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## Ag-themed charter elementary school ensures future for small community

By Lucas Shivers

Making learning meaningful, hands-on and engaging is a challenge for teachers anywhere, but at the Walton Rural Life Center, near Walton, students engage in an agriculture-based curriculum with gardens, livestock and an on-the-farm lifestyle.

"Students learn responsibility with chores and leadership as they work on projects like processing eggs from the chickens and growing plants in the greenhouse or garden," said Natise Vogt, school principal.

"Students are always building planter boxes, making lip balm with soy, incubating eggs, shearing sheep or showing the pigs. There are so many projects, it's hard to decide on the best."

The Center, a K-4 elementary charter school, is about 30 miles north of Wichita. On the west edge of a town of 250, the school draws on community support from the surrounding areas.

Nearly 170 students at the Center raise crops and livestock, but also receive full lessons in all core subjects like reading, math, writing, social studies and science in the setting of a working farm.

Vogt shared many student success stories from her experience leading staff and students as a part of the Newton School District.

"We have one student who was not able to make it in three other schools, with behavior problems," Vogt said. "He came here and did beautifully. His dad teared up every time he thanked us. A mother of another student who has autism sent the entire staff an email after a Christmas program thanking everyone. Her son sang a solo at the program. She couldn't believe all of the progress he had made."

In 2005, only 75 students attended Walton Elementary



Bottle lambs are just one of the many hands-on projects that students at the Walton Rural Life Center have the opportunity to experience.

before the district utilized funds from the state of Kansas for charter schools, which typically have specialized themes and innovative teaching strategies. Agriculture is the central focus of the refreshed school that started in 2007.

The whole staff of teachers ensures the entire curriculum is tied to a life skill around agriculture. On state tests the opening year, the school had 85.9 percent of students proficient in reading and 86.7 percent math. The next year in 2008, the rates rose to 96.7 percent for reading and 100 percent for math. The Center's hands-on lessons gave the school high achievement results and strong scores on the annual state tests.

"Our students have done extremely well on state assessments," Vogt said. "Although those assessments are only a one-time indica-

tor, it is clear that the students understand what they have learned and are great problem-solvers."

Parents drive 30 miles from other towns so their children can attend from Sedgwick, Hesston, Halstead, Whitewater and Peabody.

"Word of mouth draws new students," Vogt said. "Parents share their students' success stories to others and then they want their children on our waiting list. We have a waiting list for students wanting to come to kindergarten here though the year 2018."

"Only a handful of students are actual farm kids, and they arrive in cars and buses because they live outside the attendance area," she said.

Educators from Washington D.C., across the U.S. and even internationally come to the school to study, explore

and document the success.

"I'm not sure what drives the international attention," Vogt said. "I guess because we do things in a different way and it is working."

With a diverse array of livestock, the school allows students to complete daily chores to experience life as a farmer and rancher.

"We had two cows earlier, and they came from a farm on loan," she said. "We had a local dairy farmer donate a dairy calf to the school. The donkey was a gift. The sheep were purchased by a class project. The chickens are hatched by our kindergarten students and that's how we get our eggs to sell."

Like the risks in agriculture, students learn quickly about potential hazards since not every project turns out as profitable as expected.

"Earlier in the year, we had a man who donated ten pigs as a fundraiser. Unfortu-

nately, the feed cost as much as when we sold them for butcher, so we broke even on that. But we bought four piglets in the spring, and we show those at the county fair and they are auctioned off."

As summer comes, the Center makes plans for their animals and grounds.

"All of the animals have 'summer homes,'" Vogt said. "Some of our families take them for the summer and we have local farmers who are willing to keep them for us. We have opened the garden to the community over the summer in the past, but it ends up being a weedy mess. So now we close the garden after Ag Camp in June. We till it up and cover it with plastic to keep it from being so full of weeds in August."

In addition to everyday obstacles, the Center also faces uphill challenges like raising capital for new campaigns.

