreland 1 blk 1275@75.50
Westmoreland 1 blk 1645@72.00
Westmoreland 1 blk 1670@71.50
Westmoreland 1 blk 1570@69.00
Westmoreland 1 blk 1395@67.00
Westmoreland 1 blk 1350@65.50
Hiawatha 1 blk 1300@64.00
Wilsey 1 blk 1220@64.00
Wamego 1 blk 1490@62.00
Wilsey 1 blk 1285@61.50
Wilsey 1 bwf 1325@60.00
Council Grove 1 blk 1285@59.50
Wilsey 1 blk 1230@59.00
Wamego 1 blk 1165@58.00
Leavenworth 1 blk 1260@58.00
Onaga 1 blk 1055@56.00
Council Grove 1 blk 1430@55.00
Council Grove 1 blk 1355@54.50
Wilsey 1 bwf 1105@54.00

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 29
• 10 blk & bwf strs & hfrs, 550-650 lbs.

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• 115 choice reputation homeraised strs & hfrs out of Nelson Angus bulls, 1 rd shots, 650-750 lbs.
• 50 Reputation blk bwf strs & hfrs, 50 days weaned, 2nd rd shots, 550-700 lbs.

Summer Sale Schedule:
June 22 – NO SALE
June 29 – Regular Sale
July 6 – NO SALE
July 13 – Resume Regular Schedule

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay market trade activity is light to moderate, while demand remains very good for all types of hay. Prices for all hay types mostly steady. Everyone has been quite busy in the hay fields. Producers continue to report lower than normal yields, especially in regards to brome hay. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, drought conditions did not improve, but they did not worsen either. The abnormally dry (D0) category stayed steady at 85 pct, moderate drought (D1) remained at 69 pct, severe drought (D2) remained at 45 pct, extreme drought (D3) remained at 16 pct and exceptional drought (D4) remained at 1.5 pct. Per NASS, pasture and range conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 18 poor, 44 fair, 30 good, and 2 excellent. If you have hay for sale, and/or need hay here in Kansas, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: www.hayexchange.com/ks.php.

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 240.00-250.00. Dairy, .95-1.00/point RFV, Supreme 180.00-190.00, Premium 165.00-175.00, Good 150.00-160.00. New crop dairy alfalfa 1.00/point RFV. Stock or Dry Cow alfalfa, 140.00-155.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 155.00-165.00. New crop grinding alfalfa 120.00-130.00 standing, 150.00-165.00 at the edge, 175.00-185.00 delivered. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 175.00-195.00 with instances at 200.00-230.00. Grass hay: none reported. Cornstalks: none reported. The week of 6/3-6/9, 9,478T of grinding alfalfa and 1,397T of dairy alfalfa were delivered.

South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay, alfalfa pellets steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 190.00-200.00. Dairy, .95-1.00/point RFV, Supreme 180.00-190.00, Premium 165.00-175.00, Good 150.00-160.00. New crop dairy 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow alfalfa, 145.00-160.00 delivered. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 140.00-160.00. New crop grinding alfalfa 150.00-165.00, with instances at 170.00-180.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 165.00-180.00 with instances at 195.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 190.00-205.00, 17 pct protein 195.00-210.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 245.00-255.00. Grass hay: bluestem, large squares 90.00-100.00, large rounds 75.00-85.00; Brome, large squares 130.00 delivered. Oat hay, large squares 85.00-95.00. Wheat hay, large squares 145.00-155.00. Rye hay, large rounds, 65.00-75.00. Cornstalks: none reported. Straw large rounds 70.00-75.00. The week of 6/3-6/9, 5,083T of grinding alfalfa and 1,000T of dairy alfalfa were delivered.

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, horse/goat, stock cow alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 220.00-245.00. Dairy .95-1.00/point RFV. New crop dairy 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow alfalfa 140.00-150.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, none reported. Ground and delivered, none reported. Grass hay: bluestem, premium small squares 110.00-120.00 with an instance at 130.00. Good, mid and large squares 90.00-110.00 with an instance at 120.00-130.00, large rounds 70.00-80.00 with an instance at 90.00-100.00; Brome: small squares none reported. Good, mid and large squares 105.00-115.00, large rounds 85.00-95.00. Oat hay, mid squares 150.00-160.00. Straw, mid and large squares 50.00-60.00. Mulch, large rounds 50.00-55.00. The week of 6/3-6/9, 885T of grass hay were delivered.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa and ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or goat, 220.00-230.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme .95-1.00/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 120.00-130.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 100.00-120.00. New crop alfalfa 110.00-120.00 in the field. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 120.00-130.00. Cornstalks: none reported.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares 9.00-10.00/bale. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV, Supreme 185.00-200.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 160.00-170.00. New crop dairy, 1.00-1.05/point RFV. Stock Cow, good 120.00-125.00.Fair/Good, grinding alfalfa, 110.00-120.00. New crop grinding alfalfa 150.00-155.00. Ground and delivered, 140.00-150.00 with an instance at 175.00. Grass hay: bluestem, large squares 105.00-115.00, large rounds 90.00-100.00; Brome: new crop small squares 8.00/bale, large squares 90.00-100.00, 120.00-130.00 delivered. Straw: new crop small squares 6.00/bale, large squares 95.00-105.00, and large rounds 80.00-90.00.

****Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.*

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French government says no to using meat names on vegetarian food

The French government has banned the use of words like steak, sausage, burger and fillet from being used to market foods that have no animal protein in them.

The new provisions also include dairy alternatives like soy and tofu products marketed as milk or butter. Food companies that fail to comply with the new rules could be subject to fines of up to $366,000.

Wabaunsee County 4-H Council announces Spring Swine Show results

Wabaunsee County 4-H Council hosted their eighth Spring Swine Show Saturday, June 2. One hundred fifty-four were shown by 67 youth from 12 counties at the Wabaunsee County Fairgrounds in Alma.

This annual event is the direct result of strong support from our local community. Show committee members included Matt Benz, Brock Graham, Adam & Anna Lukert, Holly Maginley, Kelsey Stamm, Caleb Hinck, Kaylee Lukert, Adam Maginley and Ashton Maginley.

This annual event is the direct result of strong support from our local community. 4-H Council would like to thank the following people and businesses for their tremendous support: Alma Co-op Oil Association, Bank of the Flint Hills - Alma Branch, Matt Benz, Downey Ranch, First National Bank of Harveyville, Flint Hills Bank, Frank's Plumbing & Heating, Brock Graham, Hier Insurance, Britt Michaelis, Mill Brae Ranch, Mill Creek Ranch - Breiner Family, Mill Creek Vet Service - Amy Bandel DVM, Rush In, Jay & Kelsey Stamm Family, Stockgrowers State Bank, Tri-County Waste, Wabaunsee County Cattlemen's Association, Wabaunsee Co Farm Bureau Association, Wabaunsee County Road & Bridge.

This year's judge was Emily Voris from Manhattan.

Showmanship Results: Will Blythe, SN, Senior Reserve Champion; James DeRouchey, PT, Senior Champion; Zephry Landoll, MS, Junior Champion; Cameron Miller, SN, Intermediate Reserve Champion; Shelby Showalter, SN, Junior Reserve Champion; Maddie Weaber, PT, Intermediate Champion.

Market Show Results: Tessa Beeman, GW, Yorkshire Reserve Champion; Will Blythe, SN, Yorkshire Champion; Jacob DeRouchey, PT, Hampshire Champion; James DeRouchey, PT, Duroc Champion, Crossbred Reserve Champion, Overall Reserve Champion; Jenna DeRouchey, PT, Berkshire Champion, Spot Champion, Crossbred Champion, Overall Grand Champion; Avery Eckhoff, RL, Chester White Champion; Sam Gleason, SN, Hampshire Reserve Champion; Kalei Mitchell, JA, Duroc Reserve Champion; Sarah Seargeant, CF, Chester White Reserve Champion; Zephry Landoll, MS, Spot Reserve Champion; Maddie Weaber, PT, Berkshire Reserve Champion.

Full results may be obtained from the Wabaunsee County Extension Office.

Wabaunsee County 4-H members in the swine project will again exhibit their animals at this year's Wabaunsee County Fair, Monday, July 30, 7:00 p.m.

The champion overall market hog at the Wabaunsee County Spring Swine Show was shown by Jenna DeRouchey, Pottawatomie County 4-H. Pictured are, from left: Jenna DeRouchey, James DeRouchey, Jacob DeRouchey and Judge Emily Voris.

