

Innovative research seeks to provide insights about bison, cattle

Scientists with Oklahoma State University's Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources are overseeing a study seeking to discover just where the bison roam at the Tallgrass Prairie Preserve near Pawhuska, Okla.

"There are approximately 2,600 American bison that roam 24,000 acres on the preserve," said Sam Fuhlendorf, a professor in the OSU department of natural resource ecology and management who is overseeing the project. Each year, The Nature Conservancy holds a roundup to check the health of all the bison as well as take down information on each animal. This year, however, was a little different.

While all of the bison still received their annual physicals, seven females between 4 years and 6 years of age were selected to wear radio collars with GPS technology. The radio collars will provide up-to-the-second information about how the bison move around the open range on the prairie.

"We're interested in how fire and grazing are related," Fuhlendorf said. "There are a lot of people now who are interested in using fire to make animals move, instead of fencing everything off, and cross fencing, which is expensive and has some negative impacts."

The lead researcher is Brady Allred, a graduate student at OSU, set to begin his Ph.D. program in January.

"The Tallgrass Prairie Preserve is very unique, in that it is one of the few places in North America that we can look at fire and grazing and the ecological interaction between the two," he said.

The Tallgrass Prairie Preserve began protecting bison in 1989. OSU has played an important role in the research of the bison from the beginning. Previously, OSU would send out scientists to monitor the location of the bison on the property. With this new technology, that process will be much more efficient and beneficial.

"The GPS is going to record (the location of the collared bison) every 10 minutes," Fuhlendorf said.

The Nature Conservancy burns off a third of the bison pasture every year. The burns are randomly selected and burned in patches, rather than just a single, connected chunk of the property.

Previous research has shown that the bison prefer to graze areas that have been recently burned. However, with the GPS collars, the scientists should be able to gather more in-depth research results.

"The information will tell us how

important fire is on this landscape," Allred said. "Fire influences large grazing mammals. People can (make beneficial) use fire for ranching purposes and objectives."

While OSU does a significant amount of research on the bison on the prairie, related research is also done on livestock, particularly cattle. Bison and cattle are not exactly the same, but their foraging and lifestyle tendencies have many similarities.

"There is interest in a park situation from a conservation standpoint, but it's beginning to become more and more involved in the ranching industry," Fuhlendorf said. "We're finding out how big of an area to burn, how far they will travel from water and how fire can be used to draw livestock out of low areas." The research potentially could have a significant financial effect for ranchers. Cattle traditionally like to graze around ponds and creeks, but the preserve study could provide insights on how to draw cattle to areas that are not typically grazed.

No money would have to be wasted trying to bring water up on a hill, said Fuhlendorf.

"You can move cattle around with fire; (this provides) benefits for biodiversity, which is good all around for the environment," Allred said.

Weather wonders: State Climatologist reviews winter terms

Dangerous weather can happen as often in winter as in summer in the nation's heartland. Knowing the differences in terms used to describe winter weather conditions can sometimes be a life-or-death matter, said State of Kansas Climatologist Mary Knapp.

Knapp, who is in charge of maintaining the Kansas Weather Data Library at Kansas State University, said the basic term — "winter storm" — does mean severe winter conditions. But, such conditions can vary from storm to storm. They can include mixes of snow, sleet, hail, freezing rain or drizzle, wind, poor visibility, and/or cold temperatures.

When the National Weather Service issues other words to follow "winter storm," however, the term picks up a time element. Examples include winter storm. . . .

Outlook: Winter storm conditions are possible in the next two to five days. Stay tuned to local media for updates and plan for

expected conditions.

Watch: Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36-48 hours. Prepare now.

Advisory: Winter weather conditions are likely to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous. But, if you are cautious, these situations should not be life threatening.

Warning: Life-threatening severe conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours. Act now.

More specific information about Kansas weather is available on the Weather Data Library Web site: <http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/wdl/>. Knapp's Weather Wonder audio reports are available on the K-State Research and Extension Kansas Radio Network site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/radio/.

The National Weather Service maintains a Web glossary of the gamut of the official weather terminology it uses (www.crh.noaa.gov/lmk/?n=weather terminology).

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Bradley family honored with KFB natural resources award

John and Amy Bradley of Douglas County were recognized for their outstanding contributions to conservation and stewardship of the land when they were awarded the 2008 Kansas Farm Bureau Natural Resources Award. The Bradleys were honored during Kansas Farm Bureau's 90th annual meeting in Manhattan.

The Bradleys have a small registered Hereford herd just south of Lawrence. They have adopted several

water quality protection practices. An in-ground, frost-free livestock waterer was installed below a pond dam to provide high quality water year-round; a hard surfaced bale feeding pad was installed for the winter feeding and calving area; and a solar powered, submersible water pump is used to provide a water source out of the creek and distribute to the cows across the pastures.

The Bradleys are proud to demonstrate these practices

to the public several times a year by hosting field days.

As the winners of the Kansas Farm Bureau Natural Resources Award, the Bradleys received \$1,000, a plaque and a framed print from Kansas Farm Bureau. They also received an all expense-paid trip to the KFB annual meeting.

"There are hundreds of Farm Bureau members doing an outstanding job of conserving natural resources and employing management

practices to protect the environment on their farms and ranches," said Steve Baccus, an Ottawa County grain producer who serves as president of Kansas Farm Bureau. "This award recognizes those efforts, brings attention to their conservation practices and points to those individuals as examples to follow."

The KFB Natural Resources Award recipient is selected from a group of Kansas Farm Bureau members, each of whom have received recognition for their commitment to environmental protection and natural resources conservation within their geographic KFB district. The district winners

were: David & Donna Nordhus, Nemaha County; Lee & Joyce Bracken, Wilson County; Michael H. Slack, Sumner County; Edward & Marcelyn Bergsten, Riley County; Bar S Ranch (Stielow/Dickerson families), Russell County; Justin Knackstedt, Pratt County; Ken Wintse, Rush County.



John and Amy Bradley of Douglas County (left) accept the 2008 KFB Natural Resources Award from KFB president Steve Baccus (right). The Bradleys were honored during the KFB annual meeting in Manhattan for their commitment to environmental and natural resources protection.

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TRACTORS: 1965 JD 4020, power shift w/Dual loader w/5' bucket & bale spear, new power steering unit, new batteries; 1963 JD 4010, diesel, 60% rear tires, 3 pt. WF, good clean farmer owned tractor; JD 4010 tractor w/800 GB loader, dual remotes; JD 2010 utility, diesel, complete engine overhaul, new paint, 90% rubber; JD 2010 gas, power shift, new paint, new tires, new starter, excellent; JD 2010 row crop tractor, WF, rebuilt starter & alternator, good tin, faded paint, new key switch; JD 3010 gas tractor, new tires, new starter and generator, WF; JD B tractor, runs great; 1930 JD GP tractor; Oliver 1550 gas, 4300 hrs., looks like new, 90% rubber, 3 pt.; MF 65 utility tractor, gas engine overhauled, new front tires, PS, 3 pt., new paint, 80% rear tires, gone completely thru; MF 135 tractor & loader, good tin, gas, 3 pt., new muffler, new rear seals, in axles; MF 65 tractor, row crop, engine overhauled, new paint, new rear brakes, good tin; MF 65 tractor w/Davis loader & Davis backhoe, new paint, H frame on backhoe; 1953 Int. WD-9 tractor, motor stuck, good tin, tires up; Farmall M tractor, new rear rubber; Farmall M tractor, WF, good rear rubber; Ford 8N tractor w/Sherman overdrive, runs great.

SEMI TRACTORS: 1985 White, Volvo, day cab w/300 Cummins w/big cam, 9 spd., 36,000 miles on underhaul, 5,000 miles, overhead run, good rubber, ready to run; 1978 Kenworth conventional w/15', barrel bed w/350 Cummins, overhauled, 9 spd., new clutch, good old truck.

SEMI TRAILERS: 1958 tandem axle 40' flatbed, wood floor w/steel overlay w/racket tie down straps; 45' semi van trailer, tandem axle.

2-TON TRUCKS: 1974 Ford F-700, 6 cylinder, 4&2 spd., 16' bed & hoist, runs good; 1964 Ford F-600 w/15' grain bed & hoist, on propane.

PICKUPS: 1994 Dodge Dakota, extended cab, AT, V-6

ORDER OF AUCTION: 9 AM livestock equipment, second ring then trailer load of misc. & shop equipment inside the building; at 10 AM selling hay in third ring, 11 AM one ring selling farm machinery, tractors, pickups & cars, trailers, combines; when all machinery is sold, will sell any rack load items that didn't sell in the morning, inside building.

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'93 8970, 5950 hrs., 24 speed, 42" w/duals
4650 2-wheel, PS
4450
4640
4630
2020 gas
Ford NH
8770 MFWD, 3685 hrs., 480/80R42 w/duals
8340 MFWD, 3521 hrs.
3600 diesel
2000 gas

8N
'95 Cat 45, 4400 hrs., 24" belts, 3 pt., PTO
Case IH 3230, 2200 hrs w/2250 loader
7130 MFWD, 3838 hrs
MF 4900 w/12' dozer blade

COMBINES

Case IH

*'04 8010, 814 sep., 1063 eng., loaded, AFX, RT, chopper, 42"
*'02 2388, 1484 sep., 2036 eng., GPS, FT, RT, chopper, 12 row ready, 42"
*'95 2188, 1894 sep., 2490 eng., RT, chopper, 38"
'98 2366, 1542 sep., 2093 eng.
'05 JD 9860 STS, 863 sep., 1155 eng., CM, 4x4, 42"
'07 9760 STS, 650 sep., CM, 42"
'04 9760 STS, 1109 sep., 1626 eng., CM, 42"
9660 STS, 695 sep., CM, 42"
'90 9500, 2854 sep., 4425 eng., 38"
8820 Titan II, 4900 hrs., 38"
7720 Titan II, 3515 hrs., 38"

FLEX HEADS

*'97 930
2) 930
920
CIH
*'06 2020, 30'

*'2) 1020, 30' FT
*'1020, 30'
*'1020, 25'
*'1020, 20'

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*'06 1293, KR
2) 1293 KR hyd deck plates, CM 893
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Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crotts

We still haven't confirmed a bottom in any of the major markets, but it is good to see gains in the stock market. U.S. stock markets were higher for five days in a row. It seems like we get a new bailout package every day and maybe they are starting to help. The stock markets were correcting on Monday morning, but that isn't a surprise considering the size of last week's gains.

It is interesting to note that U.S. 30 year bond futures made a new all time high Monday morning. People are looking for a better return than what they can get in the money market and still have enough faith in the U.S. government that they are willing to take a very low return on their investment. I guess it is good for the government because they are able to acquire trillions of dollars of new debt at very low rates. The low treasury yields have not entirely trickled down to the home mortgage borrower yet, but one of the latest government plans has freed up money for the secondary mortgage market to buy loans, which is helped to drop rates last week and should help again this week too.

The grain markets all started this week lower following the stock market. There isn't a lot of news to trade and if there was any news it probably

wouldn't matter. We continue to see good exports in the soybeans and it is very likely that we see an increase in the export estimate and a cut in ending stocks, but we still can't rally the market if the stock market is headed lower. We are still waiting for to see the grain markets separate and start trading their own fundamentals, but it hasn't happened yet.

If we happen to close the week higher in the stock market for the second week in a row, that would be our best sign yet that the grain markets had bottomed. It is going to take something like that to ease the uncertainty that traders around the world are feeling. For now though, we have to be cautious and your best hedging strategy right now is to own S&P puts.

The livestock markets seem to be doing a better

job of separating from the stocks than the grains. That is particularly true of the hog market. The June lean hogs bottomed in the middle of October and finished last week about \$6 off of those lows. Cheap freight rates and cheap pork are an attractive combination to our Asian customers and it looks like we have seen the lows for a while in the hog market.

Schwieterman Marketing, L.L.C. specializes in risk management and cash grain and livestock marketing plans. For information on the markets or our marketing service you can contact Bret Crotts at 888-437-9131 or bret@subell.net.

