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Loos brings message of defending agriculture to Abilene

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

An audience of more than four hundred people gathered at Sterl Hall in Abilene last Tuesday night to help Harris Crop Insurance celebrate thirty years in business. Lorene (Harris) Debenham started the company in her home in 1981. Her husband, Bill Harris, was a crop adjuster for the federal crop insurance program. "We started out very primitive," Lorene told her guests. "I just had my mother's old manual typewriter. I'm very glad I had the business and very thankful for the people that went with me and that I could hand it over to family."

Lorene's son, Kevin, came into the business in 1998 and he and his wife, Rosemary, purchased it soon thereafter. "Mom," Kevin asked as he began the evening's program, "Did you ever think it would get this big?"

Following a meal catered by Famous Dave's and served by Chapman, Abilene and Hope FFA members, Kevin introduced the speaker for the evening, Trent Loos. Loos, who describes himself as "a sixth-generation United States farmer with a passion for the rural lifestyle," travels the country, enlightening the uninformed and misinformed public on the realities and importance of production agriculture. He also works to help producers understand the threats to their livelihood that are posed by groups such as PETA and the Humane Society of the United States. He works to empower rural people to show pride in their industry and encourages them to go on the offense when it comes to spreading their message to the public.

Loos recalled how he first became a champion for agriculture in 1998. PETA's



Trent Loos addressed more than four hundred guests at the Harris Crop Insurance 30th anniversary celebration on March 29 at Sterl Hall in Abilene.

James Cromwell spoke in West River, South Dakota, where Loos was living at the time. In front of a packed audience, he described how he had been riding his Harley through southwest Kansas and northern Oklahoma. The smell from the surrounding hog and cattle operations was, as he described it, "so bad I had to turn around and go the other direction. I decided right then and there to get rid of animal agriculture in the United States."

The next week, with no broadcast experience whatsoever, Loos walked into a local radio station and announced that he wanted a radio show. He recognized the importance of countering the negative messages with the truth about production agriculture. It took some convincing on the part of the station manager, but in a few months, Loos Tales was on the airwaves. After two years it was on twelve ag-related stations. "The problem was, I was preaching to the choir," Loos said.

So he ventured into the offices of National Public Radio. "Sir, we can't talk about agriculture on NPR, it's boring," he was told. So he changed his approach, and presented his show as a program that "takes a look at the people and places in

rural America and explores the issues affecting U.S. animal agriculture and today's food production."

"You have to position the story in a way that people think they are invested," he explained. "People might not feel a connection to agriculture, but everybody has a romance with rural America."

Loos Tales, as well as other programs he produces, are now aired on 100 radio stations in 19 states. Rural Route is a daily program that airs on KFRM radio that features guests ranging from agriculture enthusiasts and experts to PETA representatives.

Loos encourages his audiences to become personally involved in telling the story of agriculture. "Agriculture is not a job, it's a calling. The people who make the most difference are the ones who follow their passion," he asserted. "It's always been and always will be the individuals, not the entities that make the U.S. a great place to call home."

He challenges people to take it personally when agriculture is attacked. "I guarantee you that in your communities you have people who misspeak about what you do," he said. "Then we have two choices – address it

or walk away. And we've walked away for too long."

He believes the most basic understanding of life's cycle is at the heart of the debate over production agriculture. "Everything lives, everything dies and death with a purpose gives meaning to life," he said.

Simple things, like the language used, can impact how a message is received. For instance, using the term "harvest" rather than "slaughter" shows the respect producers have for the animals they raise for food. To communicate effectively, it's important to remember that the average listener will have no understanding of industry lingo and jargon, and the message must be delivered in terms they will understand.

Loos believes that producers have a moral obligation to be the most efficient stewards of the land that they can be, and that the two most important groups of people to the future of the United States are soldiers and farmer/ranchers.

"It's about converting natural resources in to consumable products — food, fiber and pharmaceuticals. It's about finding a way to make a better future for human beings," he concluded.



Lorene (Harris) Debenham addressed guests, some of whom had been with her since she started, at the anniversary celebration.



Kevin and Rosemary Harris, right, purchased Harris Crop Insurance from Lorene in 1998. Also pictured is Brian Harris. "We really appreciate all those who were able to come," Rosemary said afterward. "We appreciate the business of so many terrific people and friends who have allowed us to serve them for their risk protection needs."

Growing conditions vary throughout wheat belt

By Bill Spiegel

Wheat growers throughout the U.S. found that 2010 was a banner year in most locations. The status of the 2011 crop, however, is in doubt, according to producers responding to a query by the International Grains Program and Plains Grains, Inc. during the "Producer Market Awareness Seminar," held March 29-30 in Manhattan. The live seminar and webinar featured crop updates from folks in several states.

The High Plains of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas have been hit hard by drought. According to Jim Shroyer, Extension agronomist with Kansas State University, about 10.1 inches of evapotranspiration (ET = soil moisture plus precipitation) are required to produce the first bushel of wheat in a given acre. After that, each inch of ET produces about 5.5 bushels.

"Since Sept. 1, in southwest Kansas we've had 38% of our normal moisture," says Shroyer, who adds that west central and northwest Kansas are not faring much better (40% and 52% of normal, respectively) and that much of the late-emerging wheat is leafing out underneath the surface in those areas. "Now is the time for wheat to tiller, and we're running out of time and moisture for that to happen," he adds. The wheat in northwest and west central Kansas could be better than expected, barring any unforeseen weather calamities. The central and eastern Kansas crops also look average to above average. In general, the difference between good-looking wheat and struggling wheat seems to be variability in planting date, and the spotty nature of rainfall events throughout the state since last fall.

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By Lori Pultz Haresnape
My husband and I recently had an out-of-the-ordinary opportunity: We hosted a Dutch television crew on our farm for a day. The crew is making their way across the United States, traveling from New York to San Francisco, making stops in Detroit,

Chicago, Colorado Springs, Tuscon and Las Vegas, as well as the communities of Lebanon and Seguin in Kansas. This is where I break into a spoof on an old Sesame Street song: "Two of these things are not like the others, some of these things are kind of the same..."

Obviously their intention for each destination varies. They met with a radio talk show host in New York who is big in the Tea Party movement. Then on to Detroit to dig into the cause of the devastating decline of the city and its population. Why Kansas? First of all, Lebanon is the geographical center of the continental 48 states. They wanted to witness life in the heart of our country and see it through the eyes of a young couple raising a family while making a living in the state's largest industry. Second, we have the same problem as Detroit, but our population is mov-

ing from the rural areas TO the cities - hence the reason they headed farther west in our state.

The crew followed us around for an entire day. We were grateful they chose this time of year to visit. Not only is it calving season, but Theron was actually able to get into a field to start fertilizing the afternoon they were here. The host rode with us on the four-wheeler and got to see us tag a calf and record information in our calving book, which will then be entered into a computer program so we can keep accurate and ongoing records. We drove for quite a while, checking the herd, answering his many questions, amazing him the whole time. At one point when we were off-camera and away from the mic he said, "Lori, this is a wonderful experience."

They got to see our hired man feeding a long line of black cattle at the feed bunk, where we explained the Non-Hormone Treated Cattle program, a herd decision we made as a marketing strategy. They were pleased to know they may be putting our beef on their tables since consumers in the European Union demand NHTC beef. That opened the door for an organic vs. conventional farming question. We explained that while we have no problem with organic production, we choose to raise food treating our fields with herbicide and insecticide when necessary to help ensure a higher quantity, greater quality product - especially in light of the world's future population growth and the need to increase food production to feed the world.

We had a couple of bottle calves to feed, so I quickly handed my bottle off to the host so he could have a physical connection to what we're doing as well. I had the chance to explain that through these bucket calves, we can teach our children God's purpose for these animals, which is to provide nourishment to humans. We can also teach them responsibility and how important it is to care

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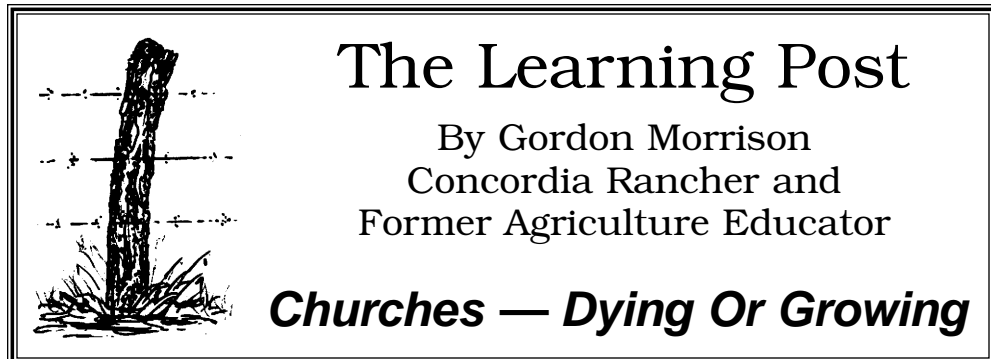
Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

I have lived out in the country pretty much most of my life, and for the most part manage to function fairly well despite my proclivity towards bizarre, "that could only happen to me" accidents and general lack of mechanical ability. I can drive a manual transmission, pull a trailer and know the difference between a fence tightener and a calf puller. There is, however, one on-the-farm tool that, despite my best efforts, I have never been able to master - ratchet straps. I hate them. It doesn't help that when my husband hands me one to hook to my side of whatever load we're trying to secure, it's usually a conglomeration of two or three broken straps that have been tied together and is tangled up like a nest of snakes during mating season. The ratchet itself is liable to be rusty and hard to work, and I generally end up pinching my finger, yelling something rather unladylike and stomping off while he stands there laughing at me.

But the other day I was forced to face my demons head-on. My future daughter-in-law bought a mattress and I drove the truck into town to haul it home. It was just me, her and the guy from the store who told us right up front that he had no idea how to work a ratchet strap. I figured that letting her brand new mattress fall out of the truck onto the highway would not get our mother-in-law/daughter-in-law relationship off to a very good start, so I really wanted to secure it well. She's lived in the city all of her life, so I figured she was probably looking to me for guidance and leadership in this particular instance.

I found a couple of ratchet straps in the bed of the



When I began writing this column about twenty years ago, I was advised to stay away from topics dealing with religion and with politics. The reasoning was that most people are quite adamant about their beliefs. This is true concerning religious beliefs perhaps because one's faith and the practice of it can affect one's life for eternity as to whether it will be spent in heaven or in hell. At most Christian funeral services, this concept comes across clearly.

As for politics, just notice how polarized our population is in regard to political affiliations. People are almost as strong and unyielding in their beliefs and opinions about how the country should be run now as they were during the Civil War period. While the citizens of this country were definitely united during World War II, that is not the case today. In listening to world news and seeing it unfold on television, one can see how civil unrest is being manifested in many countries, including the United States.

Although it was recommended to me to stay off the two subjects, religion and politics, I dare say that most people who have read very many of my articles know pretty well how I believe and where I stand. I am quite transparent - come what may.

While there are some churches that pretty much maintain the status quo, it is apparent that many churches in America are either dwindling to a seriously low attendance and support or are growing to the point of being called megachurches with thousands attending; some hold several services in the same church each Sunday. Why is there such a contrast?

In my own town and the surrounding area, some of the churches are dwindling in size and attendance to the point that it is difficult to keep the doors open. How is it where you live? I would guess that 80 to 85 percent of our population will not be in church on Sunday morning. With such small congregations, the burden of keeping up the facilities and paying the staff falls on fewer and fewer attendees. What options are available?

