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## Economic damage from 'swine flu' misnomer may prove limited

By Michelle Proctor

"Misnaming the H1N1 virus 'swine flu' will cause a significant amount of monetary damage, not only to the hog industry but to related industries such as hog packing and trucking," said Ron Plain, livestock economist with the University of Missouri Extension Commercial Agriculture Program.

Plain is hopeful that the worst is over, despite the discovery of infected swine in Canada. Canadian health officials suspect that the pigs contracted the virus from a farmer who had recently returned from Mexico.

Plain said he is cautiously optimistic for two reasons. "Number one, the death rate for this influenza strain appears to be lower than that of normal seasonal flu."

Secondly, more organizations have stopped calling it the "swine flu," he said. "Efforts by the World Health Organization, the World Organization for Animal Health and the USDA to call the disease by its correct viral name have already had a promising impact on lessening the economic damage."

Plain believes that Egypt's overreaction of slaughtering all hogs in the country was "the straw that broke the camel's back" for WHO and like organizations. He believes Egypt's extreme policy led the global health organizations to promote the proper identification of the H1N1 virus.

Plain does not believe that feed prices will be affected. "Whether or not the hogs are being sold, producers won't stop feeding them. If the number of hogs remains constant, so will the amount of grain they will need."

The United States exports 20 percent of its pork. Some of the leading importers of U.S. pork products, such as Russia and China, have placed restrictions on imports from North America.

U.S. government officials have stated that restrictions on U.S. pork and pork products are not based on scientific evidence and may unnecessarily result in serious trade disruptions.

## Farmers walk and drive the "mall"



By Beth Gaines-Riffel, Editor

It might not have been a mall per se but farmers and ranchers from across the High Plains converged upon Garden City last week to peruse the displays of equipment and merchandise that completely filled

the Finney County Fairgrounds. This was the 55th annual event for the Western Kansas Manufacturers Association. The show alternates between Garden City and Great Bend.

The show is spread out over a large outdoor grid, which makes it

difficult to cover in a single day by foot. Many choose to rent or bring golf carts to motor between the displays of large and small equipment. It is a prime showcase for the businesses that develop new and innovative equipment uses for the high plains.

## Repeat of the '80s unlikely for agriculture

by Mark Parker

There's a question nagging at farmers and ranchers as the global economy struggles to pull out of a tailspin. After last spring's optimism faded into a nearly 50 percent drop in grain prices from July to October, it's a question that seems natural enough:

"Are we really headed for a return to the tough times farmers and ranchers faced in the 1980s?"

The short answer is "no," according to farm financial and economic experts, and less debt is a big reason. By the end of the '70s, farmers owed, on average, \$22 for every \$100 in assets. Today that ratio is more like \$9 debt for \$100 worth of assets. Additionally, a steep climb in interest rates in the '80s — up into the 18-20 percent stratosphere — led to mountainous debt servicing.

"In the mid-'70s, interest rates were low and stable," explains Doug Hofbauer, president and CEO of Frontier Farm Credit in Manhattan. "Land values were inflating faster than interest costs and, therefore, encouraged increased debt — much of it at variable rates. The real triggering event for the '80s occurred in October of 1979 when the newly appointed Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker attacked 'stagflation,' the stagnant growth and high inflation of the '70s. Instead of controlled and artificially low interest rates, rates were set above the cost of inflation, which was running about 13.5 percent at the time versus today's plus or minus 2 percent. The cost of debt and other factors triggered the farm recession and the drop in land values.

"That's not the situation we're in today. Interest rates are not high and farmers are much more sophisticated in terms of using debt correctly. In general, production agriculture, as an industry, is in a much stronger position than it was in the '80s."

That doesn't mean everything is coming up roses for farmers, Hofbauer cautions, pointing out that troubles in the general economy have a negative impact on demand for farm products. Additionally, high-priced inputs and volatile markets represent a major challenge for farmers and ranchers.

"Today's situation, with extremely rapid price moves, means that farmers have to be very good at managing risk and that begins with the tried-and-true basics of knowing your break-evens on a per acre basis. In our current environment, swinging for the fences isn't always the best approach — taking profits when they are available is a more financially sound strategy."

Kansas State University Agricultural Economist Terry Kastens agrees that today's farm financial scenario looks much different from those rough days of the 1980s.

"In agriculture, I think we're in a good position to weather the storm," he says. "We have fairly strong balance sheets, the community banks and Farm Credit System, which provide most of the credit for agriculture, did not get caught up in the foolishness that the big urban banks did, and I think there is a healthy sense of caution on the part of farmers."

"Much of it is a timing difference. We're not coming out of an inflationary period and we're not highly leveraged. Inflation, in itself,

stock sector, he points out, is facing belt-tightening times and lacks some of the risk management tools available to crop producers such as crop insurance. The impact of a general recession on land prices, he adds, can vary according to location and situation.

"I don't think we're going to see much of a change in land values for commercial agriculture acres," the K-State economist suggests. "There may be areas where agriculture participates in the nastiness somewhat, particularly near urban areas,

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— Doug Hofbauer

isn't a bad thing for agriculture. The problem comes when we break the back of inflation. We could see an inflationary period as a result of massive deficit spending but that potential problem is down the road. Right now, we are not even remotely in the same position we faced in the '80s."

Kastens cautions that agriculture is not a one-size-fits-all industry. The live-

because they are affected by non-agricultural influences. It can get a little fuzzy when the land-credit situation more closely resembles consumer lending because servicing that debt depends heavily on off-farm income. That income is now more vulnerable. Basically, the more a farmer looks like a regular consumer or lifestyle farmer, the more problematic it becomes."

Hofbauer gives today's farmers and ranchers high marks for having more finely-honed management skills.

"Farmers are more disciplined in their approach to business today," he asserts. "They understand that their job goes well beyond driving a tractor — they are business managers. Good farmers know their expenses and how to control them. They're willing to sit down and put together a business plan with multiple 'what if' scenarios. They have a road map that gives them direction if certain factors come into play.

"Producers today are also much more likely to surround themselves with good expertise. They seek advice and strive for an unbiased view of their business. It's a challenging industry but I believe most farmers are up to meeting those challenges."

Agricultural producers are keenly aware of the problems and the potential posed by a rocky macro-economy. It's clear, however, that they're not facing a replay of those bleak days of the 1980s and even more clear that they are better prepared to handle the economic cards they are dealt.



## Over the Barn Gate

By Beth Gaines-Riffel

This is the week of the year my husband dreads. Why, you might be wondering? After all, it's mid-May and with any luck the field work is progressing, the weather is warming nicely, cattle have been shipped to grass and all is usually relatively "right" with the world. Well, it's the occasion that causes many married men to squirm — that is if they remember it at all.

It happens to be the week of my dearly beloved and I's anniversary. And, being the thoughtful and considerate person that I am (Mother, quit laughing) — I tried to make it easy for him to remember the occasion. My birthday and our anniversary falls within two days of each other. And, to up the ante even a little bit more, it usually fall the same week as Mother's Day.

Now at the outset, I didn't really think about the holiday set aside to recognize mothers when we got married 14 years ago — after all I wasn't a mother at that point — but in the intervening years, Hallmark does a pretty good job of alerting James to the upcoming week of festivities annually.

So this is MY week. And it's kind of fun. It certainly allows me to get the most bang for my buck stretching what normally is recognized as 24-hour celebration into a week-long festival. Heck, there are three occasions to enjoy cake this week! Which is a good thing, since my husband and I have had serious debates about what kind of cake is better — vanilla, chocolate or ice cream!

Just because I claim the week doesn't mean I always have full control of the schedule. Last year I celebrated my birthday with a bunch of ranchers in Lyon County attending a grazing tour — the night was beautiful and it was a great evening for a hayrack ride.

