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Wheat harvest in May?



The combines were rolling in southern Dickinson County last week, as one of the earliest harvests in memory got under way. Chris Speltz and his crew harvested this field southeast of Hope, which yielded approximately 50 bushels per acre with test weights between 59-60 pounds per bushel.

Photo by Amanda Pierson

Kansas wheat industry announces major research investment

The Kansas Wheat Commission Research Foundation has announced that the Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and CoBank have pledged \$300,000 in matching funds to support wheat research at Kansas State University.

The donated funds will be used to match contributions from Kansas wheat farmers and farmer cooperatives.

Proceeds will fund the public wheat breeding program at KSU, one of the world's leading institutions in the area of wheat research.

"I encourage wheat farmers to invest in their future by donating a gift of wheat or cash during the upcoming harvest," said Richard Randall, Kansas Wheat Commission chairman from Scott City. "This generous matching offer by the Farm Credit System is something we must take full advantage of."

"The mission of the Farm Credit System is to support American agriculture and the U.S. rural economy," said Bob Engel, president and chief executive officer of CoBank. "On behalf of all the Farm Credit organizations that serve Kansas, we're delighted to be making this strategic investment in KSU research, which is helping American wheat farmers maintain their leadership position in the global marketplace."

"Farm Credit working with Kansas farmers and the Kansas Wheat Commission is as natural as us all praying for rain for good crops," said Eldon Pfannenstiel, Vice

President and Crop Insurance Manager at Farm Credit of Ness City, who helped to organize the Farm Credit contribution after being approached by Kansas Wheat representatives. "The relationship between the Foundation and KSU is a great example of the benefits of public-private partnership. This donation is really an investment in the future of the Great Plains wheat industry."

The Kansas Wheat Commission funds wheat research by collecting a 1.5-cent-per-bushel wheat assessment. The Kansas Wheat Commission Research Foundation was created in 2011 in order to raise funds above and beyond the assessment in order to make up for a general decline in government funding for wheat research in recent years. The Foundation allows private individuals and members of industry to contribute tax-deductible gifts for the sole purpose of funding wheat research at Kansas State. K-State's public wheat breeding program encompasses a variety of specialized research, including variety de-

velopment, genetics and genomics, agronomic practices, and insect and disease resistance research.

Much of the future research funded by the Foundation will take place at the new Kansas Wheat Innovation Center in Manhattan. The \$8.3 million center will include both laboratory and greenhouse space and is scheduled for completion in December 2012. Those who make a contribution to the Foundation will have the opportunity for naming rights at the Center (www.kswheatinnovation.com).

"Kansas wheat farmers regularly express their support for increased research to improve wheat," said KWC Research Foundation chairman Ron Suppes, Dighton. "The construction of the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center and formation of the KWC Research Foundation are important initiatives to improve the wheat varieties available to Kansas farmers. We are truly thankful to the Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and CoBank for their investment in the future of wheat research."

Farmers and farmer coop-

eratives interested in making a contribution to the Kansas Wheat Commission Research Foundation should contact Aaron Harries at 1-866-75WHEAT.



Dr. Joe Martin was recognized for his 32 years as K-State's wheat breeder at Hays during Kansas Wheat Day on May 30. The day also included a field plot tour and a Washington D.C. Wheat Update by Jane DeMarchi, NAWG director of government affairs for research and technology, as well as an update on the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center by Kansas Wheat Commission's Aaron Harries, and a presentation by Matt Overturf, grain merchandiser for Skyland Grain Co., LLC, on the market demand for hard white wheat.

Photo by Donna Sullivan

Reflections

from
Young Farmers & Ranchers

What on earth does the average person do without access to farm supplies and tools or skills learned on the farm? I have found myself in several situations in which I needed at least one of the above.

For instance, our church hosted our annual community Vacation Bible School shortly after school got out. We wanted everyone to know where to come, so we put up a big banner in the front yard. I know you've already figured out what we used: one t-post on each end. We cut off those pretty nylon ropes and zip-tied the banner to the fence posts. Then we used three electric fence posts behind to keep it from swaying so much in our Kansas wind. Our zip-ties and t-posts were a success; the material the banner was made out of was not.

The grommets ripped out one windy afternoon.

We needed a backdrop in the front of our church to set the scene for our "Sky" theme. I was able to find blue fabric that was eight feet high by twenty feet long. There were no walls to attach it to. I knew exactly what I was going to use: two-by-fours and PVC pipe. I headed to Menard's on my own, purchased three two-by-four studs, each seven feet long, two pieces of PVC that were ten feet long, a coupling to stabilize the spot where my pipes met in the middle, and screws long enough to go through the coupling and into the studs.

Yes, the coupling was my idea. Before I even went to Menard's. I just didn't know it was called a coupling. Oh... and I found that coupling all by myself. Very

quickly, I might add.

Aside: As I pulled my cart up to the back of my Suburban with pipes that were ten feet long, a man stopped to see if I'd thought things through. I opened the back end, slid those pipes right in, slammed the door and smiled and nodded politely before wheeling my cart away.

I gathered my drill and bits, screwdrivers, some wire and pliers and headed for church.

And now you'll get to experience the awe that is my resourcefulness.

I knew we had two racks for hanging acolyte robes in our basement, both of which could be moved easily. I wired a stud to one end of each of them. Using my handy farm wire, a pair of pliers and the technique I learned fixing fence, I got those studs attached so tightly our PMA, Jim, was quite impressed.

"Those aren't going anywhere!" he exclaimed.

We spread each of the two-by-four ends twenty feet apart. I asked my husband to bring a five-gallon feed bucket and an armload of bricks (stick with me here).

We placed a stud in the bucket and surrounded it by bricks. At this point, people were starting to gather to witness the oddity occurring before them. The bucket-and-stud contraption was placed midway between the racks. The PVC pipes were laid across the tops of the three studs, holes drilled and screwed into place.

Another aside: My husband actually had the audacity to take one of the screws I offered him and - in front of everyone - held it up to the coupling to see if I'd gotten ones that would make it clear through the coupling and PVC and into the studs. Shame on him. He should know better than that.

Of course they were long enough.

We draped the fabric over the PVC, affixed it with safety pins and completed a beautiful sky, complete with puffy clouds, 3-D foam airplanes, hot air balloons and crosses for birds. It was truly a masterpiece.

I have no fear of wood, pipe or tools. And the gears are always turning.

Have drill, will travel!

And fence posts, and wire, and pliers, and buckets of bricks...

Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

I have this vivid memory of when I was growing up and we would visit my grandparents in Vliets. You may have never heard of Vliets, but along with being a farmer's wife, my grandmother was the postmistress there and also ran a general store that was attached to the post office. I have many wonderful memories of spending time with her there, but that's not the particular memory I am about to share.

Each day at noon, my grandpa would come in for dinner. This in itself was an oddity to me, because being non-farm people, we ate lunch

at noon and dinner at 6:30 p.m. And the fact that their "dinner" was a full-blown meal, not the sandwich and chips we typically had for "lunch" was another oddity. But that's not the memory, either.

The memory is how my grandpa would position himself in his easy chair in front of the television and turn on *Mid-Day in Kansas*. While my siblings and I found the droning voice of the commentator sharing the market reports somewhat monotonous, it held his rapt attention. As did the weather report. "Why in the world is the weather so important?" I remember wondering. "It'll rain when it rains." Invariably one of us would make too much noise and Grandma would get tired of shushing us and send us outside to play.

It took many years before I understood why those market and weather reports were so important to my grandpa. His very livelihood and everything he'd spent his life building depended on them.

This all came back to the forefront of my consciousness last Wednesday evening. I was talking to my oldest son on the phone as I drove home from Kansas Wheat Day in Hays.



Memorial Day weekend, a three-day weekend, the unofficial start of summer, all things that I heard. Is that what Memorial Day Weekend is about? Camping, resting and relaxing, and barbecues with family, these are all important things and events. However, often I think we get so caught up in our lives that we miss the real meaning of holidays like Memorial Day.

Memorial Day was set aside as a time for us to remember those who protected the freedoms that we often take for granted. I am not sure I really understood the meaning of the holiday until recently and even now I am not sure I still completely grasp the sacrifice made for me. My Memorial Day experience helped bring the message home, let me share that with you.

We went to the Attica cemetery to decorate the graves of Jennifer's family. Call me morbid, but one of the things I do is to walk through the cemetery and read the gravestones. I walked up and down the rows of stones reading each one. I especially paused at those marked by American flags. Each had a marker displaying the unit each person served in and many stated which war. Some with ending dates before the end of the war, many with indications of a life lived after the war.

For some reason a thought hit me, one that should have occurred long ago. Each of these veterans left their life and families at home. They felt the calling to protect our country, and dropped what they were doing to go to a foreign land, put themselves in harm's way to insure our ability to live freely. They left businesses, school and farms to enlist in one of the armed forces.

Those of us who are in agriculture know that it is no small task to leave our farms and ranches for a weekend, these brave men and women left for years at a time. They felt a sense of duty that led them to do the most difficult thing any farmer and rancher could do, leave their farm, ranches and families. They left with crops to be planted or harvested, hay to be baled, sheep, pigs and cows to be tended to, all because there was another, more pressing job to be done. They left not knowing if they would return.

We should also not forget the parents,

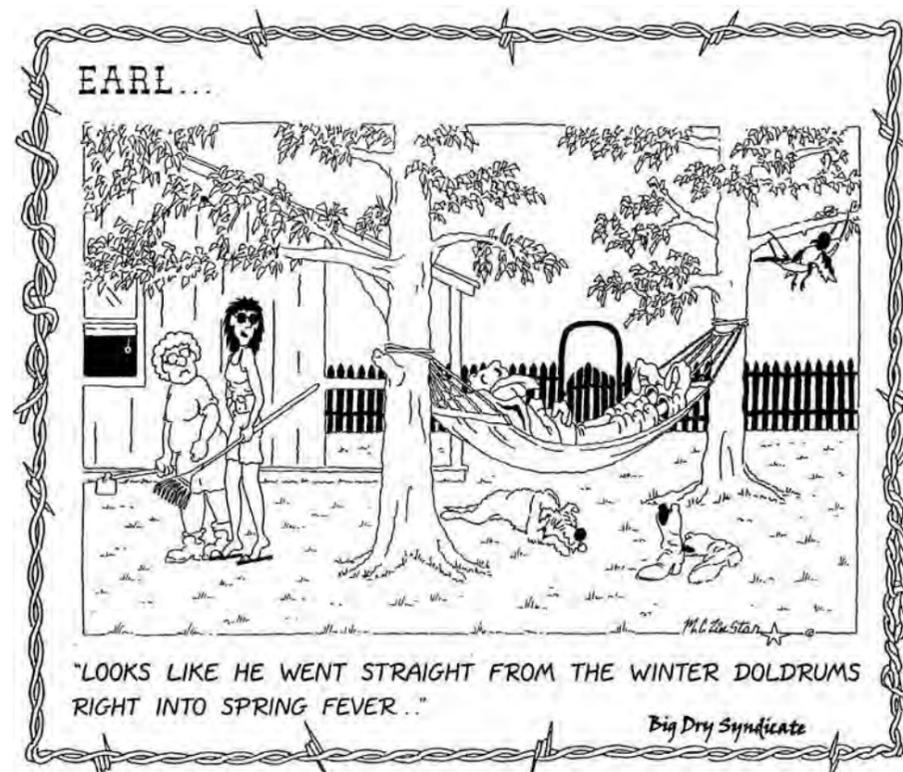
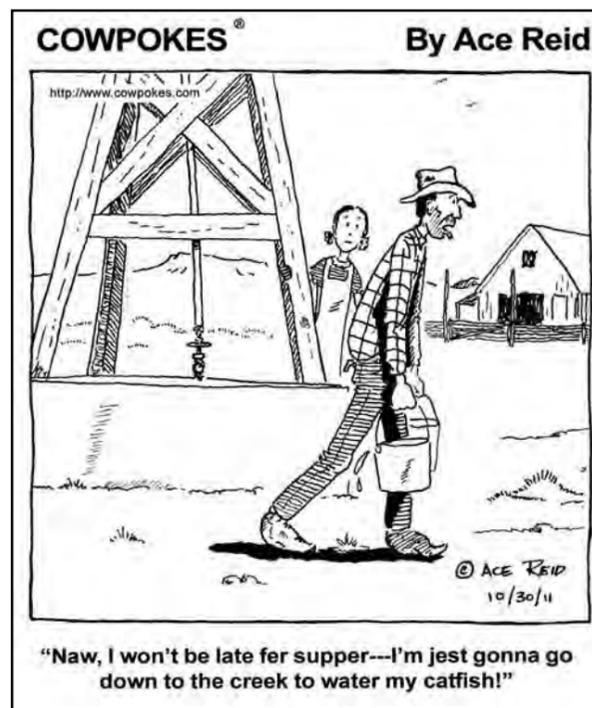
children and younger siblings left behind to make sure the crops were harvested and food was available. They stepped up and shouldered the yoke, pulling more weight than they would have been asked to normally. They kept things running back home while the most able-bodied protected us in faraway lands.