James DeRouchey, Pottawatomie County 4-H, showed the reserve champion overall market hog. Pictured are Jenna DeRouchey, James DeRouchey, Jacob DeRouchey and Judge Emily Voris.

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CITIZEN POTTAWATOMI COMMUNITY BUILDING (Air conditioned), 806 NISHNABE TRAIL

ROSSVILLE, KANSAS

SHAWNEE COUNTY PROPERTY

Tract in Section 7, Township 11, Range 14, Shawnee County Kansas. This tract consists of approximately 75 Acres Kaw Valley Farmland. Highly productive farm located approximately 2 ½ miles East of Rossville, Kansas & ½ mile South on Davis Road or approximately 2 ½ miles West of Silver Lake, Kansas to Davis Road, South ½ mile.

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Buyer's to pay 10% down day of Auction with balance due on or before July 26, 2018. Possession upon harvest of 2018 cropland, subject to Tennant's Rights. Seller to pay 2018 & prior year's taxes. **STATEMENTS MADE DAY OF AUCTION TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OTHER INFORMATION. To view property contact Vern Gannon Broker/Auctioneer 785-770-0066 or Gannon Real Estate and Auctions 785-539-2316.**

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

MONDAY, JULY 9, 2018 — 7:00 PM

Auction will be held at Community Center on the South side of the square in JEWELL, KS

Legal Description: SW ¼ 21-5-7 Jewell Co., Kansas

The farm is located 2 miles North of Highway 14 on the Mitchell Jewell Co line on 210 Road. There are 154.80 acres with 148.06 acres of crop land, 6.31 acres trees. Bases are wheat 76.27 yield 45: grain sorghum 34.98 yield 89; beans 36.65 yield 36: for a total base of 147.90 acres. The program is ARC.

Seller will pay 2017 and all prior years taxes. Seller will pay ½ 2018 taxes. Purchaser will pay ½ 2018 taxes. 2017 taxes were $3,059.90

Possession: Possession will be day of auction.

Terms: 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before August 15, 2018. Down payment will be escrowed with Darrell Miller Law Office. Escrow fees will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser.

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AUCTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018 — 4:30 PM

429 Westview Drive — MANHATTAN, KANSAS

French Provincial curio/china cabinet with legs & drawer (beautiful); French Provincial wood framed couch & 2 matching chairs; red Oriental with Mother-of-Pearl sewing machine cabinet/stand; Buffet (French Provincial); china hutch; French Provincial bedroom set with King bed, chest-of-drawers, dresser with mirror & 2 night stands; low dresser with triple mirror; 2 twin beds; 5-dawer Broyhill chest with mirror; parlor table; glass top coffee table; needlepoint chairs; modern roll top desk; rocker; round stand table with cast iron base; coffee table; recliner; neat old kitchen cabinet (painted); fern stand; small round top table; marble top stand table; corner couch; night stand; trunk; magazine rack; valet; Quilt rack; accordion sewing chest; stand with drawer; sewing machine in cabinet; entertainment center; metal garden serving cart; brass & marble floor lamp; Lyre back chair; wood shelf; footstool; stand table; porch bench; card table & chairs; 2-drawer file cabinet; folding table; TV trays; Amana refrigerator; Kenmore automatic washer; Whirlpool dryer; microwave.

Moser liquor set; Goebel figurines; Dresden German figurines; cut glass; German lead crystal multi-colored stemware; decanters; bells; mirrors; variety of nice pictures; compote; sterling & silverplate; crystal vases; Swedish vase; glass basket; needlepoint pictures; Czech ashtray & dresser box; crystal lamp; Bavaria & Germany Angels; Dresden doll figurines; spoon collections; Rose floral tapestry; Angel box; footed bowls; cups & saucers; Delft items; wood elephants; Bavarian china; Collector plates; assorted vases; etched red vase; blue Fireking; brass wall letter holder; nice table & dresser lamps; Ruby Red cups & plates; crystal salt & peppers; German china; candy dishes; doilies; lace; small Gary Dierking picture; wood carvings; brass mortar & pestle; Anniversary clock; wood plates; costume & Rhinestone jewelry; cuff links; crock; barometer; brass candleholders; gold framed mirror; set of 48 Zane Grey hardback books; various books; old scale; silverware; assorted stemware & glass; sheets; bedding; Pyrex; measuring vessels; kitchen utensils; silverware; ProForm treadmill.

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Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams receives grant from North Central Extension Risk Management Education Center; soil health and grazing workshops planned

Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams (KAWS) is pleased to announce it has received a grant from the North Central Extension Risk Management Education Center. These funds will support a series of workshops called "Improving Soil Health: Regenerative Agriculture and Water Quality Protection" across the state of Kansas this summer and fall. Ranchers, farmers, producers and landowners are invited to attend one of ten workshops focusing on soil health and grazing practices to improve profitability on Kansas farms and ranches. "The more we learn about the biodiversity contained within healthy soils, the more important it becomes to support the foundations of agriculture and healthy water supplies in our state. Healthy soils improve productivity, protect our water supplies, reduce input costs, and ultimately increase the bottom line for farmers and ranchers," said Jessica Mounts, executive director at KAWS. "This funding makes it possible for us to bring well-known soil experts to Kansas at a minimal cost to producers."

These workshops will feature nationally known instructors who will focus on how to improve farm and grazing resources with soil health and management to reduce input costs. A healthy soil improves productivity and prosperity for producers exploring cover and alternative forage crops, managed grazing, farm and ranch economics and cost management.

The first series Soil Health Sustainability for Cropland; will be held July 9th-13th, 2018.

Five one-day workshops will be led by Candy Thomas, NRCS soil health specialist for Kansas and Nebraska, and Doug Peterson, NRCS soil health specialist for Missouri and Iowa. Both have over 20 years of experience training producers and employees on soil health and adoption of soil health management practices. Each workshop is a full day starting at 8:00 am and ending at 5:00 pm. Cost for the workshop is $25 and includes lunch and handouts. Attendees will also receive a handy pocket guide: Midwest Cover Crops Field Guide provided by SARE.

Soil Health Workshops:

Monday – July 9
Allen Comm. College Theatre
1801 N. Cottonwood St., Iola

Tuesday – July 10
Parsons Experiment Station
25092 Ness Rd., Parsons

Wednesday – July 11
Clay Center CTI (John Deere)
1181 18th Rd., Clay Center

Thursday – July 12
Stull United Methodist
1596 E 250 Rd., Stull

Friday – July 13
Lansing Community Center
800 1st Terrace, Lansing

The Grazing Management for Improved Soil Health Workshop, will be September 17th-21th, 2018.

Five one-day workshops will focus on grazing management strategies designed to improve both soil health and water quality. These workshops will be delivered by Jim Gerrish, American Grazing Lands Services. Jim has extensive experience as an instructor for these topics both in the US and internationally. Jim's full day workshops starts at 8:00 am and ends at 5:00 pm. Cost for the workshop is $25.00 and includes lunch and handouts.

Grazing Management Workshops:

Monday – Sept. 17
Anderson Building, Lyon County Fair
2650 W. Hwy. 50, Emporia

Tuesday – Sept. 18
Samuels Community Building
110 S Jefferson, Eureka

Wednesday – Sept. 19
St. Columbkille's Parish Hall
13305 KS-16, Blaine

Thursday – Sept. 20
Jewell Community Center
Delaware St., Jewell

Friday – Sept. 21
KS Polytechnic Center
2310 Centennial, Salina

Project partners include: Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams, NRCS-Kansas, Kansas Water Office, Kansas State University, Kansas SARE, No-Till on the Plains, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, nine Watershed restoration and Protection Strategy Groups, Kansas Grazing Land Coalition, the Climate and Energy Project, and Friends of the KAW.

Registration required. Sign up online at: www.kaws.org/events by Friday, July 6 to reserve your spot. A minimal number of scholarships are available, based on need. To apply, contact Mary Howell. For more information contact Mary Howell – call 785-562-8726 or at mhowell@kaws.org.

"Improving Soil Health: Regenerative Agriculture and Water Quality Protection" was funded by North Central Extension Risk Management Education Center and the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture under Award Number 2015-49200-24226.

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Bill sets up group to study trucking regulations

The National Pork Producers Council hailed the introduction by Sens. John Hoeven, R-N.D., and Michael Bennet, D-Colo., of legislation to revise existing trucking regulations to make them more flexible for drivers hauling livestock.