"We face challenges with

the weather and chores, but that's exactly the same as farming," Vogt said. "We have also faced challenges with funding. Right now, we have so many students who want to attend kindergarten here next year, but we don't have room."

The long-term goal is a \$3 million addition to allow expansion to preschool through eighth grade.

"We have outgrown our building and will turn away around 24 students for kindergarten because we only have room for one class," Vogt said. "We have been fundraising to purchase a four-room portable unit for next year and are still around \$30,000 short."

While setting an example and casting a vision of expansion, the Center will provide a unique and effective learning atmosphere infused with agriculture for the students who are eligible to attend this coming school year.



Kindergarten students hatch chicks and older students process eggs to sell. Above, a student holds Chubby the chicken.

## Dignitaries break ground on NBAF central utilities plant



As clouds hovered over Manhattan, dignitaries turned the first shovels of dirt for the central utilities plant for the National Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility near Kansas State University. The plant will be a self-contained power supply to the lab, which will replace the facility on Plum Island, N.Y., and conduct research on zoonotic diseases. Jamie Johnson, director of national labs for the Department of Homeland Security, said that construction of the facility should begin in 2014. The congressional budget committee recently recommended \$404 million be included in the next federal budget for NBAF but it will still have to be approved by the House and U.S. Senate. Present for the groundbreaking were, from left, Kansas State University president Kirk Schulz, Fred Logan, vice chair of the Kansas Board of Regents; U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran, Governor Sam Brownback, U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts, Landon Fulmer, chief of staff for Brownback; Kansas Reps. Tim Huelskamp and Lynn Jenkins, Jamie Johnson, DHS director of national laboratories; and Lieutenant Governor Jeff Colyer.

Photo by Donna Sullivan





By John Schlageck,  
Kansas Farm Bureau

The next time you take a few minutes out of the sun, dust off one of those old family albums. You know the ones that date back to the 1920s, '30s, '40s and even late '50s.

If your family farmed, you'll see photos of your relatives attired in wide-brimmed hats. Look at their shirts. They wore loose-fitting, long-sleeved, light-colored garments.

Now fast-forward to the photographs of the mid-'60s. Clothing styles changed.

You don't see too many long-sleeved shirts any longer. Broad-brimmed hats have been replaced with baseball caps proclaiming seed, feed, tractors, and organizations – just about any company logo under the sun.

Today's farmer no longer wears the clothing of yesterday – clothing that afforded protection from the sun's harmful ultra-violet rays. Instead he wears a smaller, softer, snug-fitting cap that will not blow off and bump into machinery. Farmers prefer their hats to be inex-

pensive or free, and they like them colorful.

While the ball cap is comfortable and affordable, it does not protect the temples, the tender, delicate ear tips and the back of the neck. The baseball cap doesn't extend far enough to offer protection against the sun.

Health specialists in the agricultural field have been tracking skin cancer and the sun's harmful impact on farmers and other segments of society since 1983. While the number of deaths from skin cancer remains small, the amount of tumors has increased significantly, according to family physicians who treat farmers in rural communities.

Ultraviolet rays are one of the leading causes of can-

cer on farms today, researchers say. But with early diagnosis, treatment is possible. Farmers and ranchers should insist on inspection for skin cancer as part of their regular check-ups.

Without protective measures, sun will eventually result in skin cancer. Dermatologists recommend that anyone working or playing in the sunshine protect their skin completely by wearing clothing and a wide-brimmed hat.

The American Cancer Society will tell you there is a skin cancer epidemic. The number of cases is rising faster than any other tumor being studied today.

"If current trends continue, one in five Americans will get skin cancer in their lifetime, and many of these skin cancers could be prevented by reducing UV exposure from the sun and indoor tanning devices," says Tom Frieden, Centers for Disease Control director. "Of particular concern is the increase we are seeing in rates of melanoma, a potentially deadly form of skin cancer. In the United States, melanoma is one of the most common cancers among people ages 15 to 29 years."