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KSU poinsettia varieties available December 3-6

The Friends of the Kansas State University Gardens and students in K-State's greenhouse operations management class will have a poinsettia open house from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, showcasing 58 varieties of student-grown poinsettias.

The holiday open house will be in the K-State Gardens Visitor's Center, 1500 Denison Ave., and at the Throckmorton Hall Greenhouse Range.

Festivities include a consumer preferences survey, for which participants will receive a 5-inch Purple Plum poinsettia while supplies last, as well as a poinsettia tree and apple cider.

The Friends of the K-State Gardens are selling the plants to cover costs of production and to benefit the gardens.

Poinsettias also will be sold after the open house until 6 p.m.; from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Dec. 4 and 5; and from 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 6. Prices are \$10 for 6.5-inch pots, with a "buy five, get one free special." Many rare and unusual colors are available.

ESTATE AUCTION SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 — 9:00 AM

Due to death we will sell the following items at public auction at the Armory Building located at 12th and Bridge St. in CLAY CENTER, KS.

FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES -10:30

2004 Toshiba 46" flat screen color tv, exc.; small color tv; sm. window air conditioner; dehumidifier; sm. freezer; apartment size refrigerator; lg. contemporary oak 6 pc. bedroom set w/complete queen bed, lg chest of drawers and lg dresser, very nice; king sized brass bed, complete; matching contemporary armoire and long dresser w/mirror, nice; tall 7 drawer wooden chest, 20" wide; contemporary queen bed, complete; white oak dresser; full size sofa and matching loveseat in neutral colors; (2) other loveseats; recliner; (2) lavender upholstered/wooden chairs; other occasional chairs; ant. occasional chair; (2) walnut caned chairs, nice; ant. sewing rocker w/drawer; ant. platform rocker; matching pressed back caned bottom dining chairs; (4) nice wooden/cane padded folding chairs w/card table; octagon game table w/4 caned back chairs on rollers; pine DR table w/wheat carving, 1 leaf, 4 chairs; EA dropleaf table, card table size, nice; sm oval ant. dropleaf oak table; maple EA sideboard w/drop leaves; assortment nice tables and stands; laminent entertainment center; very nice 4 drawer oak file cabinet; (2) 2 dr. metal file cabinets on wheels; metal shelving units; Singer sewing machine in cabinet; kneehole desk; assorted lamps; standing 30" tall jewelry cabinet; sm. walnut cradle; fancy ball and claw ant. piano bench, unusual.

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES -AFTER FURNITURE.

Fancy old house doors, 2 are matching w/frosted and stained glass windows, nice; other old doors; old frosted door glass w/Victorian ladies in wooden frame; (5) white lightening rod balls; painted hand saw; 14" tall walnut spice cabinet; old 3 wheel scooter; shadow box and other old picture frames; oak mantle clock w/brass gingerbread, unusual; collectors dolls; old lamp shade and parts; granite teapots; ant. child's wagon; sm. salt glazed crock; lots of Life magazines to 40s or before; gr. fruit jars; lead ladles; old light fixtures and door hardware; costume jewelry; marbles; Nixon and other campaign buttons; lg water bottle; **Toys:** (very good condition) early 60s red/white Tonka PU, nice; early 60s Structo cement truck; early 60s 13" tin Chev. patrol car; Structo van style PU; Structo bull dozer; Tonka bull dozer; 6" cast iron well pump and tank; kids games.

CHINA BLANKS AND PAINTING SUPPLIES - 1:30

Hundreds of porcelain china blanks ready to be painted then fired. Items include cups, saucers, lg. and sm. plates and bowls, trivets, pictures, clock faces and mechanisms, eggs and many others. There are lots of paints, brushes and other related items. If you know someone with this hobby please inform them of this auction.

GLASSWARE -SELLS LAST

Carnival: nice ruffled 7" green compote, old; nice 9" marigold pitcher w/windmill motif; 9" marigold ruffled bowl, grape pattern; old 7" ruffled gr/marigold bowl w/pears and cherries; nice 8" cranberry pitcher; (6) newer marigold goblets; **Depression:** pink stemware; green Cambridge luncheon plates; pink etched luncheon plates; other pieces. **Fenton:** frosted yellow basket; red hobnail pcs; various other pieces; **Colored Glass:** blue pitcher; lots of ruby red cups; other red pcs; 7" frosted yellow bowl; frosted yellow 4" basket weave bowl; black amethyst 6" ruffled compote; amber glass basket; amber coin glass kerosene lamp; lg green frosted basket; **12+ pieces amber coin glass; other pcs. Clear Crystal:** old cake

plates; 1964 coin plate; (2) lg leaded pitchers; Am. Fostoria ice bucket; lots of frosted w/gold wheat glasses; Kennedy mem. coin glass; large amount and variety **Rose Pattern Crystal, possibly Rose Point** inclu. lg bowl, candle holders, stemware, plates, ice bucket etc., etc. **China:** many nice pieces hand painted by Gloria and others, cups and saucers; Meth. Church plate w/photo; decorative/collector plates; (1.5) 60s to 80s Bareuther and Royal Copenhagen blue Christmas plates; several sets of dinnerware by Haviland and others; lg variety knick knacks and ornamental pcs; angel figurines **Stoneware:** Frankoma casserole w/lid and warming base; Frankoma server w/lid. **Roseville:** 389-10" handled basket w/yellow flowers; 368-8" planter. **Occupied Japan:** (4) pcs including Victorian couple and children swinging; German Steins.

MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD APPROX 9:45

New/never installed fireplace insert w/brushed brass surround; kerosene heater; Dirt Devil upright vacuum; radio w/3 disc stereo; lg. wicker trunks; nice lamp w/flowers, looks old; security box; manual tread mill; pictures; decorative items; nice books; lots and lots of Christmas decorations, bedding; usual variety of kitchen hardware and supplies, flatware; sm. utensils; Tupperware; pots; pans; baskets; many boxes yet to be unpacked.

SHOP AND YARD ITEMS -SELL FIRST

Craftsman table saw w/long bed; older Craftsman radial arm saw; grinder on stand; Oster electric heavy duty pipe threader w/lg box of dies and accessory parts; Lincoln 225 amp arc welder w/rod, good one; older Bostich staple gun; heavy duty Miller sawzall; DeWalt compound miter saw; ratchet and chain cast iron pipe cutter; good paint compressor and gun set; lg variety of electric hand tools; nice 3" edge and surface planer for house doors; router and planer "builders kit" for making hinge recesses on doors; new house doors; dollies; chain saw; Homelite gas weed eater; air compressor; alum. step ladders and stools; bolt cutters; long levels; leather tool belt; Scott fert. spreader; concrete fountain w/buy getting drink; fishing poles and tackle; saddle tree; plumbing supplies; lots of copper and plastic fittings; new box 3/4" soft copper ref. line; wiring; cabinet hardware.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FROM THE DOROTHY ZUMBRUNN ESTATE WILL BE SOLD AT 1:00

Fancy German demitasse, iridescent green; 8 fruit pattern punch cups; Wella 6"x5" peace vase; Shawnee #823 9 1/2"T vase; set of 2 #821 7 1/2" vases w/leaf pattern; Shawnee #735 bicycle built for 2 planter; Japan biscuit jar w/wicker handle; Child's "Think of Me" cup w/gold; Prussia cream pitcher, chipped; Depression last supper plate; opaque pink child's saucer; glass bus. card holder; (6) glass star candlesticks; Minton fish platter; child's sponge pattern stoneware cup; white china pitcher & relish dish w/gold trim; (3) Rawcliff pewter potpourri jars; Canterbury silver plate compote; 10" and 15" blue crocks; crock pitcher; celluloid dresser tray; 2 glove boxes, one by New Chicago Co.; "Little Tot" coffee grinder toy, no drawer; old inlaid hand mirror; Longaberger wooden mug tree; Longaberger wrought iron maple leaf hook; sq. bedside table; "Turkey Red" kitchen cloth; sm. oak and wicker rocking chair w/cane seat. **NOTE:** These items are mostly old and nice.

NOTE: The Reeds were long time Clay Center residents. Wayne was a builder an Gloria a Real Estate Agent. This is a clean sale with many nice items.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18 — 7:00 PM

**Auction Location: Wakefield United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall,
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DESCRIPTION:

TRACT 1: The South 102 acres of the SW/4 of 17-10-3, Clay County, Kansas (3 miles South of K-15 and K-82 Junction). 88.6 acres of cropland, balance brome grass and waterways. Most cropland is crete soil, Class IV upland with 3-7 percent slope, all terraced with established waterways. 47.1 acres wheat base, 16.6 acres grain sorghum base and 8.1 acres soybean base. Immediate possession upon closing. Farm has no wheat planted, whole farm is available for 2009 spring crop.

TRACT 2: E/2 NE/4 of 21-9-4 Clay County, Kansas, North of County road, approximately 54.89 acres (3.5 miles South of Countryside Church on Valleyview Road). All grass, 2 ponds, on blacktop road. Would make a great building site with excellent view of Milford Wetlands.

TRACT 3: E/2 NE/4 of 21-9-4 Clay County, Kansas, South of County road, approximately 18.98 acres (4 miles South of Countryside Church on Valleyview Road across road from Tract 2). Some grass and oak trees in ravine. Nice location on knoll to build home with trees all around. Your own natural windbreak.

TRACT 4: Lot 7 and the North 2 1/2 feet of Lot 8 in Block 46 of Wakefield, Clay County, Kansas, commonly known as **305 5th Street**. 1 1/2 story home with 1 bedroom on the main floor and two bedrooms upstairs. 1 bath, kitchen, living room and family room. Partial basement. Gravity flow furnace.

TRACT 5: The East 66 Feet of Lot 3 and the East 66 Feet of the North 10 Feet of Lot 2, in Block 24

of Wakefield, Clay County, Kansas, commonly known as **603 Dogwood**. One story, two bedroom home with living and dining rooms, kitchen, bath with tub/shower. Forced air furnace. Crawl area only. Shed in backyard.

TERMS: 10% down day of auction, balance due in 30 days or upon delivery of merchantable title. Title insurance and escrow fees to be paid 1/2 each by seller and buyer. Seller to pay all 2008 taxes and buyer to pay all 2009 taxes. Buyer will receive all mineral rights. Contract, deed and down payment to be escrowed at Central Plains Title LLC, 707 5th Street, Clay Center, Kansas. Property selling subject to easements, restrictions and reservations of record. All information given is from sources deemed reliable, but not guaranteed.

