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Governor, stakeholders discuss future of Ogallala Aquifer

More than 400 Kansans from across the state joined Gov. Sam Brownback in Colby recently for a discussion on the future of the Ogallala Aquifer. The purpose of the Governor's Economic Summit on the Future of the Ogallala Aquifer was to seek input from stakeholders on the individual's role and how the state can support local stakeholders in reaching their goals.

"It is important that any solutions have the direction and support of the people interacting with this resource everyday," Brownback told summit attendees. "I'm here to hear from you. Let's engage in these important discussions in the great spirit of Dwight Eisenhower."

The Ogallala Aquifer is the main source of water for all uses in the western third of the state. Counties located above the Ogallala Aquifer account for roughly two-thirds of the state's agricultural economic value.

"This discussion about the Ogallala Aquifer is key to the economic future of our state," Brownback said. "Without Ogallala water, agriculture and all of its related businesses could not be sustained,



Gov. Sam Brownback addresses the panelists and an audience of more than 400 Kansans during his Economic Summit on the Future of the Ogallala Aquifer.

manufacturing could not continue, recreational opportunities would diminish and the towns in the area would cease to exist."

"Managing the Ogallala Aquifer in a way that both benefits agriculture today and sustains the valuable water resource for future generations is crucial to the success of the state," Kansas secretary

of agriculture Dale Rodman said.

At the Summit, the governor led a roundtable discussion where he listened and discussed with the attendees incentives aimed at conserving and extending the life of the aquifer while also enhancing the Western Kansas economy. The panel included Brownie Wilson, Kansas Geological Survey; Dr. Bill Golden,

Kansas State University; Dr. Joseph Aistrup, Kansas State University; Kansas Ag Bankers represented by Matt Lee; Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Assoc. & Co-op Council represented by Stan Stark; Kansas Dairy Association and Kansas Livestock Association represented by Ted Boersma; Kansas Farm Bureau represented by Steve Baccus; League of Kansas

Municipalities represented by Carolyn Armstrong, Colby city manager and Carl Brewer, League of Kansas Municipalities president; Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance represented by Neal Gillespie and Western Manufacturers represented by Andy Davis.

Following the roundtable, the stakeholders broke into small group input

sessions to provide their ideas about the Ogallala.

"We are interested in hearing ideas about incentives for conservation that can be provided and disincentives that can be removed," Brownback said. One issue discussed at the summit was the "use it or lose it" concept in Kansas water law as a possible disincentive for conservation. All information and opinions presented at the summit were recorded and will be incorporated in future discussions leading to long-term solutions for the Ogallala Aquifer.

"We're really pleased with the input we received," said Kansas Water Office executive director Tracy Streeter. "I'd encourage Ogallala stakeholders to stay engaged and continue to provide their ideas and feedback as we continue the dialogue through the Kansas water planning process."

If you have input or ideas about the Ogallala Aquifer you would like to share, contact Chelsea Good with the Kansas Department of Agriculture at 785-296-2653 or chelsea.good@kda.ks.gov or Katie Ingels at the Kansas Water Office at 785-296-3185 or katie.ingels@kwo.ks.gov.

Conservation planning is an investment in the future of the land

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

It's a scene repeated annually as conservation program deadlines near – harried producers fill out program applications and rush to turn them in at the last possible minute. In so doing, they are missing out on an opportunity to create a plan that could greatly benefit their operations, says state

resource conservationist Jon Ungerer. Roughly a day and a half of the producer's time is all that would be required to take advantage of a free service that could impact the production capabilities as well as the potential value of their land.

August 31 is the deadline to request a conservation plan from the NRCS and receive additional ranking points, with the Fiscal Year 2012 application evaluation cutoff date for EQIP and WHIP set for November 15, 2011. According to USDA state conservationist Eric Banks, applicants who request a conservation plan prior to the August 31 deadline will receive additional points in the ranking process. The plan only has to be requested by August 31, even if it then takes a couple of months before it is put together.

Once the application for a plan is received, the next step is for a district conservationist (DC) to meet with the producer and walk his acreage, discussing their concerns and goals for their

farm. "We can get out there and help producers with their entire operation instead of just focusing on one issue, such as an erosion problem," said Ungerer. "Producers aren't taking full advantage of what's available because instead of looking at the whole operation, they are just focused on the immediate problem. That's human nature – when you have an itch, you scratch it. We want them to plan ahead and plan for the future." The initial walk-through could also help identify potential problems and manage them before they start. "For example, if a waterway is starting to silt in, we may be able to head off the problem with maintenance," Ungerer explained. "Or a range specialist can look at their acreage and determine if that range is in an upward or declining trend and recommend adjusting the stocking rate if necessary. We can see things that are going to potentially be issues down the road."

Once the acreage has been walked and evaluated,

the DC will go back to the office, gather more technical data about the land and formulate a plan with various options for the producer to consider. After another meeting with the landowner, the plan is ready to be accepted by the producer. A total of about a day and a half on the part of the producer and two to three days by the NRCS staff, and a conservation plan is created that will have long-term benefits for the land and its owner.

Nathan Larson, a Riley County producer, has had a conservation plan in place for more than ten years and has completed several EQIP projects. He is also the first producer in the county to sign up for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).

"The plan is definitely beneficial for the operation," he said. "Everybody should have a plan. It must be pretty simple to do, because I hardly remember going through mine."

Getting the plan requested by the August 31 deadline

may give the application additional points in the evaluation process for the various programs. With current budget woes, producers may worry that the government financial assistance money won't be available for the projects the plan entails. "Hopefully if we go out there and develop a good, sound conservation plan for them, it's something that will improve their operation with or without financial assistance," Ungerer stated. "It should provide them a return so they could go out there and make improvements on their own if financial assistance programs aren't there and they have the resources to do them. Hopefully the plan is going to make their operation more profitable in the long run. It's a long-term deal to look at."

"We'll write the plan independent of any financial assistance programs," he continued. "Here's your land and here's some things you can do to improve it. It's a long-range plan that is developed for their resources and their operation. As they

want to make those improvements, then they would come in and apply for any programs that fit that plan. If their goals change, the plan can change, also."

"This is what NRCS has always been known for – the technical assistance we provide," he concluded. "Yes, we've got financial assistance programs and programs to assist them with projects, but we're still a technical assistance agency and we want to be able to provide producers with alternatives to address any issues or concerns that they might have and meet the objectives and goals that they have for their particular operation and their land."

Whether it's rangeland or cropland or if the landowner desires to improve wildlife habitat, NRCS wants to help them meet those goals. But just like any good project, it all starts with a plan, and Ungerer hopes that this year, more producers will take full advantage of the free technical assistance and planning opportunities NRCS has to offer.



By Meghan Muessler,
Wichita

Tonight as I sit down to write this week's article Wichita just 'celebrated'

the 26th day this year where temperatures rose to the 100-plus-degree mark. One local aerospace employee was quoted as say-

ing we are going to now report degrees in Celsius... 34 degree Celsius sounds so much better than 104 degree Fahrenheit! Mick Rausch, a dairy farmer in Garden Plain, was even quoted in the New York Times talking about for the first time in his lifetime he was wearing shorts with boots to milk cows even if it did look funny!

All this heat and all this talk about the heat has caused me to think of 'cooler' times...

One of my favorite times on the farm was when there finally was enough snow to go to "Mueseler Hill" for sledding. I am not kidding when I say families from ten miles away would come to this infamous hill to sled. How lucky was I that it was only feet from

my front door? Even luckier was the fact that my dad had the only 12-14-man wooden bobsled in the neighborhood! Picture my dad at the helm steering the rudders with his feet, twelve or more people filling in behind him, neatly sliding their legs around the person in front of them. Then the "big guy" stationed at the end of the sled as the anchor. One mighty push and we were off going down the hill for a thrilling bobsled ride. This bobsled provided for many giggles and screams over the years as many a kid and adult took their turn on the sled. The sled has now found its home at the agriculture museum in Hiawatha so that a piece of history can be cherished for the years to come. Another 'cool' memory that is a favorite of mine is the snow ice cream my neighbor Virgil used to make for us.

On those 'fortunate' snow days my older sister and I would spend the day at our neighbor's farm where Florene and Virgil always had some project to keep us entertained including Virgil making snow ice cream. I still don't really know the recipe to make snow ice cream but I do remember him stomping outside to get fresh snow, adding sugar, cream, and sugar then like 'magic' we had ice cream!! What a treat and what a memory!!

See I already feel better thinking about those times where we cherished the season of cooler weather. I am sure come December I will be 'reaching' back into my files to reminisce about those 'warmer' days on the farm!

Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

I'm really not sure what's going on in my marriage. It's weird... just plain weird. No book that I've ever read or married couple I've ever talked to warned me of this "trading places" phenomenon. But let me tell you, it's happening. First there was the direction incident of a couple of weeks ago when I, the navigationally challenged partner, knew which direction we should go and he, the navigationally proficient one, headed down the wrong hallway. That was disconcerting enough, but now this...

In all of our years together, unlike most couples, I am the one who is always ready to leave for places on time and he always, without fail, makes us late. The kids and I have often joked (okay, we aren't really joking) that he will probably be late for his own funeral. I always get ready on time, then stand there getting madder by the second as the clock ticks past the time we are supposed to leave just as he hops in the shower. It's so bad that we usually take separate cars to church or anywhere else that I really need to get to on time.

But last weekend we were getting ready to go to the Kaw Valley Rodeo Tough Enough to Wear Pink steak-fry fundraiser. I don't know why - maybe after thirty years something inside of me just snapped - but I didn't start getting ready as soon as I should have. Consequently, the time came for us to leave and lo and behold, he was ready and I was not.

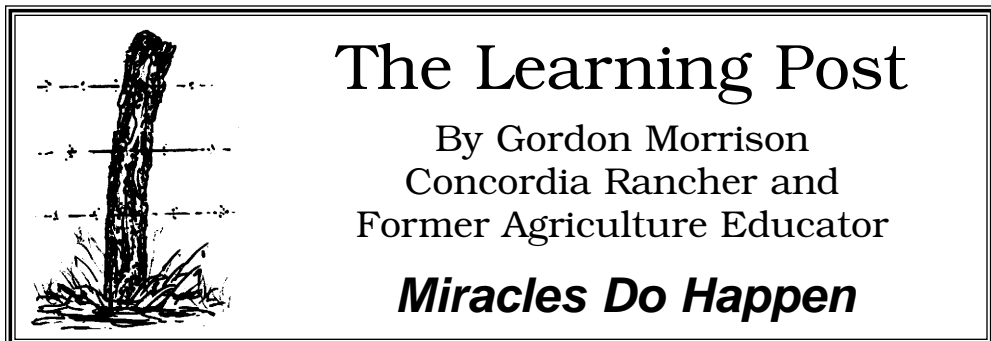
He pulled the car up from the garage and sat there and waited. After a minute or so, he honked the horn. I've seen this happen on TV and heard stories of other couples experiencing it, but this was a definite first for me. It was kind of fun. So I took a little extra time with my hair until he honked a second time. Then I meandered through the kitchen making sure everything was turned off until he honked a third time, causing me to run down the stairs to our bedroom for a quick spritz of perfume. Finally, I emerged from the front door, feeling like a princess floating down the steps to her awaiting prince.

The problem was, said prince was somewhat annoyed.

"What took you so long?" he grumbled. "I've been waiting for ten minutes."

Ten minutes in thirty years - that's a total of 15.8 million minutes of marriage, if I did the math right. But like I told you before, I'm the speller and he's the math whiz.

Oh my gosh, it's happening again. See, I told you this was weird!



When Jesus lived on earth and walked among men, He had compassion for those who were suffering or were in need. He performed many miracles; and crowds of people flocked to him to hear him speak. People then and also now are fascinated by the supernatural.

I would estimate that in our community only about 15 percent of the population attend church on Sunday mornings. Attendance in many congregations keeps dwindling. Some of the smaller churches desperately need better attendance and support in order to continue. If our government should remove churches from the list of tax deductible charitable giving, the problem would be compounded even more. Perhaps what I am saying is we need a few miracles.

Many times our prayers may not be answered according to our liking, at least not immediately anyway. Not often do we see happenings that we can recognize as a miracle, even though in the long term we may acknowledge the good that came from them. A loved one who was still quite young is buried. The children become a concern while out doing their own thing; the job is no longer there and the income stops flowing. The house is foreclosed on; and the list of crises could go on. Perhaps in these situations, what we need most is to learn lessons that will help us cope instead of having a spectacular miracle. It must be a tremendous job being God, but I can assure you that God does answer sincere prayers in the way he knows is best.

In my column several weeks ago, the May 17 issue, I mentioned my friend and former student, Dennis, who was in dire need of a miracle. The doctors had given him no hope of recovery from brain cancer; the

prognosis was that he had a few short months to live.

Yesterday I received a phone call from a friend who told me that after a very thorough examination, Dennis was told by his doctors that he was cancer-free. All the tests came back negative, and no cancer could be found in any part of his body. God has granted him a miracle.

I wanted first-hand information, so I called Dennis and he confirmed that the cancer is gone. Our conversation was quite frank. He wanted the world to know that God is alive, is full of love, and still does miracles. He acknowledged that for most of his life he had little to do with living the Christian walk. Seldom did he read the bible, and drinking became a habit. Then several years ago, his life was changed. He repented of his sins, and the Holy Spirit came into his life. He then acknowledged God and spoke freely of Him to others. Going to church and reading the bible became important to him.

Later, when Dennis was diagnosed with cancer, he put his life in God's hands, willing to accept whatever God had in store for him. Then he and his wife spent much time in prayer, seeking God's will for their lives and also asking for healing. He became even closer to some good friends who gave him spiritual support and encouragement. He also believes that doctors play a definite part in the healing process, and he submitted to their recommended treatments that devastated his body.

He is, of course, elated with the doctor's report that he is free of cancer and has shared the good news with his relatives, church family, and other friends. He appreciates the prayers of all who prayed for him. Yes, God is still in the miracle business.



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Drought-stressed soybeans mean decisions for producers

Soybeans typically can withstand drought stress reasonably well in the vegetative stage. However, the combination of drought and heat stress has been so extreme in much of Kansas this year that soybean leaves have begun to curl or drop, said Kraig Roozeboom, K-State Research and Extension crop production specialist. In those cases, it's already time to consider whether to leave the soybeans in the field and hope for the best or cut them for hay. "Prolonged heat and drought stress cause considerable leaf loss and yield reduction in soybeans. If the crop is so drought-stressed that it's losing leaves or not setting pods, it may be time to cut it for hay. This might have particular appeal for livestock producers who are facing dry pastures and supplemental feed costs," Roozeboom said.

The decision depends on the stage of growth and condition of the plants, he explained.

"If possible, it's best to hold off on making any decisions about cutting soybeans for hay until the plants are moving into seed fill, or the R5 to R6 stages of growth. Beginning seed fill is the optimal time to cut beans for hay in order to retain digestible nutrients," he said. However, holding off until this stage of growth may not be possible if plants in the vegetative stage are dropping half or more of their leaves already, he added. "If too many leaves are dropped, the plants have reduced value as a hay

crop. Producers may need to make the decision to cut for hay while the plants are still in the vegetative stage, before the beginning seed fill stage, and before the soybeans lose too many leaves," the agronomist said. Soybean plants that still have 30 percent of their leaves can produce 0.75 to 1.25 tons dry matter of hay per acre, with about 13 percent protein and 48 percent in-vitro dry matter digestibility. The more leaves a plant has, the more hay tonnage it will produce. On the other hand, soybeans with 50 to 90 percent leaves and a good number of pods at the R6 stage have a good chance of producing a decent crop if allowed to mature — especially if timely rains occur, Roozeboom said. "In that case, it would probably be best to harvest the crop as normal, even though some of the leaves and flowers have dropped due to stress. This is still a gamble, and good yields are not guaranteed even if the plants are in good shape at R6. Stress during rapid pod growth reduces the number of beans per pod and reduces bean size. Pod filling is the most susceptible time for drought injury to the soybean crop," he said.

The "gray area" is where there are plants with 30 to 50 percent of leaves still remaining, he said. Those have the capability of filling pods if it rains and of making a soybean harvest that is worth more than the price of the hay. The producer's decision this year will de-

pend partly on when the soybeans were planted. "Soybeans that were planted June or early July are probably still young enough to withstand drought stress for several more weeks without dropping leaves. Soybeans planted in May or early June will be more vulnerable to rapid leaf loss at this time of year," Roozeboom said.

By the early reproductive stage, the effects of prolonged heat and drought are critical, he explained. Under drought conditions, soybeans in early reproductive stages will have increased flower and pod abortion. "Soybeans can tolerate short periods of heat and drought at this time by aborting flowers and forming more later. But the crop will not bloom indefinitely and under prolonged heat and drought may be unable to recover," Roozeboom said. If no pods are set after the normal blooming period of three to six weeks, it is possible that the crop will not set any pods or make any seed yield. Determinate varieties have shorter blooming periods than indeterminate varieties. "If fields have no pods set at all by the time they have reached the end of their blooming period, the crop should be hayed," Roozeboom said. Because of extremely high July temperatures, irrigated fields are not immune to the effects of drought stress, the agronomist added. "With numerous days over 100 degrees, even irrigated plants can fail to set or fill pods."