Last week, a friend whom I have known since he was a young lad stopped by to visit. Now in his early thirties, he is a minister of the gospel. He was almost finished with his preparation for a promising career in engineering when he felt

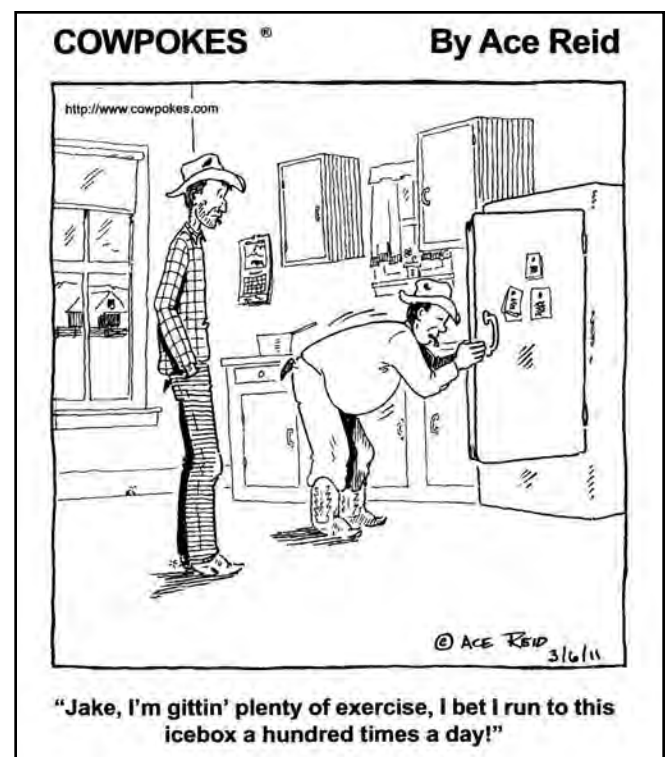
called to the ministry. He described how his church functions. It is patterned after the early Christian churches that sprang up about two thousand years ago. They were known as "home" churches, and services were held in members' homes with relatively small congregations. They may still meet in homes or in some public building. Camp meetings, which draw people from a broader area, may be held in a farmer's barn or shop or even outdoors if the weather is favorable.

Instead of formal seminary training, the ministers work in pairs, usually an older man with a younger man. This allows the younger man to be trained by and to benefit from the experience of his co-worker. Instead of being given a regular salary, the men are supported directly by the families they serve. They do not lack for necessities. For their travel needs, they are provided with a car. I noticed that my friend was driving a nice car that someone had given him. Because their assignment can cover as much as a sixth or a fourth of a state, they pretty much live out of a suitcase. While serving in one locality for a while, they stay with members of the congregations they serve or in housing provided by them.

When I visited their church service, held in a public meeting room, the teaching was clear and based on God's word. Some of the hymns, which were sung with piano accompaniment, were familiar to me.

This church is an example of how some congregations are able to function without being greatly affected by the economy. They have no church building to maintain, no parsonage to keep up, no utilities or insurance premiums to pay on facilities, no staff salaries to pay. While this, of course, will not fit everyone's desires as a place to worship, it is quite satisfactory to some. With the small congregations, fellowship is close; thus, members are aware of one another's needs and are able to give support and help when it is needed.

In observing my young friend, it was evident to me that he was living a selfless life of devotion and service to God. I asked him if he would be able to accumulate savings for later in life. He replied, "No, I'm giving up that privilege now, and when I die, I will take nothing with me just as you will take nothing with you when you leave this world."



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truck — refer back to the aforementioned description to get a good mental picture — and began securing the mattress. “Here,” I said, preparing to toss the ratchet end over to her. I wanted to give her plenty of warning before propelling the metal object towards her face. A broken nose just weeks before the wedding would have probably been even harder on our relationship than dumping her mattress on the highway. After several minutes of tugging, pulling, ratcheting and pinching my fingers numerous times, I believed myself to have accomplished the mission. She however, looked dubious.

“Why don’t we use these?” she asked, pulling two brand new, completely untangled ratchet straps out of her car. She then proceeded, all by herself, to secure the mattress down tight with no pinching of fingers or unladylike outbursts. I was so proud — really, really jealous and mildly humiliated — but proud.

You know, I think we just might make a country girl out of her yet.

Wheat planting conditions

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Reports from other states include:

- Texas: The good news is that there is minimal disease pressure; the bad news is that there isn’t much wheat to begin with. There are some reports of leaf rust and stripe rust, but there is not enough moisture to cause much concern. Every county in Texas - save four - are in some level of drought. At last check, the crop is 62% poor to very poor. Abandonment will be high.

- Oklahoma: Wheat along the I-35 corridor looks good, but wheat in southwest Oklahoma and in the Panhandle may not make anything and could be grazed out. The entire crop is rated 39% poor to very poor. There is some

barley yellow dwarf but very little rust development.

- Nebraska: The northern Panhandle has received timely moisture and is one of the better areas of the state. The southern Panhandle is dry and has received very little moisture since January. Spotty stands are prevalent along the southern border. Farmers planted just 1.5 million acres of wheat in Nebraska, one of the lowest totals in memory.

- Colorado: Farmers dusted in their wheat last fall, although subsoil moisture at the time was good. Poor stands caused some winter injury. The crop was recently rated at 51% poor to very poor. The states’ farmers planted 2.5 million acres.

Reflections

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for these animals to the best of our ability, not only because they rely on us to do so, but also since we rely on them for food and to make a living. Later that evening, the sound engineer sent me a picture they had taken and included a note about the day: “It was really a pleasure for me, I like the way you are with the animals.” He was a true animal lover who had mentioned earlier in the day how he couldn’t imagine his life without dogs.

In addition to following us at work, they joined us for a meal (beef, of course), and filmed us in an interview. We answered questions about living in rural America, raising our kids on the farm, our community, and our faith - which slid right into questions about our social and political views. We answered honestly and to the best of our abilities, keeping in line with love and respect. Knowing what really sells, we’re thinking there’s a good chance Amsterdam viewers won’t see a lot about our actual operation in the 25 minutes of show they run. They’ll be hearing how “that young couple in America” viewed the world. Nice.

Regardless of whether or not they choose to really depict a day in the life on the farm, Theron and I feel good about our experience. Not only did we make four new friends, but we had a chance to practice being spokespeople for our industry, and we may have at least made an impact in the minds of those four people.

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- Cajun Coleslaw:
3 3/4 cups coleslaw
1/2 cup mayonnaise
3 tablespoons seafood cocktail sauce
1/2 teaspoon cajun seasoning
1/4 teaspoon seafood seasoning

In a large bowl toss coleslaw mix ingredients together and set aside.

- Sandwiches:
1/2 cup cornmeal
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cajun seasoning
1 teaspoon seafood seasoning
2/3 cup buttermilk
4 catfish fillets (6 ounces each)
4 hoagie buns, split
Oil for deep-fat frying

In a shallow bowl combine cornmeal, flour, salt, cajun and seafood seasoning. Place buttermilk in another shallow bowl. Dip fish in buttermilk then in cornmeal mix. In an electric skillet heat 1/4-inch of oil to 375 degrees. Cook fish 2 to 3 minutes per side or until fish flakes easily with fork. Drain on paper towels. Place fish and some coleslaw on bun bottom, cover with bun top. Makes 4 servings.

- Janet Jehle, Baldwin City:
E-Z CHICKEN
ENCHILADAS
1 rotisserie chicken, (Wal-Mart), deboned & shredded (do not use the lemon flavored one)
1 large can enchilada sauce, mild
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 package taco seasoning

- 8 ounces sour cream
1 red bell pepper, diced
About 12 flour tortillas
Shredded cheddar cheese
3 tablespoons olive oil
In a bowl mix the chicken, soup, taco seasoning and sour cream, and diced bell pepper. Set aside. In skillet, pour half of enchilada sauce and olive oil. Keep at low

heat and mix oil and sauce. Take room temperature tortillas and dip one side into sauce lightly and place in 9-by-13-inch pan. Spoon large tablespoon of chicken mixture into tortilla and roll, sauce side out. Repeat until pan is full. Take remaining enchilada sauce that you heated plus the remaining sauce in the can and add a little milk. Mix it up and pour over the enchiladas. Cover with cheese. Cover with foil and bake at 400 degrees until bubbly, approximately 35 to 40 minutes.

Sondra O'Connor, Plattsburg, Mo.:

- CHEESY CHICKEN
CORN CHOWDER
2 whole chicken breasts, cooked & cubed into bite-size pieces
6 slices of bacon
2 medium onions, chopped
1 1/2 cups chopped celery
3 tablespoons flour
2 cans cream of chicken soup
(2) 15-ounce cans whole kernel corn, drained
4 cups milk
4 cups chicken broth
6 large potatoes, diced
2 cups Velveeta cheese, diced

In a 5-quart soup pot saute bacon until crisp. Set the bacon aside as it is used as a garnish. Add onions and celery to bacon drippings and saute until tender. Add flour, stirring for 1 minute.

Add broth and stir until smooth. Then add potatoes and cook until potatoes are tender. Add corn, diced chicken, chicken soup, cheese and milk. Stir under low heat until cheese is blended in. Season to taste with pepper and salt. Serve crumbled bacon on top of soup. I served with cornbread and a salad.

Sandy Hill, Eskridge: “This is a real good meal.”

- GRANDMA’S
BIG ROASTER DINNER
1-pound ground beef
1 onion, chopped
1/4 cup instant rice, uncooked
10 3/4-ounce can tomato soup
1 cup hot water
1 head cabbage, shredded
Brown beef and onion in a large skillet. Add rice, tomato, soup and hot water. Simmer 8 to 10 minutes. Layer cabbage in the bottom of a roaster; pour beef mixture over top. Cover and cook at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Serves 4 to 6.

Lucille Wohler, Clay Center: “Easy and quick salad.”

- YUM YUM SALAD
20-ounce can crushed pineapple
1-pound, 5-ounce can cherry pie filling
12-ounce can condensed milk
8-ounce package cream cheese

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Millie Conger, Tecumseh: PAPERIKA POTATOES

2 pounds baby red potatoes, scrubbed & halved

1/4 cup olive oil

1 onion, chopped

4 garlic cloves, minced

2 teaspoons paprika

1 cup chicken broth

Salt & pepper

Place cut potatoes in colander. Rinse under cold water until water runs clear, about 1 minute. Drain potatoes. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in a nonstick skillet over medium heat until simmering. Add onion and cook until softened, about 5 minutes. Stir in garlic and 1 teaspoon paprika and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add potatoes, broth and 1/2 teaspoon salt and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and cook, covered until potatoes are just tender, 12-15 minutes. Remove lid and increase heat to medium. Cook, stirring occasionally, until liquid evaporates, about 5-8 minutes. Whisk remaining oil and remaining paprika

into a small bowl. Add paprika oil to pan and cook, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are deep golden brown, about 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Serve.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: BROCCOLI & CORN SCALLOP

2 tablespoons chopped onions

2 tablespoons butter, divided

1 tablespoon flour

1 1/4 cups milk

8-ounce package shredded Monterey jack cheese

11-ounce can corn, drained

12 Ritz crackers crushed, about 1/2 cup divided

(2) 10-ounce packages frozen broccoli spears, thawed, drained

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Cook and stir onions in 1 tablespoon butter and heat 1 minute. Blend in flour. Gradually add milk, stirring until well blended and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add cheese, cook until melted, stirring frequently. Add corn and 1/4 cup crumbs; mix well. Arrange broccoli in a 12-by-8-inch baking dish, top with sauce. Melt remaining butter, mix with remaining crumbs. Sprinkle over ingredients in baking dish. Bake 30 minutes or until heated through.