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Year End Clearance

Combines

'06 New Holland CR960, 560 Sep. Hrs, Chopper.....	\$189,500(W)
'06 New Holland CR9040, 300 Sep. Hrs, RWA.....	\$179,500(W)
'06 Case IH 2388, RWA, AFX Rotor.....	\$179,500(W)
'06 Case IH 2388, RWA, Chopper.....	\$179,500(W)
'04 Case IH 8010, Chopper, Field Tracker.....	\$169,500(W)
'05 New Holland CR960, 657 Sep. Hrs.....	\$159,500(G)
'01 Case IH 2388, RWA, Chopper.....	\$149,500(W)
'01 Case IH 2388, RWA, AFX Rotor.....	\$149,500(W)
'04 Case IH 2388, 1619 Sep. Hrs, Small Grain.....	\$130,000(D)
'04 Gleaner R65, 800 Sep. Hrs, Tilt.....	\$125,000(M)
'98 Case IH 2388,	\$75,000(W)
'96 New Holland TR98,	\$49,500(M)
'95 New Holland TR97, 2814 Sep. Hrs, RWA.....	\$36,500(C)
'87 Case IH 1660, Well Maintained.....	\$32,500(C)
'77 Gleaner L2, Corn/Soybean, Chopper.....	\$6,900(M)
'80 New Holland TR85, W/960 Head.....	\$4,950(H)

Forage Harvesters

John Deere 6810, 2WD, Good Cond.....	\$69,500(W)
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Corn/Row Crop Heads

'92 John Deere 1243, 12R30, Good Cond.....	\$18,900(G)
New Holland 974, 6R30, Good Cond.....	\$6,950(T)
International 883, 8 Row.....	\$5,950(W)
John Deere 653, Row Head.....	\$1,950(T)
Gleaner 630A, 6R30.....	\$1,300(T)

Grain Heads

'07 Case IH 2062, 30' Flex Draper.....	\$52,500(W)
'03 Case IH 1020, 25' Flex.....	\$26,500(W)
'07 Case IH 1020, 25' Flex.....	\$26,500(W)
'05 Gleaner 8000, 30' Flex.....	\$16,000(M)
'96 New Holland 973, 30' Flex.....	\$12,900(E)
'97 Case IH 1020, 30' Flex.....	\$12,500(W)
'99 Gleaner 700, 27' Rigid.....	\$7,950(M)
'98 New Holland 971, 25' Rigid.....	\$6,900(E)
'88 Case IH 1020, 20' Flex.....	\$6,325(W)
'94 NH 971, 20' Rigid.....	\$5,500(E)
'95 Gleaner 400, 25' Rigid W/Trailer.....	\$4,250(M)
Gleaner 318, 18' Rigid.....	\$3,600(M)
Gleaner 18', 18' Rigid.....	\$2,500(W)

Tractors 175+ PTO HP

'05 New Holland TG255, 600 Hrs, SuperSteer.....	\$125,000(H)
'03 Case IH MX285, 3300 Hrs, Leather.....	\$120,000(D)
'08 New Holland T8010, 150 Hrs, SuperSteer.....	\$119,500(W)
'02 New Holland TJ325, 3045 Hrs, Clean Unit.....	\$115,000(C)
'02 New Holland TJ375, 2875 Hrs, Bareback.....	\$109,500(E)
'03 New Holland TG230, 2520 Hrs, SuperSteer.....	\$99,500(M)
'01 John Deere 9200, 2830 Hrs, Dozer Blade.....	\$95,000(D)
'91 Ford 846,	\$45,000(E)
'91 John Deere 8760, 9200 Hrs, Nice Tractor.....	\$37,500(D)
'85 Versatile 876, 6575 Hrs, Just Rebuilt.....	\$32,500(W)
'79 John Deere 8640, Recent Eng. and Trans. OH.....	\$21,000(G)
'79 Versatile 875, 7000 Hrs, Bareback.....	\$19,500(E)
'84 Versatile 895, Bareback, 4 Remotes.....	\$19,000(D)
'82 International 5488, 7900 Hrs, Duals.....	\$13,900(D)

Tractors 100-175 PTO HP

'06 Case IH MXM190, 320 Hrs, Like New.....	\$109,875(D)
'04 Case IH MX210, 2100 Hrs, Front Suspension.....	\$99,950(W)
'05 New Holland TG210, Loader, 2400 Hrs.....	\$94,500(M)
'03 New Holland TG210, Loader, 2800 Hrs.....	\$92,500(G)
'06 Case IH MXM175, Loader, 1050 Hrs.....	\$87,500(W)
'06 Case MXM175, 450 Hrs, Like New.....	\$87,500(W)
Case IH MXM130,	\$72,000(W)
John Deere 7410.....	\$69,500(W)
'97 New Holland 8670, Loader, 3900 Hrs.....	\$59,950(W)
'97 New Holland 8670, 3900 Hrs, SuperSteer.....	\$59,500(W)
'99 New Holland TV140, Loader, 3275 Hrs.....	\$49,950(H)
'99 New Holland TV140, Loader, 4175 Hrs.....	\$49,950(E)
'97 New Holland 8560, Good Cond.....	\$47,500(H)
'94 Case IH 7210, 3359 Hrs, Very Clean.....	\$44,900(H)
'90 Ford 8630, Loader, Good Cond.....	\$36,900(M)
White 6145, 4861 Hrs, Loader.....	\$35,900(G)
'92 New Holland 8830, 2245 Hrs.....	\$35,800(D)
'82 John Deere 4240, Loader, C/H/A.....	\$32,500(E)
'90 New Holland 8730, Loader, 6000 Hrs.....	\$28,800(E)
'90 Ford 276 Series II, Loader, 3775 Hrs.....	\$27,250(E)
'81 Ford TW20, Very Clean Tractor.....	\$23,500(D)
Ford TW15, 3PT, 540/1000.....	\$22,950(C)
'86 Ford TW20, C/H/A, 540/1000.....	\$19,750(G)
International 5088, Loader, 540/1000.....	\$14,500(T)
'90 Deutz 7120, FWA, 540/1000.....	\$14,250(M)

Tractors 100-175 PTO HP

'76 John Deere 4630, C/H/A, 3 Remotes.....	\$13,500(D)
Case 2390, Cab Good Cond.....	\$9,950(W)
'72 John Deere 4320, Loader, C/H/A.....	\$9,900(C)
'72 International 1066, 4895 Hrs, Cab, Duals.....	\$9,500(G)
'76 Case 1370, Loader.....	\$9,000(W)
'74 Ford 9600, 2 Remotes, Runs Great.....	\$8,500(M)
'75 John Deere 4230, 2 Remotes, 540 PTO.....	\$8,500(M)
International 1586, C/H/A, Duals.....	\$7,950(M)
'72 International 1066, Diesel.....	\$7,500(D)
'78 Case 1175, C/H/A, 2 Remotes.....	\$6,260(H)

Tractors 40-99 PTO HP

'03 Case IH MXM120, Loader, Very Nice.....	\$63,500(W)
'04 New Holland TS115A, 4 Remotes, Good Cond.....	\$49,950(W)
'06 New Holland TS110A, Like New.....	\$49,500(W)
'06 New Holland TS110A, New Loader, 1163 Hrs.....	\$49,500(M)
'06 New Holland TS100A, 600 Hrs, 4 Remotes.....	\$44,900(W)
'97 Case IH MX110, Loader, 6445 Hrs.....	\$44,500(C)
'06 New Holland TS115A, 850 Hrs, 2 Remotes.....	\$39,500(G)
'98 Case IH MX100, 2WD, PowerShift.....	\$37,500(W)
'03 John Deere 6615, Loader, 1600 Hrs.....	\$29,950(H)
'02 John Deere 6405, 1600 Hrs, C/H/A.....	\$29,950(H)
'02 McCormick CX70, 2WD.....	\$29,500(D)
'91 Case IH 5130, Loader, 4530 Hrs.....	\$28,500(W)
'99 New Holland TS100, Loader, 6200 Hrs, 2WD.....	\$24,500(W)
New Holland 7740, 5667 Hrs.....	\$20,000(W)
New Holland 7740, 5149 Hrs, 2 Remotes.....	\$20,000(M)
'01 John Deere 5205, 250 Hrs, 2 Remotes.....	\$19,500(W)
'84 New Holland 7710, Loader W/Bucket.....	\$18,500(W)
'05 New Holland TC55DA, 814 Hrs, 2 Remotes.....	\$16,900(E)
'73 John Deere 4030, C/H/A, 2 Remotes.....	\$15,900(W)
'05 New Holland TC55, 2WD, Exc Cond.....	\$14,500(T)
'65 John Deere 4020, PowerShift, 2 Remotes.....	\$10,900(E)
'64 John Deere 4020, Diesel Cab.....	\$9,450(G)
'67 John Deere 3020, 2 Remotes, Good Cond.....	\$8,500(W)
'67 JD 3010, Gas, Fresh OH.....	\$7,500(H)
International 826, 540/1000, Solid Tractor.....	\$6,950(W)
Ford 4600, Diesel, 1 Remote.....	\$6,950(T)
'66 Massey Ferguson 180, Loader, Diesel.....	\$6,500(M)
'76 Allis Chalmers 185, Cab, 2 Remotes.....	\$5,950(W)
Ford 861, Loader, Gas.....	\$5,950(T)
Allis Chalmers D-17, Wide Front, 3PT.....	\$4,975(W)
'60 Oliver 770, Loader, WFE, Gas.....	\$4,450(W)
'73 Massey Ferguson 1085, 540 PTO.....	Coming Soon(M)

Tractors Less Than 40 PTO HP

'06 New Holland TC45DA, 86 Hrs, Loader.....	\$26,000(G)
'05 New Holland TC33DA, Loader, Belly Mower.....	\$18,700(T)
'02 John Deere 4310, 1304 Hrs.....	\$12,900(T)
'05 New Holland TC30, Like New.....	\$10,900(T)
'97 New Holland 1925, Diesel, 1 Remote.....	\$9,900(M)
'06 New Holland T222, 31 Hrs, Turf Tires.....	\$8,900(E)
'04 Case IH DX24E, Belly Mower, FWA.....	\$8,500(W)
'03 John Deere 2210, 475 Hrs, Loader.....	\$7,950(T)
'94 Kubota L3300, FWA, Diesel.....	\$7,900(W)
'73 Ford 3000, Diesel, 1 Remote.....	\$5,500(W)
'79 Ford 1300, Loader, 373 Hrs.....	\$4,995(E)
'84 Ford 1210, Belly Mower, Turf Tires.....	\$4,500(T)
Ford 2N,	\$2,525(T)
Ford 8N, Gas, 540 PTO, 3PT.....	\$2,500(T)

Windrowers

'06 Case IH WDX2302, 18' Disc, 784 Hrs.....	\$79,500(G)
'05 New Holland HW325, 16' 320 Hrs.....	\$66,950(W)
'05 NH HW345, 16' Disc, 1200 Hrs.....	\$65,000(G)
'06 New Holland HW325, 18' 480 Hrs.....	\$65,000(G)
'05 New Holland HW325, 16', 1419 Hrs.....	\$62,900(E)
'05 New Holland HW325, 16', 875 Hrs.....	\$59,900(M)
'07 Hesston 9345, 18', 825 Hrs.....	\$54,500(H)
'07 Hesston 9345, 18', 650 Hrs.....	\$54,500(D)
'07 Hesston 9345, 18', 650 Hrs.....	\$54,500(G)
'05 New Holland HW325, 18' 1709 Hrs.....	\$52,900(G)
'05 New Holland HW325, 16', 1398 Hrs.....	\$50,000(M)
'04 Case IH WDX1101, 16', 920 Hrs.....	\$46,500(W)
'04 Massey Ferguson 9420, 16', 495 Hrs.....	\$46,500(G)
'04 New Holland HW320, 18', 1526 Hrs.....	\$44,500(D)
'02 John Deere 4895, 18', 2500 Hrs.....	\$41,000(G)
'00 New Holand HW320, Good Unit, Buddy Seat.....	\$36,500(M)
'02 New Holland HW320, 18', 1256 Hrs.....	\$36,500(H)

Mower Conditioners

'02 Case IH DCX131, 13' Disc, 2PT Swivel Hitch.....	\$11,900(T)
'03 New Holland 1475, 18', 1000 PTO.....	\$17,900(E)
'00 New Holland 1475, 14', 1000 PTO.....	\$15,200(E)

Mower Conditioners

'00 New Holland 1475, 14', 1000 PTO.....	\$14,700(E)
'01 New Holland 499, 12', Very Nice Unit.....	\$13,900(T)
'02 New Holland 1475, 16', 1000 PTO.....	\$13,250(E)
'01 New Holland 1475, 16'.....	\$12,900(E)
'00 New Holland 1475, 18', 1000 PTO Pump.....	\$12,500(E)
Hesston 1265, 14', 540 PTO Pump.....	\$10,900(H)
'99 New Holland 1475, 16', 1000 PTO Pump.....	\$9,900(W)
'91 New Holland 499, 12', Good Cond.....	\$9,900(W)
'07 New Holland 1475, Hitch Only.....	\$8,900(E)
'98 New Holland 1475, Hitch Only, 540 PTO.....	\$7,900(E)
'98 New Holland 1475, Hitch Only, 1000 PTO.....	\$7,900(E)
'91 John Deere 1600, Pivot Tongue, 540 PTO.....	\$7,750(E)
'00 New Holland 488, 9', Excellent Cond.....	\$6,950(T)
'84 New Holland 499, 12', Pivot Tongue.....	\$6,950(W)
'89 New Holland 499, 12'.....	\$5,950(M)
'88 Case IH 8370, 14', 540 PTO.....	\$5,900(E)
'90 New Holland 116,	\$4,900(D)
'89 New Holland 116, 16', HydraSwing.....	\$4,750(H)
New Holland 116, 14'.....	\$3,950(M)
'79 New Holland 495, 12'.....	\$1,950(E)
Hesston 1014,	\$1,495(M)