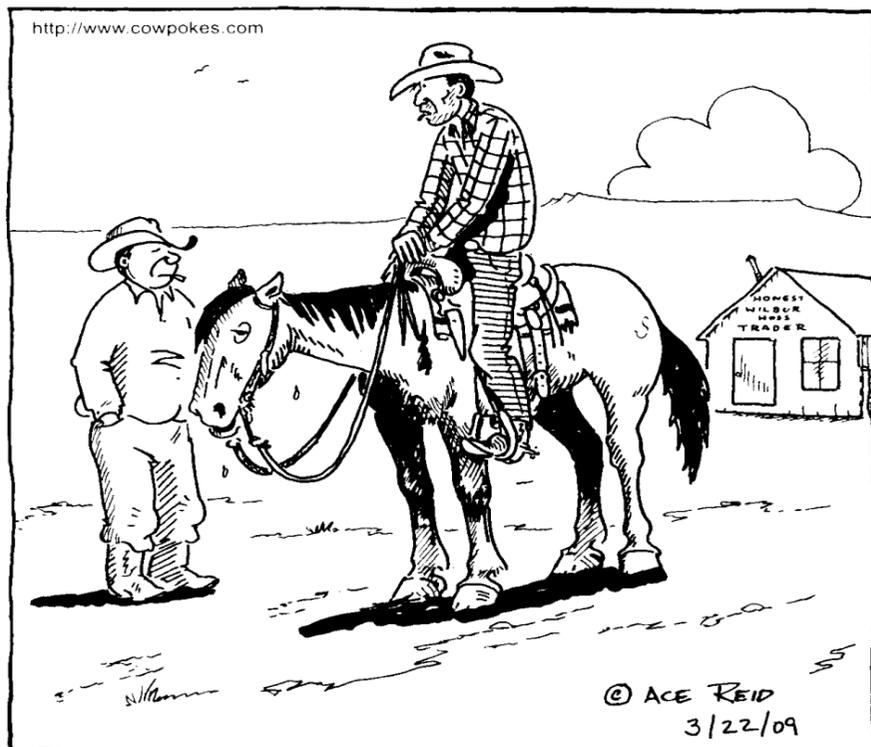
And being a "pampered" mother is just a dream. I don't imagine that requesting breakfast in bed would get very far with my crew, not to mention the disaster the kitchen would be in following the effort. After the boys joined 4-h and became interested in showing livestock, it seems that I've spent the last several "Mothers" day cheering on my children from ringside at either a pig or goat show. While I wasn't exactly "pampered," (last year they did provide a flower for the mothers in attendance!) at the end of the day I was a little bit "gritty" from being out in the wind and the dust, I wouldn't really have wanted to spend time with my kids in any other fashion.

The third celebration of the week happens to be our wedding anniversary. Now, to fully fess up, this has always been a low-key affair. I credit it in part to his laid-back approach to most everything. In true farmer-fashion, I'm sure that we'll either take a crop or pasture tour for the evening. Really though, a trip to the pasture to check the cows and calves is pretty okay with me. And oh, yes, "Ditto." Which is code for love you too.

That's all for now. I'm off to celebrate my "week." I'll chat with you next week, "Over the Barn Gate!"

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By Ace Reid



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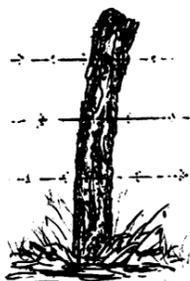
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## The Learning Post

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## Show Windows

While May and I were parked on Main Street in Concordia, we saw a stylish woman decorating the window of the fashionable ladies' store. May watched with great interest to see what new fashions would be displayed. Soon she opened the car door and left me sitting there while she went into the store. Before long she returned with a pretty neck scarf that had caught her fancy and that would coordinate some items in her wardrobe. The store clerk had done a good job of getting us to spend some dollars we were not planning to spend.

This past weekend the show window for all of Kansas was on display in our town of Concordia, when it again was host to the Sampler Fest. Thousands of visitors were in town to attend, and many towns from across the state had displays of their specialties and tourist attractions. Of course, Dodge City showed off Boot Hill and Abilene included the Eisenhower Museum in its display. By looking at all the show windows, tourists could readily see that Kansas is a state of great interest and appeal.

Last week May and I attended the FFA banquet at Council Grove. It was a great show window, displaying the accomplishments of the chapter. A very tasty barbecue meal was enjoyed by the nearly two hundred and fifty present including FFA members, brothers and sisters, parents, grandparents, and friends. The performance of the chapter was superior as was evidenced by the awards many of the members received. I am sure they are glad that this evening is over but also are happy they had a great display for their show window.

All summer long at the county fairs, many 4-H'ers as well as other young folk including vo-ag students display their accomplishments. The crescendo of all this is the State Fair in Hutchinson. What a great show window for agriculture, whether it be

farm implements, 4-H livestock, cooking, sewing, photography, or crops.

During winter and spring, the purebred breeders of livestock have been displaying their wares of cattle with blow-dried hair, catalogs displaying each entry and the EPDs. It's a show window many attend just to see the auction, eat a free barbecue, and see what good cattle are selling for. Many attendees have no intention of bidding, let alone taking one of those fluffy giants home. It's a great show.

This spring the show window for many ranchers was to display the ferocity of a hot grass fire. Many a sightseer has driven into the dark of night to see the darkness be transformed into a blaze of orange flames, driving the darkness back. A controlled fire is a display to admire and respect.

My next comment may be considered as meddling. I propose to you that every farmer and rancher can have a show window to display for others to admire. The grass is growing fast and tall. Now is the time to prune the trees, pick up limbs, wire, trash, and things that fight the lawn mowers. A few hours can change one's farmstead from a look of disgrace to one of beauty and pride. Now that the temperatures should stay above freezing and before the bugs make their entrance is a perfect time to slap on a few gallons of paint if they are needed.

We, the prairie state, have so much to show the "elite." Just a few timely hours spent in "sprucing up" can make our show window glisten with pride and beauty. I am proud of our state. Let's make 2009 a year when others beyond our state borders will look upon Kansas with awe and admiration.

P.S. I am sorry I meddled. After reading my article, May has come up with a long list of things needing to be done around here. Taking pride is fine, but let's not overdo it.

# Corn in the bag, not in the ground causing concern

By Steve Watson

For the third year in a row, rainfall and cool weather have delayed corn planting in parts of Kansas. This is of particular concern in southeast, east central, and south central Kansas, where many farmers like to complete corn planting by early- to mid-April, said Kraig Roozeboom, Kansas State University Research and Extension crop production specialist. There's still plenty of time left to plant corn in Kansas, but where soils are already saturated and more rain is predicted, producers may be asking questions about the issues surrounding later planting, he said. Those questions may include: How late is too late to plant corn? What yields can be expected with later-planted corn? Should different hybrids be used after a certain date? When should I be thinking about switching crops?

It is already past the optimal window for planting corn in far southeast, east central, central, and south central Kansas, especially on shallow, upland soils,

said Doug Shoup, K-State Southeast Area Extension crops and soils specialist. "We usually recommend that upland soils in southeast Kansas be planted by April 15 to 20. River-bottom soils, with a deeper profile and greater water-holding capacity can be planted through the first week or two of May with a relatively high probability of success," Shoup said. There is more time remaining to plant corn in other regions of Kansas, Roozeboom said. The likelihood of a freeze occurring before corn reaches physiological maturity is relatively low unless corn is planted very late in north central, northwest, or west central Kansas. The effect of late planting on yields is a bigger concern than the possibility of early freeze damage. For most of Kansas, corn yield reductions will not be significant unless planting is delayed until mid-May or later, he said. "Be prepared for a 10 to 50 percent yield reduction if planting gets much later than that, depending on the location and growing season. Greater yield reduc-

tions usually occur the longer planting is delayed, but every year is different," the agronomist said. At what point should growers consider changing hybrids? "Unless planting is delayed until late May or early June, most growers should probably stick with the hybrids they typically grow. Switch to an earlier-maturing hybrid only if you are concerned about running out of growing season in the fall. That is typically a greater problem in north central, northwest, and west central Kansas than in the rest of the state," Roozeboom said.

At what point should producers who were planning on planting corn switch to planting a different crop instead?

"Right now we are a long way from needing to switch crops in most of Kansas. However, if planting is delayed until mid- to late-June, be prepared to switch to a crop that can mature in a shorter growing season," Roozeboom said. Later-planted alternatives to corn include sorghum, several different summer annual forages, soybean, cotton,

and sunflower, he said. "Be aware of possible rotational restrictions due to herbicide carryover and deter-

mine how best to utilize pre-applied fertilizer. There may be crop insurance implications as well,

so be sure to clear late planting and crop changes with your crop insurance representative," he added.

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LOCATION: ½ mile West (on #28 Highway, North side) of Jamestown, Ks.

GENERAL DESCR.: 112 A. w/110.1 acres creek bottom to upland tillable cropland w/ 2 A. water-ways. All cropland is open for spring crops.