The "Modernizing Agricultural Transportation Act" would establish a working group at the Department of Transportation (DOT) to examine the federal Hours of Service (HOS) rules and the Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulations. The HOS rules limit commercial truckers to 11 hours of driving time and 14 consecutive hours of on-duty time in any 24-hour period. Once drivers reach that limit, they must pull over and wait 10 hours before driving again. ELDs record driving time, engine hours, vehicle movement and speed, miles driven and location information, electronically reporting the data to federal and state inspectors to help enforce the HOS rules.

"NPPC strongly supports the Hoeven-Bennet bill as a reasonable solution for developing Hours of Service regulations that protect highway safety while allowing livestock haulers to transport animals in a safe and humane way," said NPPC President Jim Heimerl, a pork producer from Johnstown, Ohio, whose operation also includes a trucking company.

The legislation would require the Secretary of Transportation to establish the working group within 120 days of enactment of the bill. The group would be charged with identifying obstacles to the "safe, humane, and market-efficient transport of livestock, insects, and other perishable agricultural commodities" and developing guidelines and recommending regulatory or legislative action to improve the transportation of those commodities. One year after it is established, the group must submit its findings to the DOT secretary, who must propose regulatory changes to the HOS and ELD regulations within 120 days.

"Pulling together all stakeholders with an interest in livestock hauling will ensure that DOT has the tools necessary to ensure Hours of Service regulations address the realities of transporting animals in a practical, common sense manner," Heimerl said. "As we've pointed out, a trucker hauling livestock can't just pull over and go 'off-duty,' leaving animals unattended. The incompatibility between the Hours of Service regulations and livestock hauling must be addressed."

The bill also would suspend the ELD regulation for commercial motor vehicles hauling livestock, insects or perishable agricultural commodities until the date on which the DOT secretary proposes the regulatory changes.

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MODERN FURNITURE & APPLIANCES
4 Vintage Herman Miller fiberglass chairs; 2 Lazy-boy recliners; Samsung TV; Thomasville china cabinet; corner shelf; end tables; lamps; wicker plant stand; 3pc Queen bedroom set; Singer sewing machine; single & Queen beds; pool table (not slate); corner cabinet; Speed Queen washer (like new); Kenmore dryer; side-by-side refrigerator; 20 cu. Ft. chest freezer and more.
GLASSWARE, POTTERY AND COLLECTIBLES
14PCS of Hull pottery; Roseville ewer & Tulip pitcher; Weller woodcraft vase; Red Riding Hood collection including Hull cookie jars, teapots, butter dish, S&P's; 20 pcs Carnival glass; 27 pcs Fenton including Mary Gregory and baskets; Wedgewood tea set; Greek Key water set & 4pcs serving set; Flow Blue; Delft; Depression glass; shaving mugs; Early Pyrex colored nesting bowls & Fireking; cookie jars; pickle caster; several pcs Fostoria Miss America and crystal; handpainted bowls; paperweights; 75 plus bells including 30 Fenton, handpainted & crystal; cast iron bookends & doorstops; coffee grinders; cast iron Enterprise sausage/lard press & Streeter fruit press; copper bucket; old bottles; old Oak Kellogg wall phone; Toby mugs; Anniversary clocks; 2 pitcher & bowls; antique doll buggy; dolls; steamer trunk; string holder; dresser sets; ***large selection of jewelry*** including 14k and Turquoise; ***Coins & Currency*** including 1873 $2 ½ and 1860-S $1 gold pieces; 16 silver dollars & other coins; Indian & other handmade pottery; Longaberger mixing bowls; sewing notions; pictures; lamps.
LAWN TRACTOR & HOUSEHOLD
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Tin wind-up 'Ham and Sam the Minstrel Team'; tin cat toy; newer cast iron tractor; Fisher-Price stand-up cat; old milkglass lamp; cast iron based lamp; large crock bowl; 2 gallon salt glaze crock (damaged); 2 violins; flute; guitar; German cuckoo clock; wood cabinet; nice beater jar; wooden bowls; boiler; tub; 2-burner wood burning stove; **Anvil;** grass stripper; Teens & '20's magazines; child's tea set; Frankoma; hankies; 4 milk cans; tobacco tins; lantern; stomper washer; implement seats; antique wire plant stand; sewing machine stand; crock jugs; bongo drums; nice advertising hand fans; many ladies hats; graniteware; food grinder; neck yoke; hedge axe; '2-holer- board; wood butter mold; nail kegs; wood boxes; spoke car wheels; child's sled; wood ironing boards; kitchen utensils; tub on stand; trunks; old chairs; bird cage & stand; rug beater; antique pictures & frames; insulators; troll dolls; KU items; candelabra; brass items; candleholders; decorative glass jars; bottles; metal bread box; old post cards; stamps; advertising cards; cloisonné brooch; lace & linens; Marlow wood cuts; costume jewelry; brass hanging lamp & shade; 4 kerosene lamps; oil paintings; lap robes; small green heart kerosene lamp; celluloid brush set in box; cast iron cookware; hatpins; spice tins; old photos; pea huller; sewing baskets; '50's desk lamp; ashtrays; Lou Hauck, Valley Falls thermometer; slide projectors; Tinker Toys; dress patterns; cast iron & wood elephants; figurines; books.
Silesia dessert plates; bowls; plates; candleholders; Carnival; RS Prussia relish; German covered bowl; etched pitchers; Havilland plates; silverplate coffee server; German pitcher; Bavaria bowl; Jewel Tea; green depression glass; small black doll; large silverplate punch set; salt & peppers; old clothes pins; fish dish; Nippon; stained glass window; fruit bowls; coffee server; 3 paperweights; vases; figurines; chamber pot; storage box; tripod; binoculars; vacuums; slide viewer; serving trays; old Wedding dress; typewriter; pots; pans; mushroom canisters; Tupperware; mixing bowls; kitchen appliances; ice cream freezer; pole lamp; plate rack; seashells; space heater; quilting hoops; quilt tops; blocks; neckties.
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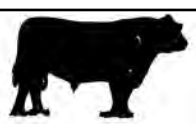

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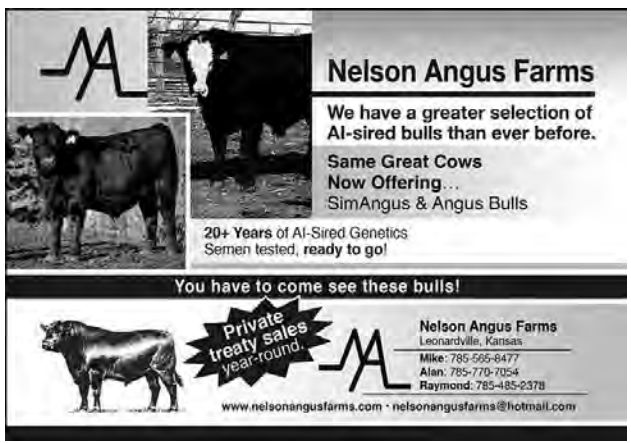

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High temps, sunlight heighten risk of blue-green algae in farm ponds

The hot summer weather and potential for lots of sunlight may bring with it a cause for concern among livestock producers.

Those conditions, combined with the often stagnant nature of farm ponds, heightens the risk of toxic levels of blue-green algae in producers' watering sources, says Kansas State University beef veterinarian A.J. Tarpoff.

"It surely can be a devastating condition," Tarpoff said. "There are very specific species (of bacteria) that whenever they flourish in a pond, they release these toxins that are lethal to all animals."

Blue-green algae actually is not an algae at all, he added, but rather a cyanobacteria, or bacteria that lives off the sun. It can be toxic to livestock, dogs and people. "These are pretty nasty organisms," Tarpoff noted.

Blooms of cyanobacteria can build up in a pond and form into distinct blooms of bacteria, often looking like paint sliming around in the water. Tarpoff said the paint-like texture of cyanobacteria is what differentiates it from non-harmful moss in a pond.

The harmful cyanobacteria can look green or dark green, but can turn more to a bluish tint, thus leading to its more common name as blue-green algae.

"It can go from blue to green to almost a reddish brown or gray," Tarpoff said. "We can have all of those color variations but just remember that it looks a lot like paint mixing with water. That's what it looks like floating around."

Cyanobacteria can release two types of toxins: neurotoxins, which affect an animals' nervous system; and hepatotoxins, which affect the liver function of cattle. Both toxins can cause death, which sometimes is the first signal to producers that they have a problem with their watering source, according to Tarpoff.

He added that producers who suspect blue-green algae in their ponds should get the water tested immediately, which involves capturing about 500 milliliters of water in a sealed container, refrigerating that sample, and shipping it with an ice pack to a testing facility.