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Amy Feigley, Enterprise, Shares Winning Grass & Grain Recipe For This Week

Winner Amy Feigley, Enterprise:
BUTTERSCOTCH MUFFINS

- 2 cups flour
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 3.4-ounce package instant butterscotch pudding mix
 - 3.4-ounce package instant vanilla pudding mix
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1 cup water
 - 4 eggs
 - 3/4 cup vegetable oil (I use applesauce — it is healthier)
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Topping:**
- 2/3 cup packed brown sugar
 - 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
 - 1/2 cup chopped pecans, optional

In a bowl combine the flour, sugar, pudding mixes and baking powder. Combine the water, eggs, oil and vanilla; stir into the dry ingredients just until moistened. Fill greased or paper-lined muffin cups two-thirds full. Combine the topping ingredients; sprinkle over batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean.

- Linda Kepka, Dorrance:
EASY STEW
- 1 1/2 pounds hamburger
 - 2 large potatoes, cut in chunks
 - 1 can corn
 - 1 can green beans
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 - 1/4 teaspoon onion powder

Brown hamburger and drain. Add potatoes. When

they are almost done, add corn and green beans (only add the liquid from one of the cans) along with the salt, pepper and onion powder. Cook an additional 15 minutes.

Mary Rogers, Topeka:
CORN & JALAPENO SALAD

6 tablespoons lime juice

- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- (3) 15-ounce cans whole kernel corn, rinsed & drained
- 3 cups coleslaw mix
- 1/3 cup pickled jalapeno slices or to taste
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro

In a large glass bowl, whisk lime juice, sugar and salt. Whisk in oil. Add corn, slaw mix, jalapeno slices and cilantro, tossing to coat. Cover and chill at least 1-4 hours.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Okla.:

LEMON BLUEBERRY CRUMB BARS

- 1/2 cup butter
- 2-layer yellow cake mix
- 2 eggs, divided
- 2 teaspoons lemon zest
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice, divided
- (2) 8-ounce packages cream cheese
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 1/2 cups fresh blueberries

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line a 9-by-13-inch pan with foil with ends extending over sides. Microwave butter in a bowl until melted. Add cake mix, 1 egg and 1 table-

spoon lemon juice, beat until blended. Press 2/3 of the mixture onto bottom of prepared pan. Beat cream cheese and sugar with mixer until well blended. Add remaining egg, lemon juice and zest, mix well. Pour over crust, top with berries. Pinch small pieces of remaining cake mix mixture between your fingers and press lightly into cream cheese layer. Bake 48-50 minutes or until center is almost set. Cool completely. Refrigerate 1 hour. Keep refrigerated.

Kellee Rogers, Topeka:
BAGEL SPREAD

- (2) 8-ounce packages cream cheese
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped raspberries
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped strawberries

In a medium bowl beat cream cheese until fluffy. Add berries stirring gently until combined. Cover and refrigerate at least 2 hours.

Sandy Hill, Eskridge:
STRAWBERRY LEMONADE

- 4 quarts fresh strawberries, hulled
- 4 cups lemon juice, about 16

- lemons
- 3 quarts water
- 6 cups sugar
- Lemon-lime soda or gingerale

In a blender or food processor puree the strawberries. Place in a large kettle and add lemon juice, water and sugar. Bring to 165 degrees over medium heat, stirring occasionally (do not boil). Remove from the heat, skim off foam. Pour hot into hot jars, leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Adjust caps. Process 15 minutes in a boiling water bath. To serve, mix about one-third concentrate with two-thirds soda or gingerale. Yield: about 6 quarts concentrate.

Mary Hedberg, Clifton:
SIMPLE & DELICIOUS DOUGHNUTS

- 2 cups flour
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg or 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 cup oil
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 egg
- Oil for deep frying

Sift dry ingredients to-

gether. Pour oil and milk into measuring cup. Add egg. Stir with a fork and add to dry ingredients. Stir with fork until mixed. Drop by teaspoon into heated oil (375 degrees). Fry until golden brown, about 3 minutes then turn over and brown other side. Drain on paper towel. Roll in cinnamon-sugar, powdered sugar or just plain. Yields: 2 1/2 dozen.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh:
SLAW

- 12 ounces broccoli slaw
- 1 cup red pepper strips
- 1 cup chopped fresh pineapple
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1/4 cup chopped red onions
- 1/3 cup Zesty Italian Dressing
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sliced almonds

Combine first 5 ingredients in large bowl. Mix dressing and sugar. Add to salad; toss to coat. Refrigerate 1 hour. Add nuts and mix lightly.

Note: You can substitute 14-ounce bag of coleslaw blend for the broccoli slaw.


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(NAPSA) — Blueberries are nature's little blue dynamos, ready to blast, burst and bounce their way into any dish you can imagine. However you use them, fresh blueberries pop with their own unique flavor, color and fun!

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- Mix blueberries into prepared rice pudding. Delight the kids by serving the blueberry pudding in ice cream cones!

- Whirl blueberries with sorbet in a blender, scoop into bowls.

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Blueberry-Apricot Pot Pies

9-inch round refrigerated pie crust (from a 15-oz pkg)
 1/4 cup sugar
 4 teaspoons cornstarch
 3 cups fresh blueberries
 1/4 cup dried apricots, cut into 1/4-inch pieces

Preheat oven to 375 degrees; lightly butter four 3/4-cup (6-ounce) baking cups. Place pastry flat onto a floured board; invert a baking cup 1/2-inch from the edge of the pastry; with a small sharp knife, cut out a circle 1/2-inch larger than the cup; repeat to make 4 rounds; cut a small hole in the center of each. In a medium bowl, combine sugar and cornstarch; add blueberries and apricots; toss to coat; divide equally among the cups. With water, lightly moisten the rim of each cup; place a pastry round on each; fold under the edge and crimp. Repeat. Place cups on a baking sheet. Bake until the filling just begins to bubble, 25 to 30 minutes. Cool 5 to 10 minutes. Serve warm. 4 portions. Per portion: 328 calories, 55g carbohydrate, 12g total fat, 5g saturated fat.

Boring Burgers No More: Make Everyday Grilling Gourmet



(NAPSA) — From the backyard barbecue to the tables of some of the finest restaurants across the country, the burger is a "hot" item on menus and at mealtime. This season, Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts instructors are putting a new spin on the traditional burger. Grilling up a burger doesn't have to be limited to lettuce and tomato any more.

"With 85 percent of Americans saying they eat burgers once a month or more, we know that they can enjoy putting a twist on an old favorite," said Chef Edward Leonard, certified master chef and Le Cordon Bleu executive chef. "Our goal is to make it easy to experiment with new ingredients that can make ordinary into extraordinary. When it comes to creating your own,

don't be afraid to mix it up and combine a variety of ingredients that appeal to you."

Before you head out to the grill, browse the farmers' market or grocery store to get inspiration from fresh produce. If you are looking for something spicy, try adding fresh jalapeños or cayenne pepper to your patties. If you like sweet and salty combinations, grill up some pineapple and add teriyaki sauce.

"The toppings and seasoning of a burger play a big role in the overall taste," said Chef Leonard, "but if they aren't grilled properly, chances are it won't turn out well." Preparing burgers for the grill can be a critical step to ensure they turn out juicy and delicious. When selecting meat, purchase the freshest meat to achieve the best taste. Before placing burgers on the grill, heat it up and brush the grates with olive oil. This will prevent the burgers from sticking. When grilling the patties, do not press down with a spatula. This squeezes the juices out and can result in a dry burger.

Once the burgers are cooked, the real fun begins. Chef Leonard suggests creat-

ing a Mediterranean lamb burger to wow your guests.

"For those who have a passion for cooking and want to create more mouthwatering food, I suggest checking out the Le Cordon Bleu Chef's Series," said Chef Leonard. "Our 16 campuses across the country hold monthly, hands-on classes where food enthusiasts can experience a class with a professional instructor."