Round Balers

'05 CIH RBX562, 5x6, Net.....	\$24,225(W)
'07 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$20,250(G)
'07 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$18,750(D)
'07 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$18,750(D)
'06 NH BR780A, 5x6, Twine.....	\$17,750(E)
'07 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net.....	\$17,750(E)
'03 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$17,500(D)
'06 CIH RBX562, 5x6, Net.....	\$16,725(W)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$16,250(D)
'06 NH BR780A, 5x6, Twine.....	\$16,250(E)
'06 NH BR780A, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$16,250(D)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$16,000(D)
'05 NH BR780, 5x6.....	\$16,000(D)
'03 NH BR780, 5x6, Net.....	\$15,250(E)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$14,250(G)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$14,250(T)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$14,250(G)
'03 NH BR780, 5x6, Twine.....	\$13,750(E)
'04 NH BR780, 5x6, Twine.....	\$13,250(E)
'03 NH BR780, 5x6, Twine.....	\$12,750(E)
'03 NH BR780, 5x6, Twine.....	\$12,500(M)
'03 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$12,250(G)
'05 NH BR780, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$12,250(G)
'05 VM 554XL, 5-5x4, Twine.....	\$12,250(W)
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'97 JD 566, 5x6, Twine.....	\$10,500(G)
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'00 NH 688, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$9,750(G)
'03 NH 688, 5x6, Twine.....	\$9,250(H)
'01 NH 688, 5x6, Twine.....	\$9,250(W)
'99 NH 688, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$8,750(D)
'00 CIH RS561, 5x6, Twine.....	\$8,500(W)
'98 NH 664, 5x6, Net.....	\$8,250(D)
'98 NH 664, 5x6, Net.....	\$8,250(D)
'98 NH 664, 5x6, Twine.....	\$8,250(T)
'92 NH 660, 5x6, Twine.....	\$7,750(M)
'98 NH 664, 5x6, Twine.....	\$7,750(W)
'92 CIH 8460, 5x6, Twine.....	\$7,500(E)
'01 NH 688, 5x6, Twine.....	\$7,250(E)
'97 NH 664, 5x6, Twine.....	\$6,750(G)
'97 JD 566, 5x6, Twine.....	\$6,750(G)
'97 NH 664, 5x6, Twine.....	\$6,250(E)
'90 CIH 8460, 5x6, Twine.....	\$5,950(T)
'03 Gehl 2880, 5x6, Twine.....	\$5,750(H)
'07 Long 2046, 4x4, Twine.....	\$5,250(W)
'95 NH 650, 4x6, Twine.....	\$5,250(E)
'96 NH 664, 5x6, Twine.....	\$5,250(E)
'95 NH 660, 5x6, Twine.....	\$4,750(D)
'89 VM 605J, 5x6, Twine.....	\$3,750(E)
HE 5800, 4x5, Twine.....	\$3,200(M)
'91 NH 855, 5x6, Net/Twine.....	\$2,500(M)
'83 NH 855, 5x6, Twine.....	\$2,200(M)
'89 NH 853, 5x5, Twine.....	\$2,000(W)
'88 NH 853, 5x5, Twine.....	\$1,500(W)
NH 851, 5-5x5-5, Twine.....	\$500(E)
NH 851, 5-5x5-5, Twine.....	\$300(E)

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Ground alfalfa movement: Southwest/South Central Tonnage: 12,150/5,796 Last week: 11,915/4,754 Last year: 13,634/4,224 Hay trade moderate. Demand strong for alfalfa pellets, moderate to spots strong for dairy, stock cow and grinding alfalfa, weak to moderate for prairie hay. Most hay producers have finished baling and have cleaned up their equipment and put it away. Attention now will focus on delivering hay and scheduling around the holidays. The economy is the number one concern as producers begin to plan for the 2009 growing season. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange website: www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm

Southwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Ground alfalfa movement moderate, dairy alfalfa movement active. Alfalfa: Horse, small square, 250.00-275.00; Dairy, Supreme 185.00-210.00, an instance 215.00, Premium 170.00-185.00, Good 150.00- 175.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa shipped in 125.00-140.00, at the edge of the field, 150.00-160.00. Ground-on-the-truck 172.00-175.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 165.00-190.00, contracts to 192.00. The week of 11/17-22, 12,150T grinding alfalfa and 2,816T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, good large bales 55.00-60.00. Sudan/Cane large bales 70.00- 85.00. Milo stalks in large bales 65.00.

South Central Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady.



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Southeast Kansas: Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, 180.00-200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Premium-Supreme 175.00-185.00, Good 130.00-150.00, Fair 130.00. Bluestem: Good, small squares 90.00-110.00, mostly 100.00, mid and large squares 80.00-90.00, an instance 110.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00, Mulch, large round 45.00-50.00. Brome: Small square Good 100.00-110.00, Good mid and large squares 85.00-100.00. Good large round 50.00- 70.00.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement moderate. Alfalfa: Horse, small square 200.00-250.00. Dairy, Premium-Supreme 175.00-185.00, Good 165.00, Fair 120.00-135.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 100.00- 110.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and

dairies 130.00-140.00. Milo stalks Large bales 65.00 or 75.00 delivered.

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***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.

*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. **TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%).

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SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10:

- 6 good pairs, 6-8 years old, cows weigh 1,300 lbs.

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NO SALE: December 24

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

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77 blk hfrs bred LBW Angus (Littau): cf 2-15 for 30 days
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The kind to drive a long way forFrauen Ranch (Monte @ 402-376-3225)
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Complete liquidation.....Jay Gustafson (402-273-4178)
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Bred Females:
125 Angus (8 & younger) bred Angus; cf 3-15 for 75 days. Yearly vaccinated & poured. One of the great herds in the sandhills, an opportunity to buy from the best.....Rex Adamson
50 Angus (short term) bred Angus; cf 2-1 for 60 days.
Complete vaccination program.....Joseph Angus Ranch
35 blk (solid mouth; 8-12 yrs) bred Angus; cf 3-10 for 65 days.
Yearly vaccinated & pouredLarry, Danny & Craig O'Kief
10 Angus (registered) (2-6 yrs) bred Angus (Yellowstone sons);
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K-State entomologist studying wheat plant genes affected by aphids to create low-risk method of pest management

Russian wheat aphids are insects that are as small as one-sixteenth of an inch, but are capable of much larger damage. The tiny insects have been feeding on wheat plants in the United States since 1986, and their plant destruction has been costing Kansas wheat producers.

Michael Smith and other researchers at Kansas State University have been studying wheat plants that are resistant to the aphids as a way to find a low-risk method of pest management and increase crop yields.

Smith, a K-State professor of entomology, is focusing on identifying a gene that controls a single property in the wheat plant that could deter aphid feeding. The researchers think that when an aphid threatens a resistant wheat plant, the plant responds by expressing genes that make some kind of defensive compound.

“Our goal is to find a gene or genes that are responsible for the resistance; something like a product of a signal that tells the plant to make a toxin or to make a bitter taste,” Smith said.

He said there is a two-fold benefit to this low-risk method of pest management. The wheat yield would increase because the pest damage would be reduced, and plant resistance would reduce or eliminate

the need for insecticide, which affects the producer’s cost and might affect the environment.

“Anytime you use a pesticide, you do run some risk of runoff, which can affect wildlife and drinking water,” Smith said. “We have very, very few problems with runoff in Kansas, but that’s the whole idea of getting away from the use of insecticides.”

When aphids feed on susceptible wheat plants, the insects destroy the plants’ capability to make nutrients to produce grains. This is visible on the plant when its leaves yellow and roll into narrow tubes.

Smith’s research involves using gene expression experiments. The ongoing project started two-and-half years ago, but Smith said the experimental research only took about a week or two. The quick process involved extracting RNA from infested and non-infested wheat plant tissues, making DNA from the RNA, and placing it on a microarray chip.

By damaging the wheat plant, genes are expressed that are not normally active. K-State researchers looked for a difference of genes in the resistant and susceptible wheat plants.

“We did the experiment with plants that had been fed on for 24 hours,” Smith said. “We have since found that

some of the genes are turned on as soon as one hour within feeding. For a long time, entomologists and other biological scientists haven’t been able to see this kind of rapid response.”

The postexperimental part is more extensive.

“It’s the process of taking all the data you get and making sense of it, because a microarray chip has 55,000 different little bits of wheat DNA on it, so you can get a lot of information,” Smith said. “You have to go out there and search yourself. Most of the two-and-a-half years have been searching the information databases and trying to make sense of this story.”

The researchers narrowed the results down to four genes that are unique to the aphid-resistant plant. The final step of the project involves using virus-induced gene silencing that could identify which of these possible genes control resistance.

“Once we know what that gene for resistance is, we can selectively add the resistance gene into a normally high yielding but aphid-susceptible plant, and that’s our ultimate goal,” Smith said.

Smith presented the ongoing project in 2004 in Australia at the International Congress of Entomology and at the 2007 national meeting of the Entomological Society of America.

Smith said the four possible genes were identified in the last six months, and he hopes to have the gene-silencing results in the next two to three months.

“Wheat is the largest major plant genome known,” he said. “It’s very repetitive, and you have to sort through lots of stuff. But we’re willing to do that because it’s the major crop in Kansas, and we work for the people of Kansas, and in our case, we also work for the wheat and barley producers.”

Some of the funding for the research project was provided by grants from the Kansas Crop Improvement Association, the U.S.

Agency for International Development, and the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Others involved in the project from K-State include Xuming Liu, research assistant professor of entomology; Ming-Shun Chen, adjunct associate professor of entomology; Sharon Starkey, laboratory technician in entomology; and JianFa Bai, assistant professor in the K-State Veterinary Diagnostic Lab. Also involved in the research are Xiang Liu, research associate of biology at North Carolina State University, and L. J. Wang, assistant professor of genomics and bioinformatics at Clemson University.

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The laughter of children and the sound of Santa’s bells ring out across the grounds. Concerts of beautiful seasonal music will also be heard both weeks. The music schedule is filled with both instrumental and vocal selections sure to bring out the holiday spirit in us all. Performers include Silver Tones Flute Choir, Dulcimers, Etc, Sweet Assurance, Bethany Brass and the Swedish Dancer Fiddlers. The beautifully decorated Tinsel Trail of Trees serves as backdrop for this year’s musical performances.

Families are invited to enjoy the music as well as a

number of other activities sure to bring back the flavor of Christmas past. Children can enjoy old-fashioned crafts, decorate sugar cookies on Dec. 6 and take a moment to write that all-important letter to Santa! The jolly old elf himself may stroll the grounds, listening to wishes and handing out treats for kids of all ages.

A shepherd, in traditional dress, tells the age-old Christmas story in the warmth of the stable. The ever-popular Smoky Valley Drama Team will perform seasonal drama in the

depot on December 13.

Tour guides will be on hand for special tours and demonstrations in the flour mill. Between activities, everyone can enjoy delicious holiday refreshments and shop for gifts.

Admission to this event is just the regular museum admission of \$2 for adults, \$1 for children ages 6-12, and children under 6 free. The museum is located at 120 Mill Street. For more information call (785) 227-3595, e-mail info@oldmill-museum.org or write P.O. Box 94, Lindsborg, KS 67456.

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Gehl 10 Whl Late Model Rake
IH 1190 HB
JF 9 ft. D Mower, Nice!
NH 479HB
NH 1044
NH 1020 Hay Wagons
More Arriving by Sale Day!