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(NAPSA) — Whether you're feeding a crowd of friends or your extended family, few things will impress your guests and improve your party like home-baked goodies. Fortunately, delicious breads, desserts and other baked goods can be created with less time and effort than you might think.

For example, these Bakin' It Easy recipes work well with a brunch, a lunch or even as side dishes at dinner, yet each has an active prep time of 20 minutes or less, and the whole thing will be ready to enjoy in 90 minutes.



Gorgonzola & Pear Focaccia

Makes: 8 servings

Bread:

- 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 envelope Fleischmann's® RapidRise Yeast
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon kosher salt, divided
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian herb seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon dried lemon peel
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 tablespoon Mazola® Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 3/4 cup very warm water (120 to 130 degrees)
- Topping:**
- 1 tablespoon Mazola® Extra Virgin Olive Oil
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Italian blend cheese
1/3 cup crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
1/2 cup sliced black olives
1 Bosc pear
1/2 cup chopped walnuts

For bread: Mix flour, undissolved yeast, sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt and spices in a large bowl. Add 1 tablespoon olive oil and water. Stir until well mixed. Cover and let rise in a warm, draft-free place for 30 minutes (will not double in bulk). Pat dough into a circle with oiled fingers on a greased pizza pan. Dough should be about 1/2-inch thick. Poke holes into the dough about 2 inches apart, using fingers or the handle of a wooden spoon.

For topping: Drizzle bread with 1 tablespoon olive oil. Sprinkle evenly with cheeses and olives. Slice pear into fourths; core. Cut each fourth into thin slices. Place pears evenly on the dough and top with walnuts and remaining 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt.

Bake in preheated 375-degree oven for 35 minutes or until golden. Serve warm.



Parmesan Garlic Rolls

Makes: 12 to 15 rolls

- 2 1/4 to 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour

- 1 envelope Fleischmann's® RapidRise Yeast
- 1 1/2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon butter OR margarine, softened
- 1 egg white
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese

Combine 1 1/2 cups flour, undissolved yeast, sugar, salt and garlic powder in a large mixing bowl. Heat water, milk and butter until very warm (120 to 130 degrees). Add to dry ingredients and beat for 2 minutes at medium speed of electric mixer, scraping bowl occasionally. Stir in enough additional flour to make a soft dough. Cover and let dough rest 10 minutes in bowl.

Portion dough evenly into 12 to 15 greased muffin cups (2 1/2 by 1 1/4 inches). Tip: Use an ice cream scoop to make portioning easier. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in bulk, about 35 minutes.

Combine egg white with 1 tablespoon water. Carefully brush tops of rolls with egg mixture; sprinkle with cheese.

Bake at 375 degrees for 15 to 18 minutes or until lightly browned on top. Remove from pans and cool on wire rack.

You can find more great bread and yeast recipes online in the Fleischmann's "Bakin' It Easy" collection at www.breadworld.com.



(NAPSA) — If you're wondering what to serve at your next celebration, pears can be the "pearfect" solution.

Whether you are watching the game with friends, celebrating an accomplishment or just hanging out, there are several ways this delicious fruit can add a slice of flavor to your menu.

Pair your pears to the celebration: If you're hosting a themed party, it's easy to color-coordinate your food with your theme. Fill a glass vase, baskets or trays with different colors of pears for a fun, simple display. Yellow and green pears work well, and you could also use red or brown pears to decorate with your school or team colors. Versatile pears double as a grab-and-go snack.

Sweet and savory: While pears are considered a sweet treat, you can use the mouthwatering fruit in both savory and sweet recipes. Dice pears for salsa, slice them into potluck salads, or puree them into a winter soup.

Slice up some fun: Keep kids happy with pear

Ideas For Pear-fect Celebrations

snacks: Slice pears into French fry shapes and serve with nut butters or yogurt for dipping. Serve pear slices with cheese and crackers. Layer pear slices in quesadillas for a simple party snack that's perfect for all ages.

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Here's a recipe that makes a great appetizer or snack:

Pear & Brie Quesadilla

- 12-inch flour tortilla
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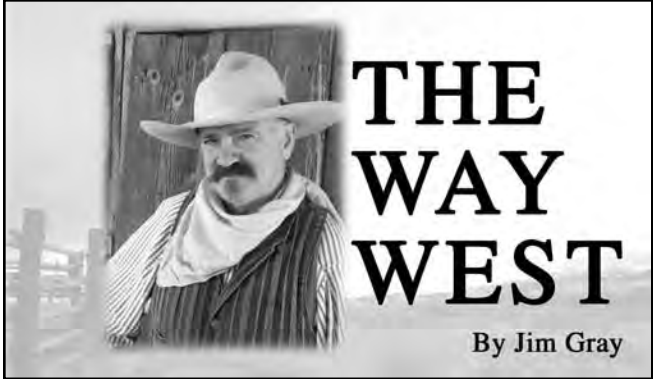
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A Buffalo Stampede

By 1868 buffalo had been hunted out of eastern Kansas and were rarely found east of the frontier town of Ellsworth. The wild tribes such as the Cheyenne, Arapaho, and Kiowa found an increasingly hostile environment as the prairie began to be "settled up." With increased hunting pressure the great buffalo herds began to fade away.

The Union Pacific Eastern Division Railway rapidly laid track, piercing the heart of the plains and driving a wedge into Indian society. 1868 Ellsworth was just at the edge of the buffalo range. Buffalo were still plentiful west of Ellsworth and could often be seen within sight of town. Captured buffalo calves were often staked out around the town. Calves were quite a novelty and were in great demand in the east where they were easily sold as "Wild West" curiosities.

One would have thought that the sight of buffalo would have become commonplace on the plains, but even among Ellsworth's rough and tumble denizens, buffalo could create quite a stir. J. H. Hughs recalled an exciting summer day in 1868

when buffalo were reported to be grazing on a hill just west of town. Hughs and three friends, James Edgar, Jim Erwin, and Titus Buckbee quickly armed themselves with "a brace of holster pistols each." Running to the livery stable they were soon mounted on swift ponies and racing for the open prairie.

Ellsworth's business district clustered along the north and south sides of the railroad. Businesses lined North and South Main Streets, bordering an open area known as the Plaza. The railroad tracks led through the Plaza and west along the banks of the Smoky Hill River. The buffalo were grazing on a hill to the right of the tracks. From there prairie grass extended north and west as far as the eye could see.

Hughs continued. "We circled the hill on the north in order to gain the west side of the herd, while making the circuit one of the party, Jim Edgar, suggested that if we succeeded in gaining the desired vantage, it would be a huge joke to chase the herd down the railroad track, into and through the town."

With a mad dash they rode directly into the herd from the west. Down went the buffalo heads as they stampeded away. Impassioned shouts of expectation and an occasional pistol shot urged the "big shag-gies" forward as the ground thundered beneath charging hooves. The descent from the hill produced a natural path which drew the herd effortlessly along the railroad tracks and into town. "We followed in hot pursuit, shouting, hollering and firing our pistols in the air, (it was not our aim to kill any of them)." The terrified buffalo hurtled into the town, running through the Plaza at break-neck speed.

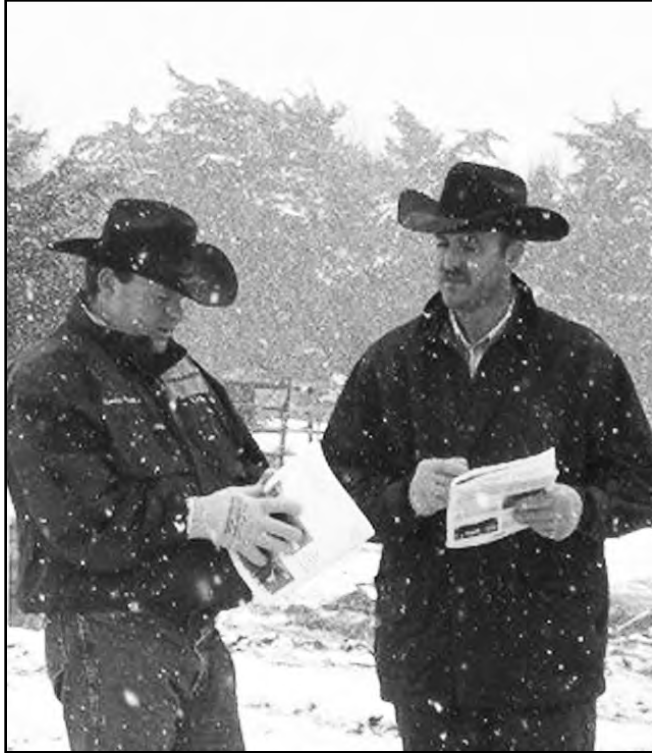
Hughs relived the story with great delight. "Such a surprise had not been sprung on that unsuspecting town before - nor since. The citizens at fever heat in their excitement, thinking perhaps the Indians were upon them, but our hasty appearance on the scene reassured them. Wagons and teams, horsemen and footmen all scattered in their eagerness to give us the road, and before we had gone much further, every man who could secure a horse or mule, with or without a saddle, did so, all had the contagion of the hunter's

fire as we raced hotly on."

With all government supplies being unloaded from rail cars at Fort Harker, both the military post and the city of Ellsworth were gathering places for the many wagon trains delivering supplies to the western forts. As the herd of buffalo stampeded through the Plaza, Mexicans freighters took up the chase. Hughs recalled that the Mexicans quickly mounted their mules bareback, "not forgetting to take their lassos."

The herd had passed through town, leaving chaos in its wake. Frontiersmen of every kind joined in the chase which continued for several hours. Five buffalo were killed by the hunters while seven calves were captured by the Mexicans. The hunters were not quite "Buffalo Bills," but the day was a thrilling one, producing one more adventure that could only be found on The Way West.

"The Cowboy," Jim Gray is author of *Desperate Seed: Ellsworth, Kansas on the Violent Frontier* and also publishes *Kansas Cowboy, Old West history from a Kansas perspective. Contact Kansas Cowboy, Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058 or www.droversmercantile.com.*



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Why I'm Here, Why I'm Not

"They're just a big pile of rocks," my friend said. "What's the big deal?"

Responding to such a concept — that the Rocky Mountains were nothing more than a jumble of boulders — left me all but speechless. My friend, a man just turned 35 years of age and never having once seen a mountain, was heading to Colorado for a short, fast vacation. His destination wasn't merely familiar to me, it was a place steeped in memory. As much as I envied him, I wished more to see the expression in his eyes when the snowy mountains juttied into his consciousness.

In the weeks leading up to his departure he cajoled and kidded about the trip. He dreaded eastern Colorado, asking if it was really flatter and more desolate than western Kansas. (True). Should he expect winter or spring temperatures? (Winter). Would he see a dipper, a bird that flies underwater? (Maybe).

Just before leaving, he surprised me by saying, "I might like it so much that I have to ask you what you were thinking when you moved here."

And then he was gone. I followed his exploits through sporadic comments and photos on Facebook, impatient for more. One image showed a broad flat valley ringed with misty peaks, light snow raking across the sagebrush. It was so evocative, so real, that I could feel the cold. I could taste the air.

We talked at length on his return. The trip changed him, as all such experiences do when we navigate beyond the fields we know. It wasn't so much the questions he asked that triggered me to this psychological shift but the plans he was already drawing up for another outing. High on his bucket list, he said, was to learn fly-fishing. He couldn't believe how clear the streams were, how icy cold, how beautiful. I told him I'd teach him.

