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Rep. Tim Huelskamp, Ambassador Nguyen Quoc Cuong, Rep. Sharon Schwartz, Luan Thuy Dzuong and Doug Schwartz discuss the pork industry in Kansas as compared to that in Vietnam.

Photos by Donna Sullivan



Doug Schwartz leads the delegation on a tour of the Brylin Farm finishing facility near Washington.

## Vietnamese ambassador gets a look at pork production in Kansas

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

With an eye on advancing the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement, a regional agreement among the United States and eight other nations, Rep. Tim Huelskamp recently hosted His Excellency Nguyen Quoc Cuong, ambassador of Vietnam to the United States, at the Brylin Farm, a swine finishing facility near Washington, Kansas.

The TPP originated in the Bush administration and is being advanced by President Obama. "It's extremely positive for the pork industry," said Nicholas Giordano of the National Pork Producers Council. "We always benefit from trade and exports increase with trade agreements." He cited a report by Dermot Hayes of Iowa State University that forecasts an \$8 million potential market in Vietnam within ten years if tariffs and non-tariff barriers were eliminated. "That really grabbed the attention of the NPP board members," Giordano said.

Pork is the number one meat consumed in Asia and they are currently experiencing record prices. "We can make the

case for domestic products and imports. It's in everybody's best interest to develop the market," he continued. "Their government has an interest in affordable meat."

For the Ambassador, it's not just the affordability of the meat he's concerned with. "I needed to see with my own eyes how the production here goes on, and make sure the pork being imported meets our safety and hygiene requirements," he said. He went on to say that he was pleased with what he had seen.

The Ambassador's wife, Luan Thuy Dzuong, who is counselor of congressional affairs at the Embassy of Vietnam, was also traveling with him. While Vietnam does have large pork facilities, she noted that their technology isn't as advanced as that in the United States when it comes to controlling temperatures in the facility as well as automatic feed and waterers. She believes the two countries can work together in providing a safe product to the Vietnamese people. "We don't see that we are competitive, but we can be complementary to each other," she said.

Representative Sharon Schwartz, herself part of a pork-producing family, was also on hand for the visit. "There is an opportunity for a lot of people to make money in the pork industry," she stated.

Huelskamp viewed the visit as a chance to showcase the many products Kansas has to offer. "They were impressed with the variety of agriculture we have," he said. "Their population is growing at about 1 million people per year and we'd like to help feed them. I think we can."

Overcoming the non-tariff barriers related to animal welfare and sanitation issues was also a goal of the visit. "I think they were impressed with the cleanliness of the facility and how we treat the animals," he said. "Now he can go back and tell the prime minister, 'Hey, I've walked through a hog farm and you wouldn't believe how clean it looks.'"

"I'm confident that given the opportunity to compete, Kansas producers can outsell anyone," Huelskamp concluded. "We're ready to sell if they're ready to buy. Washington needs to help facilitate that."

## Roberts hosts ag committee chairwoman Stabenow for Farm Bill field hearing in Wichita

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

Crop insurance and conservation programs were two items that witnesses at the Farm Bill hearing held August 25 in Wichita strongly believe need to be

protected and preserved. Sen. Pat Roberts hosted Senate Ag Committee chairwoman Debbie Stabenow for this second field hearing, after having attended the first one in her home state of Michigan back in May. "He (Roberts) and I have worked closely together on a number of issues," Stabenow said. "And I look forward to continuing that work as we strengthen Farm Bill programs and find common-sense solutions that not only address the needs of our farmers, but that also help put our country on better financial footing for years to come."

Roberts called agriculture the backbone of Kansas' economy with approximately \$15 billion worth of sales according to USDA's most recent census. "Each year Kansans plant nearly 23 million acres to a variety of crops like wheat, grain sorghum, corn, sunflowers, cotton and even potatoes," he said. "As we prepare for

the reauthorization of the Farm Bill, it is important for us to begin by listening to these producers. Those with dirt under their fingernails provide the best perspective on the effectiveness of government regulations and programs."

From floods in the northeast to severe drought in central and western Kansas, Roberts pointed out that this year has been a case in point for the need for a strong safety net through crop insurance. "Without an adequate safety net many producers will struggle to secure operating loans and lines of credit to cover input and equipment costs." Referring to the need for agriculture to double its output to meet growing global population demands, Roberts continued, "We need those producers to stay in business if we're going to meet this global challenge and do so in a way that protects our most valuable resource... our future generations."

"Some folks question the need for a Farm Bill with commodity prices where they are today," he said. "I don't have to tell his crowd that prices can fall much more quickly than they rise."

Steve Baccus of Kansas Farm Bureau urged Congress to preserve crop insurance from impending budget cuts. "We have greatly appreciated recent efforts by RMA to address the concerns of producers surrounding issues such as limited irrigation policies, spring planted crops, and a host of other issues," he said. "The agency has become a valuable partner to the industry and we look forward to the opportunity to continue to work with them. That relationship can only continue if cuts to crop insurance programs are off the table."

Karl Esping with the Kansas Sunflower Commission agreed. "As you look at priorities in this new Farm Bill, please consider that

producers still need a safety net for crop failure and disaster. Crop insurance has been and still is the best tool for these situations."

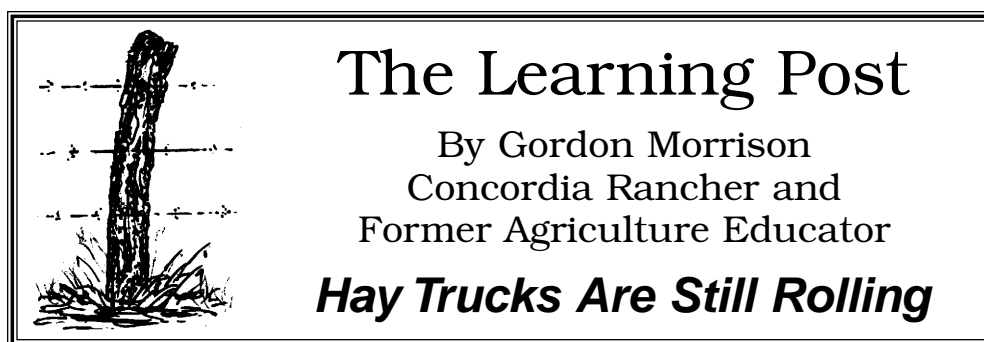
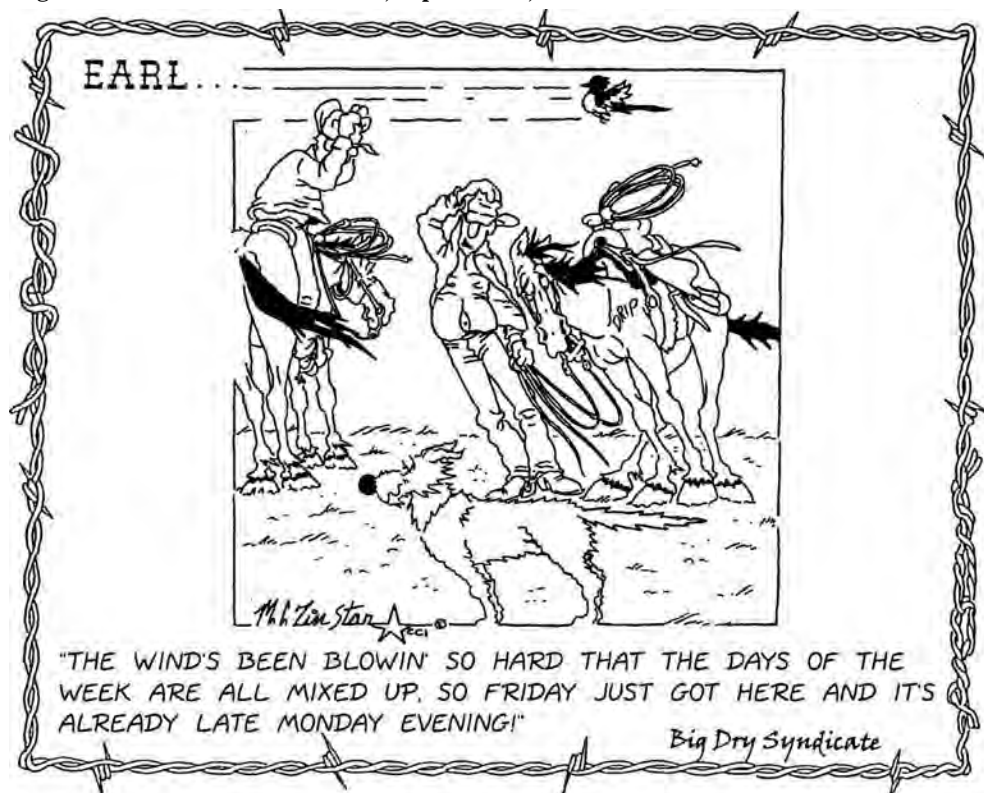
"Kansas corn farmers have purchased federal crop insurance for over 4 million acres of corn, that's about 80% of our corn acres," said Kenneth McCauley of the Kansas Corn Growers. "Weather here is unpredictable, with droughts, storms, hailstorms and wind. That's why Kansas farmers rely on a strong and viable crop insurance program."

Conservation practices that some believe may well have prevented another Dust Bowl during recent severe drought conditions in the state were another item witnesses hoped to see spared from significant cuts. Ronald Brown, president of the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts and member of the Board of Directors for the National Association of Conservation Districts, asked that Con-

gress at least maintain conservation funding levels as set by the 2008 Farm Bill. "Kansas farmers and ranchers understand all too well the frustration and sense of futility that their predecessors felt when the lack of rainfall in the thirties turned the Great Plains into a giant Dust Bowl," he said. "But the key difference between the Dirty Thirties and today is the improved farming and soil conservation practices that prevent wind erosion and keep the Great Plains from experiencing the dust storms that plagued the area back then."

"We know that our programs face budget pressure... and they should," Roberts said. "The federal debt and deficit are out of control. All USDA programs should be under consideration in a budget review and the agriculture committee with the best experience and knowledge of those programs should lead in that effort."





On any given day when we drive to town on Highway 81, we will see a half-dozen big trucks loaded with bales of hay on the road and headed south. Cattlemen in the dry, parched lands south of here, especially in Texas and Oklahoma, are having to buy costly hay in order to keep their herds. Some cannot afford to buy the hay, which puts them in a precarious position and leaves some with no other option than to sell their herds or at least sell down.

Grazing conditions in southwestern Kansas and on into Colorado aren't much better. We had a firsthand look on our return trip home from our vacation in Colorado. Dry land crops and pastures looked pretty sad, indeed, even as we continued east into the Great Bend area. While the rains in the north central part of Kansas have been spotty, we still have received some life-giving moisture in the nick of time so that crops here in general look pretty good and in some areas are excellent where more rain has fallen.

I wondered how my cousin who has a ranch in southeastern Colorado was faring, so I inquired about the conditions there. Thinking that his comments might be of interest to you readers, I am including some of them here. The following is part of his reply: "Early on, things were rather tough. We had to feed hay until about the first part of July. Up until then we were going to the sale barn with about a load of cows and calves each week. We were luckier than many because we were in a spot that caught 2.2 inches of rain. I also found some grass pasture up around Burlington. The boys (his sons) took lots of their cows and calves up there, and I took a load. We feel pretty lucky because pasture was so hard to find. I had called about everyone I had ever bought bulls from, starting in Oshkosh, Neb. and various places on south. Lots of cattle from this part of the country went to Wyoming. But pasture is so high that even with high cattle prices the cost of it, along with hay feed and cake, will sure knock the profit down.

"The sale barns are packed with cattle for sale. I don't know where all these cows are going; but I was talk-

ing with two truckers loaded with \$220 hay headed for Texas, and they said the auction barns in south Texas are telling ranchers to hold their cows as long as they can because some of the auctions have been getting 10,000 head a week and they can't handle all of them. Another fellow I talked to had just come up from Austin, and he said it looked like desert all the way with not one green spot.

"As for the size of the drought, this one might cover more country, but for us, the big drought of 1950 was worse. That year we shipped 900 pairs to Oshkosh, Neb. That was quite an undertaking, and then when the last truck pulled out of here, it started raining here and quit raining in Oshkosh shortly, so the cattle left here on the ranch did better than the ones we shipped north. Dad just laughed about that.

"Then in 1982 it dried out again, and I found a 20,000-acre ranch just north of here about 60 miles and we took 500 pairs off the ranch and summered and wintered them up there. Of course the granddaddy of all droughts in my lifetime was the 'Dirty Thirties,' during the big Depression, when no one could make a dollar. That's when Dad and his brothers trailed about 1,800 head to your Flint Hills. I think they did this two different times. Some of the cattle left here were just starving, and the government bought lots of them for a dollar or two a head and shot them."

Being reminded of serious droughts in times past and being aware of the dry conditions south and west of us now make me appreciate where I am today. We complain about the heat and sometimes the lack of rain, but considering the difficult situations in other places, we are blessed.