I was humbled as I watched the memorial service. The flags and honor guard silhouetted by the golden wheat fields in the distance, the red, white and blue of our flag framed by the brilliant blue of the sky. I could only imagine a soldier taking one last look at the ripe wheat on a hot day, perfect for harvest as he left for war. I am confident he was assured by his family that they would make sure the work was done, all they while hoping he would be back before the next harvest.

I listened to the speeches and watched the veterans as they talked about the sacrifice of their comrades. I am sure the meaning of the day hits closer to home when you stood beside someone who did not come back, when you personally know what sacrifice means. Knowing that those you knew never made it home for harvest. It is for their sake that we need to remember that Memorial Day is more than just a three-day weekend.

I am not saying we should devote the entire holiday to remembrance (although I am also not saying it would be a bad thing), rather I hope that next year each of us will take time to attend one of the ceremonies. I hope you will stop to think about the sacrifice made on our behalf, one that insured that our great nation would stand strong and that the freedoms we take for granted would remain. I know we all have family members who served and most of us have family members who sacrificed. Take time to remember them next year.

That afternoon as we drove by the golden wheat fields and green pastures, I felt an overwhelming sense of pride and a numbing feeling of gratitude for those brave men and women who served and continue to serve our armed forces. They sacrificed and continue to sacrifice their well-being and many times their lives to give us the benefits and luxuries we all enjoy. The least we can do is give them a couple of hours.



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"If it doesn't rain soon, it's going to be bad," he said. "Real bad." My 28-year-old son sounded exactly like my grandfather. Only this time I understood.

"We'll just have to keep praying for rain," I said.

"I've been praying for a month," he replied.

"Well, keep it up." That evening the clouds rolled in, the lightning flashed and the thunder boomed.

And the rain came. We got close to the two inches he said he

needed to avert disaster. After he finished singing multiple verses of the "my crops are growing" song that drives his brother crazy, he posted on Facebook, "Thanks Lord, that was a great rain."

Now, my grandpa wouldn't have had Facebook through which to share his gratitude for a crop- and possibly farm-saving rain, but I'm quite sure he had his own methods of giving thanks.

Probably a simple prayer whispered as he fell into bed after a long day in the fields.

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Kay Spoo, Frankfort, Wins Weekly G&G Recipe Contest And Prize

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RADISH SALAD

- 4 cups radishes, washed & sliced
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced onion (may use green onions)
- 1 cup diced fresh tomato
- 1 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 small clove garlic, minced
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh basil or fresh mint
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- Fresh chopped parsley for garnish

Combine sliced radishes, onion and tomato. Whisk together the salt, garlic, pepper, basil or mint, lemon juice and vegetable oil. Toss with salad then garnish with parsley. Serves 6.

Jo Hetzke, Barnes: HOMEMADE LUNCH MEAT

- 2 pounds hamburger
- 1/2 teaspoon Morton Tender Quick (this is a curing salt that is found in the salt section of your grocery store; it's different than ordinary sale & must be used)
- 1 teaspoon liquid smoke
- 1/2 teaspoon onion salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup cold water

Mix all of the above together. Mix well and form into 2 rolls. Wrap in aluminum foil and refrigerate overnight. The next day punch holes in bottom and place in broiler pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 1/2 hours.

Shirley Deiser, Kanopolis: EASY STRAWBERRY CREAM DESSERT SQUARES

- 16.5-ounce roll Pillsbury refrigerated sugar cookie dough

- (2) 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 cup strawberry topping (from 11.75-ounce jar)
- 2 eggs
- 16-ounce container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 4 to 6 drops red food coloring, if desired
- Fresh berries, if desired

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Press cookie dough evenly into bottom only of an ungreased 9-by-13-inch pan. If dough is sticky, use floured fingers. In a medium bowl beat cream cheese, sugar and 3/4 cup strawberry topping until well blended. Add eggs and beat 2 minutes until well blended and creamy. Spread evenly over crust in pan. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until center is set. Cool for 1 hour. Center will sink slightly as it cools. In a medium

bowl mix whipped topping, food coloring and remaining strawberry topping. Spread topping mixture over cooled cream cheese. Refrigerate 2 hours or until set. Garnish with fresh berries.

Sandra Norris, Abilene: "The recipe belonged to my grandmother and she gave it to me a long time ago."

MISSISSIPPI CORNBREAD

- 1 cup self-rising corn meal
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup pure canola oil (I use Crisco)
- 1/2 cup cream-style corn
- 1 medium onion, chopped

Mix all ingredients together and bake in an 8-by-8-inch pan at 400 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes.

Note: May also make this into muffins.

Lucille Wohler, Clay Center: "Simple to make and very good."

RHUBARB CRUNCH

- 2 cups chopped rhubarb
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 box dry strawberry gelatin
- 1 box yellow cake mix

- 1 stick butter, melted
- 1 cup warm water
- Place rhubarb into a 9-by-13-inch pan. Sprinkle with sugar and dry gelatin. Top with dry cake mix. Pour melted butter over cake mix then pour warm water over all. Bake at 325 degrees for 45 minutes.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Okla.:

CHOCOLATE CHUNK MARSHMALLOW SUNDAE

- (2) 3.9-ounce packages instant chocolate pudding
- 2 cups cold milk.
- 8-ounce tub frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows
- 4 squares semisweet chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 2 cups sliced fresh strawberries

Beat pudding mixes and milk in a large bowl with whisk for 2 minutes. Stir in whipped topping, marshmallows and chocolate. Spoon into a 2-quart freezer-safe container. Cover and freeze 4 hours or until firm. Scoop into dessert dishes and top with berries.

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Joyce Maginness, Fostoria: "Found this on the French's Classic Yellow Mustard bottle, it is easy and quite tasty, and a break from burgers."

TANGY RANCH CHICKEN

- 2/3 cup Ranch dressing
- 1/3 cup French's Classic Yellow Mustard
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 4 medium boneless chicken breasts

Mix dressing, mustard and sugar, pour 2/3 cup of the sauce over the chicken. Marinate for at least 30 minutes in the refrigerator. Grill or broil for 15 or so minutes or bake 25-30 minutes at 350 degrees. Serve remaining sauce over chicken.

NOTE: I have also used fresh chicken tenders, just adjust cooking times.