The K-State Veterinary Diagnostic Lab in Manhattan conducts reliable testing for cyanobacteria. The lab can be reached online at http://www.ksvdl.org or toll-free at 866-512-5650. Tarpoff noted that sending multiple samples from the pond is one way to make sure you get a reliable picture of the pond.

If a producer suspects that a pond contains dangerous levels of cyanobacteria, it's important to keep livestock and people out of the area. Cyanobacteria is known to form on the downwind side of the pond, so one good practice is to fence off that side of the pond.

Producers may be able to use the available water in a suspect pond by piping water from less harmful areas of the pond. Blue-green algae blooms are not known to collect in the middle of water sources, Tarpoff said.

"What's important if you're going to do an upgrade like that is the water inlet," Tarpoff said. "We want the water inlet to be in a lower-risk area of the pond, which means it is submerged and in the middle of the pond."

Other watering options for producers might be digging a well or hauling water all summer. Tarpoff noted, though, that both of those options could be cost-prohibitive.

During hot stretches such as those in Kansas the past few weeks – and which are forecast for the near future – it's especially important to be aware of cyanobacteria and to monitor ponds daily.

"These blooms can pop up pretty quickly," Tarpoff said. "The number of cyanobacteria can double in less than 24 hours. If you think you have an at-risk pond, then start to sample right away, send those off to the lab and try to get a realistic expectation of whether it's at risk or not."

Students learn to lead the animal science industry

Students gathered on the Kansas State University campus recently to gain livestock industry knowledge and develop leadership skills. These participants comprised the tenth class of the annual K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy (KASLA) June 6-9 in Manhattan, Kansas.

Hosted by the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, the academy's goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field.

This year's class included: Rachelle Anderson, Jamestown; Lindsey Ascher, Milford; Tessa Beeman, Hamilton; Clay Brillhart, Fort Scott; Walker Clawson, Meade; Wesley Denton, Blue Rapids; Danika Gordon, Whitewood, S.D.; Norman Highfill, Atchison; Ben Jensen, Courtland; Kenzie McAtee, LaCygne; Kami McComb, Pratt; Anaya McCune, Benton; Becca Paine, Hutchinson; Abbie Schwab, Goddard; Sarah Sergeant, Lebo; Wyatt Slade, Haviland; Lauren Terry, Nortonville; Shelby Varner, Towanda; and Tray Zabokrtsky, Morrowville.

During their time at the KASLA, students participated in interactive leadership development and educational sessions led by faculty members from across the K-State campus. Participants completed the college experience by dining at the K-State Student Union, completing the K-State Challenge Course and staying in Ford Hall.

The KASLA also included a half day of livestock industry tours throughout northeast Kansas, with stops including: Hildebrand Farms Dairy, Junction City; Seaboard Foods, Shawnee; Bichelmeyer Meats, Kansas City; and the American Royal, Kansas City. They also enjoyed tours of university farms and the College of Veterinary Medicine.

For their final project, the students were divided into groups during the week to focus on current issues affecting the livestock industry. Faculty mentors from the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry assisted each group. Using the information they learned throughout the academy, the groups were asked to present their subject as part of the closing reception on the final day. About 75 family, friends and members of the K-State community gathered for the closing reception to honor the graduates and hear their thoughts on these important livestock issues.

You can find out more information about the academy by visiting www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu. For questions, contact Academy Director Sharon Breiner at sbreiner@ksu.edu or 785-532-6533.

Food bloggers visit Kansas during wheat harvest

Kansas wheat farmers shared their story with consumers this June when nine food bloggers came to Kansas during wheat harvest.

Food bloggers from all over the United States toured a wheat farm during harvest, a flour mill and the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center as part of the #Wheat2Bread tour, hosted by Kansas Wheat and Red Star Yeast.

On June 12, the bloggers traveled to south central Kansas where they met Kansas Wheat commissioner Scott Van Allen in his wheat field. For many of them, they had never been to Kansas or a farm before, and each had the opportunity to harvest wheat with Scott in his combine.

The bloggers asked questions about growing wheat, how farmers choose what to plant and what farmers want their readers to know. They posted on their social media channels an invitation for readers to ask questions of wheat farmers. Central Kansas wheat farmer Jenny Goering traveled with the group.

The group got to see harvest at Jenny's farm in McPherson County on their way to New Cambria, where they toured the Farmer Direct Foods flour mill.

On June 13, the bloggers toured the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center, where they learned about the research that goes into developing new wheat varieties. They were especially interested in the gene bank and the ability researchers have to breed genetics from ancient wheat relatives into modern bread wheats. Kansas State University's Wheat Genetics Resource Center is housed in the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center.

A highlight of the trip for the bloggers was a baking experience with cookbook author and fellow blogger Zoë François, from ZoeBakes and Breadin5. She is the coauthor of *Artisan Bread in Five Minutes a Day.* François and Kansas Wheat's Julene DeRouchey demonstrated two methods of creating bread dough, and the bloggers spent the day in Kansas Wheat's Speak for Wheat Test Kitchen perfecting their bread baking skills. They were excited to return home and put their new skills to work developing wheat bread recipes for their readers.

Another goal of bringing the bloggers to Kansas during wheat harvest was to share with them and their readers about the National Festival of Breads baking contest that will be held next June 8, 2019. Contest organizers have added a food blogger division in addition to the home baker division. There was much interest in the contest, and many of the bloggers said they would love to come back next year, whether they qualify for the contest or not.

The bloggers included Stefani from Cupcakeproject.com in St. Louis, Missouri; Lori from Thekitchenwhisperer.net in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; Kristin from BakerBettie.com in Chicago, Illinois; Abby from HeartofaBaker.com in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Annalise from Completelydelicious.com in Salt Lake City, Utah; Sally from SallysBakingAddiction.com in Baltimore, Maryland; Adriana from adrianasbestrecipes.com in Orlando, Florida; Jamie from LoveBakesGoodCakes.com in Phoenix, Arizona; and Jessica from A-Kitchen-Addiction.com in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Kansas Wheat's Marsha Boswell and Jordan Hildebrand, Red Star Yeast's Kelly Olson and Linda Nelsen, and Registered Dietitian Jill Ladd also traveled with the group.

They will be sharing their stories of their time in Kansas during wheat harvest with their readers over the next several weeks. With a combined readership of more than 5.4 million followers, these bloggers are helping Kansas wheat farmers share their story with millions of consumers throughout the U.S. Follow Kansas Wheat on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to read their stories over the next few weeks.

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Barn quilt classes planned leading up to Central Kansas Free Fair

It's time to create some new Rural Americana Art for the Central Kansas Free Fair in August.

Two classes are being offered, with one being the size required to enter the Barn Quilt exhibition class at the CKFF in Abilene. June 30th is a 1x1-foot boutique class designed for a fun, summer evening at Amanda's Bakery & Bistro in Abilene. The second on Sunday, July 8th is the CKFF-eligible 2x2-foot barn quilt painting class. It will be held at the Navarre Grade School/Community building in Navarre. This is a remodeled school building, complete with air conditioning.

Navarre is located 7 miles south of Enterprise on Highway K-43.

The CKFF Barn Quilt class is open to anyone in Kansas. Entries are checked in Weds., July 25th to be put up on display just ahead of the start of the Fair. Exhibitors are all rewarded with prizes and a "People's Choice award" is voted upon.

For information, contact Lori Hambright at 785-313-6565.

Steer fed by Lane County wins Brookover Award at Beef Empire Days

A steer fed at Lane County Feeders of Dighton by Foote Cattle Company won the Earl C. Brookover Memorial Award at the Beef Empire Days fed cattle show in Garden City. The 1,506 lb. black steer placed fourth among live steers and seventh in the steer carcass contest for the best combined finish in the show. Carcass data showed the steer graded middle Choice and was a Yield Grade 2.87.

The grand champion heifer was a 1,344 lb. entry fed at NextGen Cattle Feeding by Schmidt Land & Cattle. This heifer placed sixth live and seventh in the heifer carcass contest. The entry graded high Choice and was a Yield Grade 2.98.

Lane County also fed the steer chosen as the grand champion carcass. The 1,562 lb. steer, owned by Foot Cattle Company, hung a 983 lb. carcass, had a 14.53 square inch ribeye with .52" of fat cover, graded low Prime and was a Yield Grade 3.38.

The Zoetis-MGA champion heifer carcass was produced by a 1,260 lb. entry fed at Danner Feeders of Muscatine, Iowa by Myron Danner. Also placing 14th live, this heifer hung an 848 lb. carcass with a 16.12 square inch ribeye and .66" of backfat, graded low Prime and was a Yield Grade 2.61.