MISC. EQUIPMENT

JD 2 Section Harrow
EZ Flow Seeder
JD #68 Auger Wagon
IH 175 Manure Spreader
Millcreek Manure Spreader
JD Frnt Whts
Log Splitter / Howse Tiller
JD #50 Ldr
NH Bale Kicker / Fuel Tanks
Box Blades
Pull Type Bale Mover
Post Hole Diggers
Boom Poles / Oliver Cab
Several Sprayers, Gravity Flows , Blades,
Dozer Blade w/ JD Brackets

COMBINE & CORN HEADS

JD 643 OuterPoly Field Ready!
MF 2 Row Head
JD 4400 w/ Head
JD 216 Head
Case Silage Chopper Antique
Stored Inside

TRUCKS & TRAILERS

'97 WL900 13spd / 3406 Cat
455 HP Nice
'88 F350 FlatBed 7.3 88k
'99 White SA 13 Spd, Nice!
'98 F350 Pwr Stroke Dewezee Bale Bed
'88 Volvo 300Cummins Service bed/Welder/Crane/ Comp
F350 Service Truck
Ford L9000 Boom Truck 50ft Stick
3 '99 – '02 Model Ford 3/4 and 1 ton Trucks
Donahue Combine, Swather
Trailer -will haul large Combines, Winch Ex. Cond!
'07 20x5 Pindle Hitch Trailer 14k
'98 20x5 Pindle Hitch Trailer 24k
GN 3 Horse Slant Trailer
2 Horse Trailer
6x22 Cattle Trailer
'80 Coachman Camper Trlr
6' Storage Trlr
'87 Ford 9000 w/2k Water Tank
'94 Ford F800 D Flat Bed 110k Nice
'97 Ford F350 Service Bed/ Eng
'07 24ft 1/4 Frame Barrel Type Trailer– New!
Ford F700 SA Rock Truck / 48' Encl. Trailer
Sea Doo or 4-Wheeler Trailer
53 Ft Enclosed Semi Trailer
Several Flatbed Trailers/96 GMC Blwn Eng
Several Utility Beds & Flatbeds
Several Others Arriving

TILLAGE & PLANTING

IH 5100 Drill Press Wheels
Grass Seed
18ft JD Wing Disk Ex Cond
2 JD 494A Planters
Several Plows
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IH 510 Drill, Van Brunt
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Tillers / Several Others
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99 JD Gator 4x2
Late Model Club Car Golf Carts
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Several Dump Carts
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Olathe Chipper/ PTO Water Pumps
Bushhog TD1100 Finish Mwr
Super Gill Seeder
Land Pride 12 Finish Mwr
5ft Drum Aerator

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6" Pump Deutz 4Cyl Mtr
Roseman 11ft Reel Mower
Other Misc
Nuns 11 Ft Pull Rotary Mower
Holland 3pt Tree Planter
Ryan GA30 Aerator/ 2- 3 Pt Aerators
FMC D020 Pump, 500 Gal, Stainless, Nice!
JD 1800 Self Contained Sprayer
Several 3 Pt and Boom Sprayers

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Case 90XT, 800 hrs.
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'06 Cat 268B Hi-Flo VTS Track system CHA Loaded!
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Gehl 7400 Skid Ldr 3500 hrs
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'03 JD MX10 3pt Like New Mwr
Swarts Feed Wagon
Westendorf TA26 Ldr
JD LX4 Cutter
JD 709 Cutter
Westendorf WL42 Ldr
'03 Vermeer 9000 Bale Processor
Farmhand 880 Tub Grinder
Several 90 Bushel Grinder Mixers
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Several Cutters & Loaders Not Listed

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Receipts for the week totaled 582 cattle and 223 hogs. Butcher hog top on Monday was \$35.00. Upcoming events: December 6th Buffalo Sale, December 9th Pre Vacc Calf Sale, December 16th Special Cow, Heifer and Breeding Bull Sale.

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150 blk & red strs & hfrs, 550-700 lbs.; 18 blk strs & hfrs, 475-575 lbs.; 118 strs, 850 lbs.; 30 heifers, 500 lbs.

Plus many more by sale time.

Early Consignments for Tuesday, December 9 PRE VACC. SALE

15 blk strs & hfrs, 700-750 lbs.; 20 char strs & hfrs, 500-600 lbs.; 50 strs & hfrs, 400-600 lbs.; 25 blk strs & hfrs, 650-700 lbs.; 25 char strs & hfrs, 700 lbs.; 61 blk strs & hfrs, 500-600 lbs.; 120 mostly blk strs & hfrs, 550-650 lbs.; 72 blk/char strs & hfrs, 575-650 lbs.; 180 blk strs & hfrs, 700-800 lbs.; 58 blk/bwf strs & hfrs, 500-600 lbs.; 15 char x strs, 500-700 lbs.

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Monday, November 24:			
BABY CALVES			
1 blk, New Cambria	300 @ 355.00	1 blk, Little River	2265 @ 54.25
4 blk mx, Ada	216 @ 310.00	1 blk, Ada	1985 @ 54.25
1 blk, Galva	280 @ 280.00	1 blk, Galva	2045 @ 53.50
1 char, Solomon	215 @ 280.00	1 blk, Galva	1765 @ 52.75
1 blk, Durham	225 @ 275.00	HOGS	
1 red, New Cambria	195 @ 265.00	RECEIPTS THIS WEEK: 223	
1 rwf, Durham	215 @ 240.00	BUTCHER HOGS	
1 hol, Frankfort	110 @ 75.00	18 wht, Goddard	256 @ 35.00
BUTCHER COWS		51 mix, Sawyer	244 @ 35.00
1 red, Glasco	1405 @ 41.00	15 mix, Mankato	272 @ 34.30
1 red, Lorraine	1335 @ 40.00	5 wht, Tescott	265 @ 34.30
1 blk, Bennington	1360 @ 39.00	10 mix, Partridge	274 @ 34.25
2 red, Branson, CO	1308 @ 39.00	2 mix, Hope	270 @ 34.00
2 red, Bennington	1385 @ 38.50	SOWS	
1 bwf, New Cambria	1315 @ 38.50	2 wht, Sylvan Grove	528 @ 43.00
1 gray, Ellsworth	1410 @ 38.00	4 mix, Tescott	525 @ 43.00
1 blk, Concordia	1630 @ 37.50	1 rdsp, Goddard	505 @ 43.00
BUTCHER BULLS		5 mix, Tescott	468 @ 35.00
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		6 mix, Brookville	118 @ 27.50
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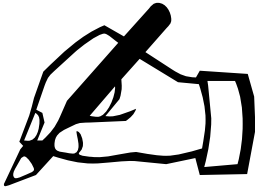
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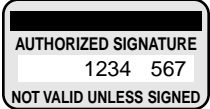
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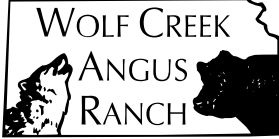
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Research 'N' Review

By Joel DeRouchey

Driving through the country side this time of year, cattle are commonly grazing corn or milo stalks. Grazing stalks are a very economical means to maintain pregnant spring calving cows during gestation or provide a forage source along with feeding a supplement for fall calving or back grounding cattle for adequate gains.

Corn or milo residue left behind after harvest includes the stalk, leaf, husk and cob, as well as downed ears. The amount of downed ears varies with the corn variety, but it can be as much as 3 to 5 bushels of corn per acre. Generally, approximately 50 pounds of residue is left on the field per bushel of corn harvested. For example, if you harvest 150 bushels of corn, you can expect about 7500 pounds of residue per acre (150 bushels times 50 pounds of residue per bushel). Also, strip grazing the fields (dividing the field and limiting access using electric fencing) will improve utilization and allow you to increase the stocking rate.

However, many producers have challenges finding producers who will rent out stalk fields for grazing citing various reasons for not wanting cattle graze the residue on their fields. The most common reason we continually hear from producers not wanting cattle graze residue in both conventional tillage and no-till systems is the issue with soil compaction. Research has been done in many locations throughout the Midwest to help answer this concern.

Researchers in Nebraska and Iowa have conducted several studies evaluating cattle grazing stalks following corn harvest with soybean then planted the following spring. When fencing off different portions of the same field, the following year's soybean bushel yield at

one Iowa site near Chariton produced 35.0 bu/acre in grazed plots versus 35.4 bu/acre in the ungrazed plots. In a second study at a different location near Atlantic, Iowa, the corn stalk grazed plot produced 55.7 bu/acre soybeans while the ungrazed plots produced 56.1 bu/acre the subsequent year. In Nebraska, research conducted comparing grazed versus ungrazed corn stalk plots produced 58.4 bu/acre in grazed plots versus 56.9 bu/acre in the ungrazed plots of soybeans the subsequent year. These research experiments indicate that grazing corn stalks does not reduce or increase the yield of soybeans the following year.

While livestock can cause soil compaction, it is generally shallow. Studies in Illinois, Iowa, and Nebraska indicate that soil compaction from cows grazing corn residue is limited to the top 6 inches of soil. Shallow compaction can be corrected by disc, chisel-plow, or the freeze-thaw action of the soil for no-till systems. The two main factors that affected the severity of compaction were soil moisture and soil type. In each of those studies, no significant difference was found in the yield of the soybeans following the residue grazing, even using no-till.

Producers concerned about compaction could graze the residue immediately after harvest, removing the livestock after 60 days to allow the soil's freeze-thaw action to minimize surface compaction. Producers should pay attention to the soil types of the crop fields and remove livestock when the fields are muddy. Growing no-till soybeans after grazing corn residue may require more management to minimize compacted paths and water-filled hoof tracks.

KFB honors Teagarden for service to agriculture

Livestock Commissioner George Teagarden, Linn County, was honored with the 2008 Kansas Farm Bureau Distinguished Service to Agriculture award Nov. 8, at Kansas Farm Bureau's 90th annual meeting, Manhattan.

The KFB Distinguished Service to Agriculture award is presented to individuals who exemplify leadership in agriculture, service to Farm Bureau families and community involvement.

"It's hard to measure the impact that George Teagarden has had on the lives of Kansas farmers and ranchers, but it's significant," said Steve Baccus, an Ottawa County grain producer who serves as president of Kansas Farm Bureau. "We are honored to be able to recognize the lifelong accomplishments and professional contributions of this outstanding Kansas agriculture advocate."

Teagarden was raised on a family farm in Linn County where he owns land and livestock. He serves as Livestock Commissioner for Kansas Ani-

mal Health Department, a position he's held since 1994.

At KAHD, Teagarden leads a team to ensure the public health, safety and welfare of Kansas' citizens through prevention, control and eradication of infectious and contagious disease and conditions affecting the health of livestock and domestic animals in the Kansas.

A 1966 graduate of Kansas State University with a degree in animal husbandry, he remains a dedicated advocate for animal health in Kansas.

He and wife of 41 years, Loretta, have three children and six grandchildren. From 1981 to 1994, Teagarden served in the Kansas House of Representatives.



The farmers and ranchers of Kansas Farm Bureau honored George Teagarden, Linn County, with the 2008 Kansas Farm Bureau Distinguished Service to Agriculture award during the KFB annual meeting, Nov. 8, in Manhattan. Teagarden received the award from KFB president Steve Baccus (right).

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Kerry O'Brien's cattle company speaks volumes on water quality

By Connie Pantle
Kerry O'Brien is a man of few words. What he does on his cattle operation in southeast Kansas speaks volumes, however.

O'Brien, who operates a non-confined starting and backgrounding operation just north of Hepler, was born and raised in the cattle business. He's applied that long-term knowledge to how O'Brien Cattle Company Inc. backgrounds cattle.

In addition to running a non-confined operation, O'Brien practices low-stress handling of cattle. O'Brien said the non-confinement and low-stress handling go hand in hand and make his operation more profitable. "I want to work and make a profit, all while conserving the land for future generations."

To highlight theses practices and the operation, the O'Brien Cattle Company recently hosted a tour which drew about 150 people. The tour featured the working facilities and handling of the cattle; grassland management and riparian area protection; alternative water supply, and a tire tank installation demonstration.

The O'Brien Cattle Company uses grass traps instead of a confined feedlot. Dale Kirkham, field organizer with the Kansas Rural Center's Clean Water Farms Project (CWFP), said grass traps are basically smaller pastures with feeding facilities where much of the feed is provided. In addition the grass in the traps also provides some forage. He said "A grass trap also provides the cattle a clean place to rest out of the dust or mud, while allowing the manure to be spread by the cattle where it can be used by the grass."