Mediterranean Lamb Sliders

Relish Ingredients:
 1 cup coarsely chopped red bell peppers that have been grilled or broiled until charred & then skinned and seeded
 1 finely chopped sweet Walla Walla onion
 1/2 cup coarsely chopped, pitted, kalamata olives
 1/2 cup coarsely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
 The juice of one lemon
 1 teaspoon thyme leaves
 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
 2 cloves finely minced garlic
 Slider Ingredients:
 1 1/2 pounds lean ground lamb
 1 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary

1/4 cup finely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper
 2 tablespoons finely minced garlic
 Salt & cracked pepper to taste
 1/2 cup crumbled feta

Heat grill to medium-high heat. Prepare the relish: In a small serving bowl, stir together the peppers, onion, thyme, olives, parsley, lemon juice, olive oil and garlic. Prepare the burgers: In a large bowl, gently mix together the lamb, parsley, red pepper, rosemary, garlic, salt and black pepper. Form into 8 mini burgers, flatten to about 3/4-inch thick, and gently press your thumb in the center of each to help cook evenly. Grill or panfry the burgers carefully for about 3 to 4 minutes per side for medium-rare. A few minutes before they are done, top with feta and finish cooking to melt. Note: The fat in lamb can cause flare-ups. Serve on lightly grilled soft mini buns, topped with the relish. Makes 8 mini burgers.

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Range management specialist reviews best practices for emergency haying, CRP grazing

Several counties in Kansas have been approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for emergency haying and grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage due to the extreme drought and shortage of forage this year. Several factors are important when haying or grazing prairie hay this summer, said Walt Fick, K-State Research and Extension range management specialist.

"If producers haven't cut their hay yet, I would encourage them to do so soon. Harvest date is the most important management decision affecting hay production. Timing affects production, quality, composition, amount of regrowth, and subsequent plant vigor," Fick said. Producers should consider raising the cutter bar to leave at least a 3-inch stubble, he said. Maximum yield of native hay generally occurs in August, but waiting until then results in lower quality, less re-growth, and can alter the composition and vigor of stands if done repeatedly over a number of years, Fick said. Plus, peak yield may have already occurred in drought-stricken

counties this year. The quality of prairie hay will keep declining with time.

"Crude protein declines about 1 percentage unit every two weeks during the month of July, and will be no higher than 5 percent by late August when maximum yield normally occurs," he said. The timing of haying on species composition and vigor of stands can also be important, Fick added.

"Repeated mowing around Sept. 1 can change a bluestem-dominated hay meadow to a stand dominated by broadleaf species. The change occurs because the grasses do not have a sufficient time period to replenish food reserves before frost occurs," he explained.

Grazing of prairie hay this year should be managed carefully, the agronomist said.

"Heavy grazing in the late summer can be detrimental to next year's production. The key is stocking rate. We need to leave enough leaf area so the plants can continue to carry out photosynthesis and store food reserves going into the winter," Fick said. How much leaf area is enough? In CRP stands

planted with mid-size and tall grasses, a 6- to 8-inch average stubble height, or about 1,000 to 1,500 pounds per acre, would be optimum, he said. Forage quality will also be low in the late season and livestock

producers may want to consider how this could affect the management of their cow herds, including culling decisions, early weaning, and related practices, the range management specialist said.



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The 25th Annual Flint Hills Beef Fest of Emporia is planned for August 19-21. This event is a celebration of the Kansas grass cattle industry. There are events for everyone in the family to enjoy.

Friday the festival begins with the Beef Fest Barbecue Cook-off contest. The state sanctioned barbecue cook off starts with check-in and inspection on Friday at 9 a.m. Judging will take place beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. There will be six categories in the competition: Chicken, Pork Ribs, Pork Butts, Brisket, Misc. Beef and Cook's Choice. Entry fee is \$35.00 per category or \$150.00 for all six categories. Total prize money of \$6,000, and ribbons will be awarded at approximately 3:30 p.m. Saturday. For entry information please contact Joe Michaels at 620-343-0538, cableku@cableone.net or Gail Fuller at 620-344-3363, fullerfarms@hotmail.com

Beginning at 6 p.m., enjoy a ranch feed in the Anderson Building prior to the popular Ranch Rodeo and Businessman Mugging. The rodeo begins at 7 p.m. in the Lyon County Fairgrounds arena. The top teams that have placed in ranch rodeos from surrounding counties will compete for regional ranch rodeo honors. Teams of four businessmen compete to see which team can mug a steer to the ground in the fastest time. Come and cheer your teams on. Tickets for Friday's festivities are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 & under, which includes the ranch feed and the ranch rodeo.

Saturday's events begin with the judging of the cattle that were entered in the Grass Futurity. Cattlemen have opportunities to enter steers and heifers in several different contests to compete for nearly \$15,000 in cash awards. The Grass Futurity is the first contest, which began in April. These cattle will be judged on the total pounds gained while they were on grass from April through August. This judging event will take place Saturday, August 20th, at 9 a.m. at the Emporia Livestock Sale Barn. The public is invited to come and enter the judging contest. Contestants with the closest guess to the judge's top five selections will win the contest. Winners will

be recognized at the Saturday Awards Banquet.

The cattle that were entered in the Futurity can also be entered in the following contests: Stocker Cattle Show; Best of Grass and Show; Feedlot Contest and Carcass Contest allowing more chances for cash prizes. The top five pens in the two different divisions, steer and heifer, will be eligible for cash awards. Awards will be given in both divisions in each contest and will be awarded as such: 1st Place receives \$700.00 and a plaque, 2nd place receives \$450.00, 3rd place receives \$300.00, 4th place \$150.00, 5th place \$125.00.

The Ranch Horse competition is back again this year. This will be held on Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the arena. This year's competition is part of the Mid-West Ranch Horse Association Series; top placings will be eligible for the MRHA Finals. Cowboys are encouraged to enter horses to compete in this competition. There will be a \$75 entry fee. A custom bit will be awarded to the top Open Horse; spurs to top puncher; blanket to top JR horse. To enter contact: Dwight Bilyk at 913-349-2325 or Ryan Arndt at 620-341-0721 for more information.

A Pedal Tractor Pull will be open to children ages 4 through 12 (contestants cannot be 13 by the first week of September). Prizes will be awarded to each winner for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places in each age group. Anyone placing 1st and 2nd will be qualified to pull at the State Fair in Hutchinson. This will be held on Saturday, August 20th. Please note - this year it will begin at 10:00 instead of 11:00. Registration for the Pedal Tractor Pull begins at 9:30 a.m. pull will begin at 10:00 a.m.

The famous pony wagon rides will return again this year. Bring the

whole family out to take a ride around the fairgrounds. These rides are free and will be offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Don't forget about the free hamburgers. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. they will again have a free hamburger feed at the fairgrounds. Come out and enjoy lunch on us while supplies last.

The Saturday evening banquet begins at 5:30 p.m. with the award's ceremony followed by a complete steak dinner. The evening entertainment, Riders In The Sky will perform following the dinner. Then dance till midnight with the Lonely Town Band. This is an evening you won't want to miss. Buy your tickets now before it's too late. An entire evening planned out for you in one location, dinner, entertainment, drinks and dancing all for only \$30 each. Tickets can be ordered by calling 620-528-3444 or make check payable to Flint Hills Beef Fest and mail it to P.O. Box 1326, Emporia, KS 66801.

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Don't forget the popular Golf Tournament on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at the Emporia Municipal Golf Course. For more information about this event, contact Parry Briggs at 620-342-0138.

As you can see, there is definitely something for everyone. Plan on attending this year's Flint Hills Beef Fest at the Lyon County Fairgrounds in Emporia, Kansas on August 19-21. Flint Hills Beef Fest Inc. sponsors this event. To enter contests, receive more information, buy tickets, or receive a brochure with the complete schedule of events, please call 620-528-3444. Visit their website at www.beefest.com

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from hand to hand, reaching everyone who danced. Of course, Grey Eagle's strength miraculously returned and he and Mona Lona were married before all the tribes present at the spring. The legend was romantic and heroic, but the first settlers at the spring found no particular interest in legends. Salt City was established by a pair of enterprising men who were intent on developing the minerals for commercial production. Crystallized salt was produced from the springs through evaporation at the rate of 50 bushels per

week. The medicinal qualities of the springs proved to be an unwanted nuisance as it was nearly impossible to keep the Indians away. The springs were sold several times and eventually drew adherents to their medicinal qualities. The Winfield Courier of August 1, 1878, noted "Salt City, fourteen miles southwest of Winfield...promises to become the Saratoga of Kansas. It has four mineral springs that will become famous. We have known before this that these springs possessed very curious mineral properties but have paid little at-