Doris Shivers, Abilene: **CROCK-POT APPLE PIE**

- 8 tart apples, peeled & sliced
- 1 1/4 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon allspice
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 3/4 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 1/2 cups biscuit baking mix, divided
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons butter, cold

In a large bowl, toss together apple slices, cinnamon, allspice and nutmeg. Place apple mixture in lightly greased slow cooker. In a bowl, combine milk, softened butter, sugar, eggs, vanilla and 1/2 cup biscuit baking mix. Spoon over apples. In a small bowl, combine remaining baking mix with brown sugar. Cut in cold butter until mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle over ingredients in slow cooker. Cover and cook on low for 6 to 7 hours, or until apples are tender when pierced with fork.

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(NAPSA) — Some ways to save money at home are smarter than others because they rely on “smart” appliances and devices that are programmed to conserve.

Such devices and appliances make sure energy and resources are not wasted when not needed. Two popular examples are automatic light dimmers that lower the lights when no one is home, and instant water heaters that only fire up when hot water is actually needed.

Every day, more of these appliances become available. To save money on energy, you can now purchase a smart refrigerator that knows when food is spoiled, or a programmable thermostat that heats your home only when needed.

You may also be paying for water you don't actually need. To lower your water

bill, consider water-saving toilets and showerheads and don't forget how much water is wasted outside the home. Up to 70 percent of a household's water waste can occur outdoors. The solution can be a smart irrigation system. Such systems include:

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Memories

By Lou Ann Thomas

My memory isn't what it used to be. I sometimes can't remember names of people I've just met, or for that matter, names of people I've known most of my life. I annoyingly repeat stories or forget to tell someone something they really need to know.

Even though my memory may be lacking, my memories seem to be getting better. Incidents that once mortified me — like the time I walked out of a bathroom and into a packed movie theater with a long trail of toilet paper attached to my left shoe — now, thanks to the passing of time, are humorous. I can remember the embarrassment I felt at the time, but I also remember how hard my friends laughed at the sight.

Memories shift and change over time. Sad times now elicit an appreciation for the opportunity for

growth those challenges facilitated. Times I thought I'd never make it through, I can now claim victory in having made safe passage.

But have you ever been in a group and someone starts to tell a story about some event from the past? As the story unwinds someone else chimes in with different details, or a completely divergent recollection of the same event. No two people seem to remember any shared event exactly the same way.

Sometimes the person telling their own life story doesn't remember it the way it actually happened. I know a man who has completely rewritten his early life. He claims he was part of things in which he never participated, he talks of degrees he never earned and jobs he never had.

Maybe to a lesser extent we all look back at what we've lived and do a little editing. We take the sting out of times we felt rejected or betrayed. We finally deliver the perfect comeback, which at the time didn't occur to us until days later. And maybe it's not such a bad thing to rewrite those times in our past that caused us pain, humiliation or distress. Maybe in making them sound easier or ourselves more courageous we create the belief that we can overcome, that we are brave and strong, witty and wise.

Even though I recall how it felt to discover I had several feet of toilet paper stuck to my shoe, I also remember the laughter shared with friends. So, if you think you'll laugh about it someday, go ahead and laugh about it now.

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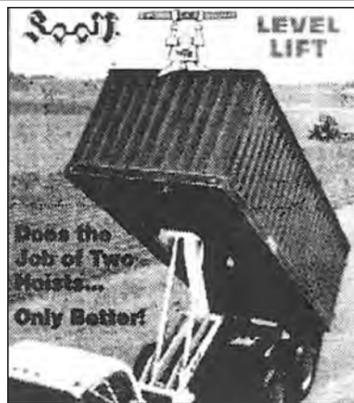
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There are hundreds of common weed species in Missouri, but an online tool from the MU Weed Science program can help you narrow your list of suspects.

The MU Weed ID Guide—available in desktop and mobile versions at weed-ID.missouri.edu and weed-ID.missouri.edu/mobile—has information on more than 400 plant species that can show up as weeds of field and horticultural crops, pastures, lawns, gardens, and noncrop or aquatic areas in Missouri and surrounding states, Bradley said.

"The website has a key-

ing system that allows users to identify an unknown plant after they have selected the appropriate characteristics from a series of drop-down boxes," he said.

Pop-up illustrations help the user identify more obscure characteristics such as the presence of ligules, auricles and petioles.

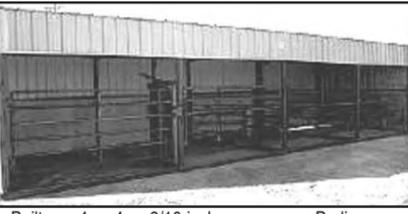
"If you have some idea as to what your weed species might be, you can simply type all or part of the common or scientific name into the appropriate text box," Bradley said.

Once you've narrowed the possibilities to a reasonable number of candidates, the site will display the names and photos of weeds that match the characteristics you selected, with links to more information about each plant.

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DAY 1: SATURDAY, JUNE 16 — 10:00 AM • MAIN HOUSE

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BLUE ROOM: Ornate Victorian high back bed; Victorian marble top dresser; Victorian marble top wash stand; pitcher & bowl wash basin; 2 rocking chairs; oval wood end table; lead glass lamp; pictures

GREEN ROOM: ornate Victorian high back bed; matching dresser and wardrobe; Victorian couch w/matching chairs; floor lamp; Victorian marble top parlor table; table lamp; pictures; quilts

STONE ROOM: shaving stand; side chair; decorative oak wall mount hat rack w/mirror; primitive ironing board; Perfection clothes dryer; silver boiler tub; cane couch; mom & kids ornate picture; etched oval mirror; lead glass lamp; marble top parlor table; glass top serving tray table; floor lamp; hay harvest picture; Victorian high back bed w/matching marble top dresser; marble top parlor table; Westinghouse electric fan; shaving mirror; wicker chair; corner shelf; chamber pot.

DINING ROOM: King Henry IV of France picture; Lionhead feet square oak table w/two leaves; 8 oak upholstered chairs; oak claw foot buffet; misc. Watt apple ovenware; silver tea set; large fruit picture; Victorian side table w/marble top; wooden tea cart; pitchers & glasses; Blue Willow dishes; black dishes; electric ornate lamp.

PARLOR: floor lamp; Victorian loveseat & foot stool; ornate oak frame w/picture; decorative serving cabinet; B & H lamp with rose painted shade; lamp w/table; 3 Victorian parlor chairs; 1 Victorian arm chair; Oak grandfather clock; oak rocking chair; oak mantle clock; 3 horse painted glass urns; mantle

clock; Twilight Franklin No. 12 cast stove; pair of cane flowered chairs; glass front bookcase; photo book; Griffi legged coffee table; lead glass lamp; candle flash light.

