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Purple and white tent to be replaced by Stanley E. Stout Livestock Marketing and Learning Center

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

"We have to get out of this purple and white tent on the hill," the late Stanley Stout was often heard to say. He was referring to the large tent that housed what began as the Special "K" cattle sale in 1977 and later became the Legacy Sale, held each year in March at Kansas State University. It is one of the longest running annual beef cattle auctions among U.S. land grant universities.

Following his death in 2006, his friends and colleagues set a goal of bringing Stout's dream of a permanent facility to fruition. Thanks to generous donations like that by Rich Porter of Porter Cattle Co. near Emporia, the facility that will bear the late auctioneer and livestockman's name should soon be under construction.

"Stout was an acquaintance of mine," Rick Porter said, "But many of my friends were friends of his and I heard them talking about this. My giving was to help fulfill his dream."

Once a plan for the Stanley E. Stout Livestock Marketing and Learning Center was developed, fundraising efforts got under way, kicked off by a "Final Drive," at the American Royal in October, 2010. Beef producers from all over the country had the opportunity to designate the proceeds of an animal in their live or internet



Organizers anticipate the new Stanley E. Stout Livestock Marketing and Learning Center at Kansas State University will be completed in time for the 100th anniversary of the Legacy Sale in March, 2013.

auction to the fund. While that effort didn't raise as much as organizers would have liked, it did serve to make people more aware of the project and let them know that emphasis was once again being placed on raising the necessary funds. In 2011, the Exclusive Genetics Sale was held at the American Royal and raised \$82,100 for the project from live animals, embryos and semen packages, according to Emilie Fink, development officer for the K-State College of Agriculture.

"Folks from throughout the country donated to that sale," she said. Raising the needed funds in such a way was fitting, as Stout had donated his time auctioneering sales for small county fair premium auctions all the way to the most prestigious National Western Stock Show.

Fundraising continues as more money will be needed for equipping the facility. To date there has been approximately \$1.1 million raised and Fink said they are actively engaged in conversa-

tions for an additional \$250,000 that they expect to come in this year. The estimated price tag for the facility approaches \$1.5 million.

"The goal is to secure as much money as possible by May 1 so decisions can be made," Fink explained. Site-work will begin shortly thereafter, with the facility set to be complete in time for the 100th anniversary of the Legacy Sale.

Anyone interested in donating can contact Emilie Fink at 800-432-1578 or

emilief@found.ksu.edu.

Along with hosting the Legacy Sale each year, the state-of-the-art Livestock Marketing and Learning Center will also be used for many instructional and industry events. It will be available for Kansas livestock producers and others in the livestock industry, as well as for lease for non-university livestock events. Cutting-edge technology will allow for off-site speakers or

broadcasting an event to sites around the country or world.

"This facility is going to be much more than a world class purebred sale ring," Porter described. "It will be used for livestock judging, sheep and goats, dairy and swine, and many equine activities until they get the additional equine building built. It will have uses for KSU and for the whole community."

At 'Wake Up to Ag' breakfast, lawmakers and farmers share the bounty

Each year, Kansas produces nearly \$4.9 billion in agriculture exports, and Kansas farmers provide food for Americans and people in

102 different countries around the world. At 28.2 million acres, Kansas has the second-most cropland of any state, and the most cropland of any state by percentage. Kansas ranks first of all states in total wheat production and second in wheat milling. It is first also in cattle feeding and cattle processing.

Simply put, the agriculture industry is a vital cog in the Kansas economic engine. It is also one reason why Kansas lawmakers were invited to the annual "Wake Up to Kansas Agriculture" legislative breakfast, held March 8, which was also National Agriculture Day. The breakfast was hosted by the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers, Kansas Sorghum Producers Association, Kansas Soybean Association and Kansas Corn Growers Association.

David Schemm, a Sharon Springs farmer and president of the KAWG, said the breakfast enabled him to visit with the state's lawmakers in an informal setting.

Larry Powell, who chairs the Kansas House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and is a retired farmer from Garden City, says there is ample opportunity for the agriculture industry to grow in Kansas. State officials are seeking to grow the poultry business in southeast Kansas and lawmakers support efforts by the sorghum industry to develop hybrids that feature greater water-use-efficiency and can tolerate herbicide applications to control grassy weeds.

And Powell singled out the efforts of Kansas wheat farmers, who are building the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center in Manhattan.

When completed this winter, this research facility will enable researchers to develop new and improved wheat varieties with state-of-the-art laboratory and greenhouse space. Doubled haploid wheat research being done by scientists at Heartland Plant Innovations, one of the KWIC's tenants, has already opened the eyes of Kansas lawmakers.

"With doubled haploid wheat varieties, a pure line can be obtained in about a year, and it used to take much longer. That is really exciting," says Powell, who attended the breakfast along with nearly 75 of his fellow lawmakers. "It is the biggest industry in Kansas and I think the future is bright for agriculture in Kansas. It has changed over the years, with advances in technology. But I think there a lot of opportunities for agriculture in Kansas."

Legislature celebrates Kansas Agriculture Week with food drive competition

The Kansas Legislature competed in a food drive at the Statehouse in recognition of Kansas Agriculture Week. The House of Representatives won the friendly food drive competition with the Senate, collecting 281 pounds of food and raising \$902 in cash and check donations. This is the equivalent of 4,726 meals. Some members even donated meat from animals they raised and had harvested at U.S. Department of Agriculture-inspected meat packing plants.

The Kansas Senate provided the equivalent of 2,778 meals, raising \$550 in cash and check donations and collecting 36 pounds of food. Separate from the competition, employees at the Kansas Department of Agriculture collected another 158 pounds of

food, the equivalent of 122 meals.

Collectively, 7,626 meals will be provided to individuals from the food and fund drive.

"Kansas farmers and ranchers work hard every day to put wholesome, affordable food on the table of people in Kansas and around the world," said Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Dale Rodman. "This food drive was a great way for legislators to give back by putting agriculture products in the hands of those that need them most."

The food drive was hosted by the following committees:

House Agriculture and Natural Resources, Chair Rep. Larry Powell

House Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget, Chair Rep. Sharon Schwartz

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By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

Speaking in the heart of irrigation country and the Ogallala Aquifer region, Gov. Sam Brownback signed two bills in southwestern Kansas that are intended to lengthen the life of this region's water resources. Brownback signed the bills March 5 at Garden City High School while students, community leaders, farm organization members and legislators watched.

The bills were historic because they mark a change in how water-rights holders will use their water in the future, particularly in the Ogallala Aquifer. This aquifer located in western Kansas is a vast underground pool of water. It is one of the world's largest aquifers and covers an area that includes portions of eight states: Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, South Dakota and Wyoming.

The High Plains region relies on the Ogallala for water; however, this finite resource is being depleted due to years of extensive irrigation.

One bill that will now apply to only closed appropriation areas of the state repeals a 1945 law that required use of a certain amount of water each year under a so-called use-it-or-lose-it doctrine. The other bill gives rights holders more flexibility in how they use their water each year.

Brownback believes it will allow for more water usage in dry years, with an eye toward conservation in wet years. Both measures were part of the agenda he outlined in January for the 2012 legislative session.

"I believe we should feel good about these measures that will help extend the life of our state's water resources," the Kansas governor said. "The people who use water in this region of

Kansas are passionate about water and they understand we don't have a future without it."

Stanton County producer Jim Sipes attended the signing ceremony and says these two bills are the culmination of something farmers/irrigators have been trying to get in western Kansas for a long time.

"For those of us who do not use our water through irrigation anymore, it gives us the flexibility to continue to conserve the water without having to figure out ways to keep this water right viable now that use-it-or-lose-it for our closed appropriation areas has been repealed," Sipes said. "The combination of these two bills will give producers who want to irrigate the ability to do so while getting the most use of that water and benefiting the state and our crop producers." Joining the governor for the bill signing was Ogallala Aquifer Advisory Committee chair Gary Harshberger, who also farms in southwestern Kansas. Harshberger believes these measures will help move "the culture from one of consumption to

one of water conservation."

Additional water-related measures continue to march through the process. Farm organizations including Kansas Farm Bureau testified recently in support of separate House-passed measures allowing neighboring farmers to devise their own groundwater management, the dividing of water rights, water banking and an irrigation transition assistance plan.

Anticipation is high for the passage of LEMAs or Local Enhancement Management Area plans. LEMAs would promote local control for irrigators. LEMAs also call for reductions of water use if supported by the Groundwater Management District, have corrective measures that address conservation needs and are approved by the Chief Engineer.