Spending time in the sun increases the risk of skin cancer. Everyone can sunburn and suffer harmful effects of exposure to UV radiation. People can protect themselves by choosing a sunscreen that is right for them, wearing protective clothing and limiting time in the sun.

Youngsters and young adults must be educated today. If they learn about the sun's dangerous rays at an early age and practice prevention, skin cancer can be avoided in later years.

Seek shade when the sun's rays are strongest; avoid sunburns, intentional tanning, and use of tanning beds; use extra caution near reflective surfaces like water and sand.

Farmers, ranchers – just about anyone who works or plays in the sun should avoid direct exposure from 10 a.m. until about 3 p.m. in the Midwest.

If you can't wear a wide-

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## Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

Last week there was a news story about a 3-D printer being developed through NASA funding that will one day actually print food. Their interest in it is that it could provide food for astronauts during long-distance space travel. But mechanical engineer Anjan Contractor, who is developing it, hopes it will help solve the problem of world food shortages by cutting down on waste. The printer will use the basic building blocks of food in replaceable powder cartridges that will combine to make a wide range of dishes. After he proves it will work by printing chocolate (a man after my own heart), his next concoction will be pizza.

Now, I admire innovation and research. Problem-solving-type people have my utmost respect, whereas the hand-wringers of the world tend to annoy the stew out of me. The fact that the inventor started out making chocolate and pizza only further proves his brilliance in my book. But I'm having a hard time getting my mind around the idea of our food coming out of a printer. That's probably decades away from becoming the norm, and I may never even live to see it. I just hope that it doesn't spell the end of one of my favorite traditions – the family meal.

With a family's busy schedules it's already hard to find time to sit together and eat, and technology has also taken its toll on meal times. Watching television or texting under

the table often replaces conversation and true enjoyment of the food.

When I was growing up, suppertime was sacred. We never ate until my dad got home and we had certain rituals we never violated. For instance, no one lifted a fork until my mom sat down and we prayed. We laughed and joked, ate what was set before us, and complimented mom on the meal. When we were done, we asked to be excused and thanked her for the nice dinner. But even after we were excused, we tended to linger at the table.

It was during that time one night that my younger brother pulled our little sister's sock off her foot and she proceeded to drag him out of the chair by his ear. She was only about four at the time and quite small in stature even for her age. We had no idea she felt so strongly about her socks, and we gained a whole new respect for her that night. The fact that my brother's one ear stuck out farther than the other one for years served as a reminder to us not to let her small size sucker us into toying with her... or her socks.

It was also after supper one night that my dad decided to show us his childhood trick of being able to stand on his head between the backs of two chairs. Not taking into account things like gravity and the fact that he was 30 years older and at least 50 pounds heavier than when he'd last attempted this feat, he cau-



Quite often the evening national news makes me grumpy; many evenings I avoid watching it. Instead I prefer to watch the local news; my blood pressure remains much lower that way. However, this past weekend I watched a news story on a local station that got my blood boiling (boiling blood is not good for blood pressure).

The story was about protests over genetically modified organisms, specifically crops, and along with them, Monsanto. This event was part of a national effort; I am not sure what triggered this misguided rage directed toward crops and a successful company. What I do know is that this movement is driven by anti-agriculture groups with agendas, bad information and outright lies. That makes me mad.

The reporter was covering a protest in Wichita, camera shots showed signs vilifying the evil Monsanto and their dangerous engineered crops. One of the protesters was interviewed. He was a scraggy looking activist type. He spouted off the usual anti-GMO rhetoric about health problems and damage to the ecosystem theorized to be ahead for us in the future. All in all though, he looked fairly healthy and well-fed.

I suppose it is easy to protest a successful corporation that helps farmers produce more food on fewer acres, with fewer inputs, and protect our soil, air and water, if you are well-fed and healthy. It is easier to find misinformation and propaganda on the internet if you do not have to spend most of your day either working for enough money to pay for your food or foraging for what you need.