PIANO ROOM: Victorian fainting couch; ornate oval mirror; oak chair; Victrola; decorative floor lamp; restored 1847 Bacon & Raven square grand piano; lead glass lamp; quarter cut oak hallway table; Mason & Hamlin pump organ; claw foot organ stool; rocking chair; large armed chair; large ornate Victorian mirrored wardrobe.

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DAY 2: SUNDAY, JUNE 17 — 1:00 PM • Collection from the Gables & Princess Quarters

THE GABLES: Maytag Dependable Care Plus Heavy Duty dryer- white; Maytag 4 speed select super capacity washer- white; Pepsi Cola wood 6 pack crate; wood day bed; 4' church pew; single bed; cane seat stool; oak dining oval table w/six leaves & six chairs; Whirlpool fridge; Hotpoint electric stove; Amana microwave; oak display cabinet; large wood kids rocking horse; quail picture; decorative wall clock; recliner; end table; wicker loveseat; oak end table; wood glider- newer; round oak coffee table; stuffed quail; white wicker chair; Toshiba TV; Toshiba DVD VHS combo; single bed;

Singer sewing machine; wicker bench; oak rocking chair; iron day bed; double bed & chest of drawers & dresser w/hanging mirror; linens; rocking chair; oak double sleigh bed; quilt; horse hames lamp; newer oak dresser; newer oak wardrobe; oil lamp; cushioned chair; rocking chair; BBQ grill & smoker; Frigidaire Model FRSZONRA white frostproof side by side.

PRINCESS QUARTERS: primitive rocking chair; Chicago Seed Co. wood box; Winchester shell wood crate; primitive oak drop leaf round table; 2 wicker chairs & table & lamp; bird house & stand; rocking chair;

matching couch & loveseat; Lois Black painting; leaf table w/Bentwood chairs; oak kitchen cabinet; speckled blue enamel cups & plates; Ironstone dinnerware; GE fridge; Kenmore stove; Maytag washer & dryer; dressing table w/bench; pressed back rocker; wild turkey picture; full bed; chest of drawers; quilt; linens; 3/4 bed w/tall headboard; quilt; floor lamp; oak end table; oak rocking chair; Whirlpool heavy duty dryer; Whirlpool heavy duty 2 speed 8 cycle washer, white; many misc. kitchen items, pots, pans, broilers, kitchenware, etc.



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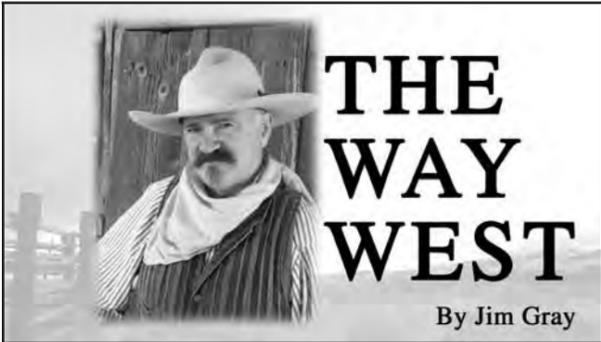
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THE WAY WEST

By Jim Gray

Celebrating in the Cowboy Capital

Cowboy movies, television shoot-em-ups, and Western novels were born of the dust and gun smoke that trailed Texas cattle into the Kansas cattle towns. Those cattle towns offered cattlemen great reward for months of hard work. The wild cattle that had been gathered and driven to market represented victory over so many obstacles, not the least of which was poverty. There truly was gold at the end of the trail. But there were pitfalls for the unwary cowboy who often made bad decisions. The cowboy resorts at the end of the trail were filled with plenty of entertainment and temptation.

1877 was shaping up to

be a good cattle season at Dodge City. In spite of the intensely wet season drovers were arriving early with their trail herds. Not all trail herds shipped from Dodge City but most of them were sure to stop for awhile. Big Jim Ellison was one example of the owners that checked on their herds at Dodge. His cattle were on the way to Ogallala, Nebraska. According to the Dodge City Times of June 9, 1877, "Mr. James F. Ellison, the King among Texas cattle men, arrived in the city this week." Dodge had good men to keep the peace while the cowboys celebrated. Bat Masterson was Ford County Sheriff. Larry Deger was the Dodge City

Marshal. Both officers were saloon men and understood that "the boys" needed to have their fun. They also knew that they were hired to keep a lid on that fun. Bat Masterson's brother Ed Masterson was assistant marshal. Joe Mason was a well-liked deputy. The Times commented that Ed was, "...not very large, but there are not many men who would be anxious to tackle him a second time."

The carefree cowboys weren't all that intimidated by the lawmen. Every day was an adventure and when in town they all seemed to be trying to outdo one another. A young cowboy by the name of Charlie Siringo arrived in Dodge City on July 3, 1877. In his later years he wrote of his life on the cattle range. In the book Lone Star Cowboy, Siringo described a scene of celebration in Bat Masterson's Lone Star Dance Hall.

"The hall was full of free-and-easy girls, long-haired buffalo hunters, and wild and woolly cowboys." Siringo and a saddle pal got into a fight with buffalo hunters just to show them "that they were not in the cowboy class." Deputy Joe Mason quickly arrived on

the scene with pistols drawn. That didn't stop Siringo and his pal; neither did the command "You're under arrest."

As Siringo put it the young cowboys "...ran him under cover in an alley." Flying into the saddle they turned and charged down the street yelling and shooting all the way out of town. Siringo concluded "This incident illustrates what fools some young cowboys were after long drives." Dodge City was truly the Cowboy Capital. With tens of thousands of cattle grazing the sur-

rounding range a reporter from the Kansas City Times agreed saying, "Dodge City has become the great bovine market of the world."

The lawmen kept things pretty well under control throughout most of the cattle season until Ace Jackson came up the trail with one of Big Jim Ellison's herds. As he rode along Front Street Jackson decided to wake up the town by firing his pistol into the

air. The September 29, 1877, newspaper described Jackson as "a gay and festive Texas boy." The cowboy "hurrah" was so common on Dodge City streets that it had almost become an accepted convention. Upon the appearance of a lawman most celebrants quickly came to their senses. That is what Ed and Bat Masterson intended when they heard Jackson's shots. Bat ordered the cowboy to

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The Way West

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halt but Jackson paid him no heed. "I'm going to skip out for camp," was the cowboy's response as he spurred his horse and fired two more shots. Rather than shoot the man Bat shot at his horse. The horse was seen to falter, but instead of falling it lunged onward, carrying the cowboy out of town. There were more shots but none of them had any effect. A posse saddled up but made little effort to capture their man. The horse was found dead two miles from town

and Jackson was allowed to "hoof it" back to camp. Walking may have been more humiliating than being thrown in jail and a lesson was taught to those who might "hurrah" Dodge City on The Way West.