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LOCATION: 1 mile North (on blacktop 40th Rd.) and 1 mile East (on Union Rd.) of Jamestown, Ks. (Teal Rd. & 50th Rd.).

GENERAL DESCR.: 160 A, w.115.33 acres creek bottom, tillable cropland & 154 acres

creek, trees & wildlife habitat. All cropland is planted to wheat.

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160 ACRES CROPLAND & CREEK

LOCATION: 1 ½ miles West (on Teal Rd.), 2 miles South (on 20th Rd.) & ¼ mile West (on Rock Rd) of Jamestown, Ks.

GENERAL DESCR.: Approx. 160 A. w/93.77 A. creek bottom, tillable cropland & 59 A. creek pasture & wildlife habitat. All cropland is planted to wheat.

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LOCATION: 1 ½ miles west (on Teal Rd.) of Jamestown, Ks. (Teal Rd. & 20th Rd.).

GENERAL DESCR.: Approx. 200 acres w/190.2 acres, slightly rolling cropland & 4.72 acres waste. Approx. 115 A. planted to wheat; 73 A. cropland open for spring crops.

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GENERAL DESCR.: 62 A. w/60.4 A. slightly rolling, tillable cropland & 0.76 acres waterways. All cropland is open for spring crops.

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# GRASS & GRAIN Our Daily Bread

\*\*\*\*\* By G&G Area Cooks \*\*\*\*\*

## Lois Lahodny, Belleville, Wins Recipe Contest And Prize in G&G

Winner Lois Lahodny, Belleville:  
**PEACH SALAD**

**Crust:**  
1 1/2 cups crushed Ritz crackers  
1/2 cup butter  
4 tablespoons sugar

**Filling:**  
8 ounces cream cheese  
1 cup sugar  
8 ounces frozen whipped topping, thawed

**Topping:**  
3-ounce package peach gelatin  
28-ounce can peaches

Mix together crushed crackers, butter and 4 tablespoons sugar and press into a 9-by-13-inch pan. Beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth then fold in whipped topping. Spread on top of crust. Seal tightly to edges. Drain peaches. Finish filling with water to make 3 1/2 cups liquid. Boil liquid then stir in gelatin. Let cool. Add sliced peaches. Pour over top of filling. Refrigerate until set.

**NOTE:** Prepare gelatin mixture first so it can be cooling. I cut up the peaches a little more before removing from the can, but original recipe did not suggest this.

**Thelma Baldock, Delphos:**  
**ORANGE SPICED FRENCH TOAST**  
2 large eggs  
1 cup half & half or heavy cream  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1 tablespoon orange juice  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
8 to 10 slices raisin or cinnamon bread  
5 tablespoons margarine

In a large bowl beat eggs, half & half, sugar, orange juice, vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg. Mix until well blended. Cut the bread slices diagonally. Dip in egg mixture. In a 12-inch nonstick skillet melt 1 tablespoon margarine. Spread and cook 4 bread halves until brown (I use my electric skillet) turn-

ing once. Repeat with remaining margarine and bread. Sprinkle with powdered sugar, if desired. Serves 4.

**Rita Stehno, Munden:**  
"Now that rhubarb is plentiful in the garden, here's a recipe we like."  
**RHUBARB DREAM BARS**  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
2/3 cup confectioner's sugar  
1 cup butter, softened  
3 cups white sugar (I use 2 cups)  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 cup all-purpose flour  
4 eggs, beaten  
4 1/2 cups chopped fresh rhubarb

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. In a medium bowl mix together 2 cups flour, confectioner's sugar and but-

ter until it forms dough, or at least the butter is in small crumbs. Press into the bottom of a 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Bake for 10 minutes in the preheated oven. While this bakes, whisk together the white sugar, salt, 1/2 cup flour and eggs in a large bowl. Stir in rhubarb to coat. Spread evenly over the baked crust when it comes out of the oven. Bake for another 35 minutes in the preheated oven or until rhubarb is tender. Cool and cut into squares to serve.

**NOTE:** I found I needed to bake a few minutes longer to make sure the rhubarb was set. You may want to serve with ice cream or whipped cream.

**Kellee Rogers, Topeka:**  
**CREAMY PARMESAN BROCCOLI**  
4 cups frozen broccoli florets  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
3/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
8 medium green onions, chopped  
1/2 cup sour cream  
1/4 cup mayonnaise  
2 tablespoons milk  
1/8 teaspoon pepper  
1/4 cup chopped walnuts

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Cook broccoli as directed on package; drain. Place in ungreased 2-quart baking dish. Drizzle with oil. Sprinkle with 1/4 cup of the cheese and toss to coat. In a bowl mix remaining 1/2 cup cheese and remaining ingredients except walnuts. Spoon over broccoli. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until sauce begins to bubble and brown. Sprinkle with walnuts.

The next two recipes are from Karen Allen, Dunlap: "These are tart and taste wonderful!"

**CANDY STRAWBERRIES**  
Mix together and chill until firm:

1 can Eagle Brand Milk  
2 packages strawberry gelatin  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup ground pecans  
1 cup fine coconut

Pinch out enough for the size of a strawberry and roll in red sugar & shape into strawberry. Dip back end into green sugar. You can color almond slivers with green food coloring and use as stem. I quit doing this because people would pull it out and throw them away.

**CHICKEN & RICE CASSEROLE**  
4 cans creamed soup (any kind but I use 3 chicken & 1 celery)  
1 stick butter or margarine  
2 cups uncooked minute rice  
Chicken (I use 6 to 8 drumsticks and 3 breasts)  
Paprika

In a saucepan heat and stir together soups and butter. Heat until butter is melted and stirred in. Add uncooked rice and stir together. Spread into a 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Place chicken pieces over the top and sprinkle with paprika. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour until golden brown. Leftovers reheat well in microwave.

**Mary Rogers, Topeka:**  
**GINGER PEACH SORBET**  
2 cups water  
1 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon minced ginger  
(2) 20-ounce packages frozen sliced peaches, thawed

In a saucepan combine water, sugar and ginger. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat and simmer, stirring until sugar dissolves. Remove from heat and let stand for 30 minutes. Strain mixture, discarding solids. In a container of blender combine water mixture and peaches and process until smooth. Cover and chill for at least 4

hours. Pour mixture into the container of an electric ice cream freezer. Freeze according to directions of freezer.

**Millie Conger, Tecumseh:**  
**BROCCOLI SALAD**  
1/2 pound bacon  
2 cups small broccoli florets  
1 cup mayonnaise  
1 tablespoon vinegar  
1/3 cup chopped onion  
1/4 cup sugar  
3/4 cup raisins  
1/2 cup sunflower kernels

In a skillet cook bacon until crisp; drain. When cool, crumble and set aside. Bring water to a boil and add the broccoli and blanch until bright green and slightly softened, about 3 minutes. Drain well and run under cold water to stop cooking; drain. In a bowl combine the mayonnaise, vinegar, onion, sugar and raisins. Add the broccoli and toss to coat with dressing. Refrigerate for 1 hour. Just

before serving fold in the sunflower kernels and bacon.

**Sandy Hill, Eskridge:**  
"This old-fashioned salad is really very good."  
**CORNBREAD SALAD**  
(3) 8 1/2-ounce packages cornbread mix  
6 to 8 radishes, thinly sliced  
1 green pepper, chopped  
1 bunch green onions, chopped  
3 tomatoes, chopped  
Dressing:

1 cup cucumber dressing  
3/4 cup mayonnaise-type salad dressing  
3 tablespoons mustard

Prepare cornbread as directed on package. Allow to cool then crumble bread in a large bowl. Add all vegetables. Blend all dressing ingredients together and pour over top 15 minutes before serving, tossing to coat. Serves 6 to 8.

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**SOUTHWEST LASAGNA**  
1.5 pounds ground beef  
1 envelope taco seasoning  
1 cup water  
1 can Ro-tel (milder for some people)  
15- to 16-ounce jar medium corn & black bean salsa  
12-ounce container small curd cottage cheese  
4-ounce can diced green chiles  
2 large eggs, slightly beaten  
9-ounce package corn tortillas (12) cut in half  
8-ounce bag shredded Colby-jack cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef. Stir in taco seasoning, water, Ro-tel and salsa. Simmer over medium heat for 5 minutes. Stir together cottage cheese, chiles and eggs. In a greased 9-by-13-inch baking dish, layer 8 tortilla halves, one-third each of cottage cheese mixture, beef mixture and shredded cheese. Repeat layers twice. Bake covered for 1 hour. Remove cover during last 5 minutes of baking time.