The question came near the end of our conversation. "After that," he asked, "what did you see in Kansas when you first came here? How could you leave that?"

Though I'd half expected it, I was still caught off guard. In one of those psychic flashbacks where

everything reels past like an old slideshow, I was hurled back to 1974, newly married and exploring a world I never knew existed, that of small rural towns and friendly people and a landscape devoid of mountains. Our visit was transformative but not without concerns that continue to trouble me, namely weather that can kill you. We fished the Big Blue and small farm ponds, toured the unpopulated country, met a slew of new relatives and were introduced to humidity so intense that it felt as if we were underwater.

In short, I loved it. Enough so that for the next 26 years we discussed leaving the mountainous west for the Kansas tallgrass prairie. That it took so long, and so much anxiety, had less to do with successful careers, raising a family and comfortable niches than it did with the moun-

tains themselves. They had always been there looming on my horizons, drawing the eye, snagging clouds, a constant interplay of light and shadow. To give them up for a place barren of even small hills seemed not just impossible but soul-killing. And yet there was something about Kansas that immediately appealed to me, some ineffable quality I could no more define than I could explain. Though I tried, of course, to relatives, friends, co-workers who questioned my sanity. My explanation ran through the usual themes of rural existence, of long dusty roads, sluggish creeks and sun-dappled woods, of a sense of freedom I'd never encountered in cities. Harder to explain was how I felt at home, as if I'd been away for a long time and only recently returned with the realization of how much I'd missed it.

Maybe Kansas is a state of mind more than a state of place. Maybe it's not something words can convey. After a decade of living here I'm still struggling with questions that should be easy to answer but are not. So that when my friend asked his question I was left mute, and could only shrug and tell him that the transition was easy, that it was the hardest thing of all.

Topeka center isn't horse-show friendly

(AP) — A new report suggests Topeka should pony up more than \$60 million to fix up the Kansas Expocentre so it can handle larger horse shows and continue to attract conventions and other events.

The Topeka Capital-Journal said a consultant's report that will be discussed at a Shawnee County Commission meeting showed the city is being passed over because its facilities aren't competitive.

The Extreme Cowboys Association held its world championships at the Expocentre's R.R. Domer Livestock Arena in 2009 and 2010, but the group has decided to move the event to Guthrie, Okla. H. R. Cook, who runs the Expocentre for Philadelphia-based management group SMG, said the Domer facility's single-ring arena simply couldn't accommodate the number of racers, forcing competition to go until 2 or 3 a.m.

The report from Strategic Advisory Group recommends investing \$13.4 million to expand the Domer Arena and give it a second show ring.

The rest of the money would be spent to address deferred maintenance and infrastructure as well as to make improvements to the Expocentre's convention facilities and Landon Arena, the facility's primary venue. Consultant Jerry Mc-

Clendon, a partner in the Duluth, Ga.-based Strategic Advisory Group, said horse enthusiasts really like the dirt footing of Domer Arena, which is one of only two facilities in Kansas capable of hosting shows involving more than 200 to 250 horses. Preparations are being made to shut down the other, the Kansas Pavilions at Valley Center near Wichita, McClendon said.

He said horse and livestock show promoters surveyed "don't really like" the American Royal at Kansas City, Mo., though Domer Arena could face competition from a horse show arena proposed as part of the Kansas Star Casino at Mulvane, south of Wichita.

"However, as currently planned the Kansas Star would offer one indoor, concrete floor show arena," the Strategic Advisory Group report said. "Larger shows desire at least two indoor arenas and dirt footing is highly preferred."

Cook acknowledged this past week that the \$60 million figure is "a very scary number," but pointed out that the report indicates that unless the community invests in improvements at the Expocentre, it will begin to lose business. The county consequently would need to increase its annual tax subsidy to the Expocentre, which is about \$1.7 million.

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K-State to host Cattle Feeders College in Larned and Sublette

Kansas State University Research and Extension will host the K-State Cattle Feeders College on May 4 in Larned and May 5 in Sublette. The event is sponsored by Intervet-Schering Plough Animal Health, Walco, and Lallemand Animal Nutrition and begins with registration at 4:30 p.m.

The Larned program is at the Pawnee County Fairgrounds, 400 E. 18th St. in Larned on May 4, and the Sublette program will be at the Haskell County Fairgrounds, 503 S. Fairgrounds Rd., in Sublette on May 5.

The schedule is the same

at both locations, so attendees can choose the date and location most convenient for them. The program will begin at 5 p.m., and feature a presentation, "Modernizing our Industry," by Bill Mies, professor emeritus, Texas A&M University. The K-State Cattle Feeders College will offer three breakout sessions, Spanish translation will be offered in Sublette. The sessions at both locations will include:

Managers and Human Resources Session

- Feedyard Environmental Challenges and Sustainable Solutions – Tom Mc-

Donald, vice president, environmental affairs, JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding;

- Managing People and Building Leaders in Your Organization – Panel discussion led by Chris Reinhardt, K-State Research and Extension feedlot specialist. Cattle Crew Session

- Horsemanship (live demonstration) – Scott Daily, Daily Horse Training, Ark City;

- Everyday Stockmanship – Kip Lukasiewicz, Sandhills Cattle Consulting, Ainsworth, Neb.

Mill and Maintenance Crew Session

- Feed Truck Mixing

Technology – Mark Cooksey, Roto-Mix LLC, Dodge City; and

- Welding Tips, Tricks and Safety – Kurt Wenzel, Garden City Community College welding program.

"Top Hand Awards" will also be presented. Cattle feeding organizations may nominate employees for a "Top Hand Award" by submitting a 100-word-or-

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award recipient must be present to accept the award.

There is no cost to attend but registration is required by April 29. To register, contact Rodney Wallace at 620-285-6901 or rwallace@ksu.edu; Lacey Noterman, 620-675-2261 or lnoter@ksu.edu; or Justin Waggoner, 620-275-9164 or jwaggon@ksu.edu.



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Economist outlines effects of world events on corn consumption

The corn market, along with most other commodity and financial markets, was negatively affected by the uncertainty created by the natural disaster in Japan and ongoing conflicts in North Africa and the Middle East. The Japanese situation is especially important for corn because Japan is the largest importer of U.S. corn, said a University of Illinois economist.

"Japan accounted for 33% of U.S. corn exports in 2008-2009 and 30% in 2009-2010, typically importing about as much U.S. corn as the next two largest importers, Mexico and South Korea, combined," said Darrel Good.

The damage from the recent earthquake and tsunami has the potential to reduce Japanese feed demand and import capabilities in the short run. Most experts believe that long-term disruptions will be minimal and that Japan will continue to import large quantities of U.S. corn, he said.

New export sales of U.S. corn were large in six of the seven weeks ended March 10, averaging 41.6 million bushels per week. Adjusting for Census Bureau export estimates through January, corn export sales now need to average only 21 million bushels per week to be on track for reaching the USDA export projection for the year, he said.

In its daily reporting of large sales, the USDA reported sales of nearly 18 million bushels of corn to South Korea last week. In addition, there was speculation that a sale of 4.5 million bushels of U.S. corn to unknown destinations was actually a sale to China. Similar rumors

circulated earlier in the year, he said.

"Corn export prospects got another boost from the first official Argentine forecast of this year's harvest. That forecast was 59 million bu. less than the most recent USDA forecast," he said.

Although corn export sales have been large in recent weeks, weekly export inspections have mostly been smaller than the rate required to reach the USDA export projection for the year. Adjusting for Census Bureau export estimates, it appears that corn export inspections need to average 42.2 million bushels per week during the last 24 weeks of the marketing year in order to reach 1.95 billion bu. To date, exports have averaged only 33.3 million bu. per week. For the most recent five-week period, the average was 35.7 million bushels, he said.

According to Good, prospects for domestic feed demand for corn got another boost from USDA's March "Cattle-on-Feed" report. That report indicated that March 1 inventories in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more were 5% larger than inventories of a year ago. That continues the pattern of January and February.

The USDA's quarterly "Hogs and Pigs" report to be released March 25 will provide another indication of potential domestic feed demand. In December, hog producers indicated they would reduce sow farrowings by only 1% in the winter quarter and that year-over-year reductions in the spring of 2011 would be about 2%, he said.

"Farrowings at those levels would point to pig

crops near the levels of the previous year. The sharp increase in hog prices since December suggests that sow farrowings will be at least as large as indicated in December, even though feed prices have also increased. High milk prices are also likely, preventing any liquidation of milk cow numbers," he said.

Ethanol production remains at relatively high levels. Production during the first two weeks of March was running about 5% above the average rate in March 2010. This is above the 3% increase from now through August that is thought to be required to use the 4.95 billion bu. of corn projected by the USDA, he said.

"There have been some legislative attempts to immediately discontinue the 45¢-per-gallon blender's tax credit that is set to expire at the end of 2011. Such proposals are not expected to be successful. With a continuation of high crude oil prices and a large premium of gasoline prices relative to ethanol prices, demand for ethanol would remain strong even without the tax credit. Longer-term demand, however, would be more uncertain," he said.

Prices for the 2011 corn crop have recovered most of the 60¢ decline that occurred between March 10 and March 16. Old crop prices have also recovered from the sharp decline, but remain about 50¢ below the high reached March 4. The March 1 "Grain Stocks" report to be released March 31 will provide an opportunity to re-evaluate the tightness of old crop inventories, he noted.

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FURNITURE & APPLIANCES
Oak veneer wardrobe; water-

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Since 2000, the use of Bt corn has increased at a very

Clarifications made to 2012 APHA World Show Qualifying requirements

In anticipation of the American Paint Horse Association's first qualifying period for World Show competition, the Association's Executive Committee made clarifications to the qualifying requirements during a recent meeting.

The clarifications consisted of two points:

- No single show activity can create more than two show events at any given time. For example, two back-to-back two-judge shows count as two events total. However, a four-judge POR back-to-back with a four-judge POR back-to-back with a two-judge special event counts as a maximum of two show events. In all cases, the total number of judges may be counted toward the minimum judge requirement.

- Instead of "two-year-old performance classes" and "three-year-old performance classes" being exempt from qualifying, the exemption now reads "two-year-old performance horses" and "three-year-old performance horses." This will allow two- and three-year-old performance horses to show in all classes without qualifying.

There were no changes to the intent of the qualify-

ing requirements, which are included at the end of this document. At no time will the number of points or lack thereof be considered for qualification. Participation at APHA-approved shows is the only basis for qualification. This is done by competing at four different APHA-approved show events, with a minimum of eight judges total during the qualifying period. No single show activity can create more than two show events at any given time. Horses may be shown in any state, regardless of residence, to qualify — participation is the key.

The qualifying period for the 2012 APHA Youth World Championship Show is from April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012. The qualifying period for the APHA Open & Amateur World Championship Show is from August 31, 2011 through July 31, 2012. Qualifying is not required for the APHA's 2011 World Championship Show series.

Additional questions about the participation-based World Show qualifying can be directed to the APHA Performance Department at (817) 834-2742, extension 773.

steady rate and has become the dominant production input fundamentally reshaping the manner in which producers manage insects and weeds, Gray said.

"Although seed prices, along with other input costs, have risen steadily during this time frame, and remain a concern of producers, the current favorable commodity prices will continue to fuel the reliance on transgenic crops for the foreseeable future," he said. "Unless widespread resistance to Bt corn by an insect pest develops, demand should remain high for transgenic hybrids that increasingly offer broad-spectrum protection against lepidopteran pests and corn rootworms."