Monsanto makes an easy target; they are a faceless, huge corporation. We live in a day and age when corporations are thought to be evil empires. More and more I see us (little guys) versus them (large corporations). The theory being, if they are successful and make money they must be doing something shady. I do not work for Monsanto, all I know is that every Monsanto employee I have met is a good, hardworking person and Monsanto's products help me be more productive. Most of all I support their right to be successful and make money – that is what this country is built on.

We must dramatically improve and increase our food output in the

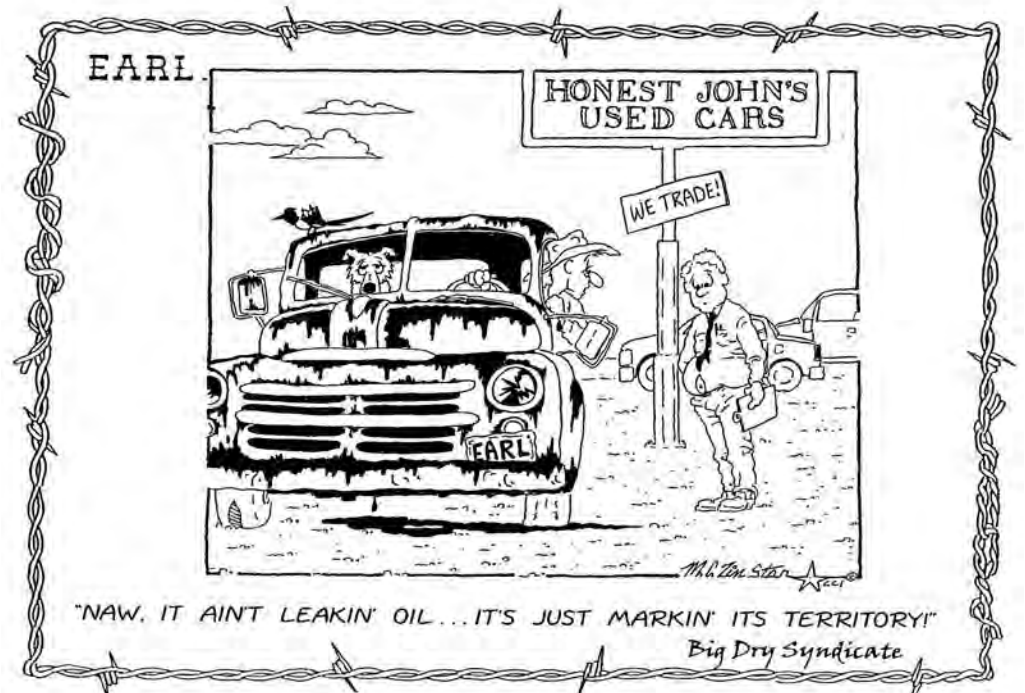
coming years to meet the demands of a growing world population. This increase in production can only happen if we adopt new technology and farming practices. Those new practices and products are developed in two different ways. One is through university and public research and with a lack of funding this area is getting squeezed pretty hard. The other method is private companies, like Monsanto, developing technology, like GMO crops. Both routes are very important and necessary to those of us in production agriculture.

So back to the protesters – I watched the interview on T.V. and read some of the articles online. All of them were the same unsubstantiated research, theories, sensational stories and misguided propaganda that has been thrown at the public time after time. I guess if you throw it at the wall long enough some of it will stick, whether it is true or not. I challenge anyone to provide a peer-reviewed, credible source, one without a hidden agenda stating that GMO crops are dangerous.

There has never ever been any evidence or findings that GMO crops pose any kind of a risk, especially to our health. I do know that hunger, malnutrition and starvation are very real threats, faced by many each day. I feel that it is my responsibility as a farmer to do what I can and to use the technology available to me to produce as much food as I can. I also feel that it is my duty to increase this production in a way that maintains and improves the land, air and water I rely on for my livelihood.