John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.



By Sharon Covert
United Soybean Board
International
Marketing Chair

ST. LOUIS Each day keeps getting a little bit longer and warmer, which means it will soon be that time of year again—planting season. Farmers will soon be back in the field sowing this year's soybean crop.

Many farmers have complex management decisions to make each spring, but deciding which soybean variety to plant has become an increasingly difficult one. In the past few years, soybean seed treated with crop protection products have become very popular.

These brightly colored seeds can help protect seedlings from pests and dis-

eases, but farmers need to remember the importance of keeping treated seed and harvested oilseeds or grain separate.

Our customers beyond the elevator have become increasingly sensitive to this issue, and negligence can threaten our relationship and income. For example, if a treated seed shows up in a shipment of soybeans in China, customers there will reject the entire load.

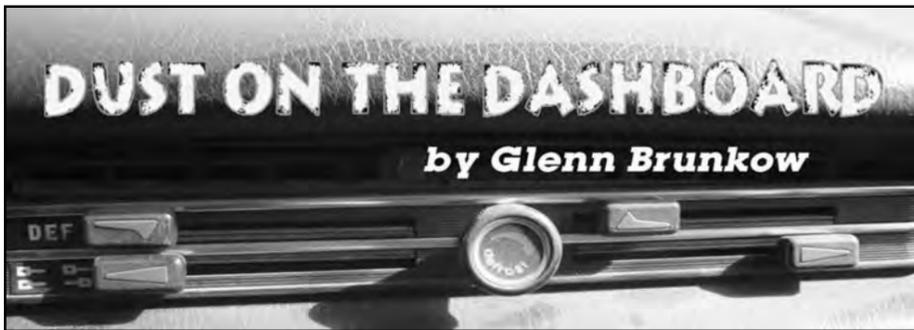
To maintain our reputation as a leading supplier of high-quality soybeans and grains, we need to properly handle and dispose of treated seed.

After planting this spring, farmers should carefully inspect and thoroughly clean gravity boxes, truck beds, wagons and equipment that carried treated seed.

Farmers with any unused treated seed are encouraged to contact their seed company to find out its policies for treated seed. Seed companies will offer guidelines on how to properly dispose of it, and some companies will even accept returns of treated seed.

In order to protect the integrity of U.S. soy, it's imperative for farmers to take the steps to ensure that treated seed does not mix with harvested soybeans, other oilseeds or grains. I understand that taking these extra steps can sometimes be hard to do, but properly disposing of treated seed can go a long way to ensure we all continue to produce a safe and abundant supply of food, fiber and feed.

Have a safe planting season.



I have always been a dog person; currently my family owns two dogs. Jack the Bird Dog is a lovable goofball; he trips over his own feet and likes having his ears scratched. Killer the Cow Dog is always ready to ride on the back of the pickup and wags his tail at the mere mention of his name. I am very fond of Killer the Cow Dog and Jack the Bird Dog, but I do not love either of them. They are important to us but they are not members of our family. Why? Because they are animals. Let me give you an example that should make things very clear.

If one of my dogs was in danger and saving them meant risking my life, I would not. However, if another person, any person, was facing a life or death situation, I would, without a moment's hesitation risk my life to save their life. If both a human life and the life of an animal are at risk at the same time, the decision to save the human life should be automatic. Yes, I hold the life of other humans, even people I am not particularly fond of, in higher regard than the life of an animal, even an animal I am quite fond of. Sadly many of my fellow humans do not feel the same way.

We, as a society, have blurred the line between humans and animals. Why? Well, many do not have the same contact with animals that those of us in agriculture do. Their only non-human contact is with the cat or dog they share their house with. They project human feelings and emotions on those animals, and I understand why.

It is easy for me to talk to Killer or Jack and believe that they understand. It is easy to believe that their loyalty is out of love for me. But here is the truth. Lassie never ran back from the well barking to save Timmy. Dogs are pack animals and their loyalty to you is because they believe you to be the alpha and therefore the leader of the pack. Cats, on the other hand, view you as an equal but tolerate you because you are the keeper of the feed bowl, period. That is why I am not a cat person.

In any case, they are animals and their actions are governed by instinct. As humans, our actions are powered by our in-

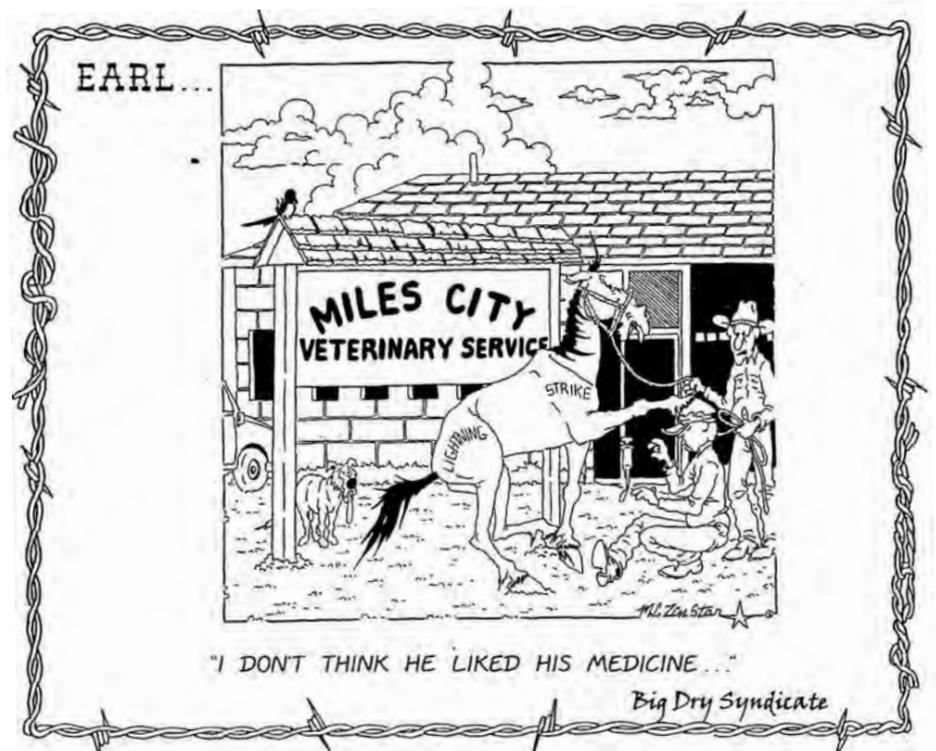
tellect and fueled by reason. Those of us who work with animals on a daily basis understand that. We know what our animals are going to do because we understand the instincts that dictate every action or reaction. Everything an animal does is governed by the need to survive or reproduce.

Does the fact that I view myself superior to animals mean I treat them poorly? Not in the least. I understand it is my duty to treat them with respect and care for their every need. Whether it be a companion animal like my dogs or one of the steers or lambs I am raising for food, I take care of their needs and make sure they are well cared for. But I also understand they are on this earth for my use.

OK, I know I am preaching to the choir and many of you are wondering why where I am going with this. Activist groups like HSUS and PETA are playing upon the emotions and feelings the majority of people have for their animals. We have all seen the sad advertisements that play on TV and ask for your money to help protect abused animals. They are seeking to exploit pet owners who see their companion animal as an equal.

From there it is a small leap to project the same emotions and feelings onto the animals we raise for food. If you view your dog or cat as an equal, then it is easy to view that cute pig in the same way. Sound crazy? Animal rights groups see no difference between the life of a human, dog or sheep and have stated such. Give them the same scenario I gave earlier and they say they would have a difficult decision of who to save.

So what should we do? That answer is simple. We need to help show the difference, and that means opening our farms and ranches up to others. We need to show that we genuinely care for the animals we own. We need to demonstrate that we give them the best care available and respect the lives we have been entrusted with but that we also understand that they are here for our use. Yes, that might mean as a companion or it might mean as a protein source, but they are here for our use. Now please excuse me, Killer and I have cows to check.



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Activities abound for Morris County 4-H

As spring turns to summer, there is only one thing on a child's mind: summer fun. Splashing around in the pool, meeting new friends, going to camp — these are just a few of the things Morris County 4-H'ers have to look forward to this summer, thanks to a local farm family and America's Farmers Grow CommunitiesSM.

Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, gives farmers the opportunity to win \$2,500 for

their favorite local nonprofit organizations. Mark and Barbara Kickhaefer were the winning farmers in Morris County. They recognized the need to help area youth and directed the donation to the Morris County 4-H Foundation.