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lars. Nearby, the Loomis Hotel was built for one hundred thousand dollars. Geuda Springs was hailed as a first-class resort town within weeks of its birth. The town boasted two hotels, a restaurant, a drug store, and all the necessary businesses, including an ice-cream and confectionery establishment, and a "photograph gallery." The South Western Stage Company began running a stage from Winfield to Geuda Springs twice a week. Arkansas City noted that from their Santa Fe depot, Geuda Springs was just a short seven-and-one-half mile drive by hack over a road framed by a "panorama of agricultural beauty." The Frisco Railroad was built to Geuda Springs in 1886 allowing for direct transportation to the resort. The fortunes of the investors grew with advertised "rescue" from the cruel ailments of the age. Several springs provided just the right water for each particular disorder. The excitement over the springs even attracted the dangerous gambler and gunman, Luke Short. Short was famous for causing the notorious Dodge City "Saloon War" in 1883. Ten years had passed and he was apparently suffering from a weakened heart. The disabled gunfighter stepped from the train at the Frisco depot. His body was swollen with excessive fluid under the skin. Desperate for a cure he turned to Geuda Springs. But the springs failed to restore Short's health. He died in his bed September 8, 1893, of congestive heart failure. The Loomis Hotel continued through two ren-

ovations as the Hotel Geuda, and finally the Gilbert Hotel. A great fire destroyed the hotel and all the buildings in the block in 1908. The resort was rebuilt and continued to draw faithful believers through the roaring twenties. But the crowds diminished during the depression and the story of Geuda Springs became just a memory of an ancient legend and the whisper of believers making their own history 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.



Bando Royal Lady won grand champion bred-and-owned cow-calf pair at the 2011 All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity Junior Show, June 18 in Louisville, Ky. Jessica Taliaferro, Effingham, owns the December 2007 daughter of HSAF Bando 1961. A January 2011 bull calf sired by SAV Pioneer 7301 completes the winning duo. Quintin Smith, Lebanon, Tenn., evaluated the 119 entries. Photo by Shelia Stannard, American Angus Association



The top 10 market hogs at the 2011 Eastern Kansas Swine Show Series were shown by, right to left: champion – Thatcher Moddie, Burlington; reserve champion – Andrew Anderson, Caney; 3rd – Paxton Dahmer, Nevada, Mo.; 4th – London Hilton, Howard; 5th & 7th – Austin Shideler, Fontana; 6th – Brenden Anderson, Caney; 8th – Chase Brim, Bartlesville, Okla.; 9th – Blaine McDougal, Leavenworth; 10th – Sydney Markley, Parsons. The final of the ten shows took place June 18 in Tonganoxie.

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Value-added producer grant workshops offered by USDA Rural Development and K-State Extension

USDA Rural Development is partnering with K-State Research and Extension to offer three workshops designed to assist producers in applying for value-added producer grants. Workshops will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on August 9 in Hays, August 10 in Salina and August 15 in Lawrence. USDA Rural Development recently announced the availability of \$37 million in value-added producer grants. Producers, farmer/rancher cooperatives, ag producer groups and producer-based business ventures can apply for planning or working capital

grants. Applications are due August 29, 2011. Visit http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/KS_RBS_VAPG.html to download the grant application.

The grant workshops will be led by Dr. Vincent Amanor-Boadu, associate professor of agricultural economics at Kansas State University, and Karissa Berks, USDA business programs director in Kansas. Registration for the workshop is \$20 and includes lunch. Contact Dr. Kara Ross with Kansas State University's Department of Agricultural Economics at 785-532-3526 or kross@age.con.ksu.edu to register for

the workshop. Registration is due by August 5, and the following information is needed to register: mailing address, phone/e-mail address, organization, project description, interest in planning or working capital

grant and any special needs. For additional information regarding the USDA rural development value-added producer grant program call the agency's state office at 785-271-2740.



Junior showmanship winners at the Eastern Kansas Swine Show Series were champion Brody Nemecek, lola, right, and Payge Dahmler, Nevada, Mo., left, reserve champion.



Premier exhibitors at the Eastern Kansas Swine Show Series were Sydney Markley, Parsons, reserve grand champion senior exhibitor and Thatcher Moddie, Burlington, grand champion premier exhibitor.

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(AP) About \$2.5 million in federal money will help Nebraskans conserve the water in the massive underground Ogallala aquifer.

The money from the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service will help provide technical and financial assistance to farmers and ranchers who want to conserve water on their land.

State conservationist Craig Derickson says the program should help make farms and ranches more profitable while conserving groundwater.

The Ogallala aquifer flows underneath parts of eight states including Nebraska, South Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

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The 2011-2012 National Junior Angus Association Board of Directors was announced Friday evening, July 15, 2011, during closing ceremonies at the 2011

National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Harrisburg, Pa.

Voting delegates selected six candidates to join the board, including

Meghan Blythe, White City.

Blythe has been a member of the Kansas Junior Angus Association for the past 10 years and will assume the role of president in 2011. Blythe is the daughter of Duane and Debbie Lyons-Blythe and will be a junior this fall at Kansas State University with a degree in agricultural economics/pre-law, with plans to become a lobbyist.



Winners of the PeeWee showmanship class at the Eastern Kansas Swine Show Series were champion Cooper Brim, Bartlesville, Okla. and reserve Carly Dreher, Iola. They are pictured with Nancy McDougal, EKSSS Committee.



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LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: Adjoins Concordia to the east & north of Highway #9.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Approximately 94 acre tract in NW 1/4, 35-5-3 West of 6th PM, Cloud County, Kansas, except a tract of approx. 6 acres with house & outbuildings.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Approx. 95 acres with 89 acres nearly level 1st and 2nd Republican River bottom NHEL cropland, small creek and trees.

BASE ACRES: 0 FSA Payments: 0
TAXES: \$540

POSSESSION: After 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser to receive 2012 cash rent, paid June 1, 2012.

TRACT II - 6 ACRES WITH OLDER MODERN HOUSE

LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: Adjoins Tract I on south (on Highway #9).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A tract of approx. 6 acres in NW 1/4, 35-5-3, West of 6th PM, Cloud County, Kansas.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Approx. 6 acres with 2 story wood frame modern house, basement, good roof and siding. House needs updates. Old barn & old sheds. In a good setting and in a good location. Home has been vacant, septic system not up to county code. House will be sold in "AS IS" condition.

TAXES: Approximately \$450.

POSSESSION: On day of closing.

TRACT III - 74.4 ACRES CROPLAND

LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: East edge of Concordia, 11th Street & 150th or intersection land on southeast corner (Rock Road and N. 160th).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: W 1/2 of NW 1/4, 2-6-3 West of 6th PM, Cloud County, Kansas.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: 74.4 acres with 68.25 rolling terraced, tillable cropland, 6.53 acres waterways.

BASE ACRES: 59.6 Ac. wheat; 5.5 Ac. milo.
FSA Payments: Approx. \$1010.
TAXES: \$568.88.

POSSESSION: After 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser to receive 2012 cash rent, paid June 1, 2012.

TRACT IV - 77 ACRES CROPLAND

LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: Just south of Tract III on west side of road (N. 160th Road).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: E 1/2 of SE 1/4, 3-6-3 West of 6th PM in Cloud County, Kansas.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: 77 acres with 66.59 acres slightly rolling tillable, terraced cropland. 9.1 acres waterways & trees.

BASE ACRES: 61.1 Ac. wheat; 5.6 Ac. milo.
FSA Payments: Approx. \$1034
TAXES: \$575.78.

POSSESSION: After 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser to receive 2012 cash rent, paid June 1, 2012.

TRACT V - 320 ACRES PASTURE

LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: From west edge of Concordia (11th Street/KNCK Radio Station), 2 1/2 miles south on 130th Road.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The S 1/2 of 18-6-3 West of 6th PM, in Cloud County, Kansas.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: 320 acres native grass pasture with 2 large ponds and average fences. A good, clean pasture on a good road.

TAXES: \$608.12.

POSSESSION: November 15, 2011. Sellers will retain pasture rent and pay 2011 and all prior year taxes.

TRACT VI - 160 ACRES PASTURE

LOCATION OF REAL ESTATE: Across the road east of Tract V (on 130th Road).

TERMS ON TRACT 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10: 10% down payment day of sale, balance due on or before October 14, 2011, in form of certified funds. Title insurance and contract closing costs paid 1/2 by seller and 1/2 by purchaser. Sellers retain 2011 rent and will pay 2011 and all prior year taxes. Possession: November 15 on pasture land, and after 2012 wheat harvest on all broken acres, with buyer receiving cash rent paid June 1, 2012, to buyer.

All announcements made day of sale take precedence over all advertising. Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate represents Seller.