Further results from the 50th anniversary Beef Empire Days live and carcass shows will appear in the July *Kansas Stockman.*

KDA seeks participants for beef genetics trade mission to Uruguay

The Kansas Department of Agriculture is seeking individuals to participate in a beef genetics trade mission to Uruguay from September 12–17, 2018. This trade mission provides an opportunity for Kansas purebred beef cattle producers and allied industries to develop relationships with livestock producers in Uruguay to increase market opportunities for U.S. and Kansas beef genetics.

Participants will interact with breeders and promote the use of U.S. beef genetics while attending Expo Prado 2018, a major international livestock exhibition in Uruguay. Kansas ranchers and related agribusinesses specializing in the export of Angus and Hereford genetics are invited to participate.

The trade mission is funded by U.S. Livestock Genetics Export, Inc. Selected participants will be eligible for travel stipends for airfare depending upon number of applicants and fund availability. Attendees will be responsible for the cost of hotels, meals, and other incidental expenses.

Individuals interested in participating in the trade mission should complete the application form on the KDA website at www.agriculture.ks.gov/international. Application deadline is July 30.

Senate Ag Committee approves farm bill

Last week the Senate farm bill was marked up and passed by the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. Prior to the markup 198 amendments had been filed for consideration. At the conclusion of the relatively quick, seemingly smooth markup, 66 non-controversial amendments were filed to the Senate farm bill as part of a manager's amendment. Chairman Pat Roberts (R-KS) and Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) continue to press forward with plans to take the bill to the floor before the July 4 recess. National Sorghum Producers chairman Don Bloss from Pawnee City, Nebraska, and director Larry Dahlsten from Lindsborg were in Washington, D.C., during the markup, holding several meetings in Senate offices regarding sorghum priorities in the overall bill.

Meanwhile, in the House, GOP leadership expressed confidence they would clear its version of the farm bill. Leadership announced plans to vote on immigration measures next week, including a proposal to provide for a workable guest worker program. House Agriculture Committee chairman Mike Conaway believes he has enough votes to pass H.R. 2 before the June 22 deadline.

U.S. Grains Council issues statement on imposition of tariffs on Chinese goods

U.S. Grains Council president and CEO Tom Sleight made the following statement concerning tariffs on Chinese goods:

"The farmers and exporters we represent have been here before regarding China and they are well aware of what it's like to deal with tariffs, counter-tariffs and policy restrictions. Since 2010, we have been adversely impacted by trade policy actions by China against U.S. distiller's dried grains with solubles (DDGS), sorghum, ethanol and corn. China is a very important market for U.S. coarse grains and their co-products, but so too is the rest of the world. We will stay closely engaged with the China market and its importance to U.S. agriculture, but we will also redouble our efforts in the rest of the world to expand demand.

"We are concerned any tariff opens this market to our competitors and locking out U.S. products doesn't mean trade stops – it means other partners will take our place. Bottom line: tariff battles are never productive.

"We trust the leaders at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative and the White House know how critical open markets are to our industry and appreciate their support during this process and in this tense time."

Animal Health Commissioner provides updates during KCA regional meeting

Independent cattle producers gathered together at PrairieLand Partners-John Deere in McPherson, Kansas for a Kansas Cattlemen's Association regional industry meeting on June 5th, 2018. KCA industry policy topics were reviewed, Dr. Justin Smith presented an update on the Animal Health Department's activities, and Craig Kerbs provided valuable information on animal nutrition.

Tyler Dupy, KCA Executive Director, briefly reviewed policy topics KCA is currently focused on, including: Meat (Protein) Alternatives, the 2018 Farm Bill, Country of Origin Labeling, Beef Check-off Redirection and Reform, and the Food Safety Modernization Act.

"Although the Kansas legislature is now out of session, there is plenty going on at the federal and regulatory levels that require our attention. Producer involvement and awareness with these issues is critical to maintain the effectiveness of our responses. We certainly appreciate the producers taking the time to come out to the regional meeting in McPherson," Dupy stated.

Dr. Justin Smith, Kansas Animal Health Commissioner, discussed the Kansas Animal Health Organization, and the various areas of the department that provide critical services to producers. These areas include the Brands Program and the Livestock and Brand Investigation Unit, Secure Food Supply Plans, and the Animal Facilities Protection Program. Smith also reviewed statistics of Animal Disease Control as well as Animal Disease Traceability.

Dr. Smith represented that Kansas is in decent shape relative to other states where disease is concerned. Even still, there are areas of the state affected by Anaplasmosis, Cow-Calf Johne's Disease, Rabies, Bovine Tuberculosis, and Trichomoniasis. Smith discussed how proper preventative measures and a disease response plan helps to keep operations safe and productive.

Craig Kerbs with SmartLic Supplements reviewed Veterinary Feed Directives and Animal Husbandry. Kerbs presented four ways to improve cattle operation bottom lines. The steps involved decreasing animal competition, increasing forage utilization, improving reproduction efficiency, and increasing gains on pasture.

The meeting included a USA Beef dinner prepared by Meat Rubbers BBQ and Catering.

Proud sponsors of the event included: Allan & Deanna Sents, A5 Western, LLC., Central Prairie Co-Op, Central Livestock, Countryside Feed, LLC., Farmers Alliance Mutual Ins. Co., First Bank Kansas, PrairieLand Partners-John Deere, SmartLic-New Generation Supplements, State Auto Insurance Company, Sweet-Pro Feeds, Te-Pe Oil & Gas, WaterTight Roofing, and Zeitlow Distributing Company. Numerous door prizes were donated by Key Feeds, Tractor Supply Co., and Orscheln Farm & Home.

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14	582	165.50
2	660	145.00
30	809	141.25
30	785	140.50
15	828	137.50
5	894	129.00
HEIFERS		
1	405	141.00
3	547	137.00
6	619	135.00
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1 blk.....870@53.50	1 wf.....1745@61.00
1 blk.....915@57.00	1 bwf.....1830@61.50
1 blk.....950@56.50	**HEIFERS**
1 blk.....985@55.50	1 blk.....515@142.00
1 Char.....1070@94.50	2 wf.....538@133.50
1 gry .....1020@57.00	2 blk.....600@138.50
1 wf.....1185@84.00	4 blk.....671@133.50
1 blk.....1155@60.50	7 blk.....676@133.50
1 blk.....1105@54.50	7 blk.....656@131.50
1 red .....1120@54.00	15 blk.....619@130.00
1 blk.....1120@54.00	1 Char.....600@129.00
1 red .....1150@54.00	1 blk.....635@57.00
1 blk.....1225@62.50	1 Char.....775@125.00
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1 blk.....1235@55.50	**STEERS**
1 blk.....1295@49.00	2 wf.....323@163.00
1 blk.....1240@47.00	5 wf.....395@160.00
1 blk.....1240@40.50	2 blk.....520@163.00
1 blk.....1325@59.50	1 wf.....555@156.00
1 blk.....1345@58.50	1 bwf.....560@101.00
1 blk.....1315@57.50	1 blk.....645@149.00
1 red .....1300@57.00	10 blk.....671@147.00
1 bk brf.....1310@54.50	10 bkbwf.....626@146.00
1 bwf.....1385@54.50	2 blk.....665@132.00
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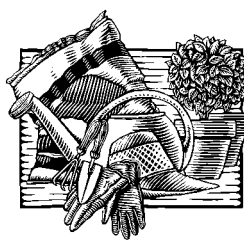

Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

Ticks, Chiggers & Mosquitoes

People have been calling about managing ticks. I have had to swat my share of mosquitoes this season. Keeping out of chigger-prone environments is my goal.

Ticks, chiggers and mosquitoes have similar habitats. They are mostly found in grassy, weedy and woody areas where moisture or humidity is available. A good method of prevention is to limit their preferred habitat. Keep grasses and weeds mowed down and allow areas to dry out. Dry and sunny spots will have less of these pests. Mosquitoes need seven days of standing water to develop.

There are a few areas in my landscape that will always be suitable habitat for these pests. The most reliable management is for me to apply a repellent when pests are likely to be present. That is more effective than treating the whole area with a pesticide that may not reach all the targeted pests.

Research trials have indicated various lengths of time that the insect repellents are effective. They can range from five hours to a few seconds. One decision on selection is how often you want to re-apply. Another is using a synthetic or natural derived product. Read and follow directions on all products.