"Grow Communities is a great program," said Barbara. "It's nice that the Monsanto Fund is doing this. I am glad we will be able to help out the 4-H financially."

The 4-H foundation will

use the \$2,500 to help 4-H members with fees for camps and activities.

"This money will help with activities such as Discovery Days at Kansas State University, specialty camps and judging schools," said Connie Burton, president of the 4-H Foundation.

In a ceremony held on March 6 at the Morris County 4-H Office, the Kickhaefers got the chance to present the foundation with the \$2,500 donation.

Food drive competition

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Senate Agriculture, Chair Sen. Mark Taddiken

Senate Natural Resources, Chair Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer

All the food and money donated went to the Topeka chapter of Harvesters—The Community Food Network, with the exceptions of legislators who requested their donations be sent to food banks in their home communities.

"Your efforts during Kansas Agriculture Week will make a significant difference to people in need of food," said Jan-

nett Wiens, Constituent Relationship Manager with Harvesters—The Community Food Network. "Nearly 66,000 people in our 26-county region require emergency food assistance every week, and fully half of those recipients are children and seniors."

The food drive took place during Kansas Agriculture Week, from March 4-11. Other Kansas Agriculture Week events included a Governor's proclamation, a social media campaign and agriculture-related announcements in schools across the state.

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 1 cup flour
 1/2 cup white sugar
 1 1/2 tablespoons cocoa
 2 teaspoons baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 Add:
 2 tablespoons margarine or butter
 3/4 cup milk
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 1/2 cup chopped nuts
 1/2 cup flaked coconut (if desired)

Beat 2 minutes and pour into a 9-by-9-inch greased pan. Mix in a small bowl:

2/3 cup white sugar
 1/4 cup cocoa

Sprinkle over batter in pan. Pour 1 cup plus 1 tablespoon boiling water over all the batter. Looks like a mess, but that's OK. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes or until done.

Sandy Hill, Eskridge: "These will disappear fast."

BUTTERSCOTCH CHIP CRUNCHERS
 3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup shortening
 1/2 cup margarine or but-

ter, softened
 2 tablespoons vanilla
 1 egg
 1 1/4 cups flour
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 cups cornflakes cereal, coarsely crushed
 1 cup quick-cooking rolled oats

6-ounce package (1 cup) butterscotch chips

Heat oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl combine brown sugar and sugar, shortening, margarine, vanilla and egg; beat well. Lightly spoon flour into measuring cup, level off. Add flour, baking soda and salt; mix well. Stir in cereal, oats and butterscotch chips. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool 1 minute, remove from cookie sheets. Makes 4 to 4 1/2 dozen cookies.

Kellee Rogers, Topeka: **PEANUT BUTTER RICE CEREAL BARS**

1 cup light corn syrup
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup brown sugar
 1 1/2 cups creamy peanut butter
 2 teaspoons vanilla
 4 cups crisp rice cereal

Line a 9-by-13-inch pan with waxed paper. Combine corn syrup and sugars in saucepan over medium heat. Stir to combine. Bring to a boil, then remove from heat.

Stir in peanut butter and mix well. Quickly stir in vanilla and cereal. Spread in the pan.

Michelle Brokes, Wilson:

BUNDT CAKE

1 yellow cake mix
 3/4 cup water
 1 small box instant vanilla pudding mix
 3/4 cup oil
 4 eggs
 1 teaspoon butter flavoring
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 Nut Filling:
 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
 1/4 cup sugar
 2 teaspoons cinnamon

Combine cake mix, pudding, oil and water. Beat on low speed until combined. Add eggs one at a time, beating on medium speed between each addition. Beat on high for 2 minutes. Add flavorings. Grease bundt pan heavily. Combine nut mixture and spread a small amount on the bottom of the pan. Pour 1/3 batter over the nuts; add layer of nuts and 1/3 batter. Top with remaining nut mixture and batter. Bake 40-45 minutes at 350 degrees. Remove from oven and cool for 10-15

minutes. Turn out of pan and glaze.

Glaze:

1 cup powdered sugar
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
 1/2 teaspoon butter flavoring
 3 tablespoons milk

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Okla.:

WESTERN ROUND UP CASSEROLE

1 pound ground chuck
 2 red peppers, diced
 1/4 cup onion, chopped
 15-ounce can baked beans
 1 tablespoon fajita seasoning
 8 1/2-ounce package cornbread mix
 1 egg
 1/3 cup milk

Combine ground chuck, peppers and onion in oven-proof skillet; heat and stir until beef is browned. Drain. Add beans and fajita seasoning; heat through, stirring frequently. Spread out evenly in skillet and set aside. Mix cornbread

with egg and milk, according to package directions. Spread evenly over ground beef mixture in skillet, place skillet in the oven. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until toothpick inserted in cornbread comes out clean. Let cool slightly before serving.

Karen Saner, Burns: **EASY POT PIE**

1 2/3 cups frozen mixed vegetables
 1 cup cooked chicken, chopped
 1 can chicken soup
 1 cup baking mix
 1/2 cup milk
 1 egg

Mix the vegetables, chicken, and soup together and put in a pie pan or a small casserole dish. Put the baking mix, milk and egg in a bowl and stir until well blended. Pour over the chicken mixture. Bake at 400 degrees for about 30 minutes.

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Sweet Ways To Celebrate The Season

(NAPSA) — A delightful way for your family to greet the end of winter can be by getting together and baking up tasty treats that signify renewal, such as Sweet Chicks and Bird's Nest Coffee Cake:



Sweet Chicks
Makes 18 chicks

5 to 5 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup sugar
2 envelopes Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast
1 tablespoon freshly grated lemon peel
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup evaporated milk
1/2 cup water
1/3 cup butter or margarine
2 large eggs
Raisins
Powdered Sugar Glaze:
1 1/4 cups powdered sugar
2 to 3 tablespoons milk
2 to 3 drops yellow or red food coloring
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Combine 2 cups flour, sugar, undissolved yeast, lemon peel and salt in large mixing bowl. Heat milk, water and butter till very warm (120 to 130 degrees). Gradually add to

flour mixture. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed of mixer, scraping bowl occasionally. Add eggs and 1 cup flour; beat 2 minutes at high speed. Stir in enough remaining flour to make a soft dough. Knead on lightly floured surface till smooth and elastic, about 8 to 10 minutes. Cover; let rest 10 minutes. Divide dough into 18 equal pieces; roll each into 10-inch rope. Tie each into a knot, leaving one end slightly shorter. Place knots, short ends up, 2 inches apart on greased baking sheets. Pinch short end of knot to form head and pointed beak. Insert 2 raisins for eyes. Press long end of knot down; with sharp knife, make 4 to 5 cuts to form tail. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 45 minutes to 1 hour. Bake at 375 degrees, 12 to 15 minutes or till done. Cover heads with small pieces of foil if they become too brown. Remove from sheet to wire rack. Brush with Powdered Sugar Glaze: Combine glaze ingredients in small bowl; stir until smooth.

Bird's Nest Coffee Cake
3 1/2 to 4 cups all-purpose flour
1/3 cup sugar
2 envelopes Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast

2 teaspoons freshly grated orange peel
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup water
1/3 cup milk
1/4 cup butter or margarine
9 eggs
1/2 cup chopped almonds, toasted
1 tablespoon water
Food coloring

Orange Glaze:
1 cup powdered sugar
1 to 2 tablespoons orange juice
Combine 1 1/2 cups flour, sugar, undissolved yeast, orange peel and salt in large mixing bowl. Heat water, milk and butter until very warm (120 to 130 degrees); stir into flour mixture. Stir in 1 egg, almonds and enough remaining flour to make soft dough. Knead on lightly floured surface till smooth and elastic, about 6 to 8 minutes. Cover; let rest on floured surface 10 minutes. Divide dough in half; roll each half to 30-inch rope. Loosely twist ropes together. Place twisted rope on large greased baking sheet;



shape into circle and pinch ends together to seal. Place 7 eggs, evenly spaced, on dough, pressing between ropes in twist. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 20 to 40 minutes. Beat remaining egg with 1 tablespoon water; brush over dough (not on eggs). Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until done. Remove from sheet; let cool on wire rack. Brush eggs with food coloring. Drizzle Orange Glaze over bread: Combine glaze ingredients in small bowl; stir until smooth. Serve warm. Refrigerate any leftovers.