During the tour, Gary Kilgore, K-State professor emeritus of agronomy, explained the water quality benefits of grass traps ver-

sus confined operations. He said grass traps allow the cattle to "graze and dispose of animal waste where grass can benefit from the nutrients." In addition, Kilgore said grass traps slow the water down and filter out E. coli and other nutrients before the water reaches a stream.

"As landowners, we want to do the right thing," O'Brien said. "We're trying to do what we can do to make things safer downstream."

The young calves are fed on grass traps of fescue which is inter-seeded with ladino and durana clovers. The fescue in the grass traps contains non-toxic endophytes, making both the fescue and the cattle more productive. The grass is divided into traps or smaller areas, which encourages the cattle to better utilize the grass. Because of the quality of the grass, O'Brien said he's actually able to "run more cattle days and have grass left."

Herschel George, K-State Research and Extension watershed specialist, said "in my opinion, down the line more producers are going to go to a non-confined operation." And the O'Brien Cattle Company "is an excellent example," he said.

Kirkham also spoke during the tour and explained the importance of wintering cattle away from creeks and protecting riparian areas along streams and

creeks like the O'Briens did.

To protect water quality along Paint Creek, which is part of the Marmaton watershed and WRAPS (Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy) area, O'Brien fenced the riparian area to exclude the cattle from the creek. By protecting this area, O'Brien said "the streambanks have been healing themselves with time."

O'Brien said that fencing the riparian area along the creek has not reduced his productivity. "I'm grazing just as many cattle as before," he said. To control weeds and brush, O'Brien allows the cattle to flash graze the area.

Prior to implementation of the non-confined operation, O'Brien worked with George to plan a water distribution system throughout the grass traps. George, in turn, contacted Kirkham and the CWF project to assist with funding for a pumping system, pipelines and livestock waterers throughout the grass traps. A pipeline and water tanks were distributed throughout the individual pastures to provide the cattle drinking water away from the creek.

A new pond, which was built using State Conserva-

tion Commission funding through the Bourbon County Conservation District, provided the water for the watering system throughout the grass traps. Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams (KAWS) assisted with cost-share for the riparian fencing as well as fencing to protect the new pond.

In addition to improving water quality, O'Brien said the grass traps have improved the health of his cattle, which is especially important when dealing with high-risk cattle. Typically, the calves are weaned then shipped immediately to O'Brien Cattle Company at about 350 to 450 pounds, according to O'Brien's daughter Kallie. She said the cattle are then held on the grass traps and "after 45 to 60 days, or until healthy, they will be shipped to rye, Flint Hills or local grass depending on the time of year and then on to a finishing yard." The tour site holds 1,100 head of cattle at full capacity with eight to nine turns of cattle per year.

O'Brien said as many as 35 to 40 percent of calves on a dry lot are "doctored" while the number drops to ten to 15 percent for calves on grass traps like his. He added that the results are

not only in the numbers, but in the overall improved quality of the animal.

The way the cattle are maintained allows O'Brien to pass along a better product to the public. "Consumers want to know the cattle are treated the way they ought to be," he said. "I want to do things right."

He said the practices that he uses are simple to implement and do not adversely affect his profit. The Bud Box, named after low-stress cattle handler, Bud Williams (www.stockmanship.com), was a highlight on the tour and an integral part of the cattle company's handling. The Bud Box allows a small group of cattle to load onto a trailer or walk into the chute easier. The principal of the Bud Box works with the cattle's instinct to go back to where they came into the pen.

A demonstration from O'Brien Cattle Company employees, Jason Sutterby and Steve Imhof, illustrated the ease of working cattle this way. "They practically load themselves," O'Brien said. When working cattle "slowing things down, actually speeds things up. And it actually increases the bottom line," O'Brien said.


O'Brien said he wanted

to host the field day at his cattle company because he views people like George, Kilgore and Kirkham as invaluable resources. O'Brien said he received much more than funding through the CWFP by working with Kirkham. "I can't say enough good things about Dale and his willingness to share his knowledge." O'Brien said he learned from attending field days and listening to Kirkham and George.

George said that the O'Briens and their employees "want to get it right." George said. "They care not only about the well-being of the livestock, but they care about the well-being of the grass and the land," George said.

And that love of cattle and the land is something O'Brien hopes to pass down to his and wife Tammie's children, Kolt, Kallie and Klay. "I think I have some kids who might want to come back and help out with the operation after college," he said.

Sponsors of the tour included Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams (KAWS); KRC; K-State Research and Extension; Bourbon County Conservation District; Marmaton WRAPS; Producers Cooperative Association of Girard.



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72 3-5 yr. old Angus cows sired by EXT, T510, Gridmaker, Prime Time, and Commitment bred to calve Feb 6 to Apr 15 to Ohlde Kiddo, Missing Link, and Legend sons. Vaccinated with Virashield 6VL5, Pasturella, and poured with Ivomec. **Whit Warner**

12 5 yr old Angus cows originating in the Irsik Ranch and bred to start calving Feb 2 to Stucky Future Direction son. Poured with Ivomec **Wagners Flying W, Bill Wagner**

45 4-5 yr. old Angus cows bred to calve Feb 1 to Mar 20 to GAR Gridmaker and T510 sons, and Hall of Fame and New Design sons. Vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5 and poured with Cydectin. Age year branded. **Carl Wewe**

Bred Heifers

62 Blk-BWf heifers bred to Stucky, Poland, Lukens proven calving ease sires to calve from Feb 10 to May 1. Heifers vaccinated with Bovishield, Scour Boss 9, Blackleg, and poured with Ivomec. **Mills Ranch, Adam Mills**

30 Angus heifers sired by sons of Alliance, 6807, and New Design bred to sons of Sitz New Design 349M and Bluegrass New Design 205 to calve Jan 29 to Apr 29. Heifers vaccinated with Triangle 4 + Type II BVD, Staybred 5, Vib-Lepto and poured with Ivomec. **Cornwell Farms, Rick Cornwell**

18 Angus/Simm heifers bred AI to 616, Bar EXT, Solution, and cleaned up with New Design 1407 son to calve Feb 9 to Apr 17. Heifers vaccinated with Staybred, Anthrax, Blackleg, and poured with Ivomec. **Reflected R Ranch, Curtis Russell**

90 Angus heifers bred to Molitor low birth weight, proven calving ease bulls to start calving Jan 22. Heifers vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5 and poured with Ivomec. **Govert Farms, Dave Govert**

25 Blk/BWf heifers bred to proven calving ease sons of Connealy Front Page to start calving Feb 14. Heifers vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5, Scour Boss 9, and wormed with Dectomax. Heifers tested negative for PI BVD. **Jeff & Blake DeWerrf**

87 Blk/BWf heifers synchronized bred AI to GAR Solution on May 23. Guaranteed bred AI, no clean-up bulls. Heifers vaccinated with Preguard 9, Dectomax, and tested negative for PI BVD. **Steinert Farm, Bill Steinert**

107 Angus heifers of Montana origin bred to Stucky Ranch calving ease bulls to start calving Feb 1. Heifers vaccinated with Vista 5 VL5, Vision 7 20/20, and poured with Ivomec. **Jeff Stucky**

15 Angus/Maine heifers sired by Molitor, Delzer, and Stucky registered Angus bulls bred to calve starting in March to Stucky sons of New Design 036. Heifers vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5 and poured with Agrimectin. **Sparks Stock Farm, Scott Sparks**

28 Blk/BWf heifers sired by GAR, Poland, and Stucky sires bred AI to Northern Improvement with clean up bulls New Design, Northern Improvement, or Lonker Red Angus CE bulls. Vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5 and poured with Ivomec. **Wheelock Ranch, Brandon Wheelock**

25 Angus heifers bred to Stucky grandson of New Design 036 to calve Feb 15 to Apr 15. Vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5, Blackleg, Scourguard, and poured with Ivomec. Heifers originate from Stoberg and have Angus Source tags. **Graber Cattle Co., Kevin Graber**

20 Angus heifers sired by sons of Rollonbye, Future Direction, and 1089 bred to calve Jan 26 to Mar 26 to Schmidt sons of New Design, 6807, and Wave. Vaccinated with Virashield 6VL5, and Ivomec. **4L Angus Farm, Rolland & Jordan Lytle**

17 Angus heifers with Molitor bloodlines bred to calve Feb 1 to Apr 12 to Molitor low birth EPD sons of Futures Right and New Design. Heifers vaccinated with Preguard, Scourguard, and poured with Neomectin. Heifers tested negative for PI BVD. Steer mates sold through USPB had \$39.90 premium with 4.08 ADG and 5.62 dry feed conversion. **Hogan Bros., Jim Hogan**

30 Angus heifers bred AI to calve starting Jan 20 to ABS sire Imagemaker 0415 and cleaned up with sons of Imagemaker. Heifers vaccinated with Bovishield Gold VL, Vision 7, and poured with IvoPlus. **Claypool/Sanford Cattle Co., Doug Sanford**

50 Angus heifers bred to Imakemaker 0415 sons to calve starting Jan 20. Heifers originate from Harold Angell. Vaccinated with Bovishield Gold VL, Vision 7, and poured with IvoPlus. **D Bar L Land & Cattle, Doug Sanford**

50 Blk/BWf heifers bred to calve starting in Feb to sons of Traveler, New Design 1407, and EXT. Heifers vaccinated with Virashield VL6 and poured with Ivomec. **Marvin & Jason Jelinek**

30 Angus heifers sired by sons of Lead On, Lead Time, and Nichols H6 bred to calve AI to ABS sires Analyst and In Focus to calve starting Jan 22 and cleaned up with sons of In Focus and Power Design. Vaccinated with Triangle 9, Vibrin, Scourboss 9 and poured with Ivomec. **Greg Holcomb**

50 Blk/BWf heifers bred to calve starting Feb 1 to sons of Dateline, Precision, and EXT. Vaccinated with Cattlemaster, Vib-Lepto, Scourguard and poured with Ivomec. Heifers pelvic measured. **Roland Pederson**

Open Heifers

10 13 mo. old PB Angus heifers sired by Kim Mac Future Direction and Precision 6769. Vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5 and poured with Ivomec. **McCurry Bros. Angus, Greg McCurry**

25 8-9 mo. old Angus heifers sired by Hinkson Integrity sons and Stucky Right Time 338 sons. Vaccinated with Virashield 6, Bar Somnus 2P, and poured with Permetrin. No implants. OCV. **Gary Panek**

6 9 mo. old Angus heifers sired by sons of Circle S Direction 1089. Vaccinated with Virashield 6, Ultrabac 7, Somnus, and wormed. **John Cook**

19 8-9 mo. old Angus heifers with 1407 and Traveler bloodlines. Vaccinated with Bovishield Gold 5FP, Vision 7 Somnus, and poured with Promectin. Angus Source tags. OCV. **Todd Shepherd**

9 10 mo. old Angus heifers sired by Stucky Traveler 416 son. Vaccinated with Virashield 6VL5, Somnus, and poured with Ivomec. OCV. **Duane Hampel**

5 8 mo. old Blk/BWf heifers sired by Northern Improvement and Juno. Vaccinated with TSV 2, Vision 7, and poured with Ivomec. OCV. **Lyn Wiley**

30 8 mo. old Angus heifers AI sired by Analyst, Predestined, and Bushwacker son. Vaccinated with Vista Once, Vision 7, Bovishield Gold, and poured with Ivomec. OCV. **Sherman Cattle, Mark & Phyllis Sherman**

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9 12 mo. old Angus heifers sired by GAR H141 Precision. Vaccinated with Virashield 6 VL5, Blackleg, and poured with Ivomec. OCV. Angus Source tagged. **Graber Cattle Co., Kevin Graber**

14 8 mo. old Angus heifers sired by sons of Wave, Direction 1089, Imagemaker, and T510. Vaccinated with Virashield 6L5, Respishield HM, Endovac, Vision 7 Somnus, and Ivomec Plus. OCV. **4L Angus Farm, Rolland & Jordan Lytle**

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Kansas Wheat Alliance enforces PVP laws

Officials at the Kansas Wheat Alliance (KWA) announced late last month that they have settled not less than three PVP infringement cases this planting season. In the first of the three different matters, Clayton Fisher, Okeene, Oklahoma, admitted to selling the federally protected wheat variety, Fuller, as non-certified seed without the authorization of KWA. The \$50,000 consent agreement signed by Fisher is the first of its kind for a variety developed by Kansas State University, although it does not appear this will be their last.