When we listen to the national news to hear about all the flooding in the Northeast brought on by the hurricane, I wonder which is worse: being too dry or being flooded. While there is cause for concern, we must learn not to fear but to trust our creator who made this earth to see us through the difficult times. Just as the ranch I mentioned has survived the rough times to the fourth generation, you and I can make it, too, when times get hard.



By John Schlageck,  
Kansas Farm Bureau

It seems people outside agriculture routinely try to define the family farm. In our contemporary society this means people one or two generations removed from the land live in sprawling suburbia.

Today, men and women whose great-grandfathers or grandfathers worked the fields with mules and horses, progressed to tractors and are now using GPS, sit behind desks and computers serving a public they rarely, or never, see or know.

The world as we knew it a few short years ago is different today. Computers, smart phones and our entire way of communication has changed the way we live and work. Social media has replaced traditional sources of learning and made our world smaller and in some ways more constrained.

Considering these factors and many more too numerous to mention, let's take a look at the family farm. Today's contemporary farm needs to be based on owner operation. This

means the rights and responsibilities of ownership are vested in an entrepreneur who works the farm for a living.

The second key in defining the family farm system should include independence. Independence is defined as financing from within its own resources using family labor, management and intellect to build equity and cash flow that will retire the mortgage, preferably in the lifetime of the owner.

Economic dispersion is the next important step in defining what a family farm should entail. Economic dispersion would include large numbers of efficient-sized farms operating with equal access to competitive markets worldwide.

No family farm would be complete without a family core. This family-centered operation must have a family that lives its life in harmony within the workplace. All family members share responsibilities and the children learn the vocation of their parents.

The ideal family farm would be commercially di-

versified. Production of diversified commodities should help reduce price risks and maximize the use of farm resources to produce crops and livestock that would, in turn, provide greater self-sufficiency.

One final attribute necessary in defining today's family farm would be the acceptance and use of innovative technology. This should not only enhance farm labor but also help boost production.

Family farming carries with it a commitment to specific, independent values. These values become a part of the community and include conservation, frugality, responsibility, honesty, dignity in work, neighborliness, self-reliance and concern and care for future generations.

While it's rare indeed that one particular family farm may possess all of these attributes, together they have created a system of agriculture that has been a part of our rural culture since this nation's beginning.

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## KAEP exhibit at Kansas State Fair focuses on ethanol production

A focus on ethanol promotion is the theme of the Kansas Association of Ethanol Processors' (KAEP) 2011 Kansas State Fair exhibit. A wide range of educational materials will be available to help increase public awareness of the benefits of ethanol.

"Kansans are proud of the economic impact that agriculture has on the state, and this is an effective way for us to communicate the message that ethanol is an important part of our alternative energy mix," Tom Tunnell, KAEP president & CEO, said.

Located in the Pride of Kansas Building, the exhibit will feature a visual

display of the ethanol production process from grain to fuel. Information on E85 fueling stations in Kansas, flex fuel vehicles on the market and where ethanol plants are located in the state will also be available.

As the opening day sponsor of the fair, KAEP will also be holding a raffle drawing for a \$100 Kwik Shop gas card on Friday, September 9, and \$50 Kwik Shop gas cards each following day of the fair.



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# Drought-stressed corn needs timely harvest to avoid stalk lodging, ear drop

Much of the dryland corn crop currently being harvested in southeast and south central Kansas has been subjected to severe drought stress during a good portion of the growing season, said Kraig Roozeboom, K-State Research and Extension crop production specialist. Under these conditions, harvest may present some challenges.

"Where corn has been under drought stress, there is increased likelihood for stalk lodging and dropped ears, among other concerns. In this situation, it is especially important that corn is harvested in a timely manner and with a well-adjusted combine," Roozeboom said.

Droughty conditions, especially during grain fill, can predispose corn to a number of stalk rots, which in turn may result in stalk lodging, said Doug Jardine, K-State Research and Extension plant pathologist.

"Stalk lodging in corn occurs when the stalk weakens and breaks at some point below the ear. We often find stalk rot disease organisms — such as charcoal rot, Fusarium, Gibberella, anthracnose, and others — on corn with stalk lodging," Jardine said.

Although stalk rot is often the ultimate cause of lodging, in most cases, the stalk rot diseases were only able to infect the plants because other factors predisposed the plants to disease infection,

he said. Such factors include:

- **Hybrid differences in stalk strength or stalk rot susceptibility.** Some hybrids have genetically stronger stalks than others.

- **Poor root growth and other stresses.** Cold, waterlogged soils early in the season; severe drought; and soil compaction all can result in small, inadequate root systems. In such cases, the roots may not provide enough water and nutrients to support carbohydrate production. When carbohydrate production is below normal during any part of the growing season, the ears will continue to take what they need during grain fill, which can leave the stalks depleted even under average yield conditions.

- **Poor leaf health.** Any factor that results in poor leaf health will reduce carbohydrate production during the season. If overall carbohydrate reserves in the plants are low when grain fill begins, stalk integrity may suffer as the available supply of carbohydrates moves into grain production. Stay green characteristics in hybrids are highly correlated to stalk rot resistance and reduced lodging.

- **High populations.** Plants can become tall and thin when populations are too high, which can result in thin stalks with inadequate strength. Plant-to-plant competition for light, nutrients, and water enhances the competition for carbohydrates between

the stalk and ear within the plant, thus reducing the vigor of the cells in the stalk and predisposing them to invasion by stalk rot.

- **Nutrient imbalances and/or deficiencies predispose corn plants to stalk rot and stalk lodging.** Both potassium and chloride deficiency have been shown to reduce stalk quality and strength, and stalk rot resistance. High nitrogen levels coupled with low potassium levels increase the amount of premature stalk death, and create an ideal situation for stalk rot and lodging. Soil chloride levels should be maintained above 20 pounds per acre.

- **Corn rootworm and corn borers.** Damage caused by corn rootworm and the European corn borer can predispose the corn plant to invasion by stalk rotting organisms, as well as lead to outright yield loss.

- **Mid-season hail damage.** Similar to the damage caused by insects, the physical damage caused by mid-season hail can set up the plant for invasion by stalk rotting organisms. Stalk bruising and the resulting internal damage may also physically weaken corn stalks, making them more likely to lodge later in the season.

Ear drop is another concern where corn has been under drought stress, Jardine said.

"The ear shank (stem that attaches the cob to the stalk) may not develop normally in stressed condi-

tions," he said. "Also, rapid drydown may result in brittle tissue where the ear attaches."

A "pinched shank" or constriction on one side of the shank may occur in some cases, he added. "This is usually associated with missing kernels at the base of the ear on the same side as the pinch," he said.

With these problems, there can be hybrid differences, Jardine said. Some

hybrids may have a smaller-diameter shank attachment.

Ear drop may also be due to disease organisms, he added.

"Fusarium stalk rot (pink stalk rot) may infect the ear shank, causing deterioration of the tissues and greater numbers of dropped ears," Jardine said.

Other concerns with drought-damaged corn include low test weights and

aflatoxin, Roozeboom said. If aflatoxin levels are high, storage may be a concern, Jardine said.

"Aflatoxin levels may increase in storage if the corn is held very long at moisture levels above 14 percent," he added. "Growers intending storage for more than a week or two should have their corn tested for aflatoxin. Corn testing above 100 parts per billion should probably not be stored long-term."



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**Loretta Shepard, Helena, Oklahoma, Wins Grass & Grain Contest Prize**

Winner Loretta Shepard, Helena, Okla.:  
**EASY CUCUMBER PICKLES**

3 large cucumbers, sliced thin  
1 large onion, sliced thin  
1 large green pepper, sliced  
1 tablespoon salt  
1 teaspoon celery salt  
Mix together and stir. Let stand for 1 hour then drain.  
3/4 cup sugar  
1/2 cup vinegar  
Stir sugar and vinegar together until sugar is dissolved. Pour over cucumbers. Cover and refrigerate. Will keep for 3 weeks.

Melissa Byrd, Independence, Mo.:

**CHICKEN, SAUSAGE & PASTA BAKE**  
12-ounce package fully cooked chicken & apple sausage  
3 quarts water  
2 1/2 cups uncooked penne pasta  
2 tablespoons flour  
1 1/2 cups milk  
2 tablespoons ground mustard  
1 teaspoon ground dried sage  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
1 cup shredded Swiss cheese

Set oven at 350 degrees Heat sausage according to package directions; cut into 1/2-inch pieces. In a saucepan bring 3 quarts water to a boil over medium-high heat. Add pasta and cook for 7 minutes or until almost tender. Drain, reserving 1/2 cup cooking liquid. Wipe sausage clean with a paper towel. Sprinkle flour

in saucepan. Gradually whisk in milk and reserved 1/2 cup liquid. Bring to a boil, whisking constantly over medium heat. Cook whisking for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in mustard, sage, salt and pepper. Add sausage and pasta. Spoon mixture into a 2-quart baking dish. Cover and bake 20 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Uncover and sprinkle with cheese. Bake uncovered 5 minutes or until cheese melts.

Fred Engler, El Dorado: "This may seem difficult to make but you will easily get the hang of these after making the first time. Very good with hot tea!"

**HONEY CREAM PECAN CINNAMON ROLLS**  
Topping:  
1/3 cup honey  
2/3 cup white sugar  
1 cup heavy whipping cream  
1 cup chopped pecans, divided

**Rolls:**  
3 to 3 1/2 cups flour  
1/4 cup white sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon dry yeast  
1 cup very warm water (120-130 degrees)  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 egg, beaten

**Filling:**  
1/4 cup white sugar  
2 tablespoons cinnamon  
1/4 cup butter, softened or butter-flavored shortening

In a small bowl blend honey, sugar and whipping cream. Divide in half and pour each half into a 9-inch round baking pan. Sprinkle 1/2 cup of chopped pecans evenly in each pan and set aside. In a large bowl combine 1 1/2 cups flour and next six roll ingredients. Blend with hand mixer on low speed then beat for 3 minutes on medium speed. Stir in 1 1/2 to 2 cups flour to make a stiff dough. On a floured board knead one minute. Pat out dough and roll out into a 15-by-7-inch rectangle. Put filling on dough by spreading butter or shortening with a pastry brush within 1/2-inch of edges. Mix cinnamon and sugar and sprinkle on dough. Starting at longer side, roll up dough tightly and seal edge. Cut into 16 to 20 1-inch slices and place on cream

and pecans mixture in pans. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Cover rolls with loose plastic wrap and let rise in a warm place until double in size, about 35 to 45 minutes. Bake about 20 to 25 minutes until tops are light brown. Cool in pans 15 minutes. Turn out upside down on a large china or paper plates. Remove any cream and pecan mixture still in pan and spread on top of rolls.

Ann Boltz, Circleville: "These four ingredients are the entire recipe!"

**EZ PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES**  
1 cup sugar  
1 cup peanut butter  
1 egg  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Mix together. Make walnut-size balls and roll in sugar and flatten with glass or fork. Bake at 350 degrees until golden.

Mary Longren, Holton: "If you like carrots, you will enjoy this salad."

**COPPER CARROT SALAD**  
2 pounds carrots  
1 green pepper  
1 medium onion  
1 can tomato soup  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 cup salad oil  
1 cup sugar

3/4 cup vinegar  
1 teaspoon prepared mustard  
Salt & pepper to taste  
Slice carrots and cook in salted water until tender but still crispy. Cool and drain. Alternate carrots, sliced green pepper and onions. Heat other ingredients and bring to a boil. Pour over vegetables and refrigerate until chilled.

Mary Rogers, Topeka: **FOOTBALL GAME SNACK**  
3 quarts popped popcorn  
1 1/2 cups cashews  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup honey  
1/2 cup light corn syrup  
1 cup creamy peanut butter  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Toss popped popcorn and cashews in a large roaster pan; keep warm in a 250-degree oven. In a heavy pan combine sugar, honey and corn syrup. Bring to a rapid boil over medium heat, stirring constantly; boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in peanut butter and vanilla. Immediately pour over popcorn mixture, stirring to coat thoroughly. Spread on greased aluminum foil to cool. Break into bite-size pieces. Makes 5 quarts.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Okla.:

**CHICKEN CASSEROLE**  
(2) 8.8-ounce pouches, ready-to-serve Uncle Ben's Ready Serve Rice Pilaf  
16-ounce jar Alfredo sauce  
8-ounce container sour cream  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon curry powder  
(2) 14-ounce bags frozen baby broccoli florets, thawed & drained  
2 cups chopped cooked chicken  
2/3 cup Parmesan cheese  
Dash black pepper  
Dash paprika

Set oven to broil. Spray a 13-by-9-inch baking dish with spray. Heat rice according to package directions for 2 pouches. In a large skillet add rice, Alfredo sauce, sour cream, lemon juice, curry, broccoli and chicken. Cook stirring often over medium-high heat for 10 minutes. Spoon into pan. Top evenly with cheese. Sprinkle with paprika and pepper. Broil 3 inches from heat for up to 2 minutes or until lightly browned.