Products containing DEET or Permethrin can be effective for a long time. The higher the percent of a DEET product, the longer it is effective, with a product at 33% being the top suggested. Permethrin products are applied to clothing only and can last through laundering. Selection of these products depends on your needs.

Picaridin is a synthetic compound made to resemble the natural compound piperine, which is found in the group of plants that are used to produce black pepper.

Oil of lemon eucalyptus and IR3535 products are naturally occurring.

It can be important to protect yourself from these pests. I'm not too fond of the itching. Some ticks and mosquitoes can carry disease which wouldn't make for a happy, memorable gardening season.

You can find out more information on this and other horticulture topics by going to the Riley County, K-State Research and Extension website at www.riley.ksu.edu. Gregg may be contacted by calling 785-537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyeston@ksu.edu

Strong April for U.S. red meat exports, including new volume record for pork

April exports of U.S. pork, beef and lamb were sharply higher than a year ago in both volume and value, according to data released by USDA and compiled by USMEF. Pork exports set a new volume record, fueled by tremendous demand in Mexico, while beef exports posted the best-ever results for the month of April.

April pork export volume was 230,049 metric tons (mt), up 13 percent from a year ago and topping the previous high set in November 2016. April export value was $584.1 million, also up 13 percent. For January through April, pork export volume was 4 percent ahead of last year's record pace at 866,346 mt, while value increased 9 percent to $2.29 billion. (For pork muscle cuts, excluding variety meat, April was also a record volume month at 184,487 mt, up 18 percent from a year ago. Muscle cut export value was $480.6 million, up 14 percent.)

Exports accounted for nearly 30 percent of total pork production in April, up from 28.4 percent a year ago, while the percentage of muscle cuts exported also increased significantly (25.8 percent, up from 23.5 percent). Through April, the percentage of total production exported was fairly steady with last year at 27.4 percent, while muscle cuts jumped from 22.8 percent to 23.5 percent.

April pork export value averaged $58.45 per head slaughtered, up 6 percent from a year ago, while the January-April average increased 5 percent to $55.69.

Beef export volume was 111,213 mt in April, up 11 percent year-over-year. Export value was $676.7 million, up 23 percent and the fourth-highest on record. Through the first four months of 2018, exports were up 10 percent in volume to 429,286 mt. Export value was $2.59 billion, 20 percent above last year's record pace.

Exports accounted for 14.1 percent of total beef production in April, up from 13.6 percent a year ago. For muscle cuts only, the percentage exported was 11.3 percent, up from 10.6 percent. For January through April, exports accounted for 13.4 percent of total production and 10.8 percent for muscle cuts, each up about half a percentage point from last year.

Beef export value averaged $328.46 per head of fed slaughter in April, up 16 percent from a year ago. Through April, per-head export value averaged $318.91, up 17 percent.

Even with growth in red meat production, both pork and beef exports have accounted for a larger share and contributed more dollars per head, indicating strong international demand.

Huge month for pork to Mexico; exports to Korea continued to surge

Mexico was again the pacesetter for pork exports in April, with volume reaching 79,019 mt - up 34 percent from a year ago and the second-largest on record. Export value to Mexico was $134.1 million, up 28 percent. Through the first four months of 2018, exports to Mexico were 7 percent above last year's record volume pace at 282,675 mt, with value up 6 percent to $505.4 million.

Maintaining this pace will be challenging, however, with Mexico announcing retaliatory tariffs on imports of most U.S. pork products effective June 5. The tariff rate on chilled and frozen pork muscle cuts is 10 percent until July 5, when it is set to increase to 20 percent.

"The outstanding April performance for pork exports to Mexico really underscores the importance of this market to the U.S. industry and how it has been such a reliable trading partner for hams, picnics and other pork cuts," said USMEF President and CEO Dan Halstrom. "USMEF will continue to emphasize the quality and consistency of U.S. pork to red meat customers in Mexico and make every effort to help U.S. suppliers retain their business. But make no mistake about it, the U.S. industry is going to have to fend off competitors who suddenly have a significant tariff rate advantage and see a clear opening into the Mexican market."

Pork exports to South Korea continued to build momentum in April, with volume (25,370 mt, up 74 percent) and value ($74.1 million, up 81 percent) increasing significantly from a year ago. Through April, exports to Korea are on a record pace, climbing 44 percent in volume to 94,888 mt, valued at $276.1 million (up 55 percent). Strong growth in consumer demand and duty-free access under the Korea-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (KORUS) have fueled a rapidly expanding presence for U.S. pork in Korea.

While pork exports to the China/Hong Kong region were below year-ago levels in April, shipments remained relatively strong despite the additional 25 percent tariff on U.S. pork that took effect April 2. It is likely, however, that the trade impact will show up more dramatically in May export data and in coming months. The tariff increase essentially tripled China's standard rate on frozen pork imports, taking it from 12 percent to 37 percent (the increase does not apply to Hong Kong, which still charges zero duty). April exports to China/Hong Kong were 41,567 mt, down 14 percent from a year ago, but slipped only slightly in value to $95.9 million. For January through April, exports to China/Hong Kong were 15 percent below last year's pace in volume (153,248 mt) but steady in value at $356.6 million.

"It is encouraging to see that pork volumes to China/Hong Kong held up fairly well in April, but the tariff disadvantage is still having a negative impact on the U.S. industry and has pressured prices for key export items," Halstrom noted. "It's another situation in which our competitors are capitalizing on the extra cost associated with importing U.S. pork."

For January through April, other highlights for U.S. pork include:

Exports to leading value market Japan were 1 percent below last year's pace in volume (132,534 mt) but increased 1 percent in value ($544.8 million). This included a 5 percent decrease in chilled pork volume (68,532 mt), valued at $330 million (down 1 percent).

Strong growth in Colombia pushed pork exports to South America up 23 percent from a year ago in volume (39,520 mt) and 24 percent in value ($96.7 million).

Led by mainstay markets Honduras and Guatemala and sharply higher shipments to Panama, exports to Central America climbed 23 percent from a year ago in volume (26,459 mt) and 27 percent in value ($63.3 million).

Pork exports achieved solid growth in the Philippines and more than doubled from a year ago to Vietnam, as exports to the ASEAN region increased 20 percent in volume (15,435 mt) and 31 percent in value ($43.8 million).

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STEERS		HEIFERS	
1 bwf bull	210@220.00		
2 blk strs	310@207.50	1 blk hfr	210@205.00
2 blk strs	355@197.00	7 blk hfrs	389@178.00
3 blk strs	431@195.00	3 blk hfrs	290@175.00
4 blk strs	303@190.00	2 blk hfrs	477@151.00
7 blk strs	403@184.50	4 blk hfrs	467@150.00
16 blk strs	535@184.00	23 blk hfrs	507@149.50
5 blk strs	483@183.00	24 blk hfrs	593@145.50
7 blk gry strs	491@178.00	7 blk hfrs	592@143.50
6 blk strs	585@177.00	5 blk bwf hfrs	560@142.00
5 blk strs	521@172.00	6 blk rwf hfrs	571@142.00
36 mix strs	614@161.25	5 blk hfrs	550@141.00
7 blk bbf strs	614@159.50	5 blk hfrs	612@141.00
5 hols x strs	715@108.00	5 blk bwf hfrs	615@140.00
4 hols strs	676@95.00	5 red hfrs	634@135.50
4 hols strs	678@72.00	3 blk hfrs	735@123.50

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STEERS					
		5 bwfrbf	685@150.00	9 bkbwf	488@145.00
3 blk	368@178.50	6 bkbwf	743@145.00	14 bkred	615@142.00
9 rbfXbk	466@173.00	7 BrangX	721@143.50	9 bkred	556@141.50
13 bkred	557@172.50	7 bkbwf	841@126.00	5 bkbwf	581@140.00
6 blk	495@171.00	52 mix	937@124.00	15 bkred	565@137.00
6 blk	478@170.50	48 DairyX	863@99.80	7 BrangX	600@134.00
14 bwfrbf	535@168.50	20 Jersey	1024@83.25	8 bkbwf	759@132.50
7 bkbwf	594@162.00	19 DryXSpt	903@82.00	11 bkChr	640@130.50
14 bkred	620@158.50	HEIFERS		3 blk	862@122.50
7 bkbwf	636@157.00	19 bwfrbf	468@160.00	57 mix	879@119.00
30 bkred	653@154.50	10 bwfrbf	416@160.00	7 bkbwf	879@118.00
6 blk	629@153.50	9 blk	401@157.00	BULLS	
8 bkbwf	651@153.00	10 bkgry	500@149.00	11 bkbwf	458@169.00
7 bkbwf	660@151.00	5 blk	487@145.00	5 rd gry	477@161.00