TERMS ON TRACT 2: House & Acreage: 10% down payment day of sale, balance due in form of certified funds on or before October 14, 2011. House being sold in "AS IS" condition with lead based paint and any inspections required by prospective purchaser to be completed prior to day of auction at purchaser's expense. Home has been vacant and is being sold with septic system not conforming to county code. Title insurance and contract closing costs paid 1/2 by seller and 1/2 by purchaser. Sellers pay 2011 and all prior year taxes. Purchase of house is not contingent upon financing, insurability or appraisal.

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Vilsack announces biomass production projects to promote renewable energy development and create jobs in rural America

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced last week the creation of four additional Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP) project areas in six states to expand the availability of non-food crops to be used in the manufacturing of liquid biofuels. The four project areas set aside acres in California, Kansas, Montana, Oklahoma, Oregon and Washington for the production of renewable energy crops. According to industry estimates, these projects will create more than 3,400 jobs in the biorefinery, agriculture and supporting sectors, and provide the feed-

stocks to produce more than two million gallons of biofuels annually when full production levels are achieved.

BCAP, created in the 2008 Farm Bill, helps farmers and forest land-owners with start-up costs of planting non-food energy crops for conversion to heat, power, biobased products and advanced biofuels. BCAP is designed to ensure sufficient biomass is available to reduce America's reliance on foreign oil, improve domestic energy security, reduce pollution and spur rural economic development and job creation.

A BCAP project area in Kansas and Oklahoma, sponsored by Abengoa Biofuels, has been designated to grow up to 20,000 acres of switchgrass. The project area surrounds the future facility's biomass conversion facility in Hugoton.

USDA has allocated approximately \$45 million for contracts that range between less than five years up to 15 years in the four project areas for producers who volunteer to enroll in BCAP. Producers who enter into BCAP contracts are eligible for reimbursements of up to 75 percent of the establishment costs of the perennial energy crop,

and up to five years of annual maintenance payments for herbaceous crops and up to 15 years for woody crops. According to industry estimates, more than 3,400 jobs in the biorefinery, agriculture and supporting sectors will be created due to these new BCAP project areas, with more than two million gallons annually of biofuels manufactured when full production levels are achieved.

Earlier this year, USDA announced five BCAP proj-

ect areas where energy crops will be grown on up to 250,000 acres in 66 counties in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Pennsylvania and Ohio. These crops, such as switchgrass and giant miscanthus, are the first-ever national investments in expanding U.S. biomass resources to meet domestic energy security.

The sign-up period for these four new project areas will begin on Aug. 8, 2011. The deadline to sign up for the project areas is Friday, Sept. 16, 2011. The

Farm Service Agency, administering the program on behalf of the Commodity Credit Corporation with conservation planning assistance from the Natural Resources Conservation Service and other partners, will enter into contracts with landowners and operators in these project areas. Producers interested in participating in the project areas should visit their local FSA county office. Information about BCAP may be found at www.fsa.usda.gov/bcap.

Eastern Kansas grazing school set for September 7-8, 2011 in Holton

Farmers and ranchers are invited to participate in the second annual Eastern Kansas Grazing School at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Holton on September 7 & 8. The two-day management intensive grazing school will be a hands-on learning experience preparing participants to start their own rotational grazing system with forages adapted to eastern Kansas. Topics to be covered include the science behind grazing, graziers' arithmetic, matching livestock and forage needs, pasture layout and design, grazing economics, and fencing and watering designs. Hands-on field exercises and two farm tours will be included.

Speakers will include experts from Kansas NRCS, Missouri NRCS and Extension, and Kansas State University. This school is appropriate for both beginner and experienced graziers. The school will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. both days at the Jackson County Fairgrounds located at 5th and Dakota in Holton. A Cattle Body Condition Score Workshop will be held the evening of September 7 at the sale barn in Holton, which will be open to the public and include a free dinner.

The grazing school is sponsored by K-State Research and Extension, NRCS, and the Kansas Rural Center. The two-day

school is supported in part by a grant to the Kansas Rural Center from USDA Risk Management Agency.

There is a \$50 registration fee to cover meals and materials, and the school will be limited to the first 35 farms to register. Registration for the school is due by August 15. For more information and to receive a schedule and registration form, contact Jody Holthaus with the Meadowlark District Extension Office (785) 364-4125. To receive a flyer for the school, email Jason Schmidt with the Kansas Rural Center at jason_schmidt20@hotmail.com, or go to the Kansas Rural Center website at www.kansasruralcenter.org.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 — 9:00 AM

LOCATION: To be held at the farm located at 6933 Road K, Hebron, NE, from Gilead, NE, go 3/4 mile South on 7050 Road then 1 mile West on Road K. Gilead, NE is 9 miles East of Hebron, NE & 12 miles West of Fairbury, NE on Hwy. 136.

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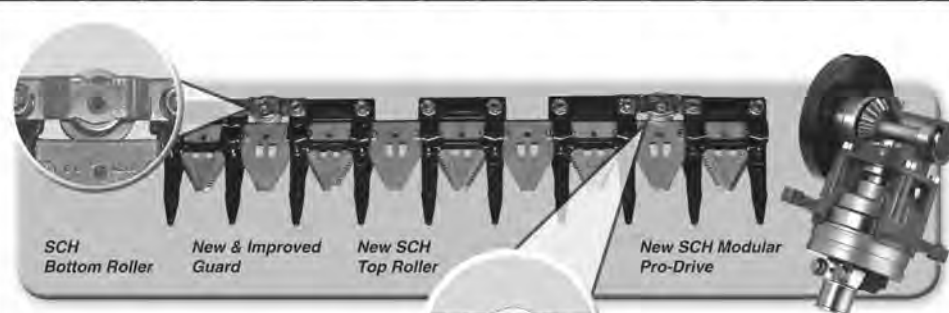
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Beef production, at 2.37 billion lb., was 2% above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.0 million head, up 2% from June 2010 figures. The average live weight was up 1 lb. from the previous year, at 1,262 lb.

Veal production totaled 11.2 million lb., 4% above June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 72,500 head, up 6% from June

2010. The average live weight was down 3 lb. from last year, at 266 lb.

Pork production totaled 1.82 billion lb., down 1% from June 2010. The average live weight was 273 lb.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.6 million lb., was down 11% from June 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 183,400 head, 14% below last year. The average live weight was 137 lb., up 3 lb. from June a year ago.

January to June 2011 commercial red meat production was 24.2 billion lb., up 1% from 2010. Accumu-

lated beef production was up 1% from last year, veal was down 2%, pork was up 2% from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 8%.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 — 7:00 PM

Auction will be held in the Community Center on the South side of the square in **JEWELL, KANSAS**

FARM LOCATION
460 120th Road

The farm is located 9 miles North East of Glen Elder, Kansas or from Jewell, Kansas 4 miles South then 7 miles West on D road and 1/2 mile North on 120th road.

TRACT I

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Approximately 10 acres in the Southwest corner of NW 1/4 13-5-9 Jewell Co. Kansas

Approximately 10 acres with 1 1/2 story home, 40' x 90' Peterson metal building, 20' x 40' garage, 2-4100 steel bins, other buildings. The home has 3 bedrooms 2 bathrooms, kitchen w/dinning area, front room, utility room on the main floor, there are 2 bedrooms upstairs. The basement has 1 bedroom, family room, storage and utility room. There is central heat and air. The farm is on rural water. **The seller will do no repairs or inspections on the home. All inspections made by purchaser must be done before August 15, 2011. Possession of the home will be upon closing on or before October 13, 2011.**

To view the home, contact the Ritz's at 785-545-3387 or 785-545-5562.

TRACT II

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: NW 1/4 13-5-9 less approximately 10 acres in the Southwest corner and the W 1/2 NE 1/4 13-5-9 Jewell Co. Kansas.

Approximately 220 acres with 144.52 acres of non highly erodible crop land, 79 acres of grass. Wheat base 116 acres, 43 bushel yield; Milo base 27 acres, 56 bushel yield. ASCS estimated payment of \$2,605.00. The pasture has a pond, well.

Possession of the farm land will be after milo and bean harvest 2011. Seller will retain 2011 rent and will pay 2011 taxes. Total taxes for both tracts in 2010 were \$1,930.72.

TERMS ON BOTH TRACTS: 20% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before October 13, 2011. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Guaranty State Bank will act as escrow agent, closing cost and escrow fees will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. All statements made day of auction take precedence over printed material. Thummel Real Estate & Auction LLC is acting as seller agent.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 — 10:00 AM

Auction will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Main Street in **TIPTON, KANSAS**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: NW 1/4 31-9-10 Mitchell Co. Kansas.

The farm is located 7 miles South and 1/2 West of Tipton or 4 1/2 miles West of Hunter, Kansas.