I realize that the protestors have the right to free speech and I support that right. I only wish that instead of taking the easy route of simply covering the protests, the reporter would have sought out credible experts on modern agricultural practices and gotten both sides of the story.

I guess that is what each of us in agriculture must do. We need to explain the need for GMO crops, talk about their safety and the good they do for the environment. We need to be able to educate the public about the benefits modern technology and what it allows us to do. We need to tell the truth about agriculture and counter the well-fed protestors.



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tioned us to move back and started his ascent. It looked like it was going pretty well at first and we were beginning to feel duly impressed. Then one chair started to tip just a little. He tried to correct it by shifting his weight to the other chair. Big mistake. To us, it all seemed to happen in slow motion as both chairs tipped in opposite directions; our dad, legs extended in the air, veered wildly between them as he tried to regain control. Then... the crash, and the audible rush of air leaving his lungs. We all raced to his side, a circle of faces peering down at him, certain that he was dead. No

one could survive an epic crash like that, we were sure.

He took a deep breath, moaned a soft moan and opened his eyes. "Now, that was some trick, wasn't it kids?" he asked, and we all piled on him laughing hysterically. We begged him almost every night after that for quite some time to try it again, but he had learned his lesson.

Age and gravity are two forces that just won't be denied.

See why I think family suppers are important? Memories like that are priceless, and meal times are about more than just food.

## Insight

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brimmed hat and protective clothing, apply at least a SPF 30 sun protective lotion. Today's farmers and ranchers would be well-advised to take a page out of their family albums – to return to those days of floppy, wide-brimmed straw hats and long-sleeved, cotton shirts.

Who knows, maybe they could start a new fashion craze as well as protect their skin from the damaging rays of the sun.

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In fact, the company has contributed to the national shift in eating habits by continuously creating more healthful and more flavorful premium products of excellent quality, setting numerous industry standards along the way, and transforming the simple tortilla into an icon of good living.

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1/2 cup finely chopped onion

1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro

1 tablespoon minced jalapeño pepper

1/4 cup hot picante sauce (or salsa)

1 tablespoon fresh lime juice

Combine tomato, onion, cilantro and jalapeño pep-

per in large bowl. Stir in hot picante sauce or salsa and fresh lime juice. Cover; refrigerate 1 hour to let flavors blend.

Cut beef steaks lengthwise in half, then crosswise into 1/4-inch strips; set aside. Combine marinade ingredients in medium bowl. Place beef and marinade in food-safe plastic bag. Close bag securely and marinate in refrigerator 30 minutes. Remove beef from marinade; discard marinade. Heat pan over medium heat until hot. Add 1/2 of beef; stir-fry 1 to 2 minutes or until outside surface of beef is no longer pink (do not overcook). Repeat with remaining beef. Evenly divide beef strips over tortillas. Top with 1 tablespoon Spicy Pico de Gallo and 1 tablespoon cheese.

Nutrition information per serving: 210 calories; 9 g fat; 14 g carbohydrate; 20 g protein.

Recipe courtesy of The Beef Checkoff.

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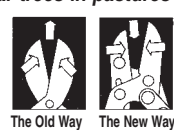
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## Home and Away

### Summer vacations

By Lou Ann Thomas

With Memorial Day just past, family vacation season has officially begun. From now until Labor Day back seats will be the scene of countless sibling arguments and impatient parents warning the whining voices, "Don't make me stop this car!"

Growing up on the farm we didn't take many family vacations because it was nearly impossible for us to get away from the responsibilities of growing, harvesting, feeding and tending. When we did hit the road, my father's idea of traveling was to get up before dawn and drive as fast as we could to that night's lodging. The next morning we were again up before the sun to stumble, sleepy-eyed back into the car and head for that night's bed.

We traveled like a band of bank robbers fleeing the scene.

The backseat of whatever car we had at the time is what I remember most from the few family vacations of my childhood. If we were going to Colorado to see the mountains, we drove there, traveled through the mountains, and then drove back home. Pikes Peak? I remember seeing it out the window of our old white Oldsmobile. Yellowstone National Park? I recall driving by Old Faithful in our blue Chevy.