The use of so-called "stacked" Bt corn hybrids has increased significantly since 2006 for the United States, reaching 47 percent, respectively, of planted corn acres in 2010.

To be clear, Gray points out there is a difference between the terms "stacked" and "pyramided." According to the U.S. EPA, pyramided Bt hybrids are products containing two or more toxins efficacious against the same pest. The toxins (Cry proteins) should have distinct, non-cross-reacting modes of action. On the other hand, stacked Bt hybrids are products combining toxins efficacious against different pests.

Decreasing numbers of European corn borers are directly related to increased use of Bt hybrids. Gray said three factors are responsible for this trend, including saturated soils at the time of larval hatch, increased use of Bt hybrids, and widespread applications of pyrethroid insecticides tank-mixed with fungicides used on corn and soybean acres in recent growing seasons. All three factors have resulted in a population suppression of western corn rootworms and have left many entomologists wondering if densities of this once perennial pest will rebound in the near future.

"Due to the diversity of Bt hybrids and differing

refuge requirements, there is concern that refuge compliance will continue to erode as confusion and ambivalence increases," Gray cautioned. "At the 2011 Corn and Soybean Classics, slightly more than 20 percent of producers indicated they did not establish a refuge according to the recommended guidelines. As refuge compliance decreases, we should anticipate increasing selection pressure on pest populations and their eventual adaptation to Bt hybrids."

Gray said this would be a significant loss and helps explain why the U.S. EPA is interested in moving forward with the use of seed mixtures as a refuge strategy for some Bt products.

In 2011, the dominant resistant management strategy will continue to be the 20 percent structured refuge approach for most Bt hybrids. On average, nearly 66 percent of producers at the 2011 Corn and Soybean Classics indicated they will use this refuge deployment with their Bt hybrids. As more pyramided Bt hybrids enter the market, the use of the "refuge-in-a-bag" approach will become the dominant refuge management practice, Gray said.

"In essence, we will see a 95 percent to 5 percent agricultural landscape emerge with Bt and non-Bt seed interspersed in cornfields," he said.

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loader; iron wheeled items: JD & NI rakes, IH grain drill; two AC 66 series combines (salvage); Clipper Seed cleaner(good); Buzz Saw frame; Ford tractor chains; implement tires; bale feeder; trailer feeders; stock tanks; power & hand tools; Chilton manuals; large amount of salvage items/metal.

COLLECTIBLES & MISC.

Sear Roebuck box wagon (rubber tired); JD? wooden wagon box; wooden ice box; claw foot bath tub; cornsheller; iron wheels; Briggs engines; metal signs; license plates; oak & walnut wishbone dressers; oak chest drawers; wooden egg crates; implement manuals; Blue Willow & Curries lvs dishes; glassware; Toys: Tru-Scale pull type combine & manure spreader, Marx #5 wind-up tractor, Structo old dump truck, JD, Tonka; many items too numerous to list!

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Study finds biodiesel returns farmers' investment by the billions

An updated, independent study funded by the United Soybean Board (USB) and soybean check-off shows production of biodiesel continues to positively impact U.S. soybean farmers' on-farm profitability as well as the bottom lines of poultry and livestock farmers.

According to the study, the biodiesel industry's demand for U.S. soybean oil supported U.S. soybean prices by as much as 27 cents per bushel over the past five years, bringing U.S. soybean farmers an additional \$2.7 billion in net returns.

The study also found good news for the U.S. soybean industry's biggest customer, the U.S. animal agriculture sector, which uses nearly 98 percent of the domestic supply of U.S. soybean meal. The increased demand for soybean oil resulted in a larger supply of U.S. soybean meal, decreasing feed prices paid by U.S. poultry,

livestock and fish farmers by between \$16 and \$48 per ton in marketing years 2005-2009.

"As a soybean farmer, I'm thrilled to see that biodiesel puts this much extra money back in our pockets," says Jim Schriver, chair of USB's Domestic Marketing program and a soybean farmer from Montpelier, Ind. "But the study also shows that biodiesel helps us support our best customers by making feed more affordable. Lower feed prices help U.S. animal farmers stay competitive."

Soybean oil remains the dominant feedstock for biodiesel production, and the soybean checkoff funds a large portion of the research and promotion of biodiesel through the National Biodiesel Board. Much of this funding has been used on testing to prove biodiesel's performance, economic and environmental benefits.

Biodiesel improves fuel

lubricity by 66 percent compared with petroleum diesel and performs similarly to petroleum diesel in terms of torque, horsepower, haulage rates and fuel mileage. Additionally, biodiesel bolsters the U.S. economy, supporting more than 20,000 jobs and generating more than \$800 million in tax revenue as recently as 2009. And biodiesel can reduce greenhouse gas emissions by as much as 75 percent, which helps fight global warming.

These environmental benefits helped biodiesel qualify as the United States' first domestically produced advanced biofuel under the revised federal Renewable Fuel Standard. This requirement calls for the use of at least 800 million gallons of biodiesel this year and at least 1 billion gallons per year in 2012 and beyond.

The increased biodiesel production needed to meet this demand will be important. In 2006, the federal government required food containing trans fat to be labeled. Partially hydrogenated soybean oil creates trans fat, and the study shows biodiesel demand helped mask U.S. soybean oil demand losses after some food manufacturers switched to other oils to avoid trans fat labeling. These declines in demand could continue over the next couple years.

Centrec Consulting Group, LLC, conducted the study with funding from USB's Domestic Marketing program. A summary of the study can be found on the soybean checkoff website at www.unitedsoybean.org.



While the snow falls at the Bar Arrow Cattle Company's 21st Annual Production Sale, eight-year-old Stuart Rose looks through the Gelbvieh bulls with Troy Janison. Troy runs a black Angus cow herd, and is in the market for a Balancer bull.

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Kansas Sheep Ass’n. to host event April 23

The Kansas Sheep Association is hosting sheep day at the Kansas State Fairgrounds sheep and goat pavilion, Hutchinson, on Saturday, April 23rd. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. and the program begins at 9:00 a.m. The focus will be on markets and marketing issues involved in today’s management of sheep flocks. Topics to be presented include the impact of Superior Farms’ purchase of Iowa lamb, a discussion of the world grain market and its impact on feed prices and ways to get involved with direct and niche marketing of lamb and sheep products. Margaret Soulen Hinson, president of ASI from Idaho, will also be on hand to offer her words of wisdom about the national sheep organization.

The Kansas Sheep Association and Kansas Sheep Council will also have their annual meetings during the day’s activities. In addition, a youth program is planned with a chance to learn many basics for a successful sheep project.

The Kansas Sheep Association purebred committee will be hosting a private treaty sale throughout the day’s activities as well. Consignments of sheep will include registered or commercial ewes and breeding rams or club lambs are welcome. In addition, good used or new sheep equipment is also being sold as part of the day’s activities. Consignments of sheep and or equipment are still being taken. Please contact Jeff Ebert at 785-458-9174 for more information about consigning to the sale.

Registration for the presentations will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the State Fair sheep and goat pavilion. The fee is \$15 for KSA members and \$25 for nonmembers and this includes lunch. The day’s activities will wrap up around 4:00 p.m. with the end of the private treaty sales. For more information on the educational seminars contact Shelia Corn at 620-960-1416. Visit the KSA website at www.kansassheep.com, for more information on both the sale and educational programs.

New insights offered on optimum reproductive management of beef cattle

Pounds of calf weaned per breeding female is one of the most important variables affecting profitability in a beef cow-calf operation. The reason is simple: Beef producers market total pounds produced and have the expense of maintaining cows. The more cows that have a calf, the more pounds of beef can be marketed.

Producers need to optimize reproductive efficiency in their beef herds to maximize profitability. While many factors, such as nutrition, genetics and herd health affect the reproductive performance of a beef herd, reproductive management tools such as estrous synchronization and artificial insemination can greatly assist.

By itself, AI offers numerous advantages to producers: the use of genetically superior sires, specific mating and crossbreeding, selection of desirable and marketable production traits, and improved herd health. Likewise, a

couple of the advantages of using estrous synchronization are more condensed breeding and calving periods and increased calf uniformity and weight. Combining the benefits of estrous synchronization and AI provides a mechanism to improve reproductive efficiency and profitability of a beef operation.

University of Minnesota (UM) Extension and North Central Research and Outreach Center specialists have been investigating a wide variety of estrous synchronization protocols in beef cows and heifers. Their focus has been on the development of protocols that facilitate the mass breeding of all female beef cattle at a predetermined time (fixed-time AI) rather than based on detection of standing heat. Fixed time-AI programs reduce the time and labor involved, do not require heat detection, allow all female cattle to be managed in a group rather than individually, and ensure that all females are given

the opportunity to conceive to AI (not all will exhibit heat with estrous detection).

To enhance these protocols they have been trying to identify what factors limit fertility and determine how synchronization approaches can be designed to avoid such pitfalls. Areas of focus include how to control the growth of ovarian follicles (structures containing the ovum), how the hormonal environment during estrous synchronization may affect the viability of the

ovum (egg) that is ovulated, and how other factors such as animal nutrition contribute to pregnancy success.

The goal is to gain a greater understanding of the factors affecting female fertility and thus enhance reproductive efficiency in beef cattle by increasing the number of cows that conceive to estrous synchronization and AI.

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FARM AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 — 11:00 AM

LOCATION: From CORNING, KS: 2 miles West on 52nd Road (old Hwy. 9) to J Road, then 2 miles North. From CENTRALIA, KS: 3 miles East on Hwy. 9 to J Road then 2 miles South. WATCH FOR SALE SIGNS.

TRACTORS

2008 JD No. 7230 premium FWA joy stick reverser, power quad transmission, 3 pt., air seat w/741 self leveling loader w/grapple fork, 8 ft. bucket, triple hydraulics and weights 1170 hours, like new, to be sold as a unit; JD No. 60 tractor; 1968 IHC 656 hydro tractor; IHC M Farmall tractor.

MACHINERY

JD No. 8350 21 hole drill; JD No. 1640 plowing disc new bearings and seals; JD No. 960 field cultivator 18 1/2 ft.; JD No. 455 hydra push manure spreader; Rhino post hole digger 3 pt., like new; 3 pt. blade; JD 416 steerable plow; 2004 JD No. 946 Mo-Co disc mower 13 ft., like new; New Holland silage wagon, front unload; Glenco chisel, 7 shank; JD No. 953 running gear with flotation tires; Kelly Ryan feed wagon; grain auger approx. 35 ft. x 6"; JD No. 45 loader; Kewanee disc, 21 ft. fold up; M&W No. DF12 hay rake 12 wheel; JD No. 640 side delivery rake with front dolly wheel; bale wagon holds 6 bales w/spear, home-made; 3 point bale spear; Gehl No. 95 grinder mixer, always shedded; Papec No. 120 silage wagon, rough; 3 section JD harrow.

CATTLE EQUIPMENT

2 ton Cox creep feeder with side rails; an assortment of hedge posts, corner and line; 5 pieces guard rail, 15 ft. long; cattle panels; several hay feeders; mineral feeders; feed bunks; 2 new 2 ton bulk bins, partially assembled; calf creep feeder 1000 lb. capacity.

MISCELLANEOUS

Performer 20 Miller Trailblazer welder, 410 hours, mounted on two wheel trailer, like new; ladders; chop saw; ATV 15 gal. sprayer; assortment lariar ropes; syringes; ear taggers; JD weights; barrel pumps; screw in aeration fan; sweep auger; barbed wire; JD hydraulic cylinders; old machinery for salvage iron; many items too numerous to mention.