More recipes and tips are at www.breadworld.com.

Take A Fresh Look At Frozen Food

(NAPSA) — The frozen aisles of the grocery store offer more nutritious, delicious, convenient options than ever. From fully prepared entrées to heat-and-eat frozen ingredients, side dishes, appetizers and desserts, they can easily be incorporated into your meal preparation routine.

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- Many stores feature special prices and promotions on tasty frozen favorites. In celebration of March National Frozen Food Month, the National Frozen & Refrigerated Foods Association (NFRA) has created a \$10,000 Sweepstakes that runs through the end of April. To enter and for the rules, visit www.EasyHomeMeals.com.

To take a fresh look at frozen food, try this easy, tasty meal and enjoy more time with your family and less time in the kitchen.

Shrimp & Vegetable Stir-Fry
24 large frozen shrimp (thawed, shelled & deveined)
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 teaspoons chopped garlic
(2) 16-ounce bags frozen stir-fry vegetables
1 cup stir-fry sauce
Tomato wedges
Salt & pepper to taste

Heat 1 tablespoon oil in a large skillet over medium heat; add shrimp and stir-fry 3 minutes or until done. Remove shrimp from pan and set aside. Add remaining 1 tablespoon oil to pan and heat; add garlic and cook for 30 seconds, then add frozen vegetables and cook for 4 minutes. Add stir-fry sauce and cook until vegetables are tender (about 6 minutes). Add cooked shrimp to pan; stir and heat together. Plate and garnish with tomato wedges. Serves 4.

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ASA applauds Stabenow bill to expand biobased market program

The American Soybean Association (ASA) commends Senate Agriculture Committee chair Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) for the support and leadership demonstrated by the introduction of legislation (S. 2155) that continues and builds upon the Biobased Market Program established under the 2002 Farm Bill.

The bill recognizes the importance of biobased products and promotes an increase in biobased manufacturing.

"The legislation introduced by Chairwoman Stabenow this week supports the progressive and groundbreaking work of

the biobased products industry," said ASA president Steve Wellman, a soybean farmer from Syracuse, Neb. "The biobased products sector is growing and it has the potential to expand considerably in the coming years, providing jobs, expanding markets for soybeans and other agricultural products, reducing the use of petroleum. With its expanded support of USDA's BioPreferred program, the chairwoman's legislation continues to encourage the United States govern-

ment to purchase biobased products and sends a positive signal to industry to continue their investment in biobased manufacturing. ASA is a founding member of the Biobased Products Coalition, and the soybean industry plays a significant role in the production of biobased products. We look forward to working with Senator Stabenow on the inclusion of the BioPreferred program in the next Farm Bill."

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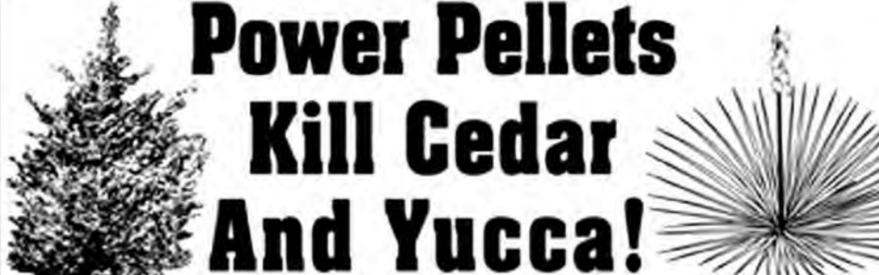
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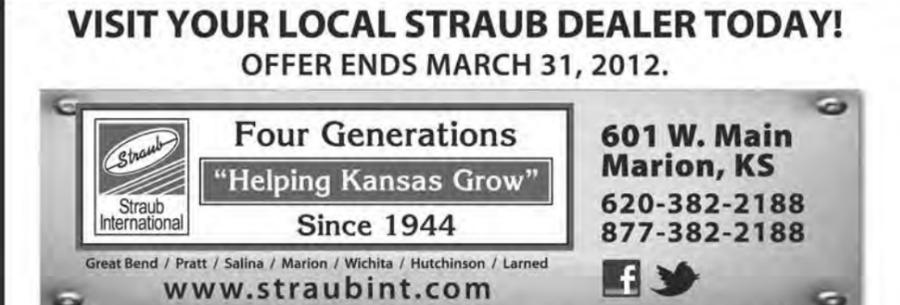
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OMB signs off on BSE rule, sends to USDA for publication

The White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has completed its review of a comprehensive proposed rule to amend the regulations regarding the importation of bovine and bovine products based on newly established country classifications—negligible risk, controlled risk, or undetermined risk—for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). While some commodities would be allowed importation into the U.S. regardless of the BSE classification of the country of export, other commodities would be subject to importation restrictions or prohibitions based on the type of commodity and the BSE classification of the country. The criteria for country classification and commodity import would be closely aligned with

those of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE).

"It's difficult for us to continue to demand that our trading partners comply with OIE standards when we don't," said TCFA government relations director Josh Winegarner. "This proposed rule, which has been in the works since 2004, should level the playing field for U.S. beef in the global marketplace and demonstrate our commitment to basing trade decisions on internationally-recognized, science-based standards." OMB's decision comes after a bipartisan group of 31 U.S. senators sent a letter to the agency urging them to finalize the proposed rule.

"Non-tariff trade barriers limit our ability to sell beef to consumers in other countries," the senators

penned. "Beef producers need our trade negotiators to significantly reduce or eliminate non-tariff trade barriers by requiring our trading partners to make science-based decisions regarding U.S. beef. By the same logic, it is also important for our government to take the necessary steps to properly address risk related to BSE by adopting a comprehensive rule." The letter continues, "By having a comprehensive BSE rule in place, the U.S. will show leadership on a global scale and

will give USTR and USDA a stronger position to press other nations to follow the OIE's guidelines and adopt science-based BSE policies. As a result, when nations base their decisions on sound science, we are confident more markets will be expanded or opened to U.S. beef."

The proposed rule has been sent to USDA-APHIS for publication in the Federal Register, at which time TCFA and NCBA will conduct a thorough review and submit comments.

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The U.S. Agriculture Department's Foreign Agricultural Service reports more than \$3.68 billion in farm exports from Kansas in 2011.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture says the previous state record of \$3.06 billion was set in 2008.

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Or, to put it another way, I'd missed what I thought might be my turn. The road in question, something Google Maps had assured me was the fastest, most direct line of travel from Goff to Horton, appeared on cursory glance to be a narrow, rutted path hardly wider than our vehicle and of uncertain solidity. Already once today I'd been mired in a seemingly bottomless muck and had no desire to replicate the experience, plus I'd forgotten about Highway 9's convoluted transverse and was therefore running late for a meeting.

My copilot popped the glove box and hauled out a cracked and much maligned map.

"That won't tell you much," I said. "Grab the

iPad instead."

It took a few seconds for what I'd said to register. Never before in the annals of my personal history had I uttered such a statement, at once a betrayal of my adoration of maps and, in this sparsely populated region so far from familiarity and a computer linked to a modem, odd to the point of bafflement. Lori seemed frozen in place, the map half-opened, her brow furrowed, before giving a soft, "Oh. Yeah."

Deftly, though, she reached into the back seat, hauled the iPad from its case and fired it up. With a few taps she was tracking our vehicle from space, Goff falling behind, Wetmore in the distance and a maze of feeder roads branching out in a classic Jeffersonian grid. Another tap provided two alternate directions to our destination. Pinching two fingers

on the tablet zoomed out the map to provide a broader view, while the reverse zoomed in, like falling from space. We had our choice of a regular street map, a satellite image or, my favorite, a three-dimensional terrain map showing the

contours of the land.

Paper maps, I thought, are so yesteryear.

I realize that this technology isn't new to people with smartphones, but our mobile phone has so few features that it's little more than a tin can on a string.

While I'm fairly up-to-date on computing technology, mobile communication has always left me cold. During my decades in Denver I was chained to a cell phone, two-way radio and pager, all of which I gratefully left behind without remorse. After

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the iPad is relatively new for us, and we're gradually understanding ways to fit it into everyday life, including, on the road somewhere between Goff and Wetmore, as an interactive map of dizzying detail.

As the miles fled past, my eyes kept inching over to chart our progress. I wanted nothing more than to swerve to the shoulder and run the iPad through the paces; where does this road lead, what's up ahead, what's behind that we might have missed? Instead, I followed Lori's directions, passed through the Kickapoo Nation and into Horton as the sun dipped below the horizon.