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**Kellee Rogers, Topeka:**  
**ASIAN CHICKEN NOODLE SALAD**

- 1 package ramen noodles (discard seasoning packet)
- 14-ounce package coleslaw blend mix
- 2 cups shredded cooked chicken breasts (can use rotisserie chicken)
- 1/3 cup peanuts
- 4 green onions, diagonally sliced
- 1/2 cup sesame dressing
- 1 tablespoon creamy peanut butter

Break noodles into small pieces in large bowl. Add slaw, chicken, onions and nuts; mix lightly. Beat dressing and peanut butter with whisk until blended. Add to salad and toss.

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**Sandy Hill, Eskridge:**  
**DELICIOUS VEGETABLE MEDLEY**

- 1 cup broccoli florets
- 1 cup cucumber, sliced
- 1 yellow pepper, sliced
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved
- 3/4 cup carrots, sliced
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
- 1/2 cup Italian dressing
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

Combine first 6 ingredients in a large bowl. Mix together dressing and mustard in a separate bowl then pour over vegetables. Cover and refrigerate 2 hours to marinate. Serves 8.

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**Millie Conger, Tecumseh:**  
**BROCCOLI GRAPE & PASTA SALAD**

- 1 cup pecans, chopped
- 1/2 of a 16-ounce package bow tie pasta
- 1 pound fresh broccoli
- 1 cup mayonnaise

- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup diced red onion
- 1/3 cup red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups seedless red grapes, halved
- 8 cooked bacon slices, crumbled

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake pecans in a single layer in a shallow pan for 5-7 minutes or until lightly toasted and fragrant, stirring halfway through. Prepare pasta. Cut broccoli florets from stems and separate florets into small pieces using tip of a paring knife. Peel away tough outer layer of stems and finely chop stems. Stir mayonnaise and next 4 ingredients in a large bowl; add broccoli, hot cooked pasta and grapes and stir to coat. Cover and chill 3 hours. Stir bacon and pecans into salad just before serving.

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**Kellee Rogers, Topeka:**  
**CHERRY ALMOND BARS**

- 3 tablespoons butter
- 10-ounce package regular marshmallows
- 1/2 cup dried tart cherries, snipped
- 1/2 cup toasted slivered almonds
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In a pan, melt butter over low heat. Add the marshmallows to saucepan. Stir and heat until melted. Stir in cherries and almonds. Fold in cereals. Turn mixture into buttered 13-by-9-inch pan. Press evenly into pan using buttered hands. Cool and cut into bars.

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- 1 small ripe, slightly soft mango, peeled & pitted
- 1 cup Greek yogurt
- 1/4 teaspoon cumin
- Pinch cayenne pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon lime juice

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 cups large chicken breasts, precooked & sliced, seasoned with salt & pepper to taste
- 1 cup shredded romaine lettuce
- 1 tablespoon freshly chopped cilantro
- 1 small ripe, slightly soft mango, peeled, pitted and cubed
- 4 large flour tortillas

For the sauce: Place the mango, yogurt, cumin and cayenne in a blender and blend together well. Add 1 tablespoon water to thin the mixture if necessary. Refrigerate until ready to use.

To prepare the wrap filling: In a small bowl, whisk together the garlic, salt, lime juice and olive oil. Pour over chicken and lettuce in a large bowl. Fold in the cilantro and mango.

To finish the wrap: Place the tortilla on a clear work space. Spread 1 tablespoon sauce over the wrap. Next, scoop 1/2 to 3/4 cup of the mango chicken salad in the center, fold up both sides and roll up. Repeat with remaining tortillas. Serve with remaining sauce on the side.

Serving Suggestions: Serve with baked chips. Turn leftovers into a quesadilla by adding your favorite cheese and melting, or serve as a simple salad without tortillas.



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# Farm Aid draws 18,000 to concert, events to honor family farmers

**By Lucas Shivers**  
A rare 80-degree summer afternoon gave way to a cool full-moonlit night for the Farm Aid 2011 concert and farmers market at LIVE-STRONG Sporting Park in Kansas City on August 13. Featuring a line-up of more than a dozen top-name musicians, the benefit concert and accompanying Homegrown Village delighted more than 18,000 Farm Aid supporters.

"Farm Aid is like Thanksgiving: The Concert," Jason Mraz, an international musician, said. "We bring together people from all over to hear stories behind our food and honor the family farmer. There is magic to growing something and eating local food. It's a powerful medicine to know where food comes from." An avocado farmer in California, Mraz joined thousands of farmers from across the nation for the 26th annual concert to raise awareness for America's family farmer.

"Every time you shop for food, you're voting with your dollars to give the joy, passion and personal touch to family-farm producers," said Scott Murray, community farmer from California. "We encourage everyone to take responsibility for the food supply and give power back to the family farmer."

**Grassroots Initiatives**  
Farm Aid offers small grants to family farmers, community projects and political action initiatives. Although a minor part of Farm Aid's actions stir politics, the concert event honors farmers and ranchers of all



Neil Young, John Mellencamp, Willie Nelson and Carolyn Mugar raise a banner for family farmers at a pre-concert press conference. Photos by Rachel Shivers

creeds who supply healthy food to the tables of the world. "[Farm Aid] is about the independence and freedom of the American farmer," said Gail Stockton, a rancher from central Montana. Mike Callicrate, a cattle producer from Colorado, said he wants people to know where their food comes from and find a connection back to the farm. Creating direct outlets for his beef, Callicrate sells directly to schools, restaurants and his own retail store with sales up 30% from last year. "We have to build honest food systems," Callicrate said. "We're making some progress by getting into four school systems last year and 11 this year, putting good ground beef on the trays of kids. We also stock area restaurants like Chipotle."

**Raising a Banner**  
Several of the musicians spoke out about their passion to encourage family farmers. Neil Young, a

founder and Canadian artist, said, "(Farm Aid) will stay together to fight (with family farmers) and create a spirit of moving forward as one to keep food clean and pure."

Young said Farm Aid wants to be around for a long time to continue to educate farmers and customers. Artist and founder John Mellencamp said, "Don't settle for something you don't want. I see this country doing this over and over, from food to politics."

Dave Matthews, singer and songwriter, bought land near Charlottesville, Va., to enable young farmers to have access to affordable cropland and to create a hub of education.

"I bring kids out to the farm to focus on opportunities," Matthews said. "You should see the eyes opening and the hope of a teenager digging in the dirt, saying 'These are the best days of my life.' If we can create our

own food systems, we can save our communities."

**Local Successes**  
Farm Aid supports many local projects with grants and start-up costs. At the event in the Homegrown Village, all products - from corn dog vendors to fresh peaches - were supplied from local food sources in Kansas and Missouri. Diana Endicott, Good Natured Family Farms marketing coordinator, delivers food from 160 independent family farms across the Kansas City metro area to urban 'food deserts' and high-end grocery stores like Hen House and Price Chopper. "Our networks and partnerships with family farms benefit everyone," Endicott said. "We support family-operated grocery stores to provide us market access to keep products with integrity, quality and consistency."

Selling more than \$7 million of produce in 2010, Good Natured serves consumers with high-quality, safe food. Without this cooperative, individual farms could not access these opportunities. "90% of food in the U.S. is sold in supermarkets so consumers need information," Endicott said. "We give knowledge to the masses by working with one consumer and one item at the time."

Good Nature also partners with private businesses, government agencies, faith-based groups, nonprofit organizations and individuals to sell and distribute products to populations without access to fresh foods.

"We get good food to the center of the urban core, not just suburban Johnson County," Endicott said. "Employees from several companies, like Hallmark and Children's Mercy Hospital, pick up bags of fresh

work one-on-one with international refugees to grow food to feed themselves and generate income for their families and feed the community they care about."

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Willie Nelson performs as the final act at Farm Aid 2011.

produce in their parking lots with a small deduction from their paychecks. This is our home, and we want to support it." Farm Aid helps fund the nine-acre Juniper Gardens Training Farm in the heart of Kansas City, said Cathy Bylinowski, program manager of Cultivate Kansas City. "We work with locals who want to transform their neighborhood and bring local food back to where they live, play and shop," Bylinowski said. "We

ture, Bylinowski said there is a new face in American farming. Refugees, most of whom have roots in agriculture dating back generations, work with their communities and assert a strong presence to move forward in a new revolution.

"We are a force," Farm Aid director Carolyn Mugar said. "By joining with everyone, we can be the inspiration to transform. Farm Aid wants to recognize the tenacity of farmers."

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# Wisconsin family farmers, music industry and Farm Aid band together to help drought-stricken Oklahoma farmers

Trucks carrying hay donated by Wisconsin farmers arrived last week in Oklahoma City to assist farmers and ranchers devastated by drought in the area. The plan came together at the annual Farm Aid concert, held Saturday, August 13, in Kansas City, Kan., where farmers shared stories of parched farmland and starved livestock.

"Farmers come to the Farm Aid concert from all over the country, and the natural disasters that have affected farmers this year were a common theme. Oklahoma farmers said their region had such terrible drought that many farmers and ranchers could not feed their herds and had no

choice but to sell their animals," said Joel Morton, Farm Aid's Farm Advocate. "That's when the idea came together — farmers with hay would donate to farmers in need and Farm Aid would find a way to provide transportation."

The haylift is possible through the generosity of family farmers seeking to do what they can to help their fellow farmers. Wisconsin-based Family Farm Defenders put the call out for hay donations and farmers stepped up to the plate to deliver. Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund also took direct part in planning the haylift. The hay will be delivered to the Oklahoma

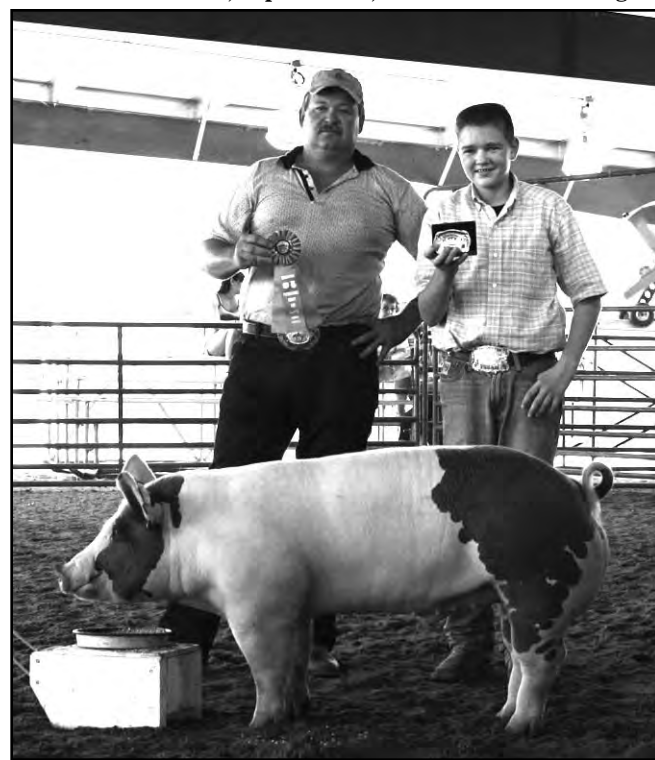
Black Historical Research Project, which is coordinating distribution.

"We've had fifty-two days straight of 100-degree weather and we just plain need hay," said Willard Tillman, executive director of the Oklahoma Black Historical Research Project. "We deeply appreciate the help and look forward to returning the favor should Wisconsin farmers ever be in trouble."

Also immediately answering the call to help family farmers are the professionals who produced the Farm Aid concert. Charlie Hernandez, Farm Aid's 2011 concert production manager, is the founder of Just a Bunch of Roadies, a coalition of companies and indi-

viduals in the live touring industry formed in 2010 in response to the Haiti earthquake. Within hours of receiving Farm Aid's request for transportation, Hernandez had secured two trucks donated by Shomotion LLC, a company providing specialized transportation and logistics solutions for touring acts and special event production.

Other parts of the U.S. have been drastically impacted by drought and Farm Aid hopes this will be the first of a number of haylifts. If you would like to donate, or have hay or transportation to make available, please contact Farm Aid at (617) 354-2922 or farmhelp@farmaid.org.



Ethan Sylvester drove the champion swine at the Pottawatomie County Fair.

# EPA identifies the Tuttle WRAPS plan as one of the best in the nation

Kansas' plan for its Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) at the Lower Big Blue/Lower Little Blue (LBB/LLB) River watershed is considered one of the best plans of its kind in the nation, according to a report by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Watershed Management Section was responsible for developing a plan to divert phosphorus, total suspended solids and atrazine away from Tuttle Creek Lake, the flood control reservoir in Kansas to which the transboundary LBB/LLB watershed drains.

The watershed starts in Nebraska and drains into Tuttle Creek Lake in Riley and Pottawatomie counties. While the plan only

addresses the Kansas portion of the watershed, the EPA commented that it was overall an excellent watershed-based plan.

"The watershed planning process is an important step in watershed management with the end goal being achievement of water quality standards for high priority water bodies," said KDHE secretary Robert Moser, MD. "This plan is a perfect example of how national program requirements aimed at protecting and restoring waters of Kansas can be achieved, while balancing the needs and interests of the local citizens in which the plan is intended to serve."

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# Gerrish shares grazing expertise with Kansas producers at Beef Fest

By Mark Parker

When Jim Gerrish looks at a pasture, he sees a giant solar panel harvesting sunlight to grow forage for grazing animals.