TRAILER

2005 Travelong aluminum stock trailer, 24 ft., used very little, like new.

NEW MULTI-POWER EQUIPMENT

New 3 inch water pump with 6.5 hp motor; new air compressor with 5.5 hp motor; Multicleaner power washer with propane heat 2750psi, 6.5 hp, new.

Be on time, not many small items.

TERMS: Cash or valid check. Bidding by number. Announcements day of sale take precedence over all written material. Nothing removed until settled for. Not responsible for accidents. Lunch served.

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AUCTION

TUESDAY, APRIL 12 — 10:00 AM

Location: 1090 Cherokee Rd. — INMAN, KS.
From Main & Center, Inman: 2 3/4 miles East on Cherokee Rd. - WATCH FOR SIGNS

Live Online Bidding on Major Equipment to Start at 12:00 p.m. Powered by Proxi Bid
<http://www.proxibid.com/TripleK>

Auctioneers Note: Harlin has decided to retire from farming and is offering a great line of equipment. Major items have had priority checks in the last 2 years by local John Deere dealer. This is an excellent opportunity to purchase farm equipment - Come Prepared to BID & BUY.

FARM EQUIPMENT

1993 John Deere 9600 combine, 4WD, Dial A Matic header control, Dial A Speed reel, chaff spreader & straw chopper, dual cylinder speed & high speed fan, 2,500 machine hours; 1993 930 30' wheat head, reel fore & aft; 1991 John Deere 4555 tractor, Powershift, category 2 - 3 point, 1000 pto, 4 remotes, 7,000 hours; 1989 John Deere 4455 tractor, Powershift, category 2 - 3 point, 1000 & 540 pto, 3 remotes, 7,000 hours; 1998 John Deere 12 row 1760 Planter with Redball herbicide monitor, liquid fertilizer, seed monitor, Dicky John monitor; 1991 John Deere 30' Header with 12 Hesston head hunters; 606 International diesel tractor, bad transmission; John Deere 643 corn head; 1979 DMI variable wide (16" to 22") 6 bottom 18" plow; 1976 Krause 20' twin offset disk; 1972 Krause 22' right side folding chisel; Shop built 600 bushel grain cart with Shur-co tarp; 1999 Schaben 1230 gallon nurse tank; 1973 C 60 Chevy double framed truck, 366 motor, tandem axel, Clark 5 speed transmission, 2 speed axel, hydraulic brakes, 16'6" bed, 67" sides, Johnson under body hoist, roll over tarp; 1972 C 60 Chevy truck, 366 motor, single axel, 5 speed transmission, 2 speed axel, 15'6" bed, 40" sides, scissor type under body hoist, roll over tarp; 1986 Chevy Suburban 454 racing motor less carburetor, motor should run, 78,000 miles; 500 gallon tank, never used; 1650 gallon water tank; Steel 500 gallon water tank, leaks; 1990 Navigator guidance system; 1991 Inman Irrigation 6 row ripper, 16" sweeps; 1970 John Deere stalk shredder; 1996 Landpride 55-120 blade with 4 hydraulic cylinders; John Deere 3 pt 15' rotary hoe; Crust-buster hoe drill 26' with Blumhardt fertilizer attachment; Pull type sprayer with 3 tanks, 900 gallon capacity, dual 1000 pto pumps, 45' shock absorbed boom, Dickey John sprayer control; 7 1/2 yard soil mover scraper; 1991 Hutchinson 60"x8" auger, 540 pto, swing out auger; Speed King 33"x6" auger, 5 hp electric motor; Speed King 44"x6" auger; 10 hp gas motor; Hutchinson 24"x6" auger, 3 hp electric motor; 1999 Hutchinson 16"x6" auger, electric motor; Kent 32' springtooth; E-Z Trail 400 bushel gravity wagon, 900.20 truck tires, lights, roll over tarp; BMB 6' mower, 540 pto; Shop built single axel equipment trailer; AC G262 irrigation motor, clutch, pto shaft; 6 Gandy insecticide boxes for planter; 4 fuel tank system, 2 - 1000 gallon tanks, 1 - 500 gallon tank, 1 - 300 gallon tank, AC electric pump, automatic fuel nozzle; 2 shop built 30' & 25' header trailers, lights included; 1995 30' Harvest Hand header trailer; Magnetic set of lights for trailer; Irrigation pipe trailer; 6 row cultivator, 18" sweeps; 6 row furrower, 18" sweeps; 22 shank sidewinder NH3 kit; 4 - 20' feed bunks; 3 point gin pole; 5 bottom IHC 14" pull type plow; Old hay rake; (2) 12 volt drill fill augers 10' & 16'; 2 irrigation 24"x8" coil heat exchangers, 1 new, 1 used; 4 - 5 hp gasoline engine 2" transfer pumps; 1949 225 amp DC welder, gasoline motor, also mounted (2) 5 hp gasoline motors with air compressors; 18' grain bin, aeration floor, 8" unloading auger, 3 hp electric aeration fan, 4,500 bushel capacity; 1 Eaton & 1 Butler 18' diameter grain bins, 3,000 bushel drying bins, 10 hp electric aeration fan, LP heater, Stir-A-Way, 6" unloading auger; (2) 200 gallon saddle tanks; 200 gallon front mount sprayer with 30' boom; 14Lx16" tires; 4 speed transmission for C-60 Chevy truck; 2 hydraulic splitters; 2 Ace 406 hydraulic pumps, 1 used & rebuilt pumps; 2 sets Hesston Head Hunter gathering belts, sets include short & long belts, drive belts & parts; 2 complete Hesston Head Hunters; Used parts for John Deere 1760 planter, 12 sets of gauge wheels, 12 sets of closing wheels, 12 sets of double disc opener discs, opener discs & parts; Fertilizer nozzles & supplies for John Deere piston pump 1760 planter; 1/4", 1/2", 3/4", 1", 1 1/4", 1 1/2", 2" & 3" hoses; Electrical operated poly ball & other valves for sprayers & planters; Red Ball spray monitors for planters; Chemical isolators for planters & sprayers; Plant & sprayer parts & fittings; 9600 John Deere spare parts including corn filler bars; Dickey John sprayer controls with monitors; Dickey John anhydrous control system with anhydrous fittings; 60' portable trailer magnet wiring harness, 4 amber lights mounted on magnets & 2 red tail lights mounted on magnets; 1954 house trailer; 500 & 1000 gallon propane tanks; JD 925 flex haul.

Statements made the day of the auction will take precedence over advertised statements. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS. Lunch will be served.

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LAND AUCTION

3 FARMS - 520 ACRES

WASHINGTON & MARSHALL COUNTY LAND

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 — 1:00 PM

At the Fire House — BARNES, KANSAS

TRACT 1

The NE ¼ & the E ½ NW ¼ 22-4-4, Greenleaf Township, Washington County, Kansas.
240 acres, m/l, consists of 153.4 acres cropland and 83.2 acres timber and creek.

TRACT 2

The SE ¼ NE ¼ & the NE ¼ SE ¼ 28-4-4, Greenleaf Township, Washington County, Kansas.
80 acres, m/l, consists of 45.4 acres cropland, balance of the farm is timber, creek, waterway, native grass, and old farmstead.

TRACT 3

The SW ¼ NW ¼ & the SW ¼ 9-4-6, Waterville Township, Marshall County, Kansas.
200 acres, m/l, consists of 82.5 acres cropland, 6.1 acres native grass CRP, with the balance, about 107 acres, being Little Blue River, creek, timber, brush and overall excellent hunting and wildlife land.

Terms on all three farms: 10% down, the balance due in 30 days. Immediate possession will be given on the open cropland. Possession on the rest of the land will be at closing, subject to the right of the present tenant to harvest the 2011 wheat crop.

The cropland on these three farms has been well farmed and cared for. The terraces have been in place for many years and have been well maintained. The draws, timbered areas, river and creeks on these farms provide abundant habitat for whitetail deer, turkey and other wildlife, or would provide good cover for wintering livestock. The farms offer a variety of hunting and other recreational opportunities.

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National FFA Foundation secures funding from CSX

A revolutionary and growing national agriculture education program launched four years ago has received major financial support from the leading supplier of rail-based freight transportation in North America.

CSX recently pledged nearly \$700,000 to the National FFA Foundation for the sponsorship of a variety of FFA programs, including the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education™.

Launched in 2007 by the National Council for Agricultural Education, CASE is a national curriculum for secondary agricultural education that provides a high level of educational experiences to enhance the relevance of agriculture, food and natural resources education. The program is an agriscience-based curriculum that includes student assessment, professional development for teachers and teacher certification. Conceptualized and written by agriculture teachers for agriculture teachers, the program is a series of sequential courses designed to prepare students for careers in the food, fiber, fuel and natural resources industries.

CASE provides detailed resources for teaching hands-on laboratory ex-

ercises rather than leaving it to the teacher to create instructional aides. CASE develops curriculum utilizing science inquiry for lesson foundation and concepts are taught using activity-, project- and problem-based instructional strategies. CASE also ensures quality teaching by providing extensive professional development that leads to teacher certification.

"CASE is making great strides in our nation's educational system as more teachers are being trained in the curriculum and incorporating its methodology in their daily lesson plans," said Rob Cooper, executive director of the National FFA Foundation, the nonprofit organization that secures corporate and private funding for FFA initiatives. "We're ecstatic that CSX has chosen to support this important approach to agricultural education and we're working diligently to identify more opportunities for corporate support as CASE continues to expand its reach."

Since traditional agricultural education offers a balanced approach that joins classroom instruction by agriculture teachers with leadership and character education from FFA and experiential learning, the CASE curricu-

lum incorporates each segment throughout every lesson. Connections are provided as direct ties to the concepts of each lesson and students are extended opportunities to participate in FFA and hands-on learning.

In 2009, teachers began integrating CASE into their classrooms. Since, the curriculum has made its way into 90 schools in 18 states and is being taught by more than 100 agricultural education teachers. Last summer, CASE conducted a series of two-week professional development institutes throughout the country that drew agriculture teachers from 15 states together for 80 hours of specialized training in the areas of inquiry-based instruction, student-directed learning and activity-, project- and problem-based delivery. This summer, CASE will host 11 institutes from June through August at universities in Iowa, Louisiana, Oregon, Maryland, Texas, Kansas, Minnesota, Ohio and New Jersey.

For more about CASE, visit www.case4learning.org. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, contact National FFA Foundation regional director Todd Greenwood at 317-802-4415.



Kylee Blythe and Becky Gleason took care of the paperwork at the Sunflower Genetic Sale.

Photo by Jessica Aubert

ANNUAL SPRING FARM CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 — 9:00 AM

1 mile West of AUGUSTA, KANSAS on Hwy. 400

1996 Ford New Holland Mod 8670 tractor w/cab, air, 3 pt., 16 sp. trans., front wheel assist, 2 band radio, 1889 hrs., exc. cond.; Ag Rain traveling gun irrigation system w/1350' 4.72' line, PTO driven, ready to use; 50 6"x30' joints of irr. pipe on trailer; 2005 Hesston 730 round baler, baled

appr. 1,000 bales; 1967 Kaiser 5-ton Army truck; 1995 Chevy 2-ton farm truck; 1997 travel trailer; yard sheds; trees; farm mach.; bldg. material; lawn mower; livestock equip.; tools; '68 Chevy El Camino, no rust, new eng., Craggar mags, looks & runs great.