Having charted our course (more or less) from home, I knew which way to turn once inside city limits. We headed south on what appeared to be a main thoroughfare, a residential area

slowly giving way to churches each of which seemed in competition for the most grand, followed by a gradual decline in grandeur, utility and habitation. The downtown area seemed long past its prime, a patchwork of shuttered buildings, vacant windows, deserted streets, staggered businesses of various mercantile interests, empty lots, mysterious alleys leading into crepuscular murkiness, blocky WPA constructions and a smattering of modern steel buildings juxtaposed against brick and concrete masonry dating back a hundred years.

For a photographer, a Kansas Explorer, a lover of old towns and architecture, it was riveting. And, all too soon, over. We parked in a dirt lot outside the community center, light spilling from the front door while around us twilight gilded

the buildings with a warm glow that both heightened and softened the perception of antiquity and abandonment, inviting, evasive, utterly mysterious. In Lori's lap the iPad pinpointed our location on a featureless grid of numbered and named streets, but its utilitarian and technological brilliance was outmatched by our earthbound outlook. One tap and the screen went black. The road would never be the same.

RCLA spring meeting — March 28

The Riley County Livestock Association spring meeting, March 28, will feature tours of the new Large Animal Research Center and the new KSU Sheep Unit, both located on Denison Avenue, just south of Marlatt Avenue, in Manhattan.

The first stop will be at 5:00 p.m. at the Large Animal Research Center,

where RCLA members will get a quick tour of the facilities. At the new sheep unit tour participants will first tour the unit, then eat supper, followed by a presentation about ongoing research at the Large Animal Research Center.

Dr. Denver Marlow from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State

University, will address the group.

Reservations are needed by March 23 and can be made by calling the Riley County Extension Office at 785-537-6350, or by e-mailing sriffany@ksu.edu. There is \$5 meal charge for RCLA members. New members receive a complimentary meal when they pay their \$12 RCLA dues.



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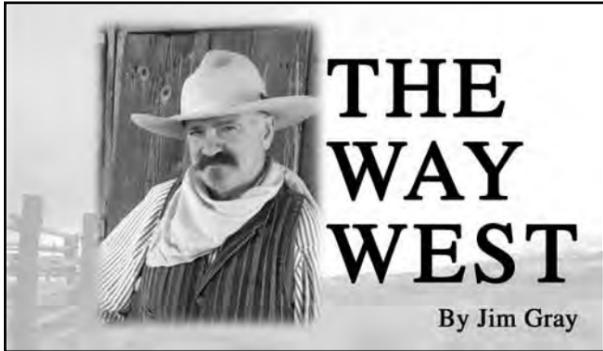
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PROPERTY LOCATION: North of Cedar Point, KS, (Hwy. 50) 1/2 mile on B Rd. then West 1/2 mile on Rd. 140 to NE corner of Tract 1.

TRACT 1 — 157.25 ACRES
LEGAL: NW/4 of Sec. 36, Twp. 20, Rge 5E, Chase County, Kansas. Approximately 157.25 acres.
TAXES: \$1242.20. Sellers mineral rights transfer to the buyer. There is no production on the property.

TRACT 2 — 77 ACRES APPROXIMATELY
PROPERTY LOCATION: Joins Tract 1 on the northeast side.
LEGAL: N/2 of the NE/4 of Sec. 36, Twp. 20S, Rge. 5E, Chase County, Kansas. Acres approximately 77.40 acres.
TAXES: \$432.34. Sellers mineral rights transfer to the buyer. There is no production on the property.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Acreage breakdown: Dryland 52.25 acres, Native grass 1.46 acres, Tame grass 23.69 acres. **Soils:** Rd-Reading Silt Loam and So-Solomon Silty Clay.

TRACT 3 — 53.14 ACRES APPROXIMATELY
PROPERTY LOCATION: Across County Rd. B to the East of Tract 2.
LEGAL: W/2 of the NW/4 of Sec. 31, Twp. 20S, Rge. 6E, lying north of Hwy. 50 in Chase County, Kansas. Acres approximately 53.14 acres.
TAXES: Approximately \$205 (taxed w/Tract 4). Sellers mineral rights transfer to the buyer. There is no production on the property.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Rd-Reading Silt Loam, So-Solomon Silty Clay, OS-Osage Silty Clay; Deep soils in the Cottonwood River Valley can flood, but have good crop production potential. The 53.14 acres had been in brome grass until recently. Approx. 21.56 acres are currently tilled. Approx. 31.58 acres are in brome grass. Easy access off county roads. This property lies nice and level.

TRACT 4 — 12.22 ACRES APPROXIMATELY
PROPERTY LOCATION: 1/2 mile north of Cedar Point on Rd. B and East, lying south of the RR tracks.
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TAXES: Approximately \$53.06 (has been taxed w/Tract 3). Sellers mineral rights transfer to the buyer. There is no production on the property.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: 10.62 acres of tillable balance of 1.6 acres in timber and river. **Soils:** OS-Osage Silty Clay, Ch-Chase Silty Clay Loam. Acreage is in the Cottonwood River Valley and can flood. Here again, there are deep soils with good crop potential, so if you are looking for part of the Cottonwood River, but don't want to spend a large sum to get it ... look no further! Here is your opportunity to purchase a small, affordable tract that gets you on the river!

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SHORTENED LEGAL: W/2 of SE/4 of Sec. 30, Twp. 20S, Rge. 6E in Chase County, Kansas. Acres approximately 78.58 acres.
TAXES: \$167.58. Sellers mineral rights transfer to the buyer. There is no production on the property.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Native grass consisting of big and little bluestem, Indian grass and other mixed grasses. There is easy access off Rd. 140. The pasture quickly climbs northward onto the high bluffs of the Flint Hills overlooking the Cottonwood River Valley. What a view!
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equal when it came to courage in a desperate situation or bravado of any kind. Ben Thompson was also a man of reputation. While not as well known today as Bat Masterson, Thompson was considered by many to be the best gunman of his day. Masterson, who lived by the gun and made his reputation among gunmen, wrote that among the gunmen that he knew Ben Thompson had no equal with a pistol in a life and death struggle. Thompson hailed from Austin, Texas. He was a Confederate veteran and one who made his living by his wits at the gambling table. The only man who might have been his equal was Wild Bill Hickok. The two were in Abilene in 1871 but were careful not to allow themselves to be

drawn into a disagreement. Billy Thompson, Ben's younger brother, got into a shooting scrape in Ogallala. He was wounded and being held in a hotel room by local officers. Ben recognized that his own presence in the town would only stir up more emotion. Needing someone of extraordinary nerve to rescue his brother he called upon his gambling friend, Bat Masterson. Once in Ogallala, Masterson tried to bribe the man that Billy had tried to kill, saloon keeper Bill Tucker. Tucker was willing to drop the matter, but his price was more than the Thompsons could raise. Seeing that time was short for Billy, Bat secured the aid of a competing bartender to drug Billy's guard. In time the guard fell into a

stupor outside of Billy's door. Bat quietly entered the room and with Billy on his shoulder he hauled the invalid gunman to the Union Pacific railroad station. They arrived just in time to catch an eastbound train. At two o'clock in the morning the train pulled to a stop at the North Platte station. Bat carried Billy toward the only lighted building on the street which, of course, was a saloon. Inside they found Buffalo Bill Cody. Cody was, as usual, the center of attention, telling

grand stories to about a dozen wide-eyed bystanders. Little did they know the story that was about to be told. Upon hearing of Billy's predicament Cody offered Bat and Billy refuge at his ranch. The following day Bat and his incapacitated evacuee left Cody's ranch in Mrs. Cody's expensive new carriage. For the next two hundred miles they rode through a driving rain-storm to Dodge City. They arrived dogged tired, filthy, and soaked to the skin. Masterson wanted a

hot bath and a bed, but Billy insisted on stopping at the telegraph office first. He couldn't resist sending a telegraph to Sheriff DePriest at Ogallala with an invitation to visit him in Dodge City. The Dodge City Times, July 17, 1880, noted in a mater-of-fact fashion, "W. B. Masterson arrived from a visit to Ogallala, this week. He says Nebraska is dry and many people are leaving the State. He came by wagon, and was accompanied by Texas Billy Thompson. The latter

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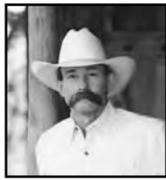
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The Clueless

American, Canadian, European and, I assume, Australian citizens are becoming increasingly detached from the realities of attaining life's three most essential necessities; food, fuel and shelter (FF and S). Most 21st century urban children have no familial or environmental connection to the source of the food on their plate, the gas in their car, the wood in their wall, or the copper in their iPod.