"If you think of every acre you manage as a 43,560-square foot solar panel, you'll begin to see how you can improve your operation," the nationally known grazing expert told more than 130 people at the recent Flint Hills Beef Fest in Emporia.

The event was one of five grazing workshops produced across the state by the Kansas Rural Center with a grant awarded by USDA's Risk Management Agency. Co-sponsors were the Kansas Farmers Union, the Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition, Kansas SARE and Flint Hills Beef Fest. Approximately 350 people participated in the workshop series.

Gerrish, known for his pioneering work in management intensive grazing at the University of Missouri and, more recently, as a



Jim Gerrish talks to cattlemen at the Flint Hills Beef Fest about thinking of their pastures as huge solar panels to begin improving their management practices.

Photo by Donna Sullivan

grazing manager and consultant, challenged the cattlemen and women to be more efficient in capturing solar energy and managing the water and soil nutrients that fuel forage growth. Green, growing leaves, he pointed out, maximize photosynthesis while bare ground and brown plants do not capture solar energy.

"It takes grass to grow

grass," emphasized Gerrish, who now operates out of May, Idaho. "Grazing too short is the biggest cause of lost pasture... when you take off too much leaf, you have less leaf area for photosynthesis, you'll have less roots and it will take much longer to get back to grazeable grass."

Controlled grazing is the beef producer's best sun,

soil and water management tool, he said, adding that the forage left behind when cows leave a paddock is the most important consideration. "The residual forage impacts not only regrowth but the soil organisms that cycle nutrients, water infiltration and runoff, and root development."

In a controlled grazing system, Gerrish suggested that graziers consider three phases of grass growth. Phase I grass is highly nutritious but does not provide cattle with "a big enough bite" to provide the quantity of nutrition needed. Phase III is mature, dried grass with plenty of quantity but poor quality. Rather than using grass height as a de-

cidating factor, Gerrish advised that cattle should enter a paddock at the early stages of phase II and exit toward the end of that phase, providing a quality-quantity compromise and leaving adequate leaf area for regrowth. Phase II, he explained, begins when grass has three full leaves and ends when it has five leaves and is entering the boot stage.

Gerrish added that, the shorter the grazing period, the more times cattle cycle through the system and that results in higher forage utilization efficiency as well as greater opportunity for profit.

"The more pounds of beef per acre, the lower

your cost is per pound as long as that increase comes from management and not from purchased inputs," he said. "There's nothing wrong with purchased inputs if your management allows you to capitalize a return from them. Done right, though, controlled grazing offers you your biggest opportunity to make more dollars."

That opportunity, he said, exists because money spent on feeding cows — especially during winter — represents beef producers' biggest cost by far. Management intensive grazing, Gerrish asserted, can dramatically reduce costs by greatly reducing or even eliminating the need for hay.

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"It's not just about grazing more cows," Gerrish said. "You can probably make the biggest impact by being able to graze the same number of cows more days of the year."

Stockpiling forage for winter grazing and increasing plant diversity to extend the grazing season, he said, can virtually eliminate the use of mechanically harvested forage. Pointing out that cattlemen from Minnesota to Mississippi feed hay about 130 days a year, Gerrish said reliance on hay has little to do with weather and more to do with not having a plan for adequate year-round standing forage.

Other key points in Gerrish's presentation included:

- Healthy grasslands must be utilized. Because the grassland ecosystem evolved with grazing animals, most grass species require grazing to remain healthy and productive.

- On native range, water development may be the most powerful grazing management tool if water location results in too much travel time for cattle or impacts grazing distribution.

- On high rainfall area improved pastures, weekly rotation increases grazing efficiency to 50-60%, 3-5 days to 60-70%, and 1-2 days to 80-90% compared to about 30-50% for continuous grazing scenarios.

- Grassland recovery periods vary with stage of growth and conditions but tallgrass prairie sites require significantly more recovery time than cool season pastures.

- "The cow lives on her dinner plate." The longer a cow is in a given area, the more forage is lost due to

fouling, camping, trampling and over-grazing.

- Legumes like red clover, alsike and birdsfoot trefoil need about 55 days to rest and reseed. Native grasses need a longer recovery period than tame cool season grasses.

- Most grasses have only about five days of stored carbon so regrowth is determined by the amount of leaf area remaining after grazing.

- A week-long grazing period can result in "roller coaster" diets and inconsistent intake because when cattle enter they consume a high amount of good forage but are down to maintenance quality and quantity by the end of the period. "If you're going to do it," Gerrish said, "make grazing periods three days or less."

- A grazing system must make sense both economically and biologically in order to be sustainable.

- Approximately 57% of the variation in average beef herd profitability is due to feed cost while differences in weaning weights accounts for less than 5%. "If you don't deal with feed costs," Gerrish said, "nothing else matters."

- Grazing management is more important to weaning weight than a cow's milk production because, at three months of age, calves rely more on grazing than milk for nutrition.

- Sampling and testing dormant winter forage can save money by determining whether or not supplemental nutrition is needed.

- Winter is a great time for strip grazing because, left to make her own grazing decisions, the cow will consume the best forage first, leaving only trampled, weathered forage toward the end of the season. "Make 'em eat the good, the bad and the ugly," Gerrish said.

"Strip grazing on three-day intervals is like feeding a protein supplement every three days because they enter a paddock with higher quality than the one they just left."

- Cows will graze through snow but only if there is adequate forage beneath the snow and not a mere three or four inches of grass.

Interest in optimizing pasture return and productivity ran high at the Emporia event as beef producers took advantage of the opportunity to question Gerrish about how management intensive grazing principles relate to their individual situations.

More information on Gerrish is available at [www.americangrazinglands.com](http://www.americangrazinglands.com).



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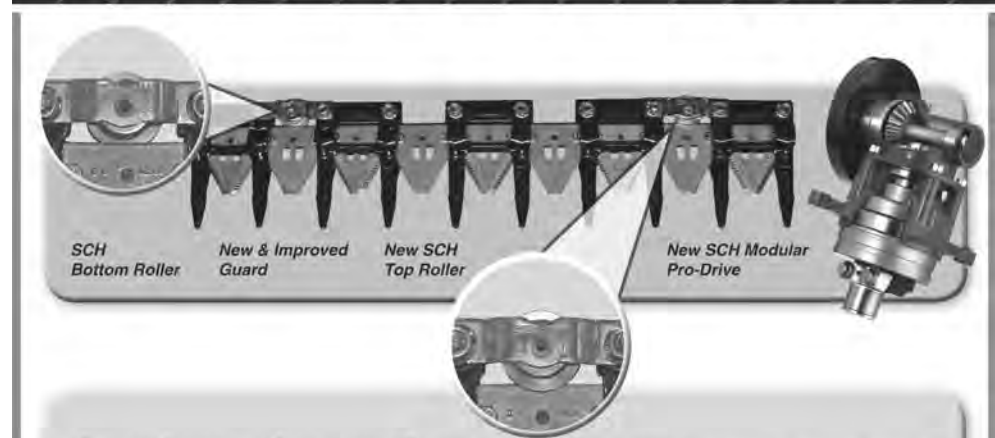
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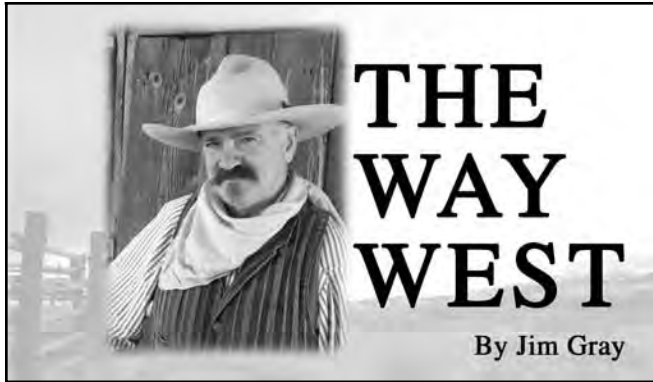
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# THE WAY WEST

By Jim Gray

## The Notorious Zip Wyatt

The cowboy life suited Zip Wyatt. He was an expert shot with a pistol and delighted in throwing "his long legs over a forty-pound saddle, fill up on coffin varnish, and course wildly through the settlements, whooping and yelling and firing his Colt forty-fives at fences and trees." Not even marriage could change his ways. Just after he and Anna Bailey became husband and wife in 1891, Zip went on a "big jag" and proceeded to shoot up Mulhall, Oklahoma, in high style. With the law on his tail he and Anna lit out for Haviland. There Zip and Ann's brother, Charles Bailey tried harvesting wheat. But a popular horse race at the Pryor's Grove Fourth of July Picnic offered the boys a chance to win a lot of money.

A few days before the picnic Zip and Bailey stole a watch, a pair of riding gloves, a bridle and a lariat from the A. D. Roberts livery stable at Greensburg. Roberts reported his loss to Kiowa County Deputy Sheriff Andrew Balfour. Balfour knew that Zip and Bailey were going to run a horse at the picnic, so he just waited for the celebration to arrest

the men. The day of the picnic, Deputy Balfour located the thieves and announced that they were under arrest. Zip unexpectedly pulled his pistol. A shot echoed through the grove as the deputy drew his own pistol and fired twice. One bullet pierced Zip's hand and the other went through the left side of his body. Zip's bullet broke the deputy's back. With Balfour dying on the grass the outlaws fired menacing shots into the air, daring anyone to "take them." Elisha Love was standing near the west gate as the outlaws saddled up and galloped away. Someone asked, "Why didn't you close the gate?" Recalling that one of the outlaws twirled his pistol as he raced by, swearing that he was, "the toughest guy that ever rode through that grove," Love answered "I knew better." Deputy Balfour was loaded in a spring wagon and taken to a nearby farmhouse. Within thirty minutes "his soul winged in accusing flight to the impenetrable beyond."

Meanwhile, Zip and Charlie Bailey disappeared into the Gyp Hills of south central Kansas. Kiowa County Sheriff James Bon-

sall searched tirelessly for Zip. Through good detective work he discovered that Zip had fled to Indiana and was living in Terre Haute. Zip was arrested while reading at a table in an early morning raid. Zip broke jail at Guthrie, Oklahoma Territory, on New Year's Day, 1892. He returned to his old cowboy haunts and formed a gang with Ike and Belle Black. For the next three years Zip terrorized the countryside. There were several murders attributed to Dick Yeager, an alias that Zip had acquired.

When the gang robbed a store at Fairview, Oklahoma, on June 3, 1895, they were tracked to a cave. The ensuing gunfight lasted most of the day. Zip's horse was killed and Black's horse captured. The trapped men eventually escaped through a hail of bullets into the hills. There were more stores to rob and more shootouts. Over two hundred armed men were hunting them when a bullet finally caught up with Ike Black near Cantonment, Oklahoma Territory.

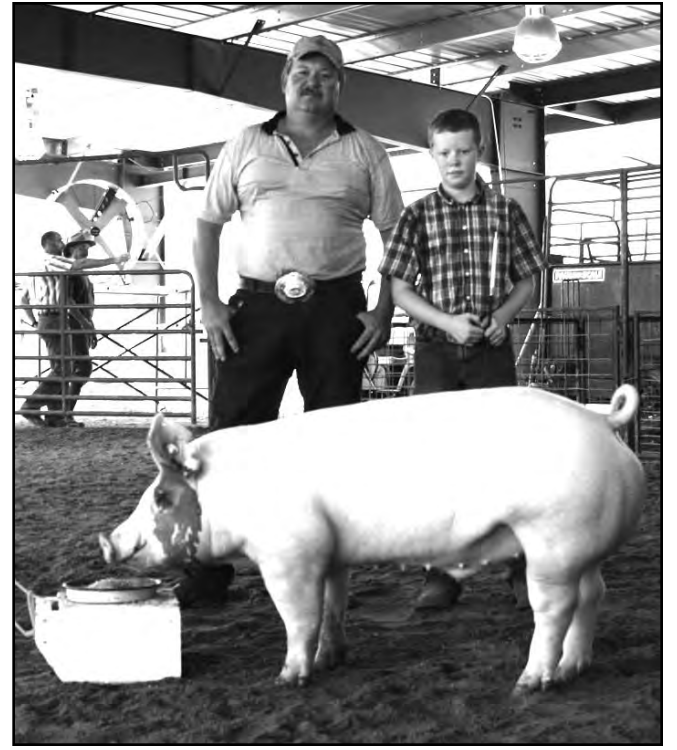
At Enid, Oklahoma, Garfield County Sheriff Elsie Thralls put his own posse on Zip's trail. Thralls had "seen the elephant" at Caldwell and Hunnewell. He had been Summer County Undersheriff, trained by his father, Sheriff Joe

Thralls of Winfield. Family tradition left the "bad man" with little option but to surrender. Thralls knew Zip was wounded from his last fight and directed his men to surround his hideout. Deputy Ad Poak and posse member Tom Smith went in to make the arrest.

When ordered to "Throw up your hands" Zip "snapped to a sitting position" and swung his Winchester into play, but a bullet shattered his pelvis and another tore through his stomach. But he was still alive and able to voice his surrender.