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 — 10:00 AM

307 Sunset Lane — MAPLE HILL, KANSAS

MOWER, YARD EQUIP. & TOOLS, FURNITURE, COLLECTIBLES, MISCELLANEOUS

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 — 10:00 AM

El Dorado Civic Center, 201 E. Central — EL DORADO, KS

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Other Antiques Include: Old hardware store displays, old calendars, marbles, Keen Kutter items, toys, toy guns, Estey Organ Co., organ, old metal signs, thermometers, Haywood Wakefield baby stroller, pennants, ashtrays, old bicycle, old scooter, post cards, vintage banners (faith, courage, modesty, etc.), oil cans, egg carrier, fruit crusher, Winchester flashlight, watch fobs, toy train sets, and many advertising & collectible items too numerous to mention.

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10:00 AM BOTH DAYS

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LAND AUCTION

TUESDAY, APRIL 12 — 2:00 PM

789 ACRES IN 5 TRACTS - KS

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Held at Chisholm Trail Outlet Mall (Trail Room),

601 SE 36th — NEWTON, KANSAS

TR 1: 160 A, Harvey Co., 2 mi. East of Burrton. All cropland w/pivot irrig. sys.

TR 2: 160 A, Harvey Co., 3 mi. South, 1/2 mi. East of Burrton. 142.4 A cropland w/large lake.

TR 3: 140 A, Harvey Co., 2 mi. South of Burrton. 103 A cropland w/CRP.

TR 4: 160 A, Marion Co., NE of Newton, 4 1/2 mi. North of Walton. 124.2 A cropland; small pasture/bldg site.

TR 5: 169 A, Chase Co., between Florence 7 Strong City (1/2 mi. West of Clements). 147.28 A bottomland w/Cottonwood River & woods.

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Auction Sales Scheduled

April 5 — Hickory Tree Real estate & business at Smolan for Hickory Tree. Auctioneers: United Country, Eric Blomquist.

April 5 — Cowley & Butler Co. land at Douglass. Auctioneers: United Country Theurer Auction Realty, LLC.

April 6 — Angus, Charolais, Hereford, Simmental, Gelbvieh, Angus/Simmental, Red Angus/Simmental, Balancer, Braunvieh and Main-Anjou bulls at Mitchell Co. Fairgrounds in Beloit for Kansas Bull Test.

April 6 — Ag equipment online only (www.purplewave.com) Auctioneers: Purple Wave Auctions.

April 7 — Real estate at Olpe for Estate of Donald F. Haag. Auctioneers: Farm & Home Real Estate, John Flott.

April 8 — Tractors, combine, heads, drills, tillage, grain carts, livestock, trailers, wagons, hay equip., mowers, vehicles, boat, ATVs, lawn equip. & misc. at Bonner Springs for Jim Kreider. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

April 8 — Equipment auction at Burlingame for Dakota Brunson. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

April 8 — Farm machinery

& horse drawn parade & equipment S. of Water-ville for Mrs. (Joe) Joyce Stryker. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

April 8 & 9 — KDOR tax asset seizure auction at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country, Eric Blomquist.

April 8 & 9 — Tractor, combine, trucks, farm machinery, antiques, collectibles, furniture, etc. at Delphos for Robert (Bob) and Winifred McKain Estate. Auctioneers: Bid-N-Buy Auctions.

April 9 — Marshall County real estate at Herkimer for Delmer & Ethel Kruse. Auctioneers: Donald Prell Realty & Auction.

April 9 — Equipment, tools, truck parts at Sabetha for Wertenberger Transportation. Auctioneers: Aeschliman Auction Service.

April 9 — Household, appliances, collectibles, firearms & misc. at Abilene for Vivian Olsen & Cathryn Cooley & Others. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

April 9 — Jeep, motorcycle, trailer, antiques, collectibles, tools, household, camera equip & other W. of Salina for Norma Jean & Edward Lynn Fleming Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel

Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 9 — Farm sale at NE Abilene for Dale & Melva Stillwagon. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction.

April 9 — Acreage with building at Strong City. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

April 9 — annual farm consignments W. of Augusta. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

April 9 — Lawn equipment, household, antiques & tools at Maple Hill for Dorothy Evans. Auctioneers: Raine Auction Service.

April 9 — Furniture, antiques & misc. at Concordia for JoAnn Hauck. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

April 9 — Show pig sale at Overbrook for Valleybrook Farm.

April 9 — Tractor, combine, trucks, trailers, farm equipment at Hays for Peter V. & Anita Pfeifer. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

April 9 — Farm equipment E. of Washington for Stanford Stamm & Gary Stamm. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

April 9 — Douglas county

real estate & personal property at Berryton. Auctioneers: Simmitt Auctions.

April 9 — Vehicles, ATV, mowers, tillers, trailers, tractors, combines, cattle equip., misc. at Garnett. Auctioneers: Ratliff & Ratliff.

April 9 — Tractors, front end loaders, trucks, trailers, combines, hay equip., tillage & planting equip., shop items, recreation, lawn equip., livestock equip. & misc. S. of Arkansas City for two local estates. Auctioneers: Potter Auction & Realty.

April 9 — Mower, tools, collectibles, furniture & appliances at Council Grove for Steve & Taryn Schraad. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

April 9 — Collectibles at El Dorado. Auctioneers: Sundgren Auction, Inc.

April 9 — Tractors, RTVs, mowers, commercial items, tools, shop items, household, furniture, lawn & garden at Ottawa. Auctioneers: Eastern Kansas Auction Barn.

April 9 — Trucks, pickups, street rod, tractors & equip., trailers, mowers,

shop, lawn & outdoor, hunting, fishing, antiques, furniture & household at Americus for living estate of Dennis Duncan. Auctioneers: Hancock Auction & Real Estate.

April 9 — 29th annual bull sale at Hyannis, NE for Hebbert Charolais.

April 9, 10 & 11 — Tractors, loaders, headers, grain carts, combines, truck, pickups, antique & other vehicles, trailers, farm & hay equip., planters, drills, lawn, garden & RV at Larned. Auctioneers: Carr Auction & Real Estate, Inc.

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AUCTION



SATURDAY, APRIL 16 — 10:00 AM

Location: {From Lincoln, KS .} Go E. on 18 Hwy approx. 2 mi., then S. on 220th Rd . approx. 6 mi., then W. on Fox 1/2 mi. {From I-70}, W. of Salina, KS . To Exit 233 (Beverly/Westfall) then N. on blacktop 290th Rd . approx. 3.5 mi. Follow curve on Elk Dr., through Westfall, KS . on to 220th, then N. on 220th 1 mi. then 1/2 m. W. on Fox (Watch for signs on Elk Dr., 18 Hwy, & Fox Dr.)



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1990 JD 4455 Tractor w/Farmhand F-258 loader & 7' bucket, cab, 15 spd. Pwr. shift, 3 hyd. outlets, 6,588 hrs., ser.# 009081, duals — 18.4.R38 tires, set up for row crop. (will sell as one unit)
1986 JD 7720 Titan II combine, hydrostat, straw chopper, #224 24' hdr. rear wheel assist., Cray Big Top bin ext., new cyl. bars in 2010, ser. #616407, hrs. 5,065
1980 JD 4640 Tractor, quad range trans., 2 hyd. outlets, duals - 20.8.38 (good rubber) hours 11,398 (around 300+ hours on major engine overhaul, 12/2006, \$14,000.00+ spent), ser. # 13946R
1974 Chevy C60 grain truck, 4 spd/2 spd axle, 15.5' steel bed, floor, and sides, hoist, spare fuel tank, good rubber, 350 engine, white cab, (dent in passenger door)
1964 Chevy C60 grain truck, 4 spd/2 spd axle, 16' steel bed, floor & sides, hoist, 327 engine, good rubber, mileage unknown, green cab
1963 Chev C60 grain truck, 4 spd/ 2 spd axle. 13' steel bed, floor & sides, hoist, 327 engine, good rubber, mileage unknown, red cab.
1980 GMC Top Kick truck, diesel engine, 5 spd/2 spd axle, with an Oswalt 330 mixing feed box, 3 auger
Kent 27' Series V field cultivator JD mod. 650 23.5' tandem disc, (good discs)
Sunflower C-Flex 14' chisel, w/cutting disc gang in front
1994 Travalong stock trailer, 5th wheel 20' x 6.5' (data plate reads 16'x6', but that's not what it measures) nice trailer A & L 356 grain cart, pto, hyd.

auger & slide lift
JD 10-10 hoe drill, rubber press, no fert.
Bar — Six cake feeder/chop box, across bed, 12 volt motor
(2) 100 gal. pickup bed fuel tanks, 1 with 12V. motor, 1 with hand pump JD 5 bottom plow, 3 pt. 5-16 11.5' Heavy Duty dozer blade for GB loader
28' 3 pt. Sprayer w/fiberglass tank
Farmhand 8 bale, bale grapple
Bush Hog, 7' rotary mower, 3 pt., pto.
Front & Rear, big bale prongs 3 pt. bar w/sweeps
12 V. drill fill auger
24' of Sunflower guards for combine headers
Worthington 4" irrigation pump (not used in a long time) & approx. 20 joints of 4" alum. irrigation pipe
Automatic elec. fence gate opener
Pickup big bale winch
Log splitter
Kelly-Ryan grain elevator
Assort of other small farm items

Auctioneers Note: All of the above, have been well serviced, and shedded as much as possible. Due to the lack of smaller items, the auction will not last long. There will be more items listed later. We will be on machinery not too long after the auction starts, so please don't be late!
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April 10 — Furniture, household, lumber, metal corn sheller, tools at St. George for Conrad "C.O." Streeter. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

April 10 — Collectibles at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 10 — Truck, tractors, equipment, collectibles & misc., toys at Lawrence for Ilene Janeway Living Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Co.

April 10 — Elite show pig sale at El Dorado for Flory Family Show Pigs.

April 11 — Tractors, machinery, livestock equip. & misc. near Ionia for John Loomis Trust. Auctioneers: Gerald Zimmer Auction & Real Estate.

April 11 — Grassland, hunting & cultivation (Ellis Co.) near Ellis for Allen M. Sender. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

April 11 & 12 — Jewelry, Linens, Buttons, dresses, antiques & collectibles at Salina for Polly Vering Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 12 — Farm equipment at Inman for Harlin Balzer. Auctioneers: Triple K Auction & Real Estate.

April 12 — Coffey County real estate at New Strawn for H.H. Williamson Trust. Auctioneers: Joe Biggs & Associates, Inc.

April 12 — Harvey, Marion & Chase Cos. land at Newton for Tuan & Thuy Nguyen. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

April 13 — Tractors, trucks, vehicles, trailers, tillage, planting, harvest, haying, fertilizer & chemical equip., combines, skid steers online only (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Company.

April 13 — NW Oklahoma

Harper & Beaver Counties land at Laverne (S. of Dodge City). Auctioneers: Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.

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April 14 — Bourbon County land at Uniontown. Auctioneers: Lange Auctions.

April 15, 16, 17 — 10th annual cowboy extravaganza at Wichita.

April 16 — Antiques, collectibles, coins, household at Jewell for Thelma Given Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction LLC.

April 16 — Tractors, combines, farm equip., farm trucks, motorcycle, antiques, shop & tools, misc., household, grain storage at Otis for Clarence & Mary Suppes. Auctioneers: Schremmer Realty, Auction & Appraisers, LC.