Producers of FF and S are concerned. All we can conclude is, "They don't have a clue." But my question is, "Does it make a difference?"

I've bought and worn out more tires than my share but I have not given one iota of thought to what rubber looks like in the wild; maybe they pick tires off of the trees! Do they have a life of their own? Is there a tire culture? I know they honor their dead. I've seen their cemeteries on lots of

farms holding down silage-pit tarps.

Let me break down our challenge. #1 - Approximately 45% of our population doesn't vote. I suggest an equal number don't care where their FF and S comes from. I would also posit that another 10% of the urban population has enough scientific and biological knowledge to offer an informed opinion about modern FF and S techniques and understand the whys.

Maybe another 5% are also informed and still do not approve of modern agricultural, timber or mining methods. If they are "true Luddites" they make an effort to live off-the-grid, eat "organic" food and bicycle wherever they go. They are usually either well-to-do or homeless.

Say 5% are direct descendants of farmers, miners and lumberjacks, or they are immigrants that are predisposed to trust the producers of the world.

That leaves 15% of the population that is at the mercy of the animal rights terrorists, the Humane Society of the United States, PETA, Physicians Against Abundance for All, as well as the Beef Checkoff, real nutritionists, British Petroleum, Trans Canada Corporation, the Corn Producers and Boise Cascade.

It is in this last group that we as producers can make a difference. We need to start in our schools, in the decaying center of big cities, and on television. There is no real need to show urbanities the realistic, responsible but graphic harvest processes of meat, timber or mining. No more than they need to watch while

the kindly vet euthanizes their dog, or when their surgeon takes out their gall bladder. Even the ANTI's agree that when a cheetah drags down a crippled gnu, the reality of life can be shocking. Some people can't handle it.

But we do need to show what OUR effort and sacrifice contributes to THEIR lives. Then they can make their own judgment as to whether the FF and S processes, that furnish the essentials for their life, are worth it.

Throughout civilization the vast, vast majority have come down on our side because of a basic truth; 99% of humans want to eat, have a place to sleep, and stay out of the rain.

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\$B	\$71.19



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CED	5
BW	2.3
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SATURDAY, MARCH 31 — 10:30 AM

Location: Barneston, NE: Hwy 8 & Barneston corner then 3-Miles south on S 108 Road or Oketo, KS: 4-Miles North & East on gravel Road.

SKID LOADER: Bob Cat 642 B gas skid loader with 5 ft bucket, 3185 hours; 2-wheel bumper hitch 4 1/2 x 8 ft skid loader trailer.

COMBINES: 1983 IH 1460 Axial Flow diesel combine Ser. # 043114 with 3-spd hydro trans, 3185 hours & 28L x 26 rubber; IH 1020 15 ft flex head, short tooth, single drive; 1983 MF 860 diesel combine Ser. # 174616754 with 16 ft header, showing 3254 hours & Perkins V-8 engine.

TRACTORS: 1988 White 120 diesel tractor Ser. # 401630 with triple hydraulics, hours unknown, 3 pt, 5-suite case weights, 18.4 38 rubber (70%) & clamp-on duals; 1969 Oliver 1650 diesel tractor Ser. # 215428A38 with 8495 hours, WF, 6-spd O/U trans, single hydraulics, 3 pt, umbrella & 16.9 x 38 rubber (75%); 1944 Farmall H tractor Ser. #171015 with NF, 12-volt & 12.4 x 38 rubber; 1953 Farmall Super H tractor Ser. # 10299, 6-volt & 12 x 38 rubber (rusted wheels).

4-WHEELERS: Kawasaki 250 4-wheeler; Honda 125 4-wheeler (salvage).

MACHINERY: J D 9300 double disc 10 ft grain drill, Shedded; Bear Cat 950 grinder-mixer, hydraulic; Automatic 3 pt PTO mist blower, shedded; Automatic 3 pt Pto mist blower, tank leaks; 2, 250 bu 4-wheel gear gravity wagons; Krause Landsman 3100 15 ft conditioner; M & W 14 ft shredder; Brutto 5 ft 2-wheel shredder; Big Rhino 8 ft 3 pt blade; J D LLA 7 x 20 hole grain drill; J D 1000 pull type 8-shank chisel; J D 3 pt 12-shank chisel; Nobel 3 pt 6 row - 30 in Danish ting cultivator; Case-IH 6 row - 30 in Cyclo Air planter, liquid attachment; Big Ox 450 bu grain cart with side auger, roll-over tarp & 50x21-20 rubber; 3, 4-wheel Power Wagons; I H 550 3 pt 5 x 16 plow; White pull type 18 ft field cultivator, manual wings & harrow; Gehl 400 2-row silage cutter; Oliver # 5 single row corn picker; Super Chief 3 pt post hole auger; I H 4-row go dig; White 14 ft tandem disc; 3 pt bale fork; 2-wheel chute with catch; Van Brunt grain drill; Dump rake; Letz burr mill; 2-disc terrace plow; 3 pt 2-shank chisel; Bish head adopter; 4-wheel 14 ft reach header trailer; Pickup box trailer; Mayrath 48 ft PTO 8 in auger; Viking 32 ft PTO bale elevator, wide; Viking 40 ft PTO bale elevator, wide; 12 ft gravity wagon auger, hydraulic.

HAYING EQUIPMENT: Hay Buster H-1000 Big Bite grinder, 1000 PTO; N H 144 hay invert-

er; Gehl 1850 round baler; Heston 6400 14 ft swather Ser. # 640T3094, gas slant 6 engine; I H 430 twine square baler; J D 24-T square baler, shedded; Gehl 1850 round baler, salvage; 2, 4-wheel hay racks; J D 4-wheel gear 16 ft hay rack; Hay drag; Small square bale sled.

LIVESTOCK TRAILERS: Horseman 18 ft gooseneck tandem axle stock trailer; TravAlong 16 ft gooseneck tandem axle stock trailer, rough.

TRUCKS: 1976 GMC Sierra truck with 18 ft x 48 in wood box with hoist, 5 x 2-spd trans, 6000 V-Eight, single wheel tandem & 9.00 x 20 rubber; 1970 Ford F-600 truck with 16 ft wood box with hoist (rough), 4 x 2-spd trans, 361-V Eight & 9.00 x 20 rubber.

PICKUPS: 2000 Ford F-350 XL Super Duty 4 x 4 gas pickup with 131623 miles, 5-spd manual trans, Triton 6.8 L engine, air, Am-Fm, full size box, light body damage; 1996 Ford F-250 XL 4 x 4 gas pickup with miles unknown, 5-spd manual trans, 5.8 L engine, full size box.

COLLECTABLES: Cast iron bath tub with claw feet; Dempster well pumps; well cups; Vulcan No. 15 anvil; grindstone wheels; oak kitchen cupboard; school desk; McCormick separator; 4-led oak table; 10 ft church pew; oak strap trunk; 4 & 1 gal crocks; kerosene lamps; oak dresser; spittoons; wooden incubator; 3, 26 in steel wheels; 3, 42 in steel wheels; 14, 54 in steel wheels; milk stanchions; platform scale; post vise; buck saws; scythes; rake spring teeth; 20, tin seats; Other Small Items.

MISCELLANEOUS: Poly 250 gal pickup tank; 2, 300 gal fuel tank-stands; Ferrel seed cleaner; torch set; Barth house jack; Weed Eaters; 90's Ford pickup wooden stock rack; misc lumber; bolt cutters; pickup attachment log splitter; Shoemaker battery charger; trimmers; saws; C/H power washer; bench grinder; round bale feeders; 1 in square 5-bar cattle coral panels, 10; 8 ft round stock tank; 14 ft cattle gate; 100 gal fuel tank with elec pump; hog wire; 1000 gal propane tank; grain tester; fencers; implement jack; tool boxes; air compressor; chain saws; Craftsman 1/2 in drill; hand & pipe wrenches; hand pump; metal band saw; garden push cultivator; pickup grill guard; Marquette stick welder; lawn chair & glider; 10.00 x 15SI 8-bolt wheel; 9.50 x 15 SL 6-bolt wheel; 6.50 x 16 6-bolt wheel & Other Small Items.