Sightseers came from all around to see the famous Zip Wyatt in his cell. He suffered unbearably as the end drew near and when asked if there was anyone he wanted to see, Zip replied, "Nobody to see doc; nothin' to say." Blood poisoning finally did its work. Nathaniel Ellsworth "Zip" Wyatt rode a hard trail on The Way West but the trail had finally come to an end September 7, 1896, at Enid, Oklahoma.

"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.droversmercan tile.com.*



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# Homeground & Other Geographies

by Tom Parker

## Dust and Dying Dreams

"Looks dry," I said to the gas station attendant in Dalhart. His face was weathered hard as the Texas panhandle, and when he grimaced his mouth was as barren of teeth as the yellowed pastures were of cattle.

"Haven't fired up the mower in two years," he said. "No need to, now."

I didn't ask how residents were faring in the face of the worst drought in Texas and Oklahoma history, nor did I need to. It was written in his expression: beaten down, bewildered, bereft of hope.

If I didn't exactly recognize the look, I could imagine it from family history. After the death of my grandfather they walked away from the place, the creaking windmill behind the house, the sagging wooden porch,

the rusty metal fence and the tractor tire planter out front where only scraggly patches of weeds managed to poke through the dusty West Texas dirt. When my wife and I found it decades later the fence was still standing though the same couldn't be said for the clapboard house or the windmill. A rotting mobile home gave me pause so that even as memories flooded back I told Lori to remain in the car and stepped out with Glock in hand. But meth labs and crankheads weren't waiting for us, nor was the pistol adequate defense against the ghosts rising like swarms of angry wasps from the sunblistered earth.

An early heart attack might have been the final nail in the coffin for the

Parker clan's hardscrabble ranching enterprise, but it had always been precarious, barely anchored to the earth. During the Depression they moved from farm to farm and ranch to ranch, migrant workers in search of sustenance and dreams of owning their own spread a thin mile from the Pecos River. When they finally returned the nearby air base closed leaving only tumbleweeds to roll down the abandoned runways and a population fleeing toward greener pastures.

I'm not sure things have changed much since then. Economies and markets were never a match for arid environments, and ranching or farming operations in the lower Great Plains, Llano Estacado or Trans-Pecos region were always more gam-

ble than fulfillment. Life was difficult and the land openly hostile, and those who remained did so because they wanted to, seeing promise where others saw only demise. But optimism alone won't water the crops or feed the cattle, a lesson still being learned in this modern era.

We saw it firsthand last week when we traveled to New Mexico, traversing four states on a straight 45-degree trajectory from lush greenery to sand dunes. Stress began showing up within a span of counties, and by Ness City, with its fabled Skyscraper of the Plains, the damage was evident in the ravaged and empty wastelands. Nothing moved in that terrible expanse save for an occasional vehicle and swirling dust devils. Creeks and rivers

were barren rock, fields devoid of greenery, ponds cracked and dry. Remote farmsteads seemed brittle and insubstantial as if a searing gust of wind would uproot them like tumbleweeds. Trees sagged in the heat. We saw no birds, no mammals, no water.

Somewhere in the middle of the Oklahoma panhandle we came upon a tractor dragging a plume of dust, each disturbed particle rising and falling to settle again in the ragged rows until the aggregate gathered into waves of sand hammered down by a merciless sun. I slowed to watch and wondered if the reason for the endeavor was more ingrained than purposeful, effort for effort's sake and none other, neither planting nor harvesting but something else entirely, spitting

in the face of adversity, perhaps, or a fatalistic act to stave off madness and despair. And as I watched movement caught my eye, swarms of dragonflies weaving the air in a southbound dash, sprinkled here and there with orange splashes of Monarchs. "I'll Fly Away," the old gospel hymn, came to mind, an old tune almost forgotten here on this deserted stretch of highway, but not so deserted that for a short moment we were all conjoined, the farmer, the travelers, the migrants, while all around us things were moving, migrating, the wobbling world spinning them off into unknowable trajectories, and anchoring us to this time and place a spray of wildflowers blue as the cloudless sky, and as full of unrealized promise.

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## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — 9:30 AM**

Auction will be held at the farm located at 3516 S. Halstead Road SALINA, KS. (2 1/2 miles West of I35 on Waterwell road to Halstead 1/2 North)

**TRACTORS & MACHINERY**  
AC D17 Series III gas tractor w/loader good; 1946 John Deere G tractor, has been in shed; John Deere 40 crawler tractor don't run; 1934 John Deere D tractor w/steel wheels engine free (116671); IHC 460 tractor narrow front, fast hitch, loader, don't run; IHC C tractor narrow front, fast hitch, missing radiator; IHC H tractor engine froze; Davis T78 backhoe trencher been setting; Allis 3 bottom plow w/quick coupler; 7 shank tool bar w/quick coupler; fast hitch 5' rear blade; 3 pt. 5' rotary mower; 3 bottom JD 457 pull type plow; 8' tandem pull disc; 6' tandem disc; manure spreader; 18' spring tooth; steel wheel drill; road drag; 2 wheel trailer; 2-4 wheel side delivery rakes; McCormick no 7 horse mower.

**CARS, TRUCKS & TRAILERS**  
2000 Dodge Durango SLT, 5.2 engine 120,000 miles; 1998 Ford Taurus 4 door automatic 6 cy, electric windows, good; 1989 Mazda pickup 3 speed, 6 cy, air runs; 1990 Dodge Ram 3/4 ton pickup; 1969 Mercedes 280 SE 4 door could be restored; 1976 Plymouth Volare 2 door 3 speed car; 1971 Ton Ford Pickup 1/2 ton 1964 & 1965 Renault cars; 1969 Chev flat bed pickup; 1974 Datsun pickup needs work; 1978 GMC pickup don't run; 1970 Dodge pickup don't run; 1946 Chev-

let 1 1/2 ton truck been setting; 1946 Chev. Pickup been setting; 1949 Chevrolet 4 door car been setting; Titan 7' x 24' goose neck stock trailer rubber floor, good; Hart 7 1/2' x 24' goose neck stock trailer oak floor, good; 5' x 13' stock trailer; 1974 Lark 5th wheel camper needs repair.

**MULE, MOWERS, CATTLE EQUIPMENT, TOOLS & OTHER**  
Kawasaki Mule 550; 26' van semi trailer; 2-2003 Sunl moped runs; Scrambler scooter; JD 70 riding lawn mower; JD 110 riding lawn mower; JD 68 lawn mower for parts; Wheel horse riding lawn mower w/blade & plow; Tumsa engine; roto tiller; Craftsman wood chipper; Lawn Chief mulcher; garden planter; Easy mig welder; Miller 220 welder; OIT drill press; very large assortment hand tools: end wrenches, bolt cutters, hammers, pliers, screw drivers, many other; new CP air nailer; many new electric tools; Sthil chain saw; Homelite chain saw; Sun 900 Motor Tester; aluminum extension ladder; air bubble; new shallow well pump; many yard tools; Rubber Maid plastic green house; large assortment garden supplies; plastic garden cart; 30 wire cattle panels; metal feeder panels; T posts; electric fence supplies; 18' round calf shed on skids; 3-4'x8' portable goat sheds; shop built hog feeders; steel wheel feeders; 6' water tank; galvanized gates; 2-12 fence line feed bunks; round bale feeder; roll yard fence wire; chain link dog run; 10' wooden boat; 2 wheel pickup bed trailer; 2 wheel trailer w/stock racks; 3/4 sack cement mixer w/motor; assortment tires inc. 14"; 6 bolt wheels; assortment new lumber inc.: 2" x 4", 2" x 6", 2" x 8"; 1" lumber; assortment plastic pipe; 100's cases new oil; electric fencer; barrel pump; poly enamel epoxy; assortment Thompson water sealer; air compressor; 150 gal plastic tank; R12 freon; 20lb propane bottles; live traps; Transmission fluid; new cases antifreeze; linseed oil; many new car supplies; assortment car & tractor parts; small engine parts; horse 2 wheel racing cart; French missile cases; hyd cylinders; house jacks; western saddle; horse tack; chicken feeders; Maytag engine; porcelain Texaco Gasoline Motor Oil sign; battery jar; metal ice box; platform scales; Duco signs; car tags; corn nubber; iron wheels; pop bottles; Mobil 35 gal barrel; Derby can; MW WB6A grinder; assortment bikes; Army field telephone; cream separator; trike; Pepsi thermometer; pop bottles; tin bathtub; Sears pedal tractor; forge bases; cast iron pots; tin seats; wash tubs.

**NOTE:** This is a very large auction. Mr. Martin has a very large assortment of tools and supplies. Check our website for pictures at [www.thummelauction.com](http://www.thummelauction.com). Lunch by Assaria Friends and Neighbors.

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## REAL ESTATE AUCTION

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — 6:30 PM**

Auction will be held at the Community Center on the South side of the square in  
**JEWELL, KANSAS**  
**1246 ACRES JEWELL COUNTY, KANSAS LAND**

**TRACT 1:** S 1/2 N 1/2 SW 1/4 & S 1/2 SW 1/4 32-4-8 Jewell Co. Kansas  
118.34 acres with 114.81 cropland acres, 3.53 acres waterways. Bases are 56.6 acres wheat, 45 bu yield; 42 acres grain sorghum, 51 bu yield; ASCS payments are approximately \$1,850.00. Possession of 114.81 acres of wheat will be after 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive the 2012 cash rent on 114.81 acres wheat ground of \$60.00 per acre. Payment will be made to purchaser on 7-1-12. Taxes for 2010 were \$1151.58.

**TRACT 2:** W 1/2 NW 1/4 23-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas  
77.57 acres with 76.47 cropland acres, 1.1 acres waterways. Bases are 27.1 acres wheat, 35 bu yield; 38 acres grain sorghum, 57 bu yield; 3.5 acres soybean, 17 bu yield; 0.3 acres barley, 43 bu yield. ASCS payments are approximately \$1,054.00. Possession will be on February 1, 2012. Taxes for 2010 were approximately \$711.00.

**TRACT 3:** SE 1/4 33-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas.  
156.99 acres with 119.3 cropland acres, 37.69 acres grass, waterways & waste. Bases are 93.1 acres wheat, 36 bu yield; 13.6 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 2.0 acres soybean, 23 bu yield. ASCS payments are approximately \$1,721.00. Possession of 66.8 acres planted to wheat will be after 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive the 2012 cash rent on 66.8 acres wheat ground of \$60.00 per acre. Payment will be made to purchaser on 7-1-12. Possession of other land will be on February 1, 2012. Taxes for 2010 were \$1,282.34.

**TRACT 4:** W 1/2 28-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas.  
310.31 acres with 306.28 cropland acres, 4.03 acres waterways. Bases are 177.5 acres wheat, 36 bu yield; 0.3 acres corn, 49 bu yield; 63.6 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 11.6 acres soybean, 23 bu yield; ASCS payments are approximately \$3,968.00. Possession of 200 acres planted to wheat will be after 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive the 2012 cash rent on 200 acres wheat ground of \$60.00 per acre. Payment will be made to purchaser on 7-1-12. Possession on all other acres will be 1-1-12. Taxes for 2010 were \$3,211.94.

**TRACT 5:** SE 1/4 20-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas:  
Less tract with house.  
148.76 acres with 102.51 cropland acres, 46.25 acres grass & creek. Bases are 47.6 acres wheat, 36 bu yield; 4.8 acres corn, 49 bu yield; 29.2 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 3.5 acres soybean, 23 bu yield; ASCS payments are approximately \$1,321.00. Possession will be on 1-1-12. Taxes for 2010 were \$1,125.10.

**TRACT 6:** E 1/2 SW 1/4 20-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas.  
77.43 acres with 75.41 cropland acres, 2.02 acres waterways. Bases are 35.2 wheat, 36 bu yield; 3.6 acres corn, 49 bu yield; 21.6 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 2.5 acres soybean, 23 bu yield. ASCS payments are approximately \$977.00. Possession of 75.4 acres wheat will be after 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive the 2012 rent on 75.4 acres of \$60.00 per acre. Payment will be made to purchaser on 7-1-12. Possession of all other land will be 1-1-12. Taxes for 2010 were \$694.10.

**TRACT 7:** E 1/4 NE 1/4 29-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas.  
120.85 acres with 120.36 cropland acres. 49 acres waterways. Bases are 80.5 acres wheat, 36 bu yield; 32.7 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 0.1 acres corn, 49 bu yield; 0.9 acres soybean, 23 bu yield; ASCS payments are approximately \$1,829.00. Possession will be upon 1-1-12. Taxes for 2010 were \$1,238.58.

**TRACT 8:** N 1/2 NW 1/4 & N 1/2 of S 1/2 NW 1/4 21-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas  
117.15 acres with 116.73 cropland acres, 0.42 acres waterways. Possession will be on 1-1-12.

**TRACT 9:** N 1/2 SW 1/4 & S 1/2 S 1/2 NW 1/4 21-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas.  
119.18 acres with 118.06 cropland acres, 1.12 acres waterways. Possession of 53 acres planted to wheat will be after 2012 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive the 2012 rent on 53 acres of \$60.00 per acre. Payments will be made to purchaser on 7-1-12. Possession of all other land will be 1-1-12.