April 16 — Tractors, combine, farm machinery, trucks, stock trailer at near Lincoln for Mr. & Mrs. Virgil Obermueller. Auctioneers: Post Rock Auction.

April 16 — Farm equipment, household, collectibles & tools at Canton for Raymond Klatt. Auctioneers: Triple K Auction & Real Estate.

April 16 — Washington & Marshall County farms at Barnes for Michael F. Goode. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

April 16 — Farmground & household S. of Barnes for Verlin Richter Estate. Auctioneers: Jim Vathauer, Gary Case Realty.

April 16 — home & contents at Cottonwood Falls for Hovey Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

April 16 — Tractors, motor-

cycle, equipment, automotive & shop tools, collectibles, guns & misc. at Lawrence for Clifford Shaw Living Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Company.

April 16 — Farm land, farm equip., small equip./mowers, truck, boat, trailers, household, mobile home & buildings at Cherryvale for Mr. & Mrs. Gary Huncy. Auctioneers: Larry Marshall & Mark Garretson.

April 16 — Estate, household, and tractor auction NW of Wamego for Lyle Carr. Auctioneers: Cline Realty and Auctions, LLC.

April 16 — Farm machinery and cattle equipment NW of Corning for Larry Stallbaumer. Auctioneers: Dan Deters Auction Company.

April 16 — Farm sale NE of Delphos for Mrs. Vern (Dorothy) Carver. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

April 16 — Cattle equip. & farm misc., collectibles, toys, bicycles, furniture, household at Ada for Ron & Karen Seyfert, Jim & Carolyn Kay. Auctioneers: Bid-N-Buy Auctions.

April 16 — Personal property & collectibles at Waterville for Gerald & Lavonne McNary. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

April 17 — Mowers, tools, radio equipment, household, coins, collectibles at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 17 — Tractors, equipment & misc., coins, guns, household, furniture at Kansas City, KS for Estate of H.E. Bledsoe. Auctioneers: Miller Auction, LLC.

April 19 — KDOR Tax Asset Seizure auction at Wichita. Auctioneers: United Country, Eric Blomquist.

April 20 — Real estate (cropland) at Clyde for Darrell & Lois Payeur Trust. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

April 23 — Show pigs at Abilene for Wuthnow

Family Show Pigs. Auctioneer: Craig Heinen.

April 23 — Farm machinery, tillage, hay equip., augers, feed tanks, trucks, trailer & other at N. of Erie for Mr. & Mrs. Donnie Yarnell. Auctioneers: Larry Marshall & Mark Garretson.

April 23 — Diesel dually pickup, von trailer, new furniture, fixtures and miscellaneous at Clay Center for Furniture City. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman & Bloom Auction Service.

April 23 — Farm machinery and livestock equipment east of Onaga for Gale and Nadine McDougal. Auctioneers: Cline Realty and Auctions, LLC.

April 23 — Machinery, tools, antiques & household N. of Hubbell, NE for Norman Fangmeier Estate. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

April 23 — KDOR Tax Asset Seizure Auction at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country, Eric Blomquist.

April 28 — Pasture, farmland, house & buildings W. of Wakefield for Avery, Inc. of Wakefield. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, salesmen & auctioneers.

April 28 — Linn County farm at Lacygne. Auctioneers: Cates Auction.

April 29 — Vintage wine auction at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country, Eric Blomquist.

April 30 — JD riding lawn tractor, household, collectibles, appliances, furniture, kitchen at Blue Rapids for Martha (Petr) Kneuen Estate. Auctioneers: Rim, Tom & Rob Olmsted and Jeff Sandstrom.

April 30 — Furniture, antiques, tools & misc. NE of Aurora for Floyd & Marceline Buckley Estates. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

April 30 — Estate of Dr. Jones at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country,

Eric Blomquist.

May 7 — Tractors, trucks, farm & hay, livestock equip., antiques & household at Glasco for Danny & Laurie Srna. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Co.

May 14 — Farm tools & woodworking equipment S. of Wamego for Delta & Kenny Alt. Auctioneers: Ivan Seele & Ron Walsh.

May 14 — Guns, antiques, collectibles, shop & tools, pickup, machinery, furniture, household & misc. at Ada for A.L. (Pro) Prochaska Estate. Auctioneers: Bid-N-Buy Auctions.

May 19 — Acreage OK Ranch (Florence) at Cottonwood Falls for Herschman Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

May 21 — Home & contents at Cottonwood Falls for Busselle Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

May 27 — House & household, tools, Ranger pickup, 136 MF tractor at Waterville for Russell Kalous Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

May 30 — Harley Gerdes

18th annual Memorial Day consignment auction at Lyndon.

June 18 — Real estate, antiques, furniture & miscellaneous at Belleville for Paul & Elsie Fahrbach Estates. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estates.

July 16 — Farm equipment, John Deere 4-wheel drive tractor, JD combine, trucks, pickup, tillage equip. N. of Culver for Dean & Emma White. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Co.

August 6 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon.

September 5 — Harley Gerdes 16th annual Labor Day consignment Auction at Lyndon.

September 24 — Farm sale SW of Courtland for Richard Nelson Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

November 5 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon.

December 31 — Harley Gerdes 27th annual New Year's Consignment auction at Lyndon.

Kansas maker of tillage and drilling equipment sold

(AP) — A 95-year-old Kansas company that makes tillage equipment and grain drills for large tractors has been bought by a French corporation. Officials of Krause Corp. in Hutchinson shared the news last Thursday with their 230 employees.

The buyer is Kuhn Group, headquartered in Saverne, France, with more than 3,500 employees worldwide. Kuhn designs, makes and markets a variety of agricul-

ture equipment for livestock care, tillage, planting and other purposes.

The Hutchinson News reports that executives of Kuhn North America say they'll retain all employees of the Kansas company, which will be known as Kuhn Krause.

The purchase price has not been disclosed. Krause is a privately-held company that has been run by three generations of the Krause family since it was founded in 1916.

AUCTION

SUNDAY, APRIL 10 — 11:00 AM

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Kroehler Sofa (Brown/Beige), Sectional Sleeper (Pattern Color Lattice Alabaster), Early American Lazyboy Rocker/Recliner (Gold), Shuford Swivel Rocker, 2- Wing Back Chairs w/Ottoman (Green), Wood Sofa Table, Vintage Metal Bed w/Springs, Waterbed Frame & Headboard w/Matching 5 Drawer Chest, Wood Bench, Glass Top Octagon Coffee Table, Side Table, Homemade Toy Chest, 1940's Childs Rocker, 4' Sofa Mirror, Table Top Bar, Lamp/End Table, Side Chair, High Chair, Doll Cradle, Doll Rocker, Wooden Potty Chair, 2-Fire Extinguisher Lamps, Electrolux Vacuum.

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pied Japan, 2-Pigs-American Bisque, "Thumper"-Walt Disney Productions, Owls-Lefton, 20-Sets Chickens, 13-Sets Turkeys), 15-Harvest Angels Figurines, Various Dolphin Pieces, McCoy Rocking Chair Planter, Black Glass Vase, Crock Bowls, Crock Spoon Holder, Arlington Punch Set, Books (1929 Elson Reader, 1938 Golden Stories For Boys & Girls, 1930 Boy Scout Handbook), 1939 Boy Scout Membership Card, 1980's Boy Scout Badges, Pins, & Scarf Holders, Sad Iron, Shoe Lathes, Insulators, Oil Cans, Wood Crates, Paper Logo, Norman Rockwell Print Model T "Boss of the Road", 1930's or 40's Tin Car Taxi, 80's & 90's Car Magazines "Hot Rod" & "Car Craft", Pillsbury Poppin Fresh 1971 Boy & 1979 Girl, Flour Sacks (Wheat Shorts) Abilene Flour Mill, "Tyco Best Flour" JC Tyler & Co., "Best Yet Flour" JC Hogan Milling Co.), Several Post Cards (1913 St. Louis, 1948 USS General Anderson Ship, 1944 Sardis Hollywood, CA), 1930-1940's All Occasion Cards, 2-Hero Harmonicas, Vintage Childs Summer Dress w/Embroidery, Hand-

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ment new old stock barber bottles; nut cracker; keys; fan; table bell; apple peeler; celluloid harness rings; miners lamp; assortment pictures inc.: painting, jewelry tree, tapestry, horse; paper roller; Enameled pitcher & glasses, table set & berry sets; tea pots; pattern glass pitchers; set Gridley china; Jewell T dishes; several covered butter dishes; Hanley pitchers; cake stand; Beligum plates; ruby red pieces; green depression stems; Floral mini plate collection; fan vase; Mothers day plates; assortment pressed glass; assortment of lamp parts and shades; milk glass fount lamp; hanging store kerosene lamp; kerosene lamps; Hallmark ornaments; Wegwood pieces; salt & peppers; Easter eggs;

papier machie eggs; assortment pictures; sheet music; cast iron mixer; caster frames; Fiddler on Roof music boxes; Mexican pottery; binocular; chalk pieces; clown collection; dog pipe holder; collar box; wooden figures; wooden fork; no 2 wooden 4 gal churn; wood crimper; wooden boxes; scale weights; Henry Troemner no 7 scale; lodge black ball boxes; poker chips; wooden coffee grinder; copper pots; children's books; metal boxes; magazines; Foreign coins; Fisher Price dog; Christmas & Halloween decorations; color wheel; picnic basket; lamb cake mold; nail pullers; yard tools; clamps; small amount of tools.

Note: This is the last of Polly's auctions. This came from her basement. We just opened the top of the boxes. On Monday evening we will sell jewelry, dresses, linens, buttons, this will be a large auction. On Tuesday evening we will sell the remainder again a large auction. Check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction.com.

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Good Times Up North

I was in North Dakota in early spring. The night before, the temperature was 3 degrees. That morning it had warmed up to 4. I walked into the giant Ag Expo building and made a circle of the trade show just visiting. I stopped at the booth of a man selling wood stoves.

"How are things goin'?" I asked,

"Well," he said, shaking his head, "You know how things are."

I DID know how things were. I'd been up north the month before. Everywhere I looked, prosperity reigned! The oil business was booming and had moved his home state into wealth. They could change their name to North Wyoming or Saudi Dakota!

I read unemployment was below 4%, banks were flush, and the state treasury had a surplus. I thought maybe the vendor was seriously ill, was financing his daughter's veterinary school education, or he'd been unable to winter in Acapulco because of the drug war.

"Is business bad?" I asked.

"Selling stoves in North Dakota in the middle of the winter?" he replied as if I was a moron. At least he didn't say "Duh!"

I asked what he did in the summer. "I farm," he

said, "Corn, wheat and beans, and I run about 400 cows."

"It looks like grain and beans are going to skyrocket in price, what with Russia's famine and ethanol. And cattle are selling at record prices!" I said.

"Yeah, but you know how things go, something could happen," he said, "the river might flood, there's still time for a blizzard..."

Try as I might I couldn't get him to say anything optimistic. I put myself in his place and tried to think up something positive like... "The new gate we hung that goes to the lower lot swings good, I made my rubber boots last longer by not wearing them outside, I discovered Plasti-Dip for my old pump plier handles, the doctor said I was only twenty pounds overweight, I finally finished reading Max Armstrong's autobiography, my son is taking welding in Vo-Ag, we got a satellite dish so we can watch RFD-TV, the pipes didn't freeze in the basement, I thought I wasn't going to like my wife's new car... but I do."

But I said instead, "Accounting for the recession, I'd say you're doin' pretty good."

"Yeah, but... I have to live here," he said.

"Well, just hang on," I said, "And pray for global warming!"

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