Butcher Cows: $40-$71.50, mostly $55-$65.00, very active.
Butcher Bulls: $70-$92.50, mostly $82-$90.00, very active.
Preg Cows: $400-$1,485.00, mostly $1,100-$1,350.00

BUTCHER COWS		BUTCHER BULLS	
1 bwf	1535@71.50	1 Brangus	2070@92.50
1 red	1105@71.50	1 Char	1925@91.00
2 blk	1020@70.00	1 blk	2100@91.00
1 blk	1295@67.50	1 Brangus	1760@90.00
1 red	1140@67.00	1 blk	1510@90.00
1 brangus	1380@66.00	1 blk	2150@90.00
4 blk	1116@65.50	1 blk	1785@88.00
2 blk	1250@65.00		

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 21
• 33 blk red strs & hfrs, 350-500 lbs.
EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 28
• 60 bk bwf rbf strs & hfrs, 500-750 lbs, Fall calves off the cow.
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CONSIGNMENTS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 21:
• 165 black Northern steers, 900 lbs.
• 90 mostly black steers, 850 lbs.
• 180 mostly black steers, 850 lbs.
• 70 black Angus heifers, homeraised, replacement quality, 875-900 lbs.
• 20 bulls, 875-900 lbs.
• 100 black steers, 800 lbs.
• 47 steers, 800 lbs.
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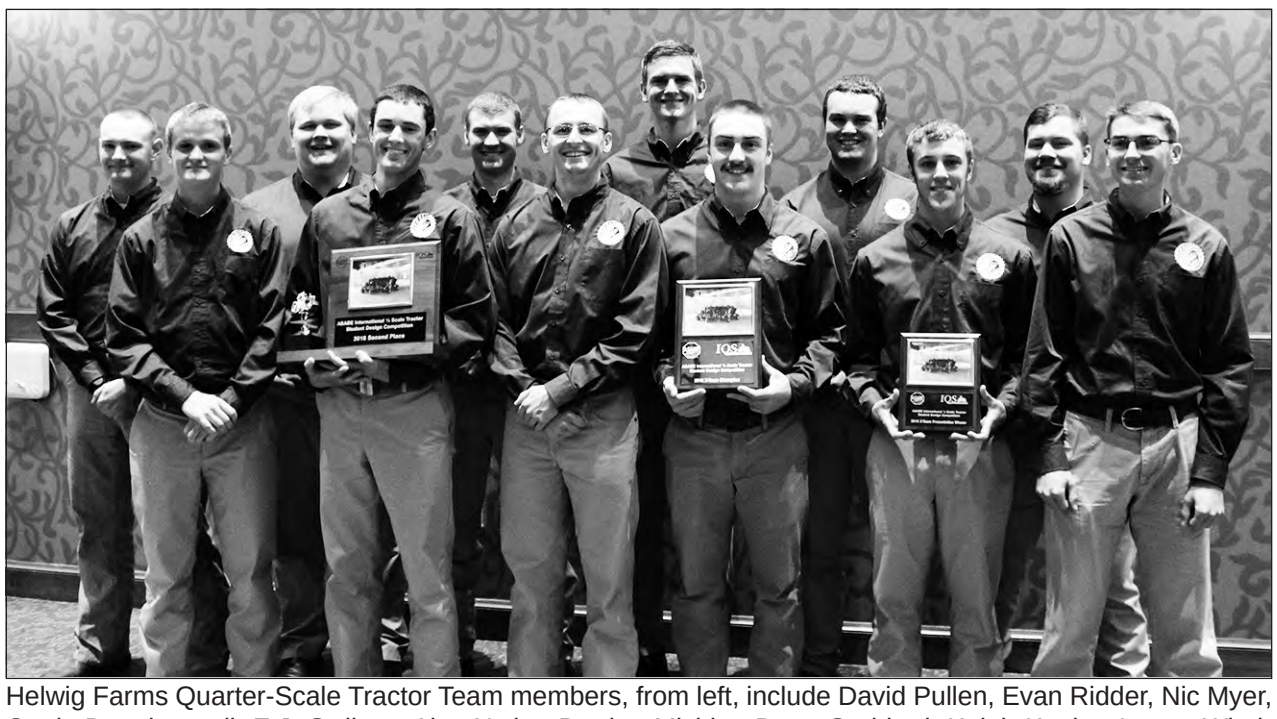
Tractor team once again make its mark in international competition

The Kansas State University Helwig Farms Quarter-Scale Tractor Team came home with two top finishes at the 21st annual American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers' International Quarter-Scale Tractor Student Design Competition.

The team competed May 31-June 3 in Peoria, Illinois, against 28 teams from universities in the U.S., Canada and Israel. Kansas State University's A team took second place overall and its X team first overall. This is the 19th time in the last 21 years that one of the university's teams has won or placed in the top three at the event.

"The students continue to build upon the tradition of excellence," said Joe Harner, head of the biological and agricultural engineering department. "Year after year, our students come through and place in the top spots of this international competition. The success is a combined effort of our programs, the team advisors and, of course, our students."

A panel of industry experts judge each design for innovation, manufacturability, serviceability, maneuverability, safety, sound level and ergonomics. Teams submit a written design report in advance of the competition, and on-site must sell their design in a formal presentation to the panel. Finally, machines are put to the test in three performance events: three tractor pulls, a maneuverability course and a durability course.



Helwig Farms Quarter-Scale Tractor Team members, from left, include David Pullen, Evan Ridder, Nic Myer, Curtis Doughramaji, E.J. Swihart, Alex Nytko, Braden Mishler, Drew Goddard, Kaleb Keehn, Logan Windholz, Wade Stroda and Corbin Baldwin.

The A team — juniors and seniors — averaged fourth in pulls and took second overall. The X team — freshmen and sophomores — took first in the oral presentation and first overall.

Team advisors are Pat Murphy, adjunct professor; Dan Flippo, assistant professor; Edwin Brokesh, instructor; Lou Ann Claassen, administrative specialist; and Jon Zeller, research technician, all from the biological and agricultural engineering department; and Ryan Zecha, Manhattan, biological and agricultural engineering alumnus.

The following students are members of the university's Helwig Farms Quarter-Scale Tractor Team; leadership positions are also noted.

Braden Mishler, biological systems engineering, A team sponsorship co-chair, Arnold; Corbin Baldwin, biological systems engineering, X team vice president, Cimarron; Matt Loomis, agricultural technology management, equipment manager, Iuka; Megan Workman, agronomy, A team secretary, Lawrence; David Pullen, mechanical engineering, A team student council representative, Lenexa; Evan Ridder, biological systems engineering, A team, Leoti; E.J. Swihart, biological systems engineering, A Team, Manhattan; Logan Windholz, biological systems engineering, X team equipment manager, Marquette; Jace Shirley, agricultural technology management, A team, Oakley; Nicholas Meyer, biological systems engineering, A team treasurer, Tampa; Curtis Doughramaji, biological systems engineering, A team president, Topeka; Conor Hamilton, agricultural technology management, equipment manager, Turon; Brett Schwarz, agricultural technology management, A team sponsorship co-chair, Wamego; and Kaleb Keehn, biological systems engineering, X team president, Wetmore.

From out of state: Alexander Nytko, biological systems engineering, A team vice president, Roscoe, Illinois; Grant Friesen, biological systems engineering, A team student council representative, Carthage, Indiana; and Drew Goddard, biological systems engineering, X team secretary, Omaha, Nebraska.

Identify and treat tomato leaf-spot diseases

By Kelsey Hatesohl, Extension horticulture agent, River Valley Extension District

This time of year, two common leaf-spot diseases appear on tomato plants, Septoria leaf-spot and early blight. Brown spots on the leaves characterize both diseases. It is important to figure out which disease your plants may have, so you can treat them accordingly.

Septoria leaf-spot usually appears earlier in the season than early blight and produces small dark spots. Spots made by early blight are much larger and often have a distorted "target" pattern of concentric circles. With both diseases, heavily infected leaves eventually turn yellow and drop. Older leaves are more susceptible than younger ones, so these diseases often start at the bottom of the plant and work up.

Mulching, caging, or staking keep plants off the ground, making them less vulnerable to both diseases. Better air circulation allows foliage to dry quicker – having less of a chance to develop these diseases. Mulching also helps prevent water from splashing up onto the leaves and carrying disease spores to the plant.