Tract 8 & 9 lay next to each other. Base acres on both tracts are 152.7 acres wheat, 36 bu yield; 7.7 acres corn, 49 bu yield; 42.0 acres grain sorghum, 55 bu yield; 5.3 acres soybean, 23 bu yield. Total approximate ASCS payments are \$3,252.00. Taxes for 2010 were \$2,477.16 on both tracts.

**TERMS:** 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction. The balance will be due upon closing on or before October 20, 2011. 2011 taxes on all tracts will be paid by seller. 2012 taxes will be paid by purchaser. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Weltmer Phillips law office will escrow the down payment. The escrow & closing costs 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. Come and have a free sandwich & pie on us.**

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# Excitement builds with danger for second Flint Hills Bull Blowout

The most dangerous sport participated in by man is getting even more treacherous.

Unlike days of yesteryear, when rodeo bulls from the Southwest rangelands threw cowboys off largely due to sheer size, strength and male prowess, today's bulls are bred with the sole purpose of bucking off cowboys.

However, the cowboys of today are a different lot as well, not like the range-tough rancher who typically participated in rodeo as a pastime. Modern-day bull riders are fit, trim athletes on stringent diets and calisthenics programs who climb on mean buckers to make a living.

The best of the best rodeo bucking bulls and the top rodeo cowboys in the world are to be featured at the second annual Flint Hills Bull Blowout Saturday evening, September 10, at Strong City.

"Our first bull riding last year was such a success that we've adding several attractions this year to make it bigger and better," exclaimed Kim Reyer, one of the event coordinators.

"We're again really excited about the quality of the bulls and the top-notch cowboys who will be competing right here in the rodeo arena made famous by world champion cowboys Gerald and Ken Roberts, their sister Marjie and dad E.C.," Reyer emphasized.

Reyer's Country Store, just across Highway 50 from the arena, and Flint Hills Genetics, a bucking bull breeding program owned in part by Reyer, are again sponsoring the bucking bull extravaganza. Competition will feature several of the bulls Reyer has produced with his partners, sons-in-law, Adam Spain and Kyle Gibb.

The majority of the bulls

will be from Jimmy Crowther's world-renowned New Frontier Rodeo Company at Roxbury.

"Jimmy has the top string of bucking bulls in the country, backed by more than 60 years of strict selection for bucking ability," credited Reyer.

Crowther, a champion bull rider, started breeding bucking bulls while he was still rodeoing after purchasing his first Plummer cows in 1978. "They were named after rodeo producer Charlie Plummer of Sayre, Oklahoma, who started producing rodeos in the 1950s featuring his own bulls that bucked and had a lot of fight in them," Reyer pointed out.

The original Charlie Plummer bulls and females were gray, black or reddish brown Brahma-looking, but the classic Plummer line now has White Park and Longhorn genetics incorporated in so they are white speckled or spotted bulls with black muzzles and eye pigmentation.

"Today, Jimmy Crowther has the purest Plummer breeding of anyone in the bucking bull industry," Reyer explained. "And the percentage of his bull calves that buck is through the roof compared to anyone else in the industry."

"The top 5 percent of the herd is reserved for the finals round at the largest rodeos and Professional Bull Riders events," Reyer noted. "But with several hundred head of buckers to pick from, the stock at Strong City will be plenty 'juicy.'"

"Bulls headed to Strong City have had 98 outs at Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association-sanctioned rodeos in Kansas and Oklahoma so far this year with seven completed rides. That equates to a 92 percent buck off," Reyer qualified.

Crowther told Reyer that fans would want to especially watch for No. 530 Gray Squirrel, No. 454 Dark Shadow, No. 107 Cruel and Unusual and No. 431 Wee Man.

A new and special attraction at this year's Flint Hills Bull Blowout will be a matched bull ride between Reyer and Phil Haynes of John North Ford at Emporia, a donor to the competition.

"It'll actually be a fundraising competition to raise money for Ride Rank for a Cure and United Way," Reyer noted. "I'll be riding for Ride Rank for a Cure, and Phil will be riding for United Way."

"All donations supporting us in the competition will go to those two worthy organizations," emphasized Reyer, who was confident he'd be the winner, even though he was uncertain how the bull draw was going to be determined.

The Flint Hills Bull Blowout last year also supported Ride Rank for a Cure which is a non-profit organization to increase cancer awareness and provide support for those suffering with the disease.

"Ride Rank for a Cure donates 100 percent of profits from fundraising efforts to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, which is dedicated to the fight against breast cancer," according to Ricky Ritter, Augusta bull rider who founded the Ride Rank For a Cure at a bull riding school he conducted.

"Throughout the year, our team members participate in and set up booths at rodeos all over the nation," said Ritter. "One such event is the Flint Hills Bull

Blowout. We will also conduct also have 50-50 draw pot and sell Ride Rank for a Cure merchandise at the competition.

"At Ride Rank for a Cure, we want to be tough for the cause, just as our rodeo athletes will stay strong in their no-quit attitudes in the arena. We want our organization to give 100 percent in our effort to spread cancer awareness and assist those in need," explained Ritter, who will again also be competing at the Strong City event.

An added attraction this year will be Justin Rumford, Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association contract entertainer, clown, bull fighter and barrel man.

"We're really excited to have Justin this year. He's the son of Bronc Rumford and grandson of Floyd Rumford, Jr., longtime recognized leaders in rodeo throughout the country," Reyer said.

"Justin is really entertaining and has some acts we think will be enjoyable to everybody in attendance," Reyer noted. "Leading professional rodeo announcer Troy Goodridge will be here again this year, and he works especially well with Justin."

Children from a wide area last year participated in the sheep riding known as mutton bustin,' and there has been even an expanded interest, according to Reyer. A \$5 participation fee will be assessed for youth six and under with competition starting at 6:30 p.m. Entries can be made by calling 620-273-6229.

The chicken scramble was also a feature last year that is expected to again add humor to this year's in-

termission for youngsters 10 and under.

The first of 40 bulls to buck from the famed rodeo chutes will be at 7 p.m., with a purse of \$1,000 added to the riders' entry money. Entry books open at 5 p.m., on September 5, by calling 785-254-7385.

The top ten riders in the long-go will come back to the short-go round to determine the champion.

"We are excited to have a bounty bull this year for the

winning rider to attempt to ride as a climax of the evening. If that cowboy can successfully ride that bull, he'll receive an additional \$1,000," Reyer explained.

A dance to the music of Rusty Rierson and Dead Eye will follow the most dangerous sport known to man, and those attending the Bull Blowout get free dance admittance.

Information is available at [www.FlintHillsBullBlowout.com](http://www.FlintHillsBullBlowout.com).



Judge Clint Woodrow selected Shane Schaake's entry as the supreme champion steer at the Pottawatomie County Fair. Schaake is a member of the Westy Trailblazers 4-H Club.

## ESTATE AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 — 9:30 AM

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## AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — 10:00 AM  
 Auction held at the 4-H Building at the Fair Grounds in BELLEVILLE, KANSAS

- PICKUP, & LAWN MOWER**  
 2000 Ford Ranger XLT super cab 4dr. pickup, 2 wheel drive, auto, V6, 30,000 actual miles, blue color, very nice; 2008 Dixon XTR, 30in. cut, 16.5 hp. zero turn riding lawn mower, bagger, has less than 100 hrs.
- HOUSEHOLD**  
 Oak dining table, 2 leaves, & 4 padded oak chairs; oak tall 3 section wall hutch; 2 oak octagon glass top end tables; oak magazine end table; oak coffee table w. glass top; oak cedar lined trunk cedar chest; 2-kitchen table & chairs; 4 piece patio set; Haddoff upright piano; 2-3 piece oak color full bedroom sets w. box springs & mattress; fancy table lamps; Kirby upright vacuum cleaner; elect. sewing machine; type writers; office desk; metal file cabinet; 2 book shelves; card table & chairs; fancy triple wall mirrors; new & used kitchen appliances; double bed spreads; afghans; quilts; pillows & cases; 2 sewing cabinets; table clothes; blankets full & queen; new gas BBQ grill; dehumidifier; record player w. speakers; elect. roaster; Kitchen Aid mixer; coffee makers; 46x32 in. metal safe;
- sheets un-cancelled stamps; Czech stamps on letters.
- SHOP TOOLS & MISC.**  
 Delta 10in. table saw on stand; Delta 8in. band saw; Craftsman router mounted in table; Skil plunge router; 2 elect. air compressors; Craftsman power planer; saber saw; Skil 16in. scroll saw; ¼ in. variable speed drill; heavy duty ½ in. drill; like new Stihl 16in. chain saw; Sears 10in. elect. chain saw; 2 ¼ ton floor jack; Craftsman elect. brad nail gun; Craftsman 16 gal. shop vac; Craftsman vibrating sander; Craftsman 3in. belt sander; drill press 5/8in. chuck; drill bits; belt disc sander; bench grinders; Werner alum. 18 position 12ft. ladder; Quick grip, pipe, & C wood clamps; miter box; Dado set; 5 metal shelving; Scotts lawn spreader; Lazy Box garden tiller; MTD gas weed eaters; Troy built gas weed eater w. chain saw attach.; hedge trimmers; elect. leaf chopper; pump holder, puller, & block & tackle; Garret metal deep seeker; Havahart animal cage trap; vises; turning lathe tools; sets wrenches; fishing equipment; Remington concrete gun.

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# Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute receives grain industry donation for engulfment rescue education

The Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute received a gift of \$90,000 from a trio of Kansas grain industry organizations to acquire special rescue training equipment. KF&

RTI director Glenn Pribbenow and KU Continuing Education executive director Fred Pawlicki accepted the gift during a meeting of the Kansas Fire Service Training Commis-

sion in Lawrence August 18.

The \$90,000 donation comes from the Kansas Grain and Feed Association, the Kansas Cooperative Council, and the Kansas Farmers Service Association. Together, these organizations represent all phases of the Kansas grain industry. The KGFA, headquartered in Topeka, is a voluntary trade association made up of more than 950 Kansas business locations, representing 99 percent of the Kansas commercially licensed grain storage. The KCC, also based in Topeka, is a voluntary trade organization representing all types of cooperative businesses in Kansas, including grain handling co-ops. KFSA, based in Hutchinson, provides risk management services and commercial insurance throughout the Midwest. "Our customers identified the need for a quality grain rescue program that can be delivered to all parts of the state. This partnership will help meet the needs of both the fire service and the grain industry," said Mike Pesek, CEO, KFSA.

The KF&RTI, part of KU Continuing Education, will use the gift to purchase equipment to train Kansas firefighters and grain handlers for engulfment rescue situations. "This gift gives us the resources to provide training that will undoubtedly save lives," Pribbenow said. "We have an important responsibility to ensure that Kansas firefighters are prepared to meet

these types of emergencies, and this training will help us continue to meet those needs."

The gift will improve training for grain-handling facility workers who will be drilled alongside firefighters in rescue procedures for individuals trapped in grain bins and hoppers. "Safety is of primary concern to the grain industry. First and foremost is training to prevent entrapments," noted KGFA president/CEO Tom R. Tunnell. "But, it is important that grain handlers and local firefighters be prepared to respond if ever the need arises."

"The members of our three associations saw a need for this type of training in Kansas and stepped up to the plate with support," stated Leslie Kaufman, president/CEO of the KCC. "Although our members are commercial operations, they realize this type of training will be invaluable to local firefighters, whether called to a business or an on-farm location."

The Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute, headquartered in Lawrence, provides training for firefighters in Kansas communities. The Institute is a dynamic organization providing training services through a "Mobile Fire Academy" concept, designed to accommodate local needs through training delivered anywhere in Kansas. The Institute trains thousands of firefighters each year.



Stuart Wakeman's interest in ag mechanics has earned him a trip to Indianapolis to compete for a National FFA Proficiency award.

## Wakeman to compete in National FFA Proficiency Award competition

Stuart Wakeman, Lawrence, has been chosen to advance and compete in the National FFA Proficiency Award competition with his FFA Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance Entrepreneurship Proficiency.

He was chosen as one of four national finalists in the Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance En-

trepreneurship Proficiency Award and will be heading to Indianapolis in October for final interviews in hopes of earning top recognition in this award category.

Stuart is a graduate of Lawrence Free State High School and is currently enrolled in Agricultural Technology Management Program at Kansas State University.



Beef showmanship winners at the Pottawatomie County Fair were, back row, from left: champions Logan Marple, Shilo Schaake, Shane Schaake. Front row: reserve champions Eva Hinrichsen, Cale Hinrichsen, Joelle Sylvester.

**AUCTION**  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10  
10:00 AM

LOCATION: BEVERLY, KANSAS: Go South on Main Street to Railroad Avenue, turn East and go 3 blocks to Christie Ave. WATCH FOR SIGNS.