The following recipes are from the Taste of Home website:

**ZUCCHINI PATTIES WITH DILL DIP**  
3/4 cup sour cream  
2 tablespoons minced fresh dill  
1 teaspoon lemon juice  
1/8 teaspoon salt  
1/8 teaspoon pepper  
2 1/2 cups shredded zucchini  
1 cup seasoned bread crumbs  
1 teaspoon seafood seasoning  
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

1 egg, beaten  
2 tablespoons butter, melted  
1 large carrot, chopped  
1/4 cup finely chopped onion  
1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup vegetable oil

For dip, in a small bowl combine sour cream, fresh dill, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Cover and refrigerate until serving. Place zucchini in a colander to drain; squeeze to remove excess liquid. Pat dry and set aside. In a large bowl combine the bread crumbs, seafood seasoning and garlic powder. Stir in egg and butter until blended. Add the carrot, onion and zucchini; mix well. Place flour in a shallow bowl. Shape zucchini mixture into 24 small patties; coat with flour. Heat oil in a large skillet; fry patties, a few at a time, for 3 to 4 minutes on each side or until lightly browned. Drain on paper towels. Serve with dip. Yield: 2 dozen (3/4 cup dip).

**MEXICAN PIZZA**  
8-ounce tube refrigerated crescent rolls  
2 cups leftover thick chili  
1/2 cup sliced ripe olives  
1/4 cup chopped onion

3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese  
1/2 cup crushed corn chips  
Avocado slices, shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes and/or sour cream, optional

Unroll crescent roll dough; press onto the bottom and up the sides of an ungreased 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Press seams and perforations to seal. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 minutes. In a large bowl, combine the chili, olives and onion. Spread over crust. Sprinkle with cheese and corn chips. Bake 8 to 10 minutes longer or until bubbly. Garnish with avocado, lettuce, tomatoes and/or sour cream if desired. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

**CINNAMON CHOCOLATE NACHOS**  
6 flour tortillas (8 inches)  
7 tablespoons butter, melted, divided  
6 tablespoons granulated pure cane sugar, divided  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 cup heavy whipping cream  
1/3 cup pure cane dark brown sugar

1-ounce square unsweetened chocolate, chopped

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1/2 cup chopped pecans  
Brush both sides of tortillas with 4 tablespoons butter. Combine 2 tablespoons sugar and cinnamon; sprinkle over one side of each tortilla. Stack tortillas, sugared side up; cut into 12 wedges. Arrange in a single layer on baking sheets. Bake at 350 degrees for 12 to 14 minutes or until crisp. Meanwhile, in a heavy saucepan combine the cream, brown sugar and remaining butter and sugar. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Cook and stir for 5 minutes or until slightly thickened. Remove from the heat; stir in chocolate and vanilla. Cool slightly. Arrange half of the tortilla wedges on a large serving platter. Drizzle with half of the chocolate sauce; sprinkle with half of the pecans. Repeat layers.

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**GLASS**  
Roseville snowberry vase & planter; rose cut vase; Jadite bowl & plates; Fenton epergne; German chocolate set; Toby mug; Fiesta plates; doll dishes; cups & saucers inc.: Shelley; assortment Fostoria (goblets, cups, saucers, serving pcs); 12 place Meadow Rose Fostoria stems; Nippon basket; 30 pcs Desert Rose; ironstone pitcher & bowl; Hoosier jars; drug store bottles; Lenox birds; glue plates; blue lady dresser lamps; Occupied boy & dog; Avon Albee Award dolls; Precious Moments; Cherished Teddies.

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# Forestry field day to be May 20 in Lebanon

Ways to manage woodlands and pastures in close proximity will add a unique twist to the program at this year's May 20 Agroforestry Field Day, hosted by the Kansas Forest Service.

The site for the 2009 field day will be close to the geographical center of the contiguous United States. That's where Roy and Cherry Brown have established a designated Tree Farm near Lebanon, featuring three types of windbreak and a 3.5-acre woodlot of black walnut and bur oak.

"The Browns have been certified members of the American Tree Farm System for 29 years. Because of their patience, foresight and hard work, they now enjoy a beautiful living memorial to good environmental stewardship," said Bob Atchison, forester in charge of KFS rural forestry programs.

Field day registrations are due May 15. A \$10 fee will cover the cost of a catered lunch. Registration forms are available on the KFS website (<http://www.kansasforests.org/calendar/index.shtml>) and at any county or district K-State Research and Extension office. Further information is available by calling the KFS state office at (785) 532-3300.

The field day will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. After that, Ron Rasser with Red Sky Ventures will offer those interested in controlling woody plants' encroachment into grasslands an optional session, a demonstration on mechanical tree sawing.

"Of course, the goal of the field day has always been to provide farmers, ranchers, landowners and natural resource professionals with a mix of outdoor educational seminars on how to successfully establish and care for trees and shrubs, particularly within today's modern agricultural systems. That's a goal for this year, too, and we'll again be visiting another outstanding, real-life example of those management practices in action," Atchison said.

The Browns will open the day's program with an overview of their Tree Farm. They were recipients of the 2007 Kansas Agroforestry Award, as well as winners of the 1993 Kansas Banker's Association Windbreak Award. Following them on the program will be discussions, demonstrations and walking tours, including: Establishment and Care of Woodlots, Jim Strine, KFS district forester.

Making Lumber from Native Woodlots, Wade Wagner, sawmill operator. Design, Benefits and Management of Windbreaks, Dennis Carlson, KFS district forester. Landscaping the Farmstead, Holly Dickman, K-State Research and Extension horticulturist and Tim McDonnell, KFS community forestry coordinator. Protecting Trees from Wildlife Damage, Charlie Lee, K-State Research and Extension's wildlife damage control specialist. Woody Plant Control in Grasslands, Keith Harmony, range science specialist based at the K-State Agricultural Research Center, Hays.



Centre FFA member Amanda Floyd presented the champion prospect meat goat buckle to Tait Johnson from Chetopa.



Reserve champion prospect meat goat at the second annual Centre FFA spring show was an entry shown by Lindsay Pease of the Labette County FFA.

## Chapter hosts successful show

Centre FFA hosted the second annual prospect show on Saturday May 2nd, at the Tri-County Fairgrounds, in Herington. This year three livestock species were exhibited by showmen from across the state and Oklahoma. Judge was Brian Habjan from Linwood. The show was sponsored by local businesses that allowed the top three winners from each class to receive a cash prize and the champion and reserve champion animal in each show a belt buckle. Each entry in the showmanship division also received an award.

In the "Wild Hog" show there were 131 head of market hogs shown by 59 showmen.

In the "Get Your Goat" show there were 51 head of

market goats shown by 37 exhibitors.

The "Lasso Your Lamb" show was held for the first time this year. There were 75 head of market lambs shown by 36 showmen.

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## Teaching kids the value of doing chores

Families that work together and share responsibilities raise children who understand the value of work, said a University of Missouri human development specialist. "Giving children jobs around the home helps parents and teaches children they are important cogs in the household wheel," said Kris Jenkins. "Chores help children learn to take pride in their work and gain self-respect."

Chores should have no gender, Jenkins said. Both boys and girls should learn to take out the garbage, mow the lawn, make beds and help with preparing meals. "In a world where both parents often work outside the home, boys and girls need to learn the same life skills."

Toddlers like to mimic their parents, providing an opportunity to teach kids good habits such as picking up toys, throwing away trash and cleaning up.

Young children feel grown-up and important when they can help. They can carry groceries, get items out of lower cabinets, set the table and put away clothes. "Their work won't always be perfect, but the key is to not discourage them just because they don't work as quickly or as well as you do," Jenkins said. "Give them time and don't redo their work."

As children get older, they can take on more chores with less supervision. If accustomed to household chores, they will more readily understand and accept the fact that all family members have to do their part.



Elizabeth Koch, Abilene, drove the top prospect market hog entry shown at the second annual Centre FFA "Wild Hogs" show in Herington. Judge was Brian Habjan.



Ty Worley of Newkirk, Okla. showed the reserve champion entry. Buckles were presented for champion and reserve.