160 acres with 157.8 acres cropland. Wheat base of 118.1 acres, 34 acre yield; Sorghum base of 26.9 acres, 44 yield; Sunflower base 8.8 acres, 766 yield; Barley base of 0.9 acres, 43 yield; Total base acres of 154.7 acres.

Possession will be after 2011 fall harvest. The seller will retain all of the rent for 2011. The seller will pay the 2011 taxes. 2010 taxes were \$1,034.60.

TERMS: 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before October 15, 2011. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Mitchell Co. Abstract will act as escrow agent. The escrow and closing fees will be divided 50/50 between seller & purchaser. All statements made day of auction take precedence over printed material. Thummel Real Estate & Auction LLC is acting as seller agent.

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Those interested in participating should come to the sale barn at 11 a.m. on Aug. 4 for lunch. The benefit auction will begin in the auction center at noon.

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Wichita County: Will Sell @ 10:00 a.m. in Community Bldg. on the Fairgrounds in Leoti, Ks. 1,280 Acres of Dryland Farm Ground. (No Minerals will sell). Legals: S/2 Sec. 9; All Sec. 10 & N/2 Sec. 15; all located in Township 20S, Range 37 W in Wichita Co., Ks.

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Wichita County: Will Sell @ 10:00 a.m. in Community Building on the Fairgrounds in Leoti, Ks. 640 Acres of Dryland Farm Ground & Minerals will sell together. Legals: All of Sec. 16 Township 20 Range 37 Wichita Co., Ks.

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GRASS & GRAIN Auction Sales Scheduled

August 3 — Farm & industrial consignments at Beattie. Auctioneers: Rottinghaus Auction.

August 4 — Guns, postcards, small hand & shop tools, household, vehicles, tractor at Admire for Mrs. Leonard "Bud" Dallke. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

August 4 — Machinery online only (www.cornlea iron.com). Auctioneers: Michael Wegener Implement.

August 6 — Gun, furniture, appliances, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Edgar & Genevieve Glessner & others. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

August 6 — Metal, lumber, vehicles, accessories, antiques, collectibles, toys, household & misc. at Hanover for Hanover Fireman's Consignment Sale. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik, Greg Askren, Chris Paxton.

August 6 — Tools & equipment at Downs for Jim Niles Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 6 — Bronze statues, artwork, antiques, collectibles, furniture, household, outdoor, windows, doors, etc. at Cottonwood Falls for Don & Candy Linn. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

August 6 — Farm toys, Heston belt buckles, glassware, household at Clay Center for Harold & Charlene Habluetzel Estate. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

August 6 — Farm toy collection at Sabetha from one collector. Auctioneers: Hartter Auction Service.

August 6 — Consignment auctions: cars, trucks, boats, campers, motor homes, motorcycles, ATVs, tractors, farm equipment, back hoes, mowers, guns, tools, forklifts at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

August 6 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon.

August 6 — Harley Davidson motorcycle, furniture, carpet dryer, antique crocks, household, collectibles & misc. at Manhattan for Marie Long Estate & Others. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

August 6 — Watercraft, recreation equip., vehicles & trailers at Wichita. Auctioneers: Newcom Auction.

August 8 — Car, tractors, machinery, bolt cabinet, mower, farm items at Formoso for Wybern & Ruth Berneking. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 9 — Wabaunsee County land NE of Eskridge. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Chris Sankey.

August 9 — Cowley County real estate at at Udall. Auctioneers: JP Weigand Realtors.

August 10 — Wichita & Gray County real estate at Leoti & Cimarron for Jim Rohleder, Calihan, Brown, Burgardt & Douglas PA and Tony Rohleder Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Johnston Auction.

August 10 — Online equipment (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Company.

August 11 — Lyon County land, bluestem grass with home, outbuildings & pens at Olpe for Arthur Rathke Jr., living trust. Auctioneers: John Flott.

August 11 — Real estate of Jackson Farmers Coop at Whiting and real estate at Jackson Farmers at Denison. Auctioneers: UC-Pagel Realty & Auction, Wayne Pagel, Branam's RE, Dan Harris.

August 11 — Ottawa County farm & grass land at Minneapolis for Estate of John Weidler & living estate of Roma Kibler Drevets Martin. Auctioneers: Dave Webb, Webb Realty.

August 11 — Butler County prime hunting, fishing, creek, home sites land at Benton. Auctioneers: JP Weigand Realtors.

August 12 — Jewell County real estate at Jewell for Cedars. Auctioneers:

Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 13 — Parts cars, complete cars at Salina for Fuller Auto & Truck Recycling Center. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 13 — Vehicles, tractors, stock trailer, 4 wheel trailer, iron, old car parts, prairie hay bales, farm machinery, farm items, antiques, primitives & collectibles, tools, household & furniture near Palco for Rich & Lucile Romine. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction & Realty.

August 13 — Firearms, reloading supplies, tools, modern furniture & household at Herington for Jerry & Paula Stewart. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

August 13 — Tractors, trucks, trailers, farm equipment, livestock equipment, boat, scooter, motorcycle near Delavan for Eugene & Ruth Kickhaefer & Kenny Barrett. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer, Dave Bures.

August 13 — Tractors, machinery, garden tractors, engine parts & etc., guns, ATV, tools & misc. near Hebron, Nebraska for Norbert Heller Estate. Auctioneers: Schultis & Son, Inc.

August 14 — Antiques at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 14 — 4-wheeler, tools, collectibles, western decor items at Council Grove for Mel Rhudy. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

August 15 — Mitchell County real estate at Tipton for Mary H. Pfeiffer Trust No. 1. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 15 — Jewell County real estate at Jewell for Gary & Roberta Ritz. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 15 — Ness County land at Vermont for Deea K. Pfaff & Kip E. Rider. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

August 16 — Real estate, 3BR house at Alta Vista for Ora Jean Glessner. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

August 16 — Jewell County real estate at Jewell for Thelma Given Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 18 — Cropland, home, barn, office building at Benton. Auctioneers: JP Weigand Realtors.

August 20 — Furniture, tools, misc. W. of Clay Center for Roy Harris. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

August 20 — Real estate, Antiques, Collectibles, jewelry, coins, furniture, household, shop & misc. at Barnes for Velma (Zeller) Richter Estate. Auctioneers: Jim Vathauer, Gary Case Realty & Stuart Hedrick.

August 20 — Farm equipment, vehicles, tools, antiques, guns & misc. NE of Chapman for Clifford Gfeller. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

August 21 — Furniture, collectibles, tools at Council Grove for Kenneth Davis. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

August 22 — Russell County grassland CRP at Russell for Elizabeth Steinle. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

August 23 — Real estate at Lecompton. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates Realty & Auctions.

August 25 — Acreage with home, pasture & grassland E. of Manhattan for Eldon Henton Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

August 25 — Lincoln County land at Lincoln for Joanna Faye Larsen Trust. Auctioneers: Omli & Associates, Inc.

August 26 & 27 — 26th: modern household, tools & misc; 27th: antique furniture, primitives, antique glassware & porcelain, large selection of antiques, horse drawn equip., buggy at Industry for Dixie Minter Estate.

Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

August 27 — Antique tractors & machinery, miscellaneous, scrapbooks & memorabilia, household, fenders, hoods & parts at Lindsborg for Ewald Lofdahl Estate. Auctioneers: Richard Patrick Auction Service.

August 27 — Tools, vehicles, furniture, collectibles at Wilsey for the Edward Kovac Estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

August 28 — Tires, tire machines & gun cabinets, surplus tire shop items at Clay Center for Five Creek Service. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

August 28 — Real estate, 3BR house, furniture, lawn tractor, tools at Council Grove for Gary Swenson. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

September 2 — Farm machinery consignment at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

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

September 6 — Parcels of land in Riley County. Auctioneer: Jeff Ruckert.

September 7 — Cloud County pasture & cropland at Concordia for Dorothy Neander Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

September 9 — Marshall County land (252ac) at Frankfort for Dora E. Boyer Trust. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Auctions.

September 10 — Household, antiques & tools at Belleville for Bohman & Mary Kunc Trust. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

September 10 — Antiques & misc. at Wakefield for Stoddard items, Dennis & Linda Olson, sellers. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

September 12 — Farm sale NW of Concordia for Tom Trost Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

September 17 — Household, antiques & tools at Belleville for Bohman & Mary Kunc Trust. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

September 23 — Marshal County land (950ac) at Blue Rapids for Dorothy L. Hula and Harold L. Hula. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan.