**POSSIBLE ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES**

10 gallon White Eagle Fuel can; 2- 5 gallon fuel cans; White Eagle grease can; Mobil antifreeze cans; Wooden cider press; 7-Up bottles; 20 gal. Red Wing crock, Nice; Several small crocks, cheese crocks, jugs, quart crock with screw lid; White enamel tea kettle; Beldings Silk 3 drawer oak spool cabinet; 3 oak school chairs with writing tables, 2 wood high chairs, bentwood chairs; 2 wood high chairs, bentwood chairs, wood baby bed; Walking corn planter, hay hooks, harness hames; Wood wall paper hanging set; Kerosene cans, #40 Dazey churn; Jones Scales, 10 lb. Detecto scales and other sets of kitchen scales; Mobil glass oil jars with metal funnels attached and Mobil antifreeze cans; 2 large metal Mobil oil signs, Mobil salt and pepper sets, Mobil ash-tray; Union State Bank-Beverly, KS . Bank metal teller signs; Railroad crossing sign, 2 large carnival color pole insulators; Goodyear Balloon tire metal sign; Old tall metal wheel tricycle, Radio Flyer wagon; Coal buckets and butter molds, collection of roosters, Camel lighter collection; Books-George Washington Gift Book (1890), many cookbooks, Minnie Mouse book, Bedtime story book, Tiny Tales, Saturday Evening Posts, Rolling Stones, many others; 1944-45-46 Beverly State Bank calendars; Disney Pin collection, Buster Brown and misc. political pins; Tin wind-up metal toys (chick, chicken and cart, man in cart w/burrow); Ivory whale and seal, hens on nests, Fenton vase, piggy banks; Oak bookcases with glass doors; Ornate oak rocker with lion head arms; Ornate oak drop front secretary; Oak 4 drawer dresser, misc. night stands; Aunt Jemima and Uncle Mose salt and peppers-3-1/2 inch pair and 5 inch pair (plastic) & Paprika & Cinnamon; Matchbox fire engine collection and NASCAR collection (6 each), Hot Wheels track; 50 plus juice glasses (Flintstones, Archies, many Disney characters); Many old pictures, lamps and lanterns, framed map of Kansas; Quilts, comforters,



dresser scarves, inlaid jewelry box, costume jewelry; Nice assortment of collectable glassware; Shakespeare and Johnson fishing reels.

**MANY CAST IRON PIECES**

Lyons Brand Best Flour lion; Skillets, muffins, griddles, corn breads, boilers, #1 1/2 coffee grinder, bean pots, meat grinders, egg skillets (Wagner, Griswold and others); Ladies boot, Aunt Jemima bank, bird dog, lady in bonnet, sad irons, Aermotor windmill shut-off and ornate fence toppers (for 1 1/2 in. pipe).

**GUN, LAWN, GARDEN & SHOP TOOLS**

Revelation Western Auto (Marlin) 22 LR only, auto, 22 cal. SN. 72297549; Scotts fertilizer spreader; Rakes, hoes, shovels, forks, hoses, nozzles; Metal lockers, metal and wood shelving, step ladders, extension ladders; Stihl 025 chainsaw with case, long handle tree pruner, step stools; Kawasaki 12 volt-12 gal. sprayer, Fimco 10 gal. 12 volt lawn sprayer; BBQ grills, horse pitching shoes, coolers, bug zappers, clay targets; Fishing rods and reels, fishing stools, minnow buckets, fish baskets, dip net; Milk crates, laundry sink, kerosene heaters; 1- Black and Decker radial arm saw, Craftsman 8 inch table saw; Craftsman 1 1/2 h.p.-125 psi. carry around air compressor, air bubbles; Portable power saws, saber saws, hand saws and misc. carpentry tools; Toolboxes, sockets and wrenches, drill bits; Polished rocks, gun cleaning kits, spotlight, gun racks; Lawn and garden chemicals, limb saws, Coleman gas lanterns, Coleman tailgate grill; 5th wheel hitch, misc. fence posts, workbenches, shelves, misc. scrap iron.

**HOUSEHOLD & KITCHEN**

Harvard 8 ft. pool table, ball return, balls, rack, cues and cue rack, Nice; 2 small refrigerators, Kenmore side-by-side, ice and water in door, almost new; 2 La-Z-Boy recliners, matching hide-a-bed sofa and loveseat, coffee tables; Assorted full size beds, dressers, night stands, lamps, vacuums, 6 kitchen chairs on rollers; Coffee table with pull out game boards and acces., portable drop leaf island; Many jigsaw puzzles, board games and other children's toys, stuffed animals; Normal run of kitchen items.

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**AUCTION**  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 — 9:30 AM

421 S. Ash (OLG Hall) — NEWTON, KANSAS

Note: In the past 14 years, Bill has collected some nice and unusual McCoy items. There are 500+ pieces offered for this auction!

MCCOY COOKIE JARS; EGG PLATES; MISC. PLANTERS; PITCHERS; TANKARDS; DECANTORS; APOLLO; TOOLS & RELATED INCL. Kennedy Roll A Way Tool Box; Kennedy Hand Tool Box; Craftsman Hand Tool Boxes (2); Craftsman Professional Joiner; Delta 12" Planer/Extra Blades; Black & Decker Small Drill Press; Craftsman Router Table; Antique Block Planes.

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# Failed corn crop manipulation may make fields off-limits to waterfowl hunting

With the recent failed corn crops in Kansas due to this year's drought, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) reminds all hunters and landowners of federal waterfowl hunting regulations concerning crop manipulation (baiting). Farm producers who use their land for hunting or lease the hunting rights on their land need to make sure they are following federal waterfowl hunting regulations concerning baiting.

"With the drought and heat conditions in Kansas this year and the failed corn crops in parts of Kansas, farmers are looking to manipulate some crops to prepare the fields for next year," says Kenny Kessler, USFWS special agent.

"As a waterfowl hunter or land manager, it is your responsibility to know and obey all federal and state laws that govern the sport. While it is permissible to

manipulate a crop for dove hunting, the only legal hunting that can occur for waterfowl is if, under these circumstances, the crop is 'normally' harvested," Kessler explains. "Rotary mowing of a corn crop, for example, would not be a 'normal' harvest, and therefore, hunting waterfowl would not be allowed on or near the areas manipulated."

Hunters should avoid hunting waterfowl over unharvested crops that have been trampled by livestock or subjected to other types of manipulations, such as disked-down crops where grain has better scattered or exposed. Areas where grain is present and stored, such as grain elevators and grain bins, are illegal to hunt waterfowl over, as are areas where grain is present for the purpose of feeding livestock. Additionally, hunting over freshly planted wild-life food plots that contain

exposed grain is illegal. Finally, it's illegal to hunt croplands where a crop has been harvested and the removed grain is redistributed or "added back" onto the area where grown.

On the other hand, waterfowl hunting is allowed in fields of unharvested standing crops, including over standing crops that have been flooded. It's also permissible to flood fields after crops are harvested and use

these areas for waterfowl hunting. It's advisable for landowners to follow normal harvesting timelines if corn fields are planned to be used for hunting waterfowl.

For additional information, see Waterfowl Hunting and Baiting, and Dove Hunting and Baiting on the USFWS website, www.fws.gov or contact Kessler at 785-232-5149 or Wichita at 316-788-4474.



Logan Marple of the Westy Trailblazers 4-H Club showed the supreme champion heifer at the Pottawatomie County Fair. Judging the show was Clint Woodrow.



Winners of the Round Robin Showmanship at the Pottawatomie County Fair are, back row from left: champion junior - Logan Marple, intermediate - Shilo Schaake and senior - Joelle Sylvester. Front row: reserve champion junior - Eva Hinrichsen, intermediate Wyatt Minihan, Wheaton, and senior - Shane Schaake.



Showing the reserve champion heifer at the Pottawatomie County Fair was Shilo Schaake. Shilo was also the intermediate champion beef showman.

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## LAND AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 — 1:00 PM**

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**83 ACRES GRANT TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY, KANSAS LAND**

The E 1/2 SE 1/4 12-3-1, Grant Township, Washington County, Kansas.

This farm, 83 acres, more or less, is all grass. There are 17 acres of mostly brome in the northwest part which was in the CRP until October 2010. The rest of the land is a good stand of mostly warm season grasses, with some cool season grass. There is one very large pond on the north and one smaller, spring fed pond to the southwest. Both have been well stocked with fish during the last four years. The fences are good. This is a clean pasture, with only a few cedars on the south end. The grass has been lightly used recently, and has not been grazed or hayed this year. There is electrical service to a well near the center of the pasture. The well has a new Grundfos pump. This is a very good pasture, and with the good location could be a very nice recreational property. The 2010 taxes were \$266.33.

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## LAND AUCTION

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 — 10:00 AM**

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## LAND AUCTION!

**Leavenworth County, Kansas**  
**155± Acres**

**Thursday, September 29 at 6 PM**  
**On the Farm North of Eudora, Kansas**

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- Will be offered in two tracts for bidding
- **Tract 1:** 16 acres with home and buildings
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# AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 — 9:30 AM**

Due to the death of my husband, the following sells located at Beatty & Wischropp Auction Facility, Hwy. 31 East, OSAGE CITY, KANSAS. (Around the corner East of Casey's General Store).

**PRE-AUCTION INSPECTION: FRIDAY, SEPT. 9th, 5-7 PM**  
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**GUNS, SPORTING GOODS**  
Guns sell first at 9:30 am  
Winchester 670 Bolt Rifle, 270 Cal. w/Weaver Scope; Ruger M-77 Mark II Bolt Rifle, 223 Cal. w/Simmons 3 to 9 Scope; Remington 700 Bolt Rifle, 25-06 Cal w/ Weaver K-4 Scope; Browning Fld Model, 10 ga Pump Shotgun Rib; Colt Series 80 Auto Pistol, 45 Cal w/case; Ruger 10/23 Carbine 22 LR; Remington Speedmaster 552 Rifle, 22 Cal; 2 Thompson Center Arms Blk Powder Rifles, 50 Cal Plastic Stocks. Thought to be fired 1x; Marlin Golden 39 A Lever Action Rifle, 22 Cal; Remington 11 Auto Shotgun, 16 ga, PolyChoke; SKS 7.62 x 39 Army Auto Rifle; 2 Ithaca 37 Featherlight Shotguns 12 & 20 ga Pump; Remington 870 Express Pump Shotgun, 16 ga; Westernfield 410 Pump Shotgun Rib Barrel; Springfield 6711 Pump 12 ga Shotgun; Wards 22 Cal Bolt Rifle Parts only, No 36D; Stevens 311 12 ga Double Barrel Parts Only No Stock; Daisy 2201 & Marksman 0035 Pellet Rifles; Centurion By Liberty Fatboy Jr. Gun Safe 61 x 42 x 21 in, Good Condition; 2 Wooden Upright Gun Cabinets.

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**MUSICAL**  
Conn Guitar Model F-30 w/ Mother-of-Pearl Inlay in Handle w/Case; Peavey T-600 Elec. Guitar w/Case Looks Like New; Hohner Blues Harp (Harmonica) Made in Germany; Oscar Schmidts Auto Harp w/Case Model 15EBH/R, 1979.

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# Auction Sales Scheduled

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 7 — Ellis County real estate at Hays for Alma Herl Revocable Trust. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

September 8 — Advertising & Country Store, antiques & collectibles, antique furniture, household, tractor, vehicles, shop & outdoor at Newton. Auctioneers: Road Runner Sales.

September 8 — Cars, dolls, glass, furniture, framed art, tools & more at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country Mid West eServices, Inc.

September 8 — Appliances, furniture, kitchenware, household items at Manhattan for Dorothy Peak Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 8 — Rush County real estate at LaCrosse for Nancy Jones Declaration of Trust (dated 6-17-91) & Bruce & Kathryn Bryant Living Trust. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

September 8 — Motor home, household, toys, glassware at Topeka. Auctioneers: Olde Mill Auction.

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

September 10 — Real estate, acreage & home at Green for Shirley Kenney Trust. Auctioneers: Landmark Real Estate, Harold Mugler.

September 10 — Horse drawn buggy & sleigh, antique cash register, piano, furniture, comic books, collectibles, tools & more at Manhattan for Kitty Cool. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 10 — Furniture, appliances, glassware & collectibles at Junction City for Dorothy Johnson Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

September 10 — Household at Green for Shirley Kenney Trust. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

September 10 — McCoy, tools & related at Newton for Bill Hurst. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

September 10 — Tractors, antique tractors, antique farm items, trucks, pickups, farm equipment, trailers, other farm items, mule, forklift, shop equipment NE of Scott City for Louie Rose Estate. Auctioneers: Berning Auctions.

September 10 — Tractors, combine, trucks, pickup, machinery, tools & other E. of Aurora for Bill & Peg Powell. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 10 — Tractor, guns, coins, glass, tools, hunting & fishing items at Osage City for Mrs. Steve "Rita" Bartee. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp.

September 10 — Truck, tractors, 4-wheeler, livestock & deck trailers, generators, hay equip., machinery, augers, livestock supplies & misc. near Lewiston, Neb. for Gaylord & Steve Wehmer. Auctioneers: The Auctioneers, Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

September 10 — Possible antiques & collectibles, cast iron pieces, gun, lawn, garden & shop tools, household & kitchen at Beverly for Eldora & the late Bill Cole. Auctioneers: Post Rock Auction.

September 10 — Antiques & collectibles, appliances, furniture, household, shop & garden tools at Ellsworth for Blanche J. Kepka Estate. Auctioneers: Victor Bros. Auction & Realty, Inc.