## Greensburg signs up for wind farm development

GREENSBURG (AP) — The effort to rebuild tornado-ravaged Greensburg as a "green" community will include a wind farm that could power the entire south-central Kansas town.

The city, Kansas Power Pool and John Deere Renewables announced Wednesday that they have agreed to develop the Greensburg Wind Farm. It will eventually include 10 turbines that will provide a total of 12.5 megawatts of power, which supporters say would be enough to power all the town's homes and businesses.

An EF5 tornado in May 2007 killed 11 people and destroyed or damaged 95 percent of the structures in Greensburg, about 110 miles west of Wichita. Since then, the city's efforts to rebuild with environmentally friendly methods have drawn national attention.

"The city of Greensburg is thrilled to see this project begin, as it will meet our energy goals to be 100 percent renewable," Steve Hewitt, Greensburg city administrator, said in a news release. "This model

will serve as an example of how communities can meet their sustainable goals through collaboration. Our efforts to be a green community hinge on our energy model."

The wind farm project will be formally announced May 2 at the reopening of BTI Inc., a John Deere dealership in Greensburg that is rebuilding after being severely damaged by the tornado.

Kansas Power Pool, an

energy agency that coordinates and facilitates energy needs for member communities, will buy the electrical output from the Greensburg Wind Farm.

And NativeEnergy Inc., a leader in climate solution services, will buy about two-thirds of the wind farm's renewable energy credits over 20 years and market them to other entities, bringing in revenues that will help Greensburg's rebuilding.

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This house is the major technology project of the Construction Technology drafting Technology, and Ag Structures and Electrification classes at Clay Center Community High School, under the supervision of David Sisko, Jon Schooley, Nick Regier, and Rodney Althiser (supervisor of all electric work). Construction meets required city building specifications. This house was constructed of good quality materials with excellent workmanship.

**DESCRIPTION:** Overall the dimensions are 28'x52', which provides 1,456 sq. ft. of living space. This house has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a utility room, and a great room. The master bedroom has a vaulted ceiling with a walk-in closet. The great room features a cathedral ceiling throughout and consists of a living room, dining area and a kitchen. The windows are Simonton double-glazed vinyl clad. Some are tilt and wash, while others are sliding. The bathrooms have tubular skylights and exhaust fans. The house has five ceiling fans along with a whole house attic fan and smoke detectors that are hard-wired. The baseboard and all door casings are solid oak, which have been milled by the students. All exterior doors are thermal insulated. The kitchen cabinets are constructed of solid oak with raised panel cathedral doors, slide out bins, and two lazy-susans. These are all made of Warkentin cabinets and installed by the students. The bathroom cabinet tops are made of Onyx. The Service entry panel is 200 amps and the house is wired with Cat5e and coax cable for computers, phones, and cable TV outlets.

The floor joists are Engineered Truss Joists that are 9 1/2"x28' long on 16 inch centers. The exterior is sided with CertainTeed, which is a Solid Core vinyl siding with an R-value of 4.5 and a Lifetime Guarantee. The exterior is sheathed with 1/2" OSB. The sub floor is 3/4" OSB tongue and groove. The house is fully insulated with 12" R38 fiberglass bat insulation in the attic and cathedral ceiling, and 6" RE19 fiberglass insulation in the walls. The bathrooms and entryways have vinyl flooring. The bedrooms and living room have carpet, and the kitchen and dining area have laminate flooring.

**OPEN HOUSE WILL BE TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009 FROM 6:30 TO 8:30 P.M.** The house will be sold as exhibited on 16 May 2009 at 10:00 A.M. during a public auction. The house must be moved from the present building site by July 31, 2009. Moving the house is the buyer's expense and in accordance with city ordinances.

**TERMS OF PURCHASE:** Ten percent of the total purchase price and all the sales tax on the total purchase price must be paid to USD 379 on the day of auction. The balance is to be paid on, or before July 31, 2009, or prior to the removal of the house from the school premises. The sale is subject to school board approval and the buyer must sign a written contract prior to June 1, 2009. Statements made the day of sale take precedence over all printed material.

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# Study shows two beef production systems yield similar profit

High feed costs took their toll on cattle producers last year, and with the uncertainty of this year's prices, many are looking at ways to cut costs.

One way to reduce high feed costs is to look at how calves are finished — either in calf-fed or yearling production systems. However, recent analysis from UNL livestock economist Darrell Mark and UNL graduate student Becky Small found there hasn't been much difference between the two on average across several years, but the difference can be substantial in each year.

Mark and Small studied data and prices from 1996 to 2007 and compared profit and profit risk, or variability.

They found that with calf-fed finishing systems there is actually less profit variability, suggesting there can be more risk when it comes to a yearling background finishing system. This economic analysis continues work done by animal scientist Terry Klopfenstein, who studied the production performance of cattle placed into calf-fed and yearling systems.

The calf-fed system, common to Nebraska, is when calves are weaned in the fall and put on grain for about six months until slaughter weight. The yearling-finishing system analyzed in this project involved putting lighter-weight calves on winter corn stalks, then summer

grass, and then finished out on grain until slaughter weight, about a year after weaning.

"Considering whether to grow and finish calves in each of the systems is very important in the last two years and will be again this year," Mark said. "Corn prices really influence which system is more profitable."

Corn prices, typically at \$2.25, spiked last year at \$7 a bushel, and are now back in the \$3 to \$4 range.

When corn prices are high, producers typically tend not to feed as many calves and use backgrounding methods such as corn stalks, summer pasture, etc. to keep them out of the feed yards. This equates to calves

not eating as much corn.

However, this also drives up demand for those backgrounding inputs and makes things like pasture prices go up.

"We found that the calf-fed system was only slightly more profitable in the end after you consider all those other costs, about \$2 a head, and was not statistically different from yearly system profits," Small said.

Mark said this may surprise a few people, especially those highly specialized in calf finishing because often the industry doesn't look at the total cost of backgrounding and finishing systems together. In addition, the yearling system is asso-

ciated with more profit risk, and producers will need to own the calves 200 more days than calf-feds.

"Year after year profits tend to be more variable with yearling systems than calf-fed, and variability equals risk," Mark said. "The corn markets may make us shift to a yearling system, but that system is a riskier one overall in the long run."

Mark and Small also looked at the biggest drivers of profit risk from both systems and found it to be cattle prices.

"Cattle prices tend to drive profit variation over time more than cattle performance, more than corn

prices," Mark said. "But when corn prices got very high, both systems became unprofitable."

When producers know what the key drivers are, they can hedge or protect themselves against those things. Hedging on average will reduce risk, but also has a chance of reducing profit as well. "The typical risk-return tradeoff exists here — to get profit risk protection through a routine hedging program, you usually have to accept a lower price," he said.

This makes it really important that producers evaluate the profit potential of each system before making a decision, Small said.

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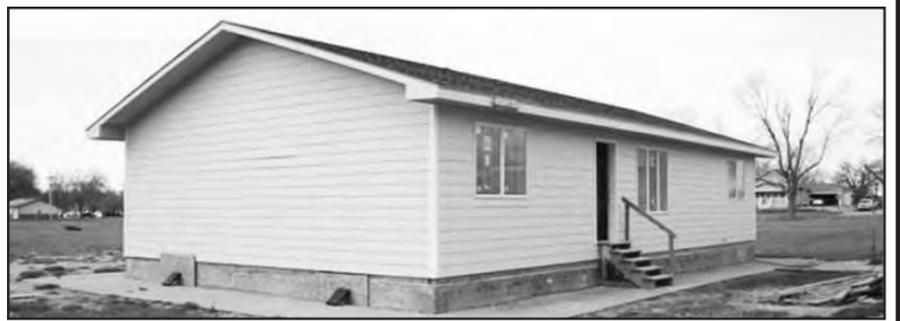
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# Beef demand, cattle inventory down

Worldwide economic conditions have decreased the demand for beef at a time when cattle inventory numbers have reached a 50-year low, according to University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension beef and economic specialists.

The overall cattle outlook for 2009 and beyond raises concerns on the demand side rather than the supply side, said Darrell Mark, extension livestock marketing specialist.

Brad Lubben, public policy specialist in the Department of Agricultural Economics, said the desire for high-level protein has not disappeared, but the ability to buy it has for many people.