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

October 1 — Tools, antiques, juke box, misc. at Clay Center for Dorothy (Mrs. Ervin) Fowles. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

October 13 — Marion County farm & grassland at Herington for Martha R. Melcher Trust. Auctioneers: Reynolds Real Estate & Auction. Co.

November 5 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon.

November 6 — Shades of Red & White Show Calf Sale at Clay Center. Lori Hambright, sale manager.

November 14 — John Deere machinery, farm related items & misc. S. of Waterville for Jim & Rhonda Tilley. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

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


REAL ESTATE AUCTION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 — 7:00 PM

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 23 — 6:30 PM

1909 East 400 Road — LECOMPTON, KANSAS



PROPERTY VIEWING: Tuesday, August 9, 2011 4:30-7:30 p.m.

AUCTION SITE: Auction will be held on property site.

PROPERTY LOCATION: From County Road 1029 (Near I-70 South of Lecompton) Go west on N1850, North on E550, West on N1950 to E400. NE corner of said property begins here.

TAXES: Shall be prorated to date of closing.

MERCHANTABLE TITLE: The seller will provide marketable title.

CONDITIONS: The sale is subjected to all easements, restrictions, covenants and leases of record.

OFFERING: Property will be offered in the following ways; Option 1: Tract A- Consisting of 4 acres m/l including older homestead. Option 2: Tract B- Consisting of 76 acres m/l. Option 3: Tract C- Consisting of 80 acres m/l. Option 4: Tract A & B. Option 5: Tract B & C. Option 6: Tract A, B & C.

Bids will be received by auction on above 6 options. After reviewing option bids, property will sell in matter of highest return to seller. Seller has the right to refuse final bids.

TERMS OF AUCTION: 10% non-refundable earnest money shall be deposited with escrow agent day of sale. Balance due at closing on or before September 23, 2011. Buyer shall obtain financing prior to sale - sale is NOT subject to financing/loan approval or inspections. Property is being sold "as is." Seller has the right to refuse last bid. All statements made day of sale take precedence over previously printed material or advertising.

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AUCTION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4 — 4:30 PM
ADMIRE, KANSAS

Due to the death of my husband, the following sells, located at 1434 Road 390 — 5 miles North of JCT of HWY 56 & HWY 99, ADMIRE, KS then 1/2 mile West on RD 390 (Old 107 School Corner). Admire, KS is approximately 20 miles North of EMPORIA, KS on HWY. 99.

GUNS
Browning "Belgium" A-5 12 ga. shotgun, plain 28 in, full choke, earlier model; F I E-Tanami Gardone VT-Italy Model E-15 22 pistol; bolt action 22 rifle, no marks.

AC D-17 LPG Series IV tractor, WFE, 3 pt., propane, runs good; AD WD 45, WFE w/AC loader, runs; AC 3 bottom plow made into ripper, S-C; AC disk frame, salvage; AC 4-R cultivator, S-C; AC roto baler, partial, salvage; AC wheel disk 9 ft. S-C; long 12 ft. wheel disk, good condition; JD 4-R cultivator, 3 pt., rolling fenders; 2 JD 494A planters; JD 14T square baler; JD F-B-B grain drill; JD 7 ft. pull type mower; JD 3300 combine w/header, not running; JD hay rake, dual frt. dolly wheel, older; BMB XL-6 pull type rotary mower; Campbell 200 gal. pull type sprayer; CPC 8 ft. blade, 3 pt.; Gehl Mix-All 65 MX, salvage; MF 410 combine, salvage; 2 MF grain platforms, salvage; chisel pull type, 8 ft.; Craftsman LT-3000 riding mower, needs starter, runs good; Murray & Snapper mowers, salvage; Gambles 3 1/2 HP garden tiller; Craftsman lawn sweep; propane filler hose attachment.

POST CARDS
2000 plus post cards, early 1900s to 1980s in boxes & approx. 100 to 200 each, many never used.
1994 Ford Tempo GL, 4 cyl., AT; 1994 Chevrolet 2 wheel drive, WT-1500 pickup, V-6, AT, runs good; Ford F-600 truck w/Haul-Mor bed, 1960s, salvage only;

Craftsman, Poulan, Husqvarna chain saws; Shopmate 1/2 in. electric drill; C-H 5 HP 26 gal. upright air compressor; C-H 1/2 in. air impact wrench; Red Lion 5 1/2 HP water pump, used very little; Reddy 40,000 BTU heater; Sky Hook portable charger/welder w/gas engine Model CW-200-LE; propane 100 lb. cylinder; gas barrel & stand, older; 300 gallon steel tank; small metal drawer chest; several steel posts; 2 electric drills; Sanborn air bubble; Die Hard auto battery charger/engine starter; 2 floor jacks; steel welding table w/vise; come-a-long; fence stretchers; 2 grain augers w/motors; Little Giant feed scope; K.C. Athletics banner; U of Arkansas banner; Grand Canyon Park apron, old; Motorola walkie talkies; Singer cabinet sewing machine, Golden Touch & Sew Deluxe, zig-zag Model 620 w/attachments; Bissell Power Force vac; Kenmore vacuum; kitchen table & chairs; antique sterling EZY-Pack tourist iron w/cloth bag; lift chair; glass kerosene lamp; 4 Allen elevator plastic clips; Mar-Crest pitcher, cookie jar, bowls; Cosco step stool; oval picture frame, old; bingo cards; selection of handicap items, wheel chair, walkers, etc.; Hutchinson Herald, 12-7-41 Ed. Japan Attacks, Pearl Harbor; 16 old letter & number teaching books; old wooden & metal boxes; bread box, old; selection of pots, pans, fans, dishes, glassware, cloth, Tupperware, etc.; selection socket sets, wrenches, tools, log chains, jacks, etc.

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My son hooked up the old Ford to the gooseneck trailer, loaded the horses and went to check the cows. He came back, unhooked the trailer and took a load of trash to the dump with the Ford. I returned from the shop with the Jimmy and backed up to the trailer. In the rear view the trailer's electric hook-up looked different? On closer exam I could see the male plug was gone and the wires had been stripped! Oh, no. I silently prayed that he'd at least dropped the tailgate before he drove off.

It happens to us all. It's one of those moments like accidentally drilling a hole

in the gas tank, or tightening a bolt till the head breaks off, or thinking "It'll hold one more cow!"

My Iowa friend Steve has a history of minor collisions. It's always entertaining to ride with him. Some farmers of his caliber paint their company name or logo on the truck door; Agri-Beef or Sky View Farms. Steve's vehicles are easily recognized by their damaged fenders and tailgates.

I remember staring at the back of his fairly new pickup and asking, "How's the new gooseneck?" Then I looked closer. It wasn't just buckled out like someone had tried to pull it up nor down nor in nor out, it was all of the above. It resembled a Tyrannosaurus Rex chew toy!

Turns out he had unhooked the gooseneck, forgot to drop the tailgate and drove off. Next day, tailgate down, he jumped in the cab, glanced in the rear view and backed into the meter pole! He swore someone

had moved it while he was in the shop!

A year later he told me he'd gone out to cut hedge posts and left the tailgate down. After cutting and stacking the posts in the bed of the pickup, he climbed in, put it in reverse and backed into a good-sized tree! His story to this day is that it had grown right up behind him while he was cutting!

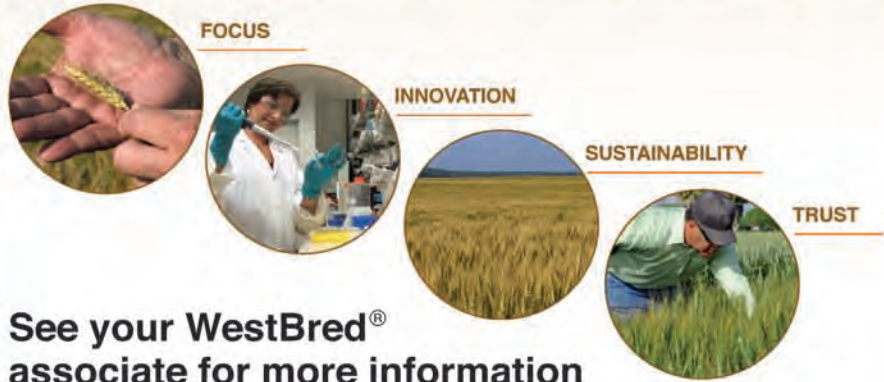
Last month we pulled out of his circle driveway and he hit a flat-bed trailer that they used to haul their four-wheelers. I heard a screech, felt a bump and could hear something dragging in the gravel but it was below our field of vision. However, it didn't seem to slow the truck any.

"I think you hit something," I said, "Should we stop and check?"

"Whatever," he said, and drove on.

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