September 10 — Vehicle, tractor, farm equipment, irrigation equipment, trailer, livestock, hay & misc. at Abilene for Brown Memorial Foundation. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

September 10 — RTVs, ATV, lawn & garden, tools, hunting, fishing poles, tackle, guns, household & appliances at Ottawa for Estate & consignments. Auctioneers: Eastern Kansas Auction Barn.

September 10 — Farm machinery, collectibles & household SW of Onaga for Stanley Hay. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC.

September 10 — Real estate & personal property at Frankfort for Joe Perry Estate. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Auction & Realty.

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 11 — Cars, collectible & misc. at Parkerville for Penelope Burns. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

September 11 — Antiques at Cottonwood Falls. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty, Inc.

September 11 — RV, car, flatbed truck, trailer, lawn tractors, equipment, player piano, household & misc. at Manhattan for Warren Walter. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

September 11 — SUV, truck, motor home, tractor, forklift, equipment & shop equipment, antiques, household, mobility chair near Beloit for Forest (Mac) & June McGinnis. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 11 — Home, furniture, household, yard items, appliances near Big Springs. Auctioneers: Olde Mill Auction.

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

September 12 — Russell County acreage at Lucas for William A. Patton. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

September 12 — Tractors, combine, trucks, grain carts, machinery, storage buildings, mowers, cattle equip., tools & other N. of Jewell for Tom Bartsch Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 13 — Morris County land & Alta Vista house at Alta Vista for Vernon W. Richter Trust and Ruby M. Richter Trust. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

September 14 — Tractors, combines, harvest, forage harvest equip., trucks, vehicles, haying equip., scrapers, telehandlers, livestock, chemical & fert. equip., skidsters & attachments online only (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

September 15 — 2-story home at industry for Dixie Minter Estate. Auctioneers: Reynolds Real Es-

tate & Auction.

September 16 — Rush County real estate at LaCrosse for Norman & Lou Ann Legleiter. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

September 17 — Shop tools, lawn & garden, vehicles, tractors, loader, crawler, Christmas deco, household at Grantville for Gayle & Dolores Bickel Estate. Auctioneers: Harris Auction Service.

September 17 — Antique & period furniture, collectible glassware, crocks, pottery, kitchenwares, primitives, jewelry, advertising items at Topeka. Auctioneers: Whitmore Thunderwood Auction.

September 17 — Shop tools, household & collectibles at Grantville for Gayle & Dolores Bickel Estate. Auctioneers: Harris Auction Service.

September 17 — Collectible toys at Hoisington for Fritz & Deanna Dreiling. Auctioneers: Schremmer Realty, Auction & Appraisers, LC.

September 17 — Vehicle, firearms, military items, railroad, antiques & collectibles, household at Abilene for Charlotte Piland Estate. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

September 17 — Antique furniture, collectibles, primitives, KU, Lawrence, Eudora items, toys, glassware, furniture at Lawrence for Edna Zillner. Auctioneers: Elston Auction Company.

September 17 — Guns & coins at Douglass for Dr. George Stroy Collection. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

September 17 — Tractors, machinery, cars, trucks, trailers, Mule, mowers, cattle equipment, tools & other near Salina for Arvin W. Martin Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 17 — Pickup, van, lawn mower, household, shop tools, collectibles, antiques, glassware at Carbondale for Gloria J. Fessler Estate. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

September 17 — Rush County real estate, cultivation, grassland & shop equipment at Hays for Harold & Henrietta Haselhorst. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

September 17 — Cycle, vehicles, furniture, household, appliances, antiques & collectibles, shop tools & equip., sporting, yard & garden, misc. at Hoisington for Lois Hickey & Isabella Dumler. Auctioneers: Schremmer Realty,

Auction & Appraisers, LC.

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

September 17 — Tractors, vehicles, construction equip., farm equip., trailers, tools, misc. consignments at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

September 18 — Furniture, appliances, dolls, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Hazel Barefield Estate & Marvin Schoenrock. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

September 18 — Consignments at Odell, Nebraska for The Odell Community Consignment Sale.

September 18 — Firearms, safe & related items at Shawnee for Shrum Outfitters & Trading Co. & individual collectors. Auctioneers: Lindsay Auction Service, Inc.

September 18 — Consignments at Blaine. Auctioneer: Steve Murray.

September 18 — Antiques, guns, collectibles at Topeka for Estate of Adam & Leona Applehans. Auctioneers: Olde Mill Auction.

September 20 — Real estate, cropland & grass at Jewell for Elwyn Topliff Family Trust. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

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

September 24 — Washington County grassland W. of Washington for Leland L. Medearis. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

September 24 — Tools, boat, furniture & collectibles at Americus for Larry Kahle. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

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

September 24 — Real estate, home & wildlife habitat at Marion for Cindy L. Ragland & the late Michael D. Ragland. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

September 29 — Greenwood County land, Flint Hills agriculture, hunting & recreation at Eureka. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty, Inc.

September 29 — Leavenworth County land at Eudora. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company.

September 30 — Potawatomi County land at St. George. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company.

October 1 — Acreage, cropland, CRP, pasture, hunting N. of Lincoln for Prairie Fur & Feathers. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

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

October 3 — Trego County real estate at Ellis for George & Evelyn Spinelli. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

October 8 — Farm items, haying & livestock equipment N. of Topeka for Circle B Retirement/Reduction. Auctioneers: Murray Auction and Real Estate.

October 8 — Woodworking tools, shop tools, utility pickup, furniture, antiques & misc. at Clay Center for Gary & Sue Caldwell. 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.

October 14 — Flint Hills Ranch, 3 tracts at Augusta for Jim & Sally Reeves. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty Inc., and Farm & Home Realty.

October 15 — Acreage, pasture, hunting N. of Seneca for Ollie Bauman Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

October 25 — Cloud County land at Concordia for Debra Rodgers, etux. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

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 6 — Angus annual female sale at Westmoreland for R&L Angus.

November 12 — 20th bull sale featuring Simmental, SimAngus, Angus & Red Angus at Moser Ranch.

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

November 19 — Annual Angus bull sale at Eureka for Dalebanks Angus.

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

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# Flint Hills Beef Fest announces results

Winners of the 25th Flint Hills Beef competitions are as follows:

**Grass Futurity Results — Steers**  
 5th Place — \$125 — Pen 16, Fowler Farms, Harry and Larry Fowler, Emporia, 2.4924#/day  
 4th Place — \$150 — Pen 19, Lee & Marilyn Kidd, Fredonia, 2.5069#/day  
 3rd Place — \$300 — Pen 7, Rinkes Cattle Co. — Brandon Rinkes, Alma, 2.5668#/day  
 2nd Place — \$450 — Pen 34, Crown S Ranch — Ken Schade, Olpe, 2.6448#/day  
 1st Place — \$700 — with a gain of 2.845 pounds per day, Pen 5, Arndt Farms — Mike and Steven Arndt, Emporia

**Grass Futurity Results — Heifers**  
 5th Place — \$125 — Pen 54, DD Cattle Ranch — Dail D. Martin, Madison, 2.1807#/day  
 4th Place — \$150 — Pen 68, Lee & Marilyn Kidd, Fredonia, 2.3405#/day  
 3rd Place — \$300 — Pen 80, Rose Wall — Richmond, Kentucky, 2.3453#/day  
 2nd Place — \$450 — Pen 72, Anderson Ranch — Matt, Julia and Mark Anderson, Alma, 2.3973#/day  
 1st Place — \$700 — with a gain of 2.4320 pounds per day, Pen 81, Jim Dause, Richmond, Kentucky

**Live Stocker Show Winners — Steers**  
 5th Place — \$125 — Pen 16, Fowler Farms, Harry and Larry Fowler, Emporia  
 4th Place — \$150 — Pen 13 — F.J. Redeker and Son — Francis and Tony Redeker, Olpe  
 3rd Place — \$300 — Pen 22 — Anderson Ranch — Matt, Julia and Mark Anderson, Alma  
 2nd Place — \$450 — Pen 9 — Miller Ranch, Larry and Sylvia Miller, Olpe

1st Place — \$700 — Pen 11 — Burton & Potter — Bill Burton and Roger Potter, Emporia  
**Live Stocker Show Winners — Heifers**  
 5th Place — \$125 — Pen 74 — Woodbury Farms — John, Howard and Fred Woodbury, Quenemo  
 4th Place — \$150 — Pen 59 — Rocking Double E — Earl and Evan Porter, Fredonia,  
 3rd Place — \$300 — Pen 53 — Leffler Farms — Bill and Cindy Leffler, Americus  
 2nd Place — \$450 — Pen 67 — Tom Fowler, Emporia  
 1st Place — \$700 — Pen 72 — Anderson Ranch — Matt, Julia and Mark Anderson, Alma

**Winner of the Beef Fest Grand Award in the Heifer Division for 2011**  
 Pen 72, Anderson Ranch — Matt, Julia and Mark Anderson of Alma.  
**Winner of the Beef Fest Grand Award in the Steer Division for 2011**  
 Pen 11, Burton & Potter — Bill Burton and Roger Potter of Emporia.

**Ranch Rodeo Winners**  
 1st Place Team, who received their saddles at the Ranch Rodeo — Beachner Brothers Livestock — St. Paul. Team members were Bruce Beeman, Cliff Hall, Calvin Kendall, and Orban Stephens  
 2nd Place Team — Bar Lazy S — Olpe  
 3rd Place Team — McGhee Cattle Company — Garnett  
 4th Place Team — Arndt & Bailey Ranches — Emporia and Cottonwood Falls

**Individual Event winners in the Ranch Rodeo**  
 Team Penning — Beachner Brothers  
 1st Round Doctoring — Beachner Brothers  
 2nd Round Doctoring — Chronic Cattle Company —

Cottonwood Falls Mugging — Scribner Ranch — El Dorado Wild Cow Milking — Beachner Brothers  
 Top Horse was owned and ridden by Cliff Hall of Beachner Brothers.  
 Top Hand as selected by the judges went to Adrian Vogel of Buck Creek and Lonesome Pine.

**Businessmen's Mugging Team Winner**  
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**Ranch Horse Competition Winners**  
 Open Division: 1st Place, Adrian Vogel, Cottonwood Falls. He received a custom bit made by Tyler Woolfolk of Protection.  
 2nd Place, Clint Donley, Ellsworth  
 3rd Place, Bud Higgs, Cedar Point

Junior Division: 1st place, Adrian Vogel, Cottonwood Falls. He won a custom saddle pad donated by Wilson Quarter Horses, Carmen and Denise Wilson, Admire.  
 2nd place, Adrian Vogel, Cottonwood Falls

**Puncher Division**  
 1st place, Justin Keith, Allen. He won a pair of custom spurs donated by Ed Patterson, Waverly.  
 2nd place, Rex Buchman, Elmdale  
 3rd place, Bruce Miller, Brookville

Winners qualified for the Midwest Ranch Horse Association Finals in Cherokee, Okla., later this fall.



# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Farming, A Life-Changing Experience

Keith was driving me into Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on Hwy. 26 from the west. The large grain and cattle farms began to shatter into smaller pieces of property; 40 acres, 20 acres, or 12 acres. The countryside was still green and well-kept with fields of five horses or three cows. Usually it included a nice home with landscaping and a manicured entrance.

"More farm ground is disappearing every year," said Keith, noting the loss of big farmsteads. He was right but it has been going on since the pilgrims set foot in Newfoundland; it is the inexorable roll of civilization.

These smaller plots, "ranchettes," are a stage in this progression. But, I've noticed one very positive side of those new "rural lifestyle"ers. With the intention to teach their children some con-

nection to the land and livestock, or for their own sake, they take on projects like gardening, raising sheep, llamas, rabbits, goats, ducks, horses or cows. And regardless whether it is an organic garden, a litter of pigs or one calf, once they get their hands dirty they begin to have an inkling of what it takes to make food out of dirt and water. It is a life-changing experience.

I think that before any person is tricked into sending money to PETA, the Humane Society of the United States, ALF, ELF, or any of those two-faced groups whose goal includes the elimination of modern farming practices, that person should be allowed to raise at least one baby Holstein calf from birth to edible, or to grow enough vegetables in one summer to feed a family for just seven days.

Once they are engaged

in the process of raising food, they will appreciate that farming is a complicated process that guarantees risk, pitfalls, hard work and commitment. But they will also comprehend the sense of accomplishment of becoming part of nature, not just the skim on the top. This experience will qualify them to examine with a keener eye the often sleazy, forked-tongued and gratuitously morbid supplications for money, money, money from the animal rights grubbers.

Our twenty-acre neighbors will gain the ability to distinguish their local Humane Societies, county agents, district agriculturalists, and veterinarians from the National Beggars Association of ANTI's who haven't raised a calf, had it butchered, or fed their family for a week from their own labors in the soil.

My advice to you farmers and ranchers who miss the old days is to befriend your new neighbors and offer to teach them Beginning Agriculture 101. Let them experience the deep pride one gets from personally participating in one of life's most basic occupations. They will learn where food comes from. And, I repeat, it is life-changing.

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