The summer after I graduated from high school my parents planned a summer vacation where

we flew to Los Angeles and then spent five days there. I suspect we took this particular trip because my parents realized, with me soon heading off to college, this would likely be our last opportunity to have a vacation as a family. We visited many of the sights, like Hollywood, Disneyland, the La Brea Tar Pits, and I got my first glimpse of the ocean.

But at the end of the trip, after landing back at KCI and heading home, part of me secretly wished we could just keep going. I felt so safe and content in that moment - with me slouched as only a teenager can in the back seat, my father intently navigating traffic and my mother commenting on the sights flashing by in a blur outside the car window - that I hoped it would never end.

Now I understand where we went on our family vacations, or how we got there wasn't important. Just like with life, it was never the destination that was significant, but rather it was sharing the journey.

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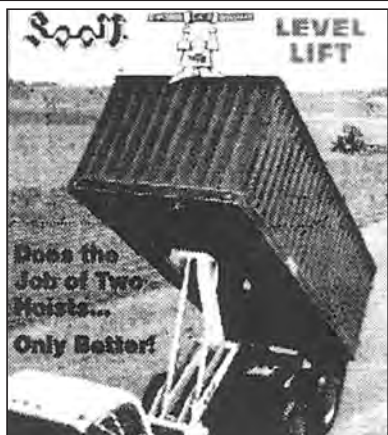
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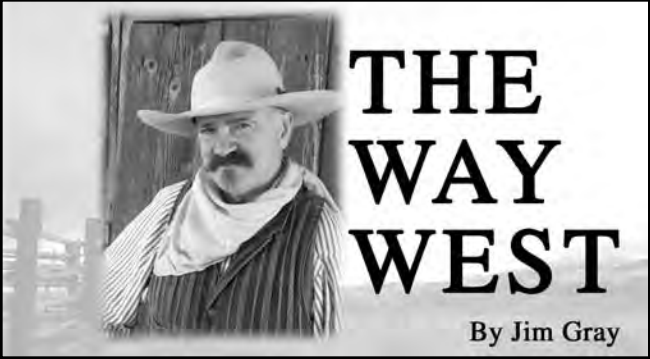
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Libby Custer’s  
Brush With Death

General George Armstrong Custer and the troops of the Seventh Cavalry rode their exhausted horses into Fort Hays after the Cheyenne outran his elite organization in the spring of 1867. Fort Hays was a dreary place, but to the soldiers of the Seventh any semblance of habitation was a welcome sight. If you are thinking of the Fort Hays just south of present-day Hays, Kansas, that location was not the Fort Hays of April 1867. The post Custer’s men first encountered was a dozen miles southeast at the forks of Big Creek. Originally designated Fort Fletcher in 1865, it was established to protect travel along the route of Butterfield’s Over-

land Despatch (B.O.D.). The route of the B.O.D. was along the Smoky Hill River, the very heart of buffalo country, which was also the heart of not only every Cheyenne, but of all plains people who greatly valued the hunting grounds. To add to the confusion, Fort Fletcher was renamed Fort Hays November 17, 1866. The Fort Hays that Custer rode into now lies nearly forgotten in a pasture south of the town of Walker. Under Custer’s direction the Seventh Cavalry went into camp across the banks of Big Creek a half mile away from Fort Hays. Unfortunately, the wet spring season turned a normally pleasant valley into a