In situations where these diseases have been a problem in the past, rotation is a good strategy. It is too late for that now, but keep it in mind for next year. Actually, rotation is a good idea even if you have not had problems in the past. Unfortunately, for many gardeners their space is too small to make rotation practical. If you have room, rotate the location of the tomatoes each year to an area that had not had tomatoes or related crops (peppers, potatoes, eggplant) for several years.

If rotation is not feasible, fungicides are often helpful. Be sure to cover both upper and lower leaf surfaces, and reapply fungicide if rainfall removes it. Plants usually become susceptible when the tomato fruit is about the size of a walnut. Chlorothalonil is a good choice for fruiting plants, because it has a zero-day waiting period, meaning fruit can be harvested once the spray is dry. Chlorothalonil can be found in numerous products including Fertilome Broad-Spectrum Landscape and Garden Fungicide, Ortho Garden Disease Control, Garden Tech Daconil, and others. Be sure to start protecting plants when the disease is first seen. It is virtually impossible to control this disease on heavily infected plants. If Chlorothalonil doesn't seem to be effective, try mancozeb (Bonide Mancozeb Flowable). Note: there is a five-day waiting period between application and when the fruit can be harvested. You may wish to pick some tomatoes green just before you spray if you use Mancozeb as the tomato fruit will ripen inside.

As with all chemicals, read the label to make sure it is listed for use on both the specific disease you are trying to get rid of and the plant the disease is on. If you have any questions feel free to stop by or contact me in the Washington Office (River Valley Extension District, 214 C Street, Washington, KS) by calling 785-325-2121 or emailing khatesohl@ksu.edu.

Grass & Grain Weather Report — June 20, 2018

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY Scattered T-storms High: 82 Low: 68

THURSDAY Isolated T-storms High: 84 Low: 70

FRIDAY Few Showers High: 77 Low: 63

SATURDAY Cloudy High: 83 Low: 69

SUNDAY Few Showers High: 94 Low: 81

MONDAY Mostly Sunny High: 90 Low: 76

TUESDAY Sunny High: 92 Low: 78

In-Depth Local Forecast

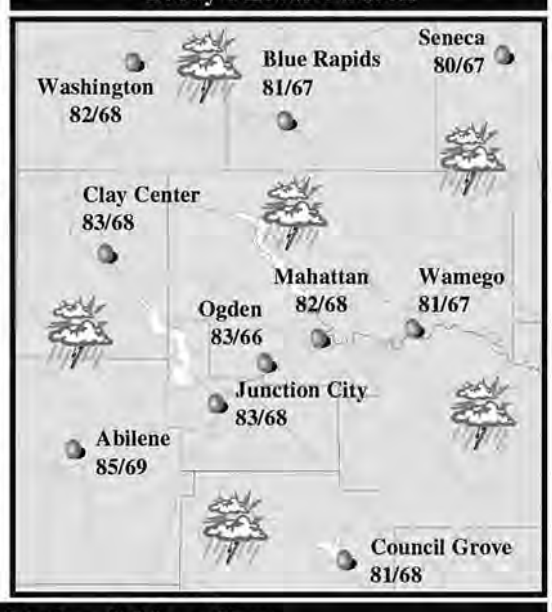
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 45% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 82°, humidity of 61%. East wind 5 to 8 mph. The record high temperature for today is 102° set in 1998.

Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi/Lo	Normals	Precip
6/8	95/66	83/60	0.00"
6/9	97/73	84/60	0.00"
6/10	101R/77	84/60	0.00"
6/11	99R/77	84/61	0.61"
6/12	91/69	85/61	0.00"
6/13	84/74	85/61	0.00"
6/14	100R/79	85/62	0.00"

Rainfall ..... 0.61"
Normal rainfall ..... 1.35"
Departure ..... -0.74"
Average temp ..... 84.4°
Average normal ..... 72.5°
Departure ..... +11.9°

Today's Local Outlook



This Week's Sun & Moon Chart

First 6/20 — Full 6/28 — Last 7/6 — New 7/12

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:00 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	1:42 p.m.	1:42 a.m.
Thursday	6:00 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	2:46 p.m.	2:14 a.m.
Friday	6:01 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	3:48 p.m.	2:45 a.m.
Saturday	6:01 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	4:48 p.m.	3:16 a.m.
Sunday	6:01 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	5:48 p.m.	3:48 a.m.
Monday	6:01 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	6:46 p.m.	4:23 a.m.
Tuesday	6:02 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	7:42 p.m.	5:01 a.m.

Local UV Index

0 - 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

Weather History

June 20, 1921 - Circle, Mont. received 11.5 inches of rain in 24 hours, a record for the state. The town of Circle received a total of 16.79 inches of rain that month to establish a rainfall record for any town in Montana for any month of the year.

Growing Degree Days

Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
6/8	30	6/12	30
6/9	35	6/13	29
6/10	39	6/14	39
6/11	38		

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1 blk bull	335 @ 182.00
3 blk strs	512 @ 178.50
4 x-bred bulls	445 @ 171.00
3 blk/red bulls	523 @ 163.00
1 red bull	355 @ 160.00
1 red bull	485 @ 160.00

STOCKER & FEEDER STEERS

3 blk strs	632 @ 157.00
14 blk strs	659 @ 156.00
1 blk str	690 @ 156.00
60 blk/bwf strs	897 @ 147.10
68 blk/red strs	803 @ 145.25
63 blk/bwf strs	854 @ 144.10
60 mix strs	814 @ 144.00
59 mix strs	865 @ 142.10
60 blk/bwf strs	871 @ 137.50
43 blk/red strs	862 @ 135.00
61 mix strs	974 @ 125.75

HEIFER CALVES

1 blk hfr	420 @ 162.00
1 red hfr	375 @ 157.00
3 blk hfrs	512 @ 143.00
4 x-bred hfrs	423 @ 142.00

STOCKER & FEEDER HEIFERS

2 blk hfrs	560 @ 149.00
13 blk/char hfrs	618 @ 142.00
6 blk/bwf hfrs	638 @ 138.00
3 blk/red hfrs	603 @ 137.00
62 mix hfrs	778 @ 133.75
64 blk/bwf hfrs	869 @ 128.25
2 blk/bwf hfrs	923 @ 119.00

COWS & HEIFERETTES

1 bwf hfrts	1145 @ 111.00
1 blk hfrt	1075 @ 108.00
1 blk hfrt	855 @ 75.00
1 blk hfrt	920 @ 70.00
1 blk hfrt	1175 @ 69.00
1 blk hfrt	1255 @ 68.50
1 blk cow	1600 @ 66.50
1 blk cow	1415 @ 65.50
1 blk cow	1525 @ 64.50
1 char cow	1170 @ 62.50
1 blk cow	1260 @ 62.00
1 blk cow	1570 @ 61.50
1 bwf cow	1435 @ 61.00
2 red cows	1415 @ 60.50
1 x-bred cow	1365 @ 60.00
1 char cow	1340 @ 59.50
1 blk cow	1595 @ 59.00
1 red cow	1255 @ 58.50
1 bwf cow	1280 @ 58.00
1 bwf cow	1235 @ 57.50
1 blk cow	1270 @ 57.00
1 blk cow	1250 @ 56.00
1 blk cow	1050 @ 55.50
1 blk cow	1615 @ 55.00
1 blk cow	1360 @ 54.50
1 blk cow	1215 @ 54.00
1 red cow	1145 @ 53.50
1 blk cow	1270 @ 53.00
1 blk cow	1190 @ 52.50
1 blk cow	1260 @ 52.00
1 blk cow	1125 @ 51.50
1 blk cow	1115 @ 50.00

BRED COWS & HEIFERS

1 blk cow	@ 1050.00
1 blk cow	@ 1020.00
2 blk cows	@ 985.00
1 blk cow	@ 970.00
1 blk hfr	@ 800.00
1 blk cow	@ 720.00

BULLS

1 blk bull	1990 @ 92.00
1 blk bull	1930 @ 90.50
1 blk bull	2050 @ 89.50
1 blk bull	1770 @ 86.00
1 red bull	1415 @ 82.00
1 blk bull	1605 @ 81.00
1 blk bull	1840 @ 80.00
2 wf bulls	1670 @ 77.50
1 blk bull	1660 @ 76.00
1 red bull	1915 @ 75.00
1 wf bull	1280 @ 72.00

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CONSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 19:
- 60 black heifers, 800-825 lbs.
- 62 black heifers, 775-800 lbs.
- 124 black steers, 800-850 lbs.

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