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the ground where they were tied to a trailer. Those horses that do the pawing had not been trained properly when they were youngsters. The owners had let the bad habits persist and it didn't take long for those horses to become veteran hole diggers. They developed the

unenviable skill of digging holes because they were allowed to get away with it. The horses used the same reasoning that dogs use when they ignore your commands to stop barking. If you let a dog keep barking when you tell him to shush, it won't take long for him to ignore your commands completely because he knows your bark has no bite so he keeps barking while you keep yelling at him to stop. You must reprimand them in a way they will remember. Only then will they stop barking when you command them to stop.

But we're not training dogs in this column even

though we all probably own a few of man's best friends. I own a couple Australian Shepherds that were given to me by Tom Ryan, a good horse trainer and breeder in Milsap, Texas. Tom picked up two female puppies and named one Tic and one Tac. When we picked up a mare from Tom's ranch, he gave us Tac. My wife liked Tac and decided we needed another one just like her. The breeder still had a few puppies left so we ended up with another pup that Sandy named Toe. So now there are three female litter mates named Tic, Tac and Toe. They are Blue Merle females and look alike. They

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only dig holes in the summer. They like to dig a hole and lay in the cooler dirt to get some relief from the summer heat. I let them get away with it only because I want my friends to find some relief from the heat and they're not digging holes because they're impatient or irritated.

Horses are another story. I will not tolerate hole diggers in my string. There are a few ways to stop that bad habit and it fits in with a regular training schedule for colts.

I usually start working with colts on the ground when they reach their first year. That includes a lot of handling, like lifting feet and holding them up until the baby gets used to having somebody pick up or rub parts of their bodies that they thought were their exclusive property. Sometimes it comes as a shock to them that someone has invaded their privacy and actually has the gall to touch them in places that they maybe don't like to be touched. A slow and easy approach to introducing youngsters to being touched and rubbed will pay big dividends as their training progresses. If they jump away when you try to rub their belly, then move your hands up their side

where they might not be so touchy. Then slowly work your way back down a little at a time. Pretty soon they'll begin to accept your hand on their underside and may even consider it a pleasant sensation.

It's important to make sure they don't break loose the first time you tie them to something. If they rear back and break the halter, lead rope or the post they're tied to, they will try it again knowing they once gained their freedom by rearing back or struggling against the thing that's holding them. I have a stout post that's buried in the ground five feet and is big enough to withstand any abuse a horse can cause. I make sure the halter and lead rope are strong enough to hold a struggling colt. I tie them up high and watch them try to get loose.

Some learn fast and others wear themselves out trying to break free but eventually they all find out they can't win and come to accept being tied as one of the things they have to endure until you turn them loose. If they learn they are tied and can't get free the first time you tie them, you won't have to worry about them breaking lead ropes, halters or the object you tied them to

later in their life. Once you've convinced them not to fight being tied, they may decide to find other interesting things to do while tied to a post or trailer. They become bored and need something to occupy their mind. That's when they find out their hooves are good for other things besides walking or running. They learn to dig to pass the time or show their dislike of being tied to a post that never moves or nickers back to them.

A simple way to teach a horse not to paw the ground is to hobble their front legs. First, you must teach a young horse to accept hobbles like you taught him to stand still when tied. Place him in a round pen or in a soft area where he will not hurt himself if he falls. Use a halter and lead rope so you will have control. Don't tie him to anything. He has to be free to try to move around. Place the hobbles on their front legs. They should stand still while you place the hobbles around their legs if you had properly de-sensitized them in early training. Leave the hobbles on and stand back and watch as they try to move their legs. Stay with

the horse while they learn the restrictions of hobbles. It takes several sessions of putting the hobbles on and taking them off for the horse to learn to accept hobbles. They don't like to be hobbled and that is the basis of correcting the hole digger. He can't dig a hole if he is hobbled. If your horse starts to dig a hole while tied, place the hobbles on and leave him tied with the hobbles on. Don't leave him alone while he is tied with hobbles. You must monitor him at all times. Take the hobbles off after a while and when he starts to dig again, put them back on. Take them off and then put them back on if he makes any attempt to paw the ground. You have to keep doing this until you convince him that he will be hobbled if he even thinks about digging a hole or pawing the ground while tied. In most cases, this will cure the hole digger and if you train them this way when they are young, it will stay with them for a lifetime and you won't have to waste time filling holes.

Contact Ralph Galeano at horseman@horsemanpress.com or www.horsemanpress.com.

USDA seeks public comment on major statistical reports, retains current release times

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief economist Joseph W. Glauber has announced that USDA is reviewing release times for several major statistical reports due to recent changes in market hours by major commodity exchanges. The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and the World Agricultural Outlook Board (WAOB)—the USDA entities responsible for the reports—will seek public comment on the release times and procedures of their key statistical reports. In the coming weeks, USDA expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register advising the public of the comment period. USDA is reviewing release times of the following statistical reports: World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, Acreage, Cattle, Cattle on Feed, Crop Production, Grain Stocks, Prospective Plantings, Quarterly Hogs and Pigs, and Small Grain Summary. The current USDA release times of 7:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Central Time will remain in effect until further notice.

"It is important that USDA continue to ensure the integrity of its report release process, particularly as global exchanges move closer to 24-hour trading," said Glauber. "To this end, USDA is reviewing our procedures and will solicit public input to determine the needs of those who use our data."

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Governor Brownback completes 2012 water agenda

With the signing of Senate Bill 148, Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback has put in place a series of legislation designed to conserve the state's water supply and extend the life of the Ogallala Aquifer. Brownback has a personal commitment to the Ogallala effort and has made it a top priority for his administration.

"It is essential that we help protect, extend and conserve the life of the Ogallala Aquifer for future generations of Kansans, while also supporting today's western Kansas economy," Brownback said.

The Ogallala Aquifer is the main source of water in the western third of Kansas. Counties located above the Ogallala Aquifer account for roughly two-thirds of the state's agricultural economic value. Without Ogallala water, significant portions of the region's agriculture and all of its related businesses could not be sus-

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

The water policy changes passed this session include:

* House Bill 2451 eliminates the state's "use it or lose it" water policy in areas closed to new water right appropriations and gives landowners incentive to conserve water because they won't feel that they must use their maximum amount of water when they don't need to just so they don't lose water rights.