muddy demoralizing bog. Libby was in the habit of joining her husband in the field. In the book *Tenting on the Plains*, Libby recalled the day she and Eliza, her servant, arrived at Fort Hays by military ambulance in mid-May. “Fort Hays was finally visible – another small post of log huts... treeless and desolate, but the stream beyond was lined with white canvas, which meant the tents of the Seventh Cavalry.” Anticipating her arrival Custer erected several tents on a fresh location to improve surroundings as best he could for his young wife. Over the next two weeks Libby was treated to tales of the first encounter the Seventh Cavalry had ever had with plains Indians. When well rested, Custer’s troops set out from Fort Hays in hopes of finding an Indian base of operations in north-west Kansas. Custer stayed behind to organize Libby’s camp. Remaining troops were ordered to encamp on the grounds of the post. In his personal account, *My Life on the Plains*, Custer recalled that the banks of Big Creek at that location were twenty-five to forty feet above the water. The post was situated on a “level unbroken plain” except for a

nearly imperceptible knoll that rose another three or four feet. Considering the previous weeks of rain-soaked ground, the knoll was an obvious choice for keeping Libby as dry as possible. Once General Custer was certain that everything in camp was in order he rode out to join his troops. Just a few days later, the evening of June 5th, 1867, clouds loomed dark on the horizon. Libby prepared for bed “trying to believe that the thunder was but one of those peculiar menacing volleys of cloud-artillery that sometimes passed over harmlessly.” But the thunder roared and rolled. Terrible lightning lit up the sky, invading her tent with an “incessant glare.” The thunderstorm poured down a flood of water from above as “The

heavens seemed to shower down fire upon the earth, and in one minute and a half we counted twenty-five distinct peals of thunder.” The campsite on that little knoll beside Big Creek soon became an island, as the water rose ten feet in one hour. Soldiers were swept to their deaths. Mules picketed out for overnight grazing were drowned. Oxen were lost and wagons were destroyed. Libby and Eliza were forced from their tent to discover a man clinging for dear life to a tree branch as the torrent slashed at his body. Eliza, who had known great danger as Custer’s cook in the Civil War, found a clothesline. Eliza later recalled “I could hear him bubblin’, bellowin’, drownin’, and gagin’” as the women pulled him to safety. The water continued to rise. As a last resort to survival officers

strapped the women to a heavy Gatling gun to keep them from being swept away. Just as the waters reached the feet of the hapless, beleaguered party the torrent began to recede. The little knoll General Custer had selected saved them. For Libby Custer that terrible night when the thunder roared and rolled would never be forgotten. Neither would it be forgotten that a small rise on the unbroken plain of the Kansas prairie could mean the difference between life and death on The Way West. “The Cowboy,” Jim Gray is author of *Desperate Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier* and also publishes *Kansas Cowboy*, *Old West history from a Kansas perspective*. Contact *Kansas Cowboy*, Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058 or [www.droversmercantile.com](http://www.droversmercantile.com).

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## Corps of Discovery Part III — Continental Divide to the Pacific

Captain Meriwether Lewis travels through Lemhi Pass and crosses the Continental Divide. The pass straddles the Continental Divide. He has made the first contact with the Shoshone tribe but the lone horseman rides away in fear of the white men. Lewis and two of his men are scouting ahead of the main party still toiling up the shallow waters of the Jefferson River.

At Lemhi Pass, Lewis has reached the headwaters of the Missouri River and expects to soon see the Columbia River which flows to the Pacific Ocean, the object of their exploration of the west. He is disappointed that the Indian rode away and he was not able to communicate with the Shoshone horseman. Lewis and his men track the trail of the fleeing horseman and quite by accident come upon two Indian women who are unaware of their approach. The frightened women realize they are too close to the men to escape and sit on the ground as if reconciled to die.

Captain Lewis approached and made them rise. He gave them presents to show his good intentions and raised his sleeve to show the color of his skin to ensure them he is not their enemy. In sign language, he instructs them to take him and his two men to their village to meet their chiefs.

They start out on an Indian road and after marching about two miles, they are met by a party of 60 warriors mounted on excellent horses that come in on the run. Captain Lewis places his gun on the ground and advances toward the leaders of the war party holding a peace flag. The chief speaks to the women with Lewis who inform him who the

white men are. The women show the chief the presents Lewis gave them. The chief then advanced and embraced Captain Lewis affectionately. The Corps of Discovery had finally made friendly contact with an Indian Nation with horses that could help them on their journey over the mountains.