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THE HEALTH CORNER

Increased attention to blood pressure lowers risk of other conditions

Although high blood pressure is easily diagnosed, there are few signs and symptoms alerting people to its presence; one reason health and nutrition experts are trying to steer people toward behaviors that can help them avoid this potentially deadly condition.

Blood pressure is the force of the blood pushing against the blood vessel walls. Over time, elevated blood pressure can damage other parts of the body including the heart, blood vessels and kidneys. Otherwise known as hypertension, the malady can lead to heart disease, stroke, congestive heart failure and kidney disease.

In fact, high blood pressure is the number one risk factor for stroke that people can control.

There are several steps people can take to lower and control high blood pressure, said Janice Hermann, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension nutrition specialist.

"About 35 percent of U.S. adults have high blood pressure, and 36 percent of U.S. adults have pre-hypertension," Hermann said. "Like a lot of other conditions, this is one people can affect by making healthy lifestyle choices including eating a healthy diet, being physically active, maintaining a

healthy weight and not smoking."

More specifically, she noted lifestyle factors that increase the risk of high blood pressure include too much sodium, not enough potassium, drinking too much alcohol, being overweight or obese, not engaging in enough physical activity and smoking.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend adults consume less than 2,300 milligrams of sodium a day - a figure that includes all sodium, including that used for cooking and flavoring dishes.

For individuals who are 51 years of age or older, African-American, or have high blood pressure, dia-

betes or chronic kidney disease, the recommendation plunges to 1,500 milligrams per day.

"Reducing the sodium in your diet can be as easy as purchasing foods low in sodium and consuming fewer processed foods high in sodium," Hermann said.

Another effective strategy in the battle against too much salt is to cook at home more often. That way it is easier to control the amount of sodium that goes into a meal. But, when people choose to dine out, they can ask their food be unsalted or pick lower sodium options.

Besides cutting the sodium in their diets, people can focus on boosting the amount of dietary potassium they consume because it helps counter the impact of salt on blood pressure.

Potassium is most notably found in vegetables, fruits and dairy foods. For a typical 2,000-calorie diet, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Daily Food Plan recommends 2 1/2 cups of vegetables, 2 cups of fruit and 3 cups of low-fat or non-fat dairy.

Calorie balance is the key to weight management, and by extension, it plays

an important part in warding off and controlling high blood pressure.

"Consuming more calories than expended will result in weight gain," Hermann said. "Conversely, consuming fewer calories than expended will result in weight loss. This can be achieved over time by eating fewer calories, being more physically active or, best of all, a combination of the two."

Enjoying food - but eating less of it - and avoiding oversized portions are helpful tips for eating the right amount of calories. People also can use a smaller plate, bowl and glass.

"Writing down what you eat to keep track of how much you eat can be effective, too, in balancing calories," Hermann said.

Given that most people are no strangers to the benefits of exercise, it cannot be surprising that physical activity has a place in lowering blood pressure, as well. The Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans recommend adults participate in 150 minutes of moderate-intensity or 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity a week. Adults also should include muscle-strengthening activities on two or more days a week.

"Ultimately, several - sometimes small - but significant steps toward a healthier lifestyle can register huge benefits for people, especially when it comes to successfully avoiding or managing high blood pressure," Hermann said.

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 March 20 — Saline County tillable land at Salina for Mike & Marty Rogers. Auctioneers: Horizon Farm & Ranch Realty, LLC.
 March 20 — Rooks County acreage at Plainville for Rooks County Health Center. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.
 March 21 — Real estate, ranch style house & buildings on acreage E. of Alta Vista for the Richard D. Carroll living trust. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.
 March 21 — Tractors, forage harvester, trucks, vehicles, trailers, hay & tillage equip., telehandler, wheel loader & track loader on-

line (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auctions.
 March 21 — Angus bull & female sale at Overbrook for May-Way Farms & Woodbury Farms. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates.
 March 22 — Firearms at Aurora, Nebraska. Auctioneers: Cornwell Auctions.
 March 22 — Production sale at Strong City for Mushrush-Beckton.
 March 23 — Forklift, equipment, collectibles, work benches & tools, steel inventory, shop inventory at Fairview for Eldon & Rosalie, Mellenbruch Machine Shop. Auctioneers: Aeschliman & Harris Auction Services.
 March 23 — Bull sale at Leonardville for Lindell Angus.
 March 23 — Dairy complete dispersal sale at Paris, Tennessee for Steve Smith. Auctioneers: Bur-

ton & Associates.
 March 23 & 24 — Store liquidation at Russell for Pohlman's Hardware Store, Harold Pohlman. Auctioneers: Rohleder Auction & Realty.
 March 24 — Real estate, buggy, mower & household items at Newton for Eugene Claassen. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.
 March 24 — Tractors, dozer, combines, heads, truck, trailers, machinery & misc. at Atchison for Connie & the late Jerry Scholz. Auctioneers: Chew Auction Service.
 March 24 — KDOR Tax Asset Seizure auction at McPherson. Auctioneers: United Country Mid West eServices, Inc., Eric Blomquist.
 March 24 — Farm equipment & misc. at Garnett for DePoe Farms. Auctioneers: Ratliff & Ratliff.
 March 24 — Antique tractors, truck, trailer, guns, tools, machinery, tractor parts & more at Rose Hill for Keith Cox Farm Dispersal. Auctioneers:

Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.
 March 24 — Clay County Farmland for Michael W. Burns Trust, at Green. Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.
 March 24 — Tractors, pickup, car, stock trailer, equipment, farm toys & misc. at Sabetha for multiple sellers. Auctioneers: Hartter Auction Service.
 March 24 — Tractors, trucks, trailers, combine, headers, machinery, misc. at Seneca for Lyle Feldkamp. Auctioneers: Wilhelm Auction Service.
 March 24 — Household & collectibles at Herington for Etta Mae Hartke Estate. Auctioneers: Kickhafer Auctions.
 March 24 — Ranch style home, acreage, Polaris Ranger, machinery, tools, household, collectibles & misc. at Manhattan for Jeff & Kristi Schurle. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.
 March 24 — Farm machinery at Junction City for Barbara Stensaas Trust. Auctioneers: Ron Shivers

Realty & Auction Co.
 March 24 — Farm machinery at Lawrence for Leary Brothers. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates.
 March 24 — Farmland at Barnes for the Walter & Isabel Diederich Trust & for John & Lisa Diederich. Auctioneers: Raymond

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 March 24 — '89 Dakota pickup, riding mower, household, furniture, antiques, yard items & tools at Abilene for Ralph Snyder. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.
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 March 24 — Machinery & related items consignments at Durham. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.
 March 24 — Estate auction at Carbondale for Charles & Lila Sheperd Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.
 March 24 — Commercial cabinetry shop equip. & supplies at Hutchinson for High Planes Millwork, Inc. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists.
 March 24 — Farm sale, machinery, tools & misc. SE of Aurora for Glen & Gary Gutka. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.
 March 24 — Farm dairy dispersal at Reading for Brown Swiss Sale Service, LLC.
 March 24 & 25 — Antiques, general household, toys, dolls, furniture, collectibles, etc. at Manhattan for Maguerite Martin Estate. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.
 March 25 — Massey Ferguson items, collectibles, tools, camper & furniture at Council Grove for the Richard D. Carroll living trust. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.
 March 25 — Machinery, livestock, equipment, vehicles, lawn, garden, tools & misc., household & antique at Centralia. Auctioneers: Steve Aeschlieman, John Cline, Dan Deters, Andrew Sylvester, Dale Wilhelm.
 March 25 — Coins, glass, antiques, collectibles at Osage City for area sellers. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.
 March 26 — Russell County real estate at Russell for Dwayne & Betty Steinle and Grant & Emily Steinle. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.
 March 26 — Real estate at Clay Center for Edward King. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, salesmen & auctioneers.
 March 26 — Pawnee County, Nebraska & Nemaha County, Kansas land at Pawnee City, Nebraska. Auctioneers: Farmers Na-

tional Company.
 March 26 — Bull sale at Dwight for Oleen Brothers.
 March 27 — Coins, guns, signs & collectibles at Concordia. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auctions.
 March 27 — Genetrust bull sale, Brangus & Ultrablack & Angus at Eureka for Suhm Cattle Co.
 March 27 — Production sale at Claffin for B&D Herefords & Beran Bros. Angus.
 March 27 — Production sale at Mankato for Black Velvet Cattle. Conover Auctions.
 March 28 — Tractors, combine, trucks, vehicles, trailers, harvest, tillage, planting, haying equip., fert. & chemical equip., wheel loaders, dozer, forklifts, ATVs, recreational vehicles, buildings online only (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction.
 March 28 — Nuckolls County, Nebraska land at Superior, Nebraska. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company.
 March 28 — Ag equipment online only (www.purplewave.com). Auctioneers: Purple Wave Auctions.
 March 28 — Production sale at LaCrosse for Pelton's.
 March 29 — Clay County real estate at Clay Center for Larry Alexander. Auctioneers: Landmark Real Estate, Harold Mugler, Auctioneer.
 March 29 — Nemaha County Land at Sabetha for Heirs of Wilbur Mowder. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.
 March 29 — Saline Co. Crop & Pasture at Salina for Clarence Almquist Trust. Auctioneers: Oml and Associates, Inc.
 March 29 — Flint Hills agriculture & hunting land at El Dorado for Estate of Ella Larine Biggs. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty Inc.
 March 29 — Antiques, shop tools, household, misc. at Clay Center for Corky (Mrs. Larry) Griffiths. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom.
 March 29 — Bull sale at Burton for McCurry Angus Ranch.