KWA began this year with a strong educational campaign in support of continued wheat research by supporting an educational cooperative known as the Farmers Yield Initiative, a coalition of public and private organizations dedicated to the education of the benefits of wheat research. Another component of education is enforcement of PVP laws. With this educational campaign, the KWA hopes to inform producers and sellers of the importance of wheat seed certification and the value it adds to the farming community through investment and research.

"Our goal is to be responsible to the farmers of Kansas who rely on K-State's continued development of excellent wheat varieties for their farming success," says KWA executive director Daryl Strouts. "But we need to make clear that it is in everybody's best interest to respect the PVP law. In order to return research money back to K-State wheat researchers for continued work, we have an obligation to recover royalties and to put a stop to illegal sales of our licensed wheat varieties," he said.

Two other persons settling claims of PVP infringement include a producer named Eldred Schneberger in Washita County, Oklahoma who paid \$30,000 for the admitted unauthorized sale of both Jagger and Overlay varieties.

A seed operation named Craig Ewy in Hesston, Kansas paid \$25,000 for the admitted unauthorized sale of the Overlay variety. Selling and conditioning federally protected varieties of wheat, including Jagger, Overlay, RonL, Fuller, and Danby without authority is illegal.

The Kansas Wheat Alliance is a not-for-profit organization formed by wheat producers, researchers, and seed marketers with the goal of maximizing value for wheat farmers by promoting responsible management of new wheat varieties developed by Kansas State University and other wheat-breeding programs. Royalties are used to support wheat research that enhances the profitability of wheat producers.

For more information on the KWA, please visit www.kswheatalliance.org.

Kansas classrooms win pizza parties

Pizza — it's arguably one of the top favorite foods among children — and probably even some adults too. It is so popular that it can be found in almost any variety imaginable from the classics pepperoni and supreme, to some not-so-usual flavors like Hawaiian and anchovy.

Pizza is also one of the few food items that can contain items from each of the six food groups on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) My Pyramid; making it an easy "go-to" meal for families. All of the ingredients that go into making pizza (the dough, cheese, tomato sauce, meats, fruits and veggies) originate from farms, said Cathy Musick, executive director for Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (KFAC). It's important that both adults and children realize where their food comes from and all the work that is involved in getting it from the farm to their dinner plate. In fact, there is so much work involved to get food from farm to plate, that one in five Kansas students will grow up to have a career in an agricultural-related field.

KFAC, a 501c3 non-profit organization, is working to help Kansans understand how farmers and agriculture play a role in their daily lives by providing needed food and clothing. Three Kansas classrooms — two from Hutchinson and one from Larned — recently got the opportunity to learn about where the ingredients in their favorite kind of pizza come from and the steps and people involved in getting those ingredients from the farm and into their pizza.

Justina Denison's first grade class at McCandless Elementary in Hutchinson, Sue Papenpuss's second

grade class at Union Valley Elementary in Hutchinson, and Karol Foster's first grade class at Phinney Elementary in Larned, each won a free pizza party by entering into a drawing at the Agri-land display at the Kansas State Fair in September.

Agri-land is an educational "playground" for youth that is hosted by many state agriculture-related associations each year during the Kansas State Fair, including KFAC. As children walk through Agri-land, they can stop at several different stations that teach them

about a different aspect of the agriculture industry and how it affects them and their lives each day.

Agriculture and education are both contributors to the well-being of Kansans, Musick said. Agriculture is not only important to the economy, providing thousands of jobs within the state, but it also provides people with necessary food and clothing. The educational system, experienced by every Kansas child, is a logical place to introduce information about the importance of agriculture to the state.

Sponsors for Agri-land and the classroom pizza parties include: KFAC, Kansas Beef Council, Kansas Corn Commission, Kansas Corn Growers Association, Kansas Dairy Association, Kansas Department of Agriculture, Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission, Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers, Kansas Soybean Commission, Kansas Sunflower Commission, and Kansas Wheat.

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Kansas Farmers Union to gather in Hutchinson for annual meeting

2009 will be the year for changes at the Kansas Farmers Union (KFU) Convention to be held January 9-10, 2009 at the Grand Prairie Hotel in Hutchinson, according to Kansas Farmers Union President Donn Teske. In response to KFU members, the Convention will be more streamlined this year. It will have a shorter schedule, fewer speakers and more time for discussions and sight-seeing.

The annual banquet will be quite unusual and very different in its own right. It will be held 650 feet below the surface in the Hutchinson Salt Mine Museum. The banquet ticket will include a tram tour of the Salt Mine, a tour of the Salt Mine Museum and the evening Banquet. "This will be a no-tie convention," Teske said. "We plan to have a very casual convention and the menu will be a good old country barbecue."

National Farmers Union (NFU) President Tom Buis; Dr. Daryll E. Ray, Director of the Agricultural Policy Analysis Center at the University of Tennessee; John Hansen, President of the Nebraska Farmers Union; Katy Ziegler, Vice-President of Government Relations for the National Farmers Union; Amy Bickel, Farm Reporter for the Hutchinson

News; Larry Mitchell, Director of Governmental Affairs for the American Corn Growers Association; Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Adrian Polansky; Stan Brown, Midwest Regional Manager for Farmers Union Insurances; and Kim Moore, President of the United Methodist Health Ministries Fund, are on the list of dignitaries to speak at the 2009 KFU State Annual Convention

The convention will officially convene Friday morning, January 9, at 10 a.m. and speakers will address the convention theme "It's The Economy, *****!" Convention delegates will consider and adopt a policy and by-laws statement for 2009 and will also elect officers and board members to steer the KFU for the coming year.

In addition, delegates will be elected to represent KFU at the 2009 NFU Annual Convention to be held

March 8-10, 2009 at the Hyatt Crystal City, Washington D.C..

Adrian Polansky, Kansas Secretary of Agriculture, will report to the delegates and guests at the Friday Kansas Luncheon. Friday afternoon during the general session, there will be a special panel discussion that members and guests will not want to miss. The panel discussion will be moderated by Amy Bickel of the Hutchinson News addressing "How The Current Economy Will Affect Agriculture." There will be two special panelists: Dr. Daryll E. Ray of the University of Tennessee, and NFU President Tom Buis, who has represented agriculture in Washington, D.C. for many years.

The banquet will be held Friday evening. Members and guests participating must be at the Hutchinson Salt Mine Museum no later than 4 p.m. The evening will

include a tour of the mine and museum, in addition to the banquet. NFU President Tom Buis will give the featured presentation.

On Saturday morning at the 7:30 a.m. Washington Breakfast, Katy Ziegler, National Farmers Union Director Government Relations, will give an agricultural policy update. The noon luncheon will feature Kim Moore, President of the United Methodist Health Ministries Fund.

Reservations can be made by contacting the Grand Prairie Hotel located at 1400 N. Lorraine St. at phone: 620-669-9311; fax: 620-669-9830; toll free: 1-800-362-5018; www.grand-prairiehotel.com.

It is crucial for a meal count, that participants fill out a meal registration form that can be obtained by contacting the Kansas Farmers Union State Office (620) 241-6630 or email: kfum@nfuic.kscoxmail.com.

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35 BLK STRS/HFRS	500-600#	WV	50 BLK STRS	800-850#	WV
20 BLK STRS/HFRS	500-600#		50 BLK STRS	825-850#	WV
15 MIX STRS/HFRS	500-700#	WV	60 BLK STRS	850-900#	WV
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Conservation program focus of December 10 meeting to be held in Larned City Hall

A model that shows groundwater conditions in the Middle Arkansas River subbasin and how it responds to different water management options will be presented to interested stakeholders from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Larned City Hall, 417 Broadway Street, Larned.

The presentation is one of two parts of an informational session the Kansas Department of Agriculture's division of water resources is co-hosting with Groundwater Management District No. 5.

The presentation will cover what the Middle Arkansas Groundwater Model shows about the area's hydrology and how it responds to various management options. Stakeholders will be invited to comment on model results and to offer their suggestions for management alternatives. Feedback will go to the division of water resources and to the Big Bend Groundwater Management District No. 5 board.

Immediately prior to the groundwater model presentation, Big Bend Groundwater Management District No. 5 will present information about the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, a voluntary land retirement program that helps farmers protect environmentally sensitive land, decrease erosion, restore wildlife habitat, and safeguard groundwater and surface water. The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program presentation will be from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. also at Larned City Hall.

The meeting is open to the public.

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Tips for selecting the perfect Christmas tree

Think of purchasing a pre-cut Christmas tree as the centerpiece of any room in which it will ultimately be placed, making the purchase of the proper tree an important home décor decision.

First, measure the height and width of the area where the tree will be displayed. Second, consider which species of tree you would like to display.

Many people prefer a species that has been handed down from generation to generation, but for those who would like to become more familiar with available Christmas tree species in their area, the National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA) website at <http://www.christmastree.org> lists available popular species. Once the initial information is gathered, it is off to pick out the tree. For many families, the price of a tree is a major factor. A Noble fir is more expensive than a Fraser fir, while a Fraser fir is more expensive than a Douglas-fir, which is not really a fir tree at all.

"The price has a lot to do with production, but it also has to do with perception," said Craig McKinley, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension forestry expert. "Cost of transportation also is an issue today."

For example, the Noble firs that can be found on retail lots come from the states of Oregon and Washington. Their shipping costs are much higher than a species that can be grown closer to our region, such as the Douglas-fir and Fraser fir.

The price of a tree does not signify the quality or beauty of tree. If you like it, it is a good one, McKinley said. Another aspect of selection is taking note of how the trees are displayed at the lot.

"The chain store is not set up to handle (selling Christmas trees). That's not their business 365 days a year, that's a short-term thing," McKinley said "They kind of have to make do."

Depending on how they "make do" should be a deciding factor of whether to purchase the tree from that lot. "One of the worst things they do is put them over

in the corner and cover them up with clear plastic," said McKinley. "It all goes back to preventing moisture loss in the tree. It had plenty of moisture when it was cut; let's keep it that way."

Trees on a retail lot should be kept in the shade, and ideally, in water. The NCTA offers indicators that potential buyers should consider when looking for that perfect tree, such as excessive needle loss, discolored foliage, musty odor, needle pliability and wrinkled bark. A good rule-of-thumb is, when in doubt about the freshness of a tree, select another one. If none of the trees on the lot look fresh, go to another lot.

However, just because a tree has some brown needles does not necessarily mean that is on its way out.

"Pine trees do not keep their needles forever. They'll keep them for about three or four years and then they'll fall off," McKinley said. "Those are just the old needles. Every tree has got some of them in it."

Be sure to shake the tree and see what you are left with afterwards. The NCTA suggests asking the retailer questions about when their tree shipments arrive and how often new shipments are ordered to get an idea of the freshness of their trees.

A freshness test can alleviate many problems. The green needles on fresh short-needle trees like firs should break crisply, like a carrot, when bent. Pines on the other hand, should not break when bent. "You're looking for moisture in the needles," McKinley said.

Once the perfect tree is found, purchased and taken home, one more thing needs to happen before the decorations go up. It is highly suggested that the purchaser of the tree make a fresh cut about a half-inch up from the base of the tree to allow water to be carried up the trunk and into the needles.

Make the cut, place it in water, and get ready to celebrate with a great looking tree.

Farm income looks good but cost concerns emerging

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The USDA's latest farm income forecast suggests Nebraska's agricultural businesses will do well in 2008, but the state's farmers are likely to do much better than the ranchers and feed-lot operators.

Farmers aren't finishing the year worry-free, though, because falling commodity prices raise new concerns about next year's profits.

The USDA predicts that farm income nationally will be \$86.9 billion in 2008, which is slightly higher than the \$86.8 billion record estimated for 2007.

In Nebraska, farm income in expected to climb to \$3.9 billion in 2008. That's up significantly from the \$3.4 billion farm income estimated in the state during 2007.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln agricultural economist Bruce Johnson says weakening demand for ethanol and exports make the outlook beyond 2008 less rosy. Rising expenses to grow and harvest crops, combined with falling commodity prices, could make 2009 unpleasant for many farmers.