* Senate Bill 272 amends multi-year flex accounts to expand irrigators' capabilities and options so they can manage their crop water over a five-year period without increasing long-term water use under their water right.

* House Bill 2516 amends the state's water banking

program. The changes provide for more permanence in water banks and allow additional water banks to be developed where local producers find it to be a tool that will help them in conserving water and protecting the economy. A water bank allows the short term lease (up to 10 years) of water rights at a price set by the seller and agreed to by the buyer.

* House Bill 2517 extends the sunset to make the Water Transition Assistance Program (WTAP) by 10 years to the year 2022 and makes other improvements to the program. The purpose of this voluntary, incentive-based water right retirement program is to provide a structured mechanism for the permanent dismissal of irrigation

water rights and the reduction of consumptive groundwater use in focused, over-appropriated areas.

* Senate Bill 310 establishes a process through groundwater management districts (GMDs) that allows local communities of producers to collectively decide their future by initiating the implementation of conservation plans that meet their local goals.

* Senate Bill 148 makes clear the authority of a water right owner to divide that water right into two or more distinct water rights without losing priority.

Work on reforming the state's water laws began a year ago when the Brownback administration started planning the Ogallala Aquifer Water Summit. Hundreds of Kansans at-

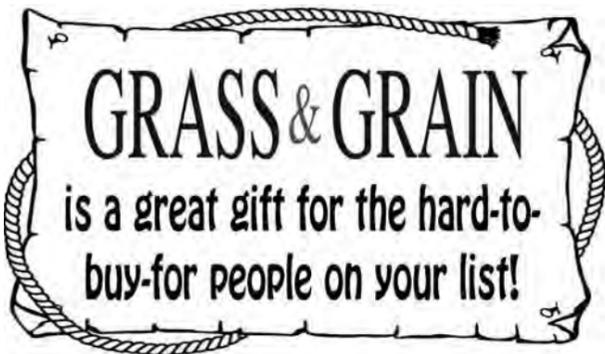
tended that summit in Colby, which provided a forum for stakeholders to discuss their concerns, ideas and visions for the future. From there, the Ogallala Aquifer Advisory Committee reviewed short and long term water goals. Then the Kansas Water Authority developed the water reform legislative agenda presented to the Kansas Legislature for its consideration.

In addition, the Kansas Department of Agriculture and the Kansas Water Office were charged by the Governor to develop initiatives in cooperation with the KWA that would help create a balance between extending the life of the aquifer and providing the resources necessary to support that state's largest industry - agriculture.

"Agriculture is key to the economic vitality of Kansas, and water is essential to agriculture production," Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Rodman said. "The Governor's 2012 water legislation package was a historic step towards creating water policy that benefits agriculture today and sustains the valuable water resources for future generations."

KWO Director Streeter said this process is a true example of how when Kansans work together, they can find solutions.

"This legislation proves the stakeholder input process really does work," Streeter said. "The process allowed local producers and communities to collectively decide their own future as it pertains to water."



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June 9 — Tractor, pickup, appliances & household misc. at Concordia for Roger & Mary Jean Colby. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

June 9 — Mobile office, trailer tote truck, 3 pt. equip., tools, appliances, shop items, Model A & other car parts at Manhattan for Countryside Homes. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

June 9 — Tractors, loader, trucks, pickup trailer, machinery, household goods, collectibles, lawn & garden, misc. near Beatrice, NE for Eugene Bargman. Auctioneers: Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

June 9 — Tractors, vehicles, trailers, equip., guns & supplies, collectibles, household, livestock & tools, misc. at DeSoto for Larry & Brenda West. Auctioneers: Elston Auction.

June 10 — Tractors, roadster, motorcycle, mowers, appliances, household, collectibles at Shawnee for James R. (Jim) Coleman. Auctioneers: Miler Auction LLC.

June 10 — Tractors, trucks, equipment & misc. at Dwight for Charles Shockley Estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

June 10 — Cut glass, American Fostoria, Armetale pewter, linen, cloth, baby items at Manhattan for Mary Fillman Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

June 10 — Truck, golf cart, Harley Davidson Scream-

ing Eagle Road King, trailers, antiques, electronics at El Dorado for property of Peggy Myers. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty, Inc.

June 11 — Commercial real estate Manhattan for Barry Arp. Auctioneers: Landmark Real Estate, Harold Mugler.

June 13 — Tractors, combines, semi & straight trucks, wheel loader, tillage & planting equip., haying equip., trailers online (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

June 16 — Antique furniture, collectibles, tools W. of Overbrook for Jon & Wanda Wilhite. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

June 16 — Antique Maytag & other washers & dryers, antique Maytag items, antique refrigerators, ironers, ranges, televisions & radio items, vehicles at Belleville for Leonard Royer. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

June 16 — Guns & western memorabilia at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

June 17 — Antique consignments at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

June 16 & 17 — Carriages, wagons, Victorian furnishings, primitives, collectibles, piano, Model A, vintage cars, tractors, horse equip. near Elm-dale for Clover Cliff Ranch, Jim & the late Joan Donahue.

June 19 — Real estate at Council Grove for Steven C. Zerbe and Mark A. Zerbe. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

June 21 — Chase County real estate at Cottonwood Falls for James L. Shaw.

Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction, LC.

June 21 — Farm real estate at Overbrook for Vernon & Marjorie Robb. Auctioneers: Miller & Midyett Real Estate, Jennifer Courtney, broker; Wayne Wischropp, realtor/auctioneer.

June 23 — Furniture, appliances, glassware, collectibles, tools & misc. at Junction City for Estate of Arnold & Shirley Glessner. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 23 — Real estate (country home), tractor, mower, tools, furniture, kitchen & housewares, book & more at Hutchinson for Leroy & Dorothy Helm. Auctioneers: United Country, Ruckert Realty & Auction.

June 24 — Antiques, vintage Coca Cola new/old stock, misc. at Cottonwood Falls. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty, Inc.

June 28 — Missouri Cattle Farm in 16 tracts at Mt. Vernon, MO for Jerry L. Bornemann Trust. Auctioneers: Schrader Real Estate & Auction Company, Inc.

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.

June 30 — Tractors, vehicles, construction equip., farm equip., trailers, tools & misc. consignments at Tonganoxie. Auctioneers: Moore Auction Service, Inc.

June 30 — Home & acreage, farm & outdoor items, guns, antique farm equipment, appliances at Cottonwood Falls for Bill Swartz. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

July 2 — Ness County real estate at Ness City for

Darren & Brenda Dinges. Auctioneers: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc.