"It is clear that many consumers, both domestically and internationally, have traded down in their protein purchases," Mark said. "In some cases this means fewer table cuts of beef and more hamburger sales. In other cases, it may mean more substitution away from beef to pork or poultry."

This decline in purchasing of more expensive cuts of meat comes at a time when the nation is seeing low inventory numbers for cattle. Total inventory right now in the United States is 94.5 million head, which is the lowest since 1959, Mark said. Imports from Canada have dropped dramatically since the fourth quarter of 2008, Mark said. Feeder cattle imports since Oct. 1 are running 48 percent lower than year-ago levels and fed cattle imports for slaughter are 38 percent lower.

Part of the reason for this decline in imports can be attributed to the recently-enacted Country of Origin Labeling law, or COOL, Lubben said. COOL requires meat and other products sold at retail to carry labels indicating its country of origin.

Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack has proposed making the mandatory law voluntarily stronger, which would require more segregation of animals at the

processing stage, Lubben said. For example, consumers now can commonly find a mixed label on meat indicating it may have come from the United States, Canada or Mexico. Vilsack wants stricter standards on those labels, identifying the meat based specifically on which countries it came from. That would include a majority of meat that could be labeled as a product of just the U.S. because it was born, raised, harvested and processed wholly in the United States. Vilsack has warned that if this is not done voluntarily, efforts may be made to change the rule.

"If we demand a more strict label, we'll have to deal with more segregation costs," Lubben said. "At the same time we're battling stresses on consumer demand, we're also implementing rules that would add significant costs to the marketing system."

Because of the potential for added segregation

costs, some processing plants are refusing to accept imports, Mark said.

While this is being seen more on the pork side than the beef side, it has big implications for livestock and crop producers in Nebraska, Mark said.

"It reduces the demand for corn, it reduces the number of livestock able to be fed in a major cattle feeding state and it reduces the number of livestock slaughtered," he said. "Nebraska is the number one red meat slaughterer in the country and our slaughter capacity in the United States is built on having Canadian livestock."

COOL aside, the economy is the main factor concerning cattle producers. Cattle prices are languishing in the mid \$80s per hundred weight rather than \$90/cwt or better, which is what many expected before the economic collapse last fall, Mark said. The fact that the economy is a problem worldwide not only is reducing the demand for higher valued cuts of beef

but also for other parts of the animal. The value of cattle byproducts including the hide, tallow and edible offal products such as beef tongues that are popular in other counties have dropped by more than 50 percent since last summer, Mark said.

For example, the value of a steer hide has dropped from \$75 to about \$35 because the decline in automobile manufacturing reduces the need for leather seats. Also, fewer people are buying expensive leather shoes, he said.

The timing for a turnaround is uncertain, but when the economy improves cattle markets will improve quickly and fairly dramatically, Mark and Lubben said.

"There will be a period of time that will be quite positive for the cattle in-

dustry. It's just a question of when do we get there," Mark said.

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# Hey Neighbor For The Love Of Horses

By Frank J. Buchman

## Horses Have Been And Always Will Be Big Deal For Alma Couple

"Buyer for all types of horses."

That's the classified ad every week in Grass & Grain, and it pretty much tells the life story of Charley Koenig in a nutshell.

"I was buying and selling horses when I was ten years old, I've been doing it all my life. That's what I'll probably be doing, trading horses up to my last breath," verified Koenig. (It's pronounced "Kanig" with a long "a," although often said as "Konig" with a long "o," and even sometimes King, which is the meaning of Koenig in German.)

Shon, his wife of 33 years, insisted, "I tell him he ought to quit, but horses have always been his life, so that's what he'll continue to do."

The Koenigs reminisced about their diverse lives, always centered around horses, recently at their home located near Alma just off I-70 at the Wabaunsee exit.

"I've always had horses and liked them, too, so it makes us a good pair," continued Shon, who retired this spring after 35 years working in the Veterinary Diagnostic Department at Kansas State University in Manhattan.

While horses have always been Koenig's first interest,

there is much more to his life's history. "I started auctioning baby calves at my dad's livestock sale barn before I was even in the horse business, then I'd ride the last cow into the ring," remarked Koenig as clippings and scrapbooks were spread across the kitchen table.

Raised at Alma, Koenig was following his dad, Vic, into the auction business. The senior Koenig had sales over a wide area as verified by the hundreds of sale bills in the memorabilia. He also was in the livestock sale barn business, where Charley was a regular employee from an early age.

Both Vic and Charley were graduates of the Reput School of Auctioneer-

ing, Livestock Judging and Pedigree Study, in Decatur, Ind. Vic attended in the '40s, and Charley's diploma was awarded in August, 1962.

Horses often went through the sale ring, and Vic would buy them for Charley to break. "I started riding colts when I was four

years old. I'd just get one going good, and the first thing I knew it would be gone," Koenig remembered. "Dad would sell it, and bring another horse for me to ride."

Consequently, Koenig learned the speculation business early on, making his own deals, as well as training horses for other people.

A quick review of those early years is significant to area livestock people.

"After the flood in '51, a new auction facility was built at the present location. Dad leased the barn and operated it as Koenig Livestock Auction," Koenig recalled. "I was eight years old, and it was a big deal to me and my older brother, Ernie."

"We went out of the dairy

business then, so we didn't have to milk 80 cows all by hand, when Dad wasn't around," continued Koenig, who also has a younger sister, Joann, and a younger brother, Max, deceased.

It was a different time in the livestock marketing business. "The stockyards in Kansas City were still going then, so most of the cattle through our auction were stockers and feeders that sold by the head," Koenig reviewed.

"Trucks would be lined up from the barn to the Blue

River bridge," he continued. "We had regular farmer-feeder buyers from Iowa and Nebraska. We were the top feeder cattle market in the nation."

Butcher cattle were few in numbers at the auction and sold by the pound, but many of the slaughter-weight cattle went to Kansas City by trucks, noted Koenig, who can vaguely recall cattle shipments out of the railroad stockyards adjacent to the viaduct in Manhattan.

Joe Raine became an employee of the senior Koenig,

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serving as a fieldman and auctioneer, and also as a co-auctioneer at many of the farm sales (Vic) Koenig had. In the late '50s, Mervin Sexton became bookkeeper at the barn.

Charley's family moved into Manhattan in 1958, and he graduated from high school in 1961. By that time, the family was also operating the Koenig Livestock Auction at the present sale

barn location in Junction City, with Charley and his dad serving as auctioneers at both barns.

"In 1964, we dispersed our interests in the local auctions," Koenig related. "We moved to Oklahoma, where I was yardman and auctioneer at the Tulsa Cow Palace, and Dad was an order buyer for KTO Cattle Company, with his office in the barn." Koenig was always handling horses, often buying, training and merchandizing them to cattlemen.

"Several area cattlemen came to Tulsa to buy cattle while I was there," said Koenig, as he showed Alma stockmen Gilbert Capoun and Martin Gnad in a crowd picture at the auction. After returning to Kansas for a short period, Koenig moved to Rich Hill, Mo., where he and his dad operated the sale barn, and of course were the auctioneers.

"We were there until 1975 when I contracted bru-

cellosis, became seriously ill and moved back to Kansas," Koenig said. "I really didn't do anything for about two years, and I was out of the auction business for ten years." His dad continued in the livestock business in Missouri, and after recovery from his illness, Koenig married Shon in 1976.

"I became foreman at Elaine Harder's Sun Rock Ranch near Junction City in 1977," Koenig noted. "I especially enjoyed helping build her Quarter Horse operation and conduct an annual production sale, but I also did some of my own livestock dealings." During this period, both Koenig and his wife assisted Dusty Anderson of Skiddy and other cattlemen in looking after and gathering cattle on a regular basis. "That helped us make some top horses," he credited.

Koenig worked for Harder 17 years, then purchased his present home and moved

into it. Again, his auctioneering and horse businesses expanded. Due to his diverse knowledge of horses and bloodlines, Koenig soon found strong demand auctioning horse sales throughout the area.

"I got started again with Keno Maxon, auctioning his horse sale at Milford; then did the horse sales at K-State, plus the annual Kansas Thoroughbred Association

and Kansas Foundation Quarter Horse Association sales. I sold at the weekly Campbell Horse Sale at Linwood for a couple of years," tallied Koenig, who also auctions production sales.