"What we're doing is entering a time of extreme uncertainty and risk like never before," Johnson said. "And I do believe that means, 'Be very, very cautious.'"

The U.S. Department of Agriculture predicts that in 2008 revenue generated by

crops and livestock in Nebraska will be roughly equal. Crops are expected to generate about \$8.58 billion, and livestock will generate about \$8.62 billion.

But the cost differences between farming and ranching in Nebraska generally mean profits for many farmers and losses for many livestock producers.

Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation President Keith Olsen says 2008 will be a good year for farmers from a financial standpoint.

But there is a lot of concern about costs, particularly for fertilizer and feed.

Corn prices have slumped from around \$7 per bushel toward \$3.30. Olsen said that at that level, farmers who irrigate are losing money.

But Jeff Stolle of the Nebraska Cattlemen said all of 2008 has been dismal for beef, pork and poultry producers because of high feed costs.

With about a month to go, 2008 ranks as one of the worst in Stolle's 17 years at the Cattlemen's Lincoln office.

"Quite frankly, it's a mess," Stolle said. "There are good-quality cattle exiting feed yards right now losing \$200 a head."

Stolle said feed costs have improved over the last three months, but most cattle are fed for four to six months before slaughter.

"So we've got cattle on feed that ate some very high-priced grain," he said.

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8 sim x str 783@90.00
7 red str 545@89.85
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Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

Late Fall Gardening Traditions

There may be several traditions associated with the late November time period. Most think of the many of the celebrations with much of the attention on the food — take for instance Thanksgiving. The garden can play a part in the vegetable and fruit portion of the meal. Potatoes to be mashed, sweet potatoes, green beans or corn, winter squash including the pumpkin for the pie along with other fruit dishes can come from the home grown garden.

All of these natural dishes provide nutrients for the body and most likely won't make you feel too full. It is the extra flavors added to these dishes that increase that condition. I'm talking about the added butter and sour cream to the mashed potatoes. Brown sugar and marshmallows are normally added to the sweet potatoes. Whipped cream for pie, gravy and sauces that are holiday traditions may lead to extra calories.

The garden will come to the rescue after the extra calorie intake. Our tradition of overeating is followed by not a walk but mulching. Roses, strawberries and some perennials traditionally are mulched around Thanksgiving time.

Grafted roses that are not reliably hardy are protected from winter time warm periods by mulching. I like to use wood chips

from the arborist which are available for free from the transfer station. Loading and unloading is part of my weight moderating program. A lighter work out is to purchase bagged wood chip mulch and apply a half to one bag per bush.

Any mulch that is fairly well drained will be sufficient. Compost, hay, aged manure will also work. Blends of these materials are desirable. Mound any of these materials over the crown 8 to 10 inches deep after the roses go dormant.

Strawberries are covered with straw or prairie hay to protect them from warm periods prior to spring. A 3 inch layer of mulch is applied over the strawberry plants. The flakes of straw need to be broken up to prevent it from matting and smothering the plants.

Perennials are for the most part winter hardy. Any fall planted perennials like peonies benefit by a winter mulch. Wood chips are a good choice for this application. Two to three inches of coarse wood chips is suggested.

Traditions have to start sometime so why not start your gardening traditions this year. For more information on these gardening traditions can be found at your Extension office or on the web at www.oznet.ksu.edu.

Too much wintertime care can kill houseplants

Killing houseplants may be easiest during winter.

"All you have to do is to water or fertilize the plants just as you did last summer," said Ward Upham, Master Gardener program coordinator for Kansas State University Research and Extension.

Light — direct or indirect — fuels plant growth, Upham explained.

"It's why some Alaskans can produce enormous garden vegetables in just 90 frost-free days. Their growing season is short, but it includes 20 hours of sunlight daily," he said.

To grow as well as stay alive, plants also need extra water and nutrients. So, even indoors, Kansas houseplants' water and nutrient needs peak during the state's sunny summers.

"The reverse is also true. When light is limited — as it is around here during winter — houseplants' need for water and nutrients drops dramatically," Upham said. "Not only are the winter days shorter in the central Plains but also the angle of the sun's light becomes quite acute.

"As a result, winter's sunlight enters windows at such

a low angle that its intensity is just a fraction of the intensity of summer's overhead sun. The most tender houseplants aren't adversely affected by that direct winter sun."

The horticulturist strongly recommends that Kansans water their houseplants during winter only when the top inch of the potting soil is dry to the touch.

"It's best not to fertilize at all during December-January. But, you usually can fertilize sparingly — at about one-fourth of the normal rate — during November and February," Upham said.

Soil tests help plan for next season, says expert

As harvest comes to a close and input prices continue to fluctuate, soybean farmers have actively begun planning for next year. One tool that will help make these plans is a fall soil test. After harvest and before the ground freezes is an ideal time to dig into your soil to discover what nutrients remain and learn more about the pests that are present, especially soybean cyst nematode (SCN).

"If sampling for SCN, you have more time to plan if you sample in the fall than if you sample in the spring," says Greg Tylka, professor of plant pathology at Iowa State University. "If you have your results now, you have all winter to plan."

Samples for soil phosphorus, potassium and pH tests should also be taken in the fall to allow more time to receive and interpret results for spring applications, says John Sawyer, Iowa State University extension soil fertility specialist and professor of agronomy. Sawyer recommends that soybean farmers look at the soil test pH and phosphorus and potassium levels before making decisions about fertilizer and lime applications.

"The main thing a soil test can provide is a balanced fertilizer program that will increase yield per acre by maintaining adequate fertility," says Ken Dalenberg, soybean farmer from Mansfield, Ill., and United Soybean Board (USB) director. "Providing nutrients to plants can help mitigate

some of the devastation of cyst nematode."

SCN soil tests are important even if you know what fields are infected with this top yield robber in order to check the nematode population and make sure it's not increasing. These numbers will also tell you if your management is working or if you need to switch varieties or rotate in a non-host crop.

"You can have SCN, and your plants may not look sick," adds Tylka. "We have research funded by the checkoff that shows in the Midwest up to 40 percent yield loss from SCN may not leave plants looking sick."

Taking a representative soil sample requires a little time. Tylka recommends using a soil probe to pull soil cores about 8 inches deep.

For an SCN test, more than 20 soil cores should be taken from every 20 acres.

With larger fields, divide them into 20-acre sections.

Collect a 20-core sample from each section.

All of the cores from one section should then be broken up and mixed together in a bucket.

A scoop of the mixed soil can then be placed in a bag to be sent to the soil lab.

"You're only collecting 20 little cores. If you get results that say you don't have it, it's a good sign, but don't assume that the field is not infested with SCN," says Tylka of SCN. "There's a quote from the astronomer Dr. Carl Sagan I use a lot: 'Absence of evidence is not evidence of absence.'"

When testing for soil nutrients, each sample should represent approximately a minimum 10 acres of uniform soil that have been treated similarly. Ten to 12 soil cores should be collected and mixed for each sample. For more intensive grid sampling, soil samples should be more intense, with 2.5-acre sample grids. With multiple samples per field, farmers can better understand tests levels for making whole field fertilizer and lime applications, or use the results for variable application to different field areas.

"Over the years it has typically been suggested to sample on a four-year cycle, especially if you are rotating corn and soybeans," adds Sawyer. "Sampling more frequently can help establish a trend line, so doing it every two years is helpful for that."

More soil testing is taking place this year as farmers are trying to plan fertilizer applications even more carefully due to high fertilizer prices.

"A lot of sampling is going on, and, with the high prices of fertilizer, making the right decision is especially important, which can best be done having recent soil tests," he adds.

Soil tests at a university lab usually cost \$20 to \$30. To find a lab that tests for SCN and nutrients, contact your local county extension office or a university's extension plant pathologist or nematologist.

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1 blk str	375 @ 112.00	2 blk str	670 @ 90.50	6 bwf/blk hfrs	543 @ 85.00	2 bfw cows	1443 @ 37.00
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1 blk str	465 @ 110.00	6 blk str	723 @ 90.00	2 bwf/blk hfrs	700 @ 86.35	1 blk cow	1225 @ 34.25
1 blk str	355 @ 109.00	18 blk/char str	772 @ 90.00	22 bwf/blk hfrs	567 @ 85.25	1 limo cow	1350 @ 34.00
1 blk str	465 @ 105.00	7 blk str	858 @ 90.00	2 blk hfrs	600 @ 84.50	1 blk cow	1180 @ 33.50
4 bwf/blk str	501 @ 100.00	61 mix str	901 @ 90.00	2 bwf/blk hfrs	563 @ 83.50	1 sim cow	1060 @ 33.00
2 blk bulls	470 @ 96.00	61 mix str	950 @ 89.00	4 wf hfrs	596 @ 82.75	1 wf cow	1315 @ 32.50
5 bwf/blk str	491 @ 95.50	3 blk str	900 @ 88.75	2 blk hfrs	600 @ 82.75	1 bfw cow	1120 @ 32.00
3 x-bred str	482 @ 95.00	7 blk/sim str	990 @ 88.75	63 blk/sim hfrs	875 @ 82.50	1 wf cow	1225 @ 31.50
1 sim str	480 @ 94.00	4 wf str	691 @ 88.00	3 blk hfrs	630 @ 82.00	1 blk cow	1085 @ 31.00
5 blk str	518 @ 92.50	6 wf str	641 @ 87.50	4 blk hfrs	645 @ 80.50	1 bfw cow	1025 @ 30.50
9 bk str	526 @ 92.50	10 bwf/blk str	749 @ 87.50	2 blk hfrs	628 @ 80.00	2 blk cows	1113 @ 30.00
3 wf str	513 @ 90.00	11 blk/sim str	919 @ 87.25	2 blk hfrs	648 @ 80.00		
5 bwf/blk str	530 @ 90.00			10 bwf/blk hfrs	653 @ 80.00	BRED COWS & PAIRS	
2 blk bulls	528 @ 90.00			3 blk hfrs	660 @ 80.00	3 blk cows/cvs	@ 830.00
		HEIFER CALVES		8 bwf/blk hfrs	739 @ 80.00	1 sim hfr	@ 600.00
		1 blk hfr	265 @ 107.00	12 blk/sim hfrs	929 @ 80.00	1 blk cow	@ 500.00
		2 blk hfrs	273 @ 102.00			5 bwf/sim cows	@ 490.00
		2 blk hfrs	423 @ 92.00	COWS & HEIFERETTES		1 blk cow	@ 450.00
		4 blk hfrs	409 @ 91.50	1 blk hfrt	890 @ 75.50	1 bfw cow	@ 430.00
		12 blk hfrs	393 @ 91.00	1 bfw hfrt	960 @ 70.00		
		4 blk hfrs	400 @ 90.00	2 blk hfrts	953 @ 50.00	BULLS	
		9 blk/red hfrs	415 @ 88.00	1 blk hfrt	925 @ 45.00	1 blk bull	1965 @ 52.50
		23 blk hfrs	494 @ 87.50	1 blk cow	1295 @ 41.00	1 blk bull	1400 @ 50.50
		2 bfw hfrs	515 @ 86.00	1 blk cow	1390 @ 40.50	1 blk bull	1660 @ 47.50
				1 bfw cow	1375 @ 40.00	1 blk bull	1565 @ 47.50
				1 blk cow	1410 @ 39.50	1 blk bull	1910 @ 46.00
						1 blk bull	1620 @ 42.50

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75 blk bfw str & hfrs, 500-650 lbs. w/preweaning shots

28 black bfw heifers, 500-600 lbs.

25 Angus steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs.

60 blk & red cross steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs.

45 Angus-Simmental cross str & hfrs, 600-700 lbs.

28 black bfw steers, 700-725 lbs.

60 black Charolais cross steers, 900-925 lbs.

60 black cross steers, 950-975 lbs.

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20 Angus first-calf heifers, bred to low birthweight Angus bull

6 black first-calf heifers w/November calves

25 bfw cows, SS bred to Angus bulls

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