July 6 — Marshall County land at Beattie for Elaine Regnier Trust. Auctioneers: Olmsteds Auction.

July 7 — Cars, trucks, boats, tractors, farm & construction equip., motorhomes, guns, tools, campers, trailers consignments at Salina. Auctioneers: Lonnie Wilson Auctions.

July 9 — Real estate at Formosa for Cynthia A. Hart. Auctioneer: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

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.

September 17 — Pasture at Aurora for Maryln Swenson. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

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

January 1, 2013 — Harley Gerdes 28th annual New Year's Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.



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On The Bright Side

There always seem to be folks who need to say something good, even at the worst of times. Like Mrs. Custer. She might have said, "Well, on the bright side, at least he was wearing clean undies."

Last spring on a gather we set out to find an evasive 300 pound steer, we'll call him Rompy. We made a big circle and never

found him but we did discover a leak in the water line. Just luck, maybe, but on the bright side, it made the ride worth it.

The next day we rode out early and found him with his mother and a couple of other cows. All went well, we sorted off Rompy at the trap and took him to

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HOME ON 41.8 ACRES & PERSONAL PROPERTY

AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 30 — 10:00 AM

Auction Location: 1401 Den Creek Rd.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANSAS

Personal Property: 10 AM • Real Estate: 12 PM

Open House:

Sunday, June 10, 2 PM to 5 PM

Contact Auction Company at numbers below for other times of inspection.

DIRECTIONS TO PROPERTY: From Cottonwood Falls, KS, go south on Hwy. 177 Scenic Byway, 7 miles to Rock Creek Rd. (Bazaar Schoolhouse) then west 1 mile to Den Creek Rd. then north/northwest 2.5 miles to property.

LEGAL: (Shortened legal) Tract in the NW/4 of Sec 30, Twp 20 south, Range 8 East of the 6th PM Chase Co. Ks. 41.8 deeded acres taxable 40.89 acres.

TAXES: \$726.92

MINERALS: Sellers mineral rights transfer to buyer, no leases or production on the property.

Home built in 1875 with modern updates. There are 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, sq. ft. of 1374. Partial unfinished basement. Home has central heat w/ humidifier, vinyl siding and Sears double pane gas filled windows- 2011. 9 in. insulation and insulation board. Private well with Bio Light and Filter (well new in 2006). Private septic. 3 car unattached garage with cement floor. Other outbuildings include chicken house, older garage w/lean-to, smaller storage shed.

LAND: Balance of the property is in native and mixed grasses. The lower property has been farmed years ago but has been turned back to grass. The high Flint Hills on the northwest is native bluestem and provides beautiful views of the property and surrounding Flint Hills. The pictures of the overview were taken from atop the property. Timbered Den Creek flows from west to east through the property. When walking along Den Creek the deer and turkey seemed to be leading me deeper into their habitat, while evading my presence.

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Once you are on the property you have a definite "country" feeling, at first sight one is stirred with nostalgia of the Flint Hills. Nestled below the green hills and along Den Creek the AERMOTOR Windmill in the yard brings alive the history of the prairie. Just 10 minutes from Cottonwood Falls. A great opportunity awaits! See you at the OPEN HOUSE June 10!

TERMS: Earnest money deposit of \$10,000 due upon signing of contract day of auction. Closing on or before August 3, 2012 at which time buyer will receive Kansas Warranty Deed. Title Insurance shall be split between the buyer and seller for the owner policy. 2012 taxes will be prorated to date of closing. All financing arrangements must be made prior to the auction. All statements made day of auction take precedence over advertisements. All information has been gathered from Chase County sources and is deemed reliable but is not guaranteed.

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DOWN-SIZING AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — 10:00 AM

34915 W 95th — DeSOTO, KS

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TRACTORS, VEHICLES, TRAILERS, EQUIPMENT, GUNS & SUPPLIES (Will Sell First), COLLECTIBLES & HOUSEHOLD, LIVESTOCK & TOOLS, MISC.

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grades * 2007 E-Z-God Golf Cart, new body, custom upgrades

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SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — 9:30 AM

We will sell the following property at public auction in the Commercial Building at the Cloud County Fairgrounds, located at the east edge of CONCORDIA, KS.

TRACTOR, PICKUPS & 4-WHEELER; TOY TRACTORS, APPLIANCES & FURNITURE; COLLECTIBLES; TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS

See last week's Grass & Grain for complete listings or go to website!

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REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY

AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — 10:00 AM

Offering personal property for sale at public auction, located at 5805 NE 108th, from the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 50 & Main Street, WALTON, KS, 3/4 mile Northeastly, 3.3 miles North & 1/4 mile West.

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the headquarters with intentions to hold him overnight for the sale the next day. We unsaddled and I stuck a water hose through the boards of the little pen where Rompy was being held. Pretty good morning, I was thinking, then Rompy came unglued!

He could see daylight through a three-foot-wide pipe gate into the loading alley. He took four runs at it. I ran around the other side to frighten him back. It didn't work! On his fifth try he crashed over the top, bending the rail perpendicular. I dove out of the way as he sailed over me!

I looked back over my shoulder and remember thinking, this must be what a torpedo looks like leaving a submarine! We

would see him again thirty minutes later on a big ridge overlooking town. We tracked him half a mile, through one fence and into a big BLM canyon. With a huge dose of luck (finding him), enough opportunities (catching him), and two stout horses (dragging him), we got him to a road. My partner hog-tied him and I went to get the rescue unit.

Our location was unreachable by trailer so I brought the old pickup. I loaded it up with an assortment of possibly useful items and returned to the scene. The steer was still on the fight and too heavy to lift or manhandle. After much cowboy cogitation we took two 8-foot two-by-twelves and laid a ramp from the tailgate to Rompy. We tried to push him up but he wouldn't slide.

I dug through the box

and came up with a come-a-long, however, we had no place to chain it.

"Wait a minute!", I said, "Flip over that gooseneck turnover ball and hook it there!"

We flipped it over, chained it to the ball, pulled out the cable and ran it through some cotton rope we had wrapped around the hog-tie. My partner started cranking and I kept the head and tail-ends balanced as we drug Rompy into the bed of the pickup an inch and a grunt at a time. It was as much fun as changing a split rim tire off a Peterbilt. All three of us looked like we had been drug through a knothole. Even Rompy had lost his steam.

But, on the bright side, I guess, we could have been grape farmers. I don't think we'd ever been able to load a 300 pound wild raisin... ain't nothin' to tie to!

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