A number of other horse sales have been auctioned by Koenig, in addition to selling livestock at several area auction barns. "I also started an annual machinery consignment

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Charley and Shon Koenig have been married nearly 33 years, and horses have always been a big part of their lives together. Both lifelong enthusiastic horseback riders, the couple now takes more pleasure in driving horses and has acquired a young team of Haflingers for use in parades, trail rides and work on their Alma farm.

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# For The Love Of Horses . . . continued

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ment auction and have other farm and household sales," he stated.

In the meantime, his wife was becoming quite active showing horses. "I always rode bareback on my pony, Sugar, and my favorite horse, Lady, until I got a saddle when I was 16," Shon clarified. "After I married Charley, I got interested in riding English and learned about jumping horses from Dolly Anderson.

"It is so much fun, and Charley has always found me top horses to break and show. I had several nice horses, but I think the best one had to be Everclear," she continued. "We really won a lot of ribbons, before Charley talked me into selling him."

"She must have had him for three years," interrupted Koenig. "That's a long time to have one horse. I've never really had a horse that I'd call my own, but I did ride a black pony I had in the Manhattan parade with Hopalong Cassidy on his white horse, Topper."

Shon pointed out, "One thing I learned from Charley is that whenever anybody thinks they have the best horse around, there's always one that's better." Koenig quickly inserted, "Any time I ever turned down a profit to sell a horse, something happened to him."

Koenig is recovering from knee surgery earlier this year. "I'm doing better than I have for a long time. I just about tore my leg off when I was 17 years old working on a custom harvest crew in western Kansas," he commented. "I had to wear a brace for a long time, and that's the reason I always wanted to ride a horse, instead of walk."

Neither of the Koenigs ride horseback these days, but they're especially enthusiastic about driving horses. "We had a gray team of half Percherons, called Blue and Bell, but we sold them," Koenig revealed.

"We've replaced them with a nice team of Haflingers called Eli and Henry we bought at Drexel, Mo.," Shon inserted. "They're just two years old, but we had them trained by Henry Ropp at Jamesport, Mo. They've been driven a lot for their age."

A wagon designed and built by Koenig is pulled by the young team using a commercially-made, black heavy-leather harness with collars. The couple also has a forecart equipped with both a tongue and shafts for training and working the horses.

"I just ordered a custom built cart from a man at Bird City," Shon noted. "We plan

to participate in parades and trail rides over a wide area."

A new structure being built at the farm will house tack and have stalls for the team. Verifying his lifelong experiences with horses, Koenig has designed a rig to pony the horses behind his pickup before hooking them to the vehicles.

Reflecting on his life with horses, changes and predictions for the future, Koenig declared, "I used to sell old and crippled horses to the Hill Packing Company (a dog food and glue plant) in Topeka back in the '50s. I still have the receipt for the last ones I took there, and it was eight cents a pound for fat horses and two cents for grays and mules."

Transportation to the plant was a lot different than now. "I had a pickup with stock racks and a 12-foot Hale trailer, so I could haul six head," Koenig explained. "Most people didn't have

trailers yet, but everybody had a stock rack on their pickup. Many farmers hauled their horses on flatbed trucks.

"Horses were used by ranchers and farmers for their operation," Koenig emphasized. "Nowadays, most

cattlemen use 4-wheelers for moving cattle. A lot of them don't even own a horse, and a horse would scare the cattle if they used them."

Prices of horses have covered a wide range during Koenig's career. "When I was a kid, horses were \$100,

and it got progressively better," he said. "Though when the slaughter market got up to 90 cents a pound in the early '80s, that set a stronger base for riding horses, too.

"When I worked for Elaine, the first couple of  
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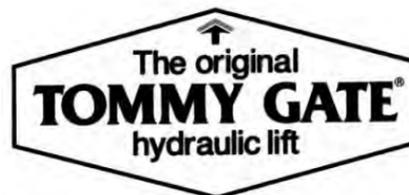
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years we sold weanling foals like there were never going to be any more. We had several up to \$2,000, but then it got lower, down to about \$200, on a few," Koenig tabulated.

Lower prices now are twofold, according to Koenig. "There are lots of horses still being raised, and there is no way to readily disperse the old and crippled horses. So people just keep them," he evaluated.

About the closing of horse slaughtering facilities in this country, Koenig summarized, "The animal rights people are starting to realize they made a terrible mistake demanding that the plants be closed. Abandonment and starvation of horses has sharply increased, and even horse rescue units have been accused of underfeeding horses.

"Besides that, horses are still going to slaughter in Mexico and Canada, and there are no regulations on how the horses are handled. People in this country were never against rules governing processing, but now there are none where the horses go. Certainly, the plant closings didn't do any favor for the horse population," Koenig declared.

Several states have proposed construction and operation of horse processing facilities. "I think there will be plants open again in this country, but it will take a long time for us to see a marked increase in the prices, because there is such a backlog," Koenig forecasted.

Presently, there is no competition for horses, as the supply seems to be unending, and packer buyers don't have to pay any more than they want to. "Yet, the market for horse meat overseas continues stronger than it's ever been," Koenig detailed.

Public demand today is

strictly for recreation horses. While only stock type horses were desired previously, now buyers are attracted to gaited horses as well for their smooth ride.

"Trail riding and family horses sell for \$600 to \$1,500, but those with show records sometimes will bring more. Nobody knows what the real good ones are worth," Koenig commented. "It's the average and below horses, those young and unbroken horses, that are considerably lower in price with little or no market."

The telephone rings regularly from people wanting Koenig to buy their horses.

"I will always make an offer on any horse, and many times the people think their horse is worth more than I will pay," he critiqued. "I tell them they have to consider what the replacement cost is on that individual. If it stops the feed bill now, and they can buy one back in the future for the price I'm offering, they'll be ahead by selling the horse."

A couple dozen well-fed, nice-looking horses are in the pens at Koenig's place.

"Seth Daly has been helping me with chores and riding horses, so I always have plenty of all kinds of horses for sale," said Koenig, who also has a small cow herd and deals in merchandizing trailers and farm equipment. "I'll make a bid on anything to buy."

Despite reports of reduced numbers of mares being bred annually, Koenig doesn't see that to any great extent.

"People just like to raise horses and have such a faith in them that they will continue producing them. It's kind of like those people who say 'Elvis is still alive.' I don't ever see there being a shortage of horses, and it's going to be a long time before the prices come back up," Koenig calculated. "I'll just keep buying and selling horses."

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May 13 — Online Internet only for Big Iron. Auctioneers: Stock Auctions.

May 14 — Real Estate—House at Wamego for Brendon & Kachina Gerber. Auctioneers: Vern Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

May 16 — Antiques, collectibles, tools & household & real estate at Ellsworth for Torrey Fox Trust. Auctioneers: Victor Bros. Auction & Realty Inc., Frank Princ Auctioneer.

May 16 — Carpentry house at Clay Center for Unified School District 379. Auctioneers: Mugler Auctions.

May 16 — Antique furniture, glassware & collectibles at Council Grove. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions LLC.

May 16 — Tools, portable storage shed, misc. at Solomon for Mrs. Dwight (Mary) Flora. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers & Allyn Thompson.

May 16 — Real Estate at Mayetta for Melvin Bailey. Auctioneers: Pagel Auctions—United Country Ks Realty.

May 16 — Real Estate & household at Wamego for Henry & Lena Kelley. Auctioneers: Murray Auctions.

May 16 — Antique Case tractors, parts, collectibles & primitives, combines, implements at

Wellington for Don Humbert. Auctioneers: Cochran Real Estate & Auctions.

May 16 — Signs, furniture, collectibles, art, glass, guns, coins & diamonds at Salina for Harold M. Anderson Trust. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 16 — Trucks, tractors, combine, farm machinery, shop, misc. & old items at Marion for Richard & Loretta Noone. Auctioneers: Lepke Auctions.

May 16 — Antique, collectible tractors, crawler tractor, trucks, pickups cars, forklift, mowers, lawn tractors, sawmill, farm equip., collectibles & misc. at Osage City for J.R. Morehead. Auctioneers: Hancock Auction & Real Estate.

May 16 — Equipment at McPherson for Robert Neufeldt Estate. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists LLC.

May 16 — Lawn & garden, collectibles, glassware, antiques & modern furniture, appliances at Lawrence for Don & Ann Racy. Auctioneers: D&L Auctions.

May 16 — Personal property at Great Bend for Stan & Kathy Lamb. Auctioneers: Schremmer Auctions.