March 31 — Trucks, pickups, farm equipment, trailers, ATVs, heavy equipment near Russell for John Driscoll & the late Jerry J. Driscoll. Auctioneers: Rohleder Auction & Realty.
 March 31 — South Central Kansas, Kingman County land & minerals at Kingman. Auctioneers: United Country/Nixon Auction & Realty, LLC.
 March 31 — Vehicles, antiques & collectibles, furniture, household, fishing items, tools at Abilene for Louise J. Seley Trust Estate. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.
 March 31 — Skid loader, combines, tractors, 4-wheelers, machinery, haying equip., livestock trailers, trucks, pickups, collectibles, misc. at Barneston, Nebraska for Arlyn Weyer Estate. Auctioneers: Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.
 March 31 — Personal property at Cedar Point for Irene Soyey Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction.
 March 31 — Farm equipment and related items at Junction City for Hartman Consignment Sale. Auctioneer: Brown RE & Auction Service
 March 31 — Lawn and garden items, tools, household, sewing items, patio furniture and miscellaneous. Auctioneer: Ed Dewey.
 March 31 — Real estate, household & collectibles for Dora (Mrs. Raymond) Wiechman, in Washington. Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.
 March 31 — Washington County land for Dora (Mrs. Raymond) Wiechman, in Washington. Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.
 March 31 — Antiques, horse machinery, farm machinery W. of Haddam for Edward Havel Trust. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.
 March 31 — Tractors, trucks, farm machinery, 4-wheel-

er, farm related items near Lyons for Rife Farms, Mervyn & Reva Rife / Brian & Teresa Rife. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.
 March 31 — Real estate & personal property at Burlington for Duane & Agnes Gifford Estate, Robert & Marcia Baldwin. Auctioneers: Griffin Auctions.
 March 31 — Farm sale S. of Miltonvale for Jim & Linda Trahan. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.
 March 31 — Equipment & farm machinery at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.
 March 31 — Farm machinery at Frankfort for Richard Howell Estate. Auctioneers: Joe Horigan Auctions.
 March 31 — Flory Family Show pig sale at Lawrence. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates.
 March 31 — Pig sale at Marion for Vannocker Show Pigs.
 March 31 — Annual production sale at Leavenworth for New Haven Angus.
 March 31 — Production sale at Gorham for Dickinson Ranch.
 April 1 — Household, furniture, collectibles & misc. at Manhattan for Iva May Larson Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.
 April 1 — Pig sale at Emporia for Vannocker Show Pigs.
 April 2 — Native grass S. of Osage City for Kenneth & Lori Kuykendall & David & Nina Flax. Auctioneers: Wayne Wischropp Realtor/Auctioneer.
 April 2 — Marion County land near Goessel for David F. Wiebe Estate. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.
 April 2 — Annual production sale at Lorraine for Green Garden Angus.
 April 3 — Real estate at Clifton for Lois Reichert Estate. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, salesmen & auctioneers.
 April 3 — Lincoln County land. Auctioneers: Horizon Farm & Ranch Realty, LLC.
 April 4 — Land (in eastern Geary Co.) at Alta Vista. Auctioneers: United Country Ruckert Realty & Auction, Jeff Ruckert.
 April 4 — Bull test sale at Beloit for Kansas Bull Test.
 April 5 — Real estate, equipment & personal property at Otis for West Wind Energy LLC Business Liquidation. Auctioneers: The Canny Team.
 April 5 — Spring machinery & lawn & garden equipment at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.
 April 5 — 5 tracts of acreage at Cottonwood Falls for Thompson Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction.
 April 6 — Ellis County land at Hays for Rosine Graf, etal. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.
 April 7 — Tractors, garden tractors, lawn mowers, tractors for restoration & salvage, machinery, tractor parts, primitives, aluminum E. of Maryville, Missouri for Mike Fisher. Auctioneers: Younger Land & Auction, LLC.
 April 7 — Farm equipment, guns, tools, parts, misc., snow blower, tools at Coats for Jim & Martha Norris. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction & Real Estate.
 April 7 — Tractors, Bobcat, spray coupe, tools, collectibles, trailers, combines, headers, vehicles,

farm machinery & equipment, cattle panels, etc. at Portis for Dean Grieg & Al & Theresa Becker. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction & Realty.
 April 7 — Farm machinery, JD 8400 & 8310 FWD tractors, JD 9500 & 9400 mdl. combines, trucks, tillage & hay equip., shop tools at Westfall for Don & Betty Little. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Company.
 April 7 — Farm equipment, trucks, machinist tools, farm items, 4-wheelers, tools at Enterprise for Bill Johnson Trust. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.
 April 7 — Farm machinery, collectibles & household at Alma for Delmar Maie Estate. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Real Estate.
 April 9 — Real estate at Concordia for Bill & Karen Bergeson. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.
 April 10 — Farm equipment at Manhattan. Auctioneers: United Country Ruckert Realty & Auction, Jeff Ruckert.
 April 11 — Land auction at Concordia for Margaret E. Campbell Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.
 April 12 — Lyon County cropland acreage at Emporia for Ringler Family. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction.
 April 14 — Equipment consignment auction at Spring Hill. Auctioneers: Kansas Tractor & Auction.
 April 14 — Farm machinery at Alma for Jack Fink. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Real Estate.
 April 14 — Red Wing crock collection, Coca Cola

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION
MONDAY, MARCH 26 — 6:00 PM
 I will sell the following residence at public auction at the house located at 617 Clark St., Clay Center, Kansas
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items, pottery, old toys, red glassware, duck decoys & tools at Abilene for Larry Harris. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

April 14 — General building contractors sale, commercial grade tools, hardware & all inventory at Abilene for Gene & Pat Howard. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

April 14 — Valleybrook Show Pigs at Overbrook. Auctioneers: Flory & Associates.

April 21 — Real estate, tractors, trailer, tools & shop equipment at Kackley for Howard Benne Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

April 21 — Guns, farm items & misc., tractor, pickup & machinery at Burdick for Darrell Gutsch. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer.

April 21 — Antiques W. of Haddam for Edward Havel Trust. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

April 21 — Farm machinery at Burdick for Darrell Gutsch. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer, Bob's Auction Service.

April 22 — Vintage machinery, antiques & collectibles, tools, filling station items, tires & oil at Enterprise for Krishers Korner. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

April 28 — Complete liquidation of commercial & residential electrical shop E. of Manhattan for H&L Electric, Inc. Auctioneers: Mugler Auctions.

April 28 — Consignments at Lawrence for Galen &

Dale Douglass Memorial Consignments.

April 29 — Car parts, wheel balancing machine, tire machine & lots of misc. at Enterprise for Krishers Korner. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

May 5 — Covered wagon, guns, crocks, tools & household, collectibles at Herington for Mrs. Merle (Fern) Timm. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer, Bob's Auction Service.

May 12 — 2011-2012 Clay Center High School 3-bedroom carpentry house at Clay Center for USD 379. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service.

May 28 — 19th annual Memorial Day auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

June 28 — National Holstein Convention Futures Sale at Springfield, Missouri. Auctioneers: Burton & Associates.

June 29 — National Holstein Convention sale at Springfield, Missouri. Auctioneers: Burton & Associates.

August 4 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 3 — 17th annual Labor Day auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 7 — Fall machinery auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

November 3 — Harley Gerdes Consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

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