May 16 — Coins at McPherson. Auctioneers: T&A Auction Service.

May 16 — Coins at Portis. Auctioneers: Wolters Auctions.

May 17 — Glass, collectibles, mobility scooter, household & misc. at Salina. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 17 — Camper, furniture, collectibles, toys, tools & misc. at Lawrence. Auctioneers: Paxton Auctions.

May 20 — Cloud Co. real estate at Concordia for Zelda Rhodes Trust & Howard Rhodes Trust. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

May 21 — Complete dispersal, dairy equipment at Tonganoxie for Holton Brothers Dairy LLC. Auctioneers: Burton-Fellers Sales.

May 21 — Marion Co. land at Florence for Herschman Family. Auctioneers: Rick Griffin Real Estate & Auctions.

May 22 — Carpentry house at Beloit for North Central Kansas Technical College. Auctioneers: Gerald Zimmer.

May 23 — Carpentry house at Abilene for USD 435. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auctions.

May 23 — House & acreage, machinery, household & antiques S. of Formoso for Taylor Clark Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

May 23 — Tractors, trucks, farm machinery, farm related & household items at Elbing for Silas & Edna Stucky. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.

May 23 — Winchester guns, ammo, memorabilia, military & hand guns at Sabetha for Dale "Skip" Russell. Auctioneers: Roger Hartter Auctions.

May 23 — Toys & collectibles at Salina for Stan Morin. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 23 — Furniture, appliances, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for David E. Newman Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auctions LLC

May 24 — Advertising collectibles & music at Salina. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 25 — 16th Annual Memorial Day Consignment auction at Lyndon for Harley Gerdes.

May 25 — Advertising, furniture, collectibles & glass at Salina. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 30 — Fink Beef Genetics Charolais Female Sale at Randolph.

May 30 — Machinery, antiques, furniture & misc. W. & S. of Jamestown for Heirs of Howard & Zelda Rhodes Trust. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

May 30 — Farm machinery, ranch, construction equip., trucks, trailers & misc. at Sedan for William "Bill" Dexter Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Marshall Auctions.

May 30 — Republic Co. land at Agenda for Glennifer Mosher. Auctioneers: Novak Brothers & Gieber.

May 30 — Consignment auction at McPherson. Auctioneers: T&A Auction Service.

May 30 — JD tractor, pickup, stock trailer, Gator, guns, furniture, mower, saddles, livestock & shop equipment at South Haven for Gilbert & Idotha Cattle. Auctioneers: Cochran Real Estate & Auctions.

June 6 — Collection of bikes, cars, trucks, postal baggage truck at Herington for Dale Christner. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhafer.

June 6 & 7 — Antique furniture, collectibles, glassware at Emporia for Lucky U Antiques. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions LLC.

June 13 — Gas Hit & Miss engines at Lawrence for Mrs. Raymond (Fig) Ruby Newton. Auctioneers: Edgcomb Auctions.

June 13 — Dolls, antiques, collectibles, toys, tools & misc. at Abilene for Mrs. Ethis Leach. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers & Allyn Thompson.

July 18 — Farm machinery, tools, misc. NE of Abilene for Duane Reilly. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

August 1 — Consignment Auction at Lyndon for Harley Gerdes.



Logan Singular, Washington County, led out the top prospect market lamb entry shown at the Centre FFA spring livestock show held recently in Herington.

**REAL ESTATE, TOOL & HOUSEHOLD AUCTION**

**Saturday, May 16 — 10:00 AM**

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See last week's Grass & Grain for complete listing.

**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** This is a neat, clean auction with too many shop and tool items to list. Sale order—household followed by shop and tools. Lunch served on grounds.

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**AUCTION**

**SUNDAY, MAY 17 — 10:00 AM**

**2100 Harper (Douglas County Fairgrounds)**  
**LAWRENCE KS. 66046**

(from 23rd & Harper go North to auction watch for signs)

**FIFTH WHEEL CAMPER, FURNITURE, COLLECTIBLES, TOYS, TOOLS, MISC.**

1999 Sierra by Forest River 35.6 ft 5th wheel camper (very clean); Furniture, Ethan Allen hutch; Thomasville chest of drawers; oak Coffee table; drop leaf dining table; kitchen table w/chairs; **Toys & Collectibles**, 1940's Honeymoon Express with box; Kenton road grater; cast iron motorcycle w/side car; Marx; Wyandotte; Structo; Ertl; Tonka; Phillips 66 die cast trucks; Lawrence Sanitary wood milk create and bottles; All Star Dairy milk box; Perin & Gaff #2 dinner bell;

Shawnee Corky Pig bank; RB Rice & A & P piggy banks; Missouri Pacific & Santa FE railroad wrenches; cast iron sausage stuffer 2- lard presses; buggy; 4ft ball of old barbed wire; old reel type mower w/grass catcher; David Bradley garden mower; Dept 56 Christmas items; Home Interior De'cor; **Tools Tillers and misc.**, 2 - front tye tillers; 21" push mower; Home-lite chainsaw and weed eater; Mac chainsaw; steel wheel cultivator; oil cans.

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and Lionel Train; Kenmore Sewing Machine; Sewing Items; Hull Apple Cookie Jar; Jewelry; Linens; Cameras; Telescope; Numerous Nice Holiday Decorations; Much More.

**ANTIQUE & MODERN FURNITURE, APPLIANCES:** Edison Phonograph; Jenny Lind Bed and Dresser; White Treadle Sewing Machine; Old GE Console Radio; Cedar Chest; Old Trunks; Oak Rolltop Desk; Oak Library Table; Oak China Cabinet; Tea Cart; Dining Table/Chairs; Sofa; Coffee and End Tables; Wurlitzer Organ; Maytag Stack Washer/Dryer (Like New); Bar and Bar Stools; Treadmill; Drafting Table; Computer Desks; Stereo Cabinet; Sony Stereo; Shelves; Luggage; Oreck Vacuum.

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# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Roasting Chestnuts

There is a new book out on Horse Lameness. The author is my good friend and a fine equine veterinarian, meaning:

1) He can tell a \$50 horse from a \$5,000 horse over the phone.

2) Has never picked up a shoeing hammer.

3) And drives a silver Porche Boxster!

I complimented him on the thoroughness of his coverage, then I noticed that there was only one mention of the chestnut. I had expected a full chapter! He politely explained that you couldn't write a page on the chestnut, much

less a chapter.

I took that personally. I have an attachment to vestigial appendages; the pelvis in a blue whale, the wishbone in a turkey, the appendix in a human, the heart in a banker. The chestnut is the remnant of the medial phalanx. Which is equivalent to the human thumb, the inside toenail of an elephant and the truffle in a salad!

There is a Chestnut Society. They meet once a year at the jockey club at Ruidoso Downs and ponder the chestnut's contribution to civilization. For instance, on the ark Noah had a

chestnut attack, an egregious craving for chestnuts. "I can't steer without my chestnut!" he cried.

"But Noah," said his wife, "The ark doesn't have a rudder!"

Nonetheless he was inconsolable until his nephew Jim Bob went down into the hold, trimmed some shavings off Roany's chestnut, and presented it to Noah on a bagel. Who knows where he might have landed if he'd lost his way? Maybe Australia, Lapland or Kentucky. Just think, all those coal miners would have been speaking Yiddish if it weren't for the chestnut!

I have always suspected Napoleon really lost at Waterloo because his horse suffered a chestnut injury instead of losing a horseshoe. I mean, a horseshoe! It is common knowledge that obscure lamenesses are often blamed on the shoer.

So that's what I think Napoleon did, even though he knew it was really the innocuous chestnut.

The most famous line about chestnuts is from that song, "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire ..." Which is wrong. The lines were mistranslated down through the millennia. It is really derived from an old chant of the Senior Pro Rodeo Assn... "Stressed nuts roping 'cause they can't retire..."

I have my own lucky chestnut. I take it with me every time I go riding. My horse carries it for me, plus a spare. I think it has protected me from many things; I've never been trampled by a herd of wildebeest, never been in a 100-year flood, and never been tempted to eat an ergot. Which, of course would be blasphemous, so far as a chestnut nut is concerned!



Reserve grand champion prospect market lamb at the Centre FFA "Lasso Your Lamb" show held last weekend in Herington was an entry shown by Bryce Roberts of Marion County. Also pictured are judge Brian Habjan and Amanda Floyd.

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