The chief is Cameahwait, one of the leaders of the Shoshone or Snake Indian tribe. Lewis spends time at the village and then negotiates with the Indians to hire horses and men to go back to the headwaters of the Jefferson where he believes Captain Clark is waiting for his return. The horses will be used to transport their supplies and cargo to the Indian village.

They find Clark and the party at the head of the river and Sacajawea rushes forward to meet her people. She sees her brother and runs to embrace him. Remarkably, her brother is Cameahwait, the leader of the Shoshone. Sacajawea becomes the interpreter and communications with the natives improve.

The captains instruct the men to unload the boats and stash them out of harm's way. They also make a secret cache of supplies to retrieve on the return trip. The horses are loaded with the supplies and the party makes their way to the village.

Clark goes ahead to survey a route west and finds that the Salmon River is impassable by boat or on land. Steep cliffs and roaring rapids convince him that they must find another route west. The Shoshone advise them to go north out of the Lemhi valley and over the mountains to the Bitterroot valley then west over the Bitterroot mountains to the headwaters of

the Columbia River.

The captains negotiate with the Indians for horses. Lewis writes in his journal that they had obtained enough horses to carry them and their baggage across the mountains. They have traded goods for 29 horses and one mule. The men of the expedition now spend their time constructing pack saddles to carry their cargo on the horses. They have no nails or flat boards to construct the saddles. They cut the blades off their oars for the saddles and use strips of animal hides to fasten them into crude pack saddles. Captain Clark recommends they hire a Shoshone guide named Old Toby to guide them over the Bitterroot Mountains to an Indian road that leads to the Columbia.

The Corps of Discovery ascends into the Bitterroot Mountains, which Sergeant Patrick Gass calls "the most terrible mountains I ever beheld." Old Toby loses the trail in the steep and heavily wooded mountains. The party struggles on trying to find their way west. When their provisions run out, they butcher a horse for food. Heavy snow begins to fall making the trek almost unbearable. John Ordway enters in his journal on September 18th, "The mountains continue as far as our eyes could extend. They extend much further than we expected." 11 days later, on the brink of starvation, the entire expedition staggers out of the Bitterroots near a branch of the Clearwater River which flows into the Columbia. They are befriended by the Nez Perce Indians and nursed back to health eating salmon and camas roots.

Jubilant about finally crossing the mountains, the expedition begins building canoes to travel down the

Clearwater to the final leg of their journey on the Columbia River. They make arrangements with the Nez Perce to care for their horse herd until they return from the ocean. The Lewis and Clark expedition begins the final 450 miles of their journey to the Pacific Ocean entirely by water in five dugout canoes. They move downstream to the Columbia River by way of the Snake River.

Here they find the river populated with many Indian villages. People line the river banks to view the strange men in dugout canoes as they pass each village. The river teems with salmon and Clark estimates 10,000 pounds of salmon drying on racks in one village alone. The men are now able to trade for food and other provisions from the natives. Traveling downstream by canoe, they are able to recover from their hardships endured crossing the mountains. But danger lies ahead when they run the rapids through treacherous areas known as the chute, the gorge and The Dalles and pass through the Cascades. They are forced to make portages around the most dangerous sections of the river and successfully pass through the Cascades near tidewater. They leave the semi-arid land of eastern Washington and Oregon and enter the dense rain forests of the Pacific Northwest. The river widens and becomes calmer and easier to navigate.

In mid-November, The Corps of Discovery reaches the Pacific Ocean. The outbound portion of their journey has been completed. The expedition celebrates their accomplishment. They build a fort on the south side of the river and name it Fort Clatsop. They will

spend the winter at Fort Clatsop.

In early March, 1806, the men of the expedition run out of tobacco. They had previously run out of whiskey and most of their provisions they had hauled from St. Louis are expended. Captain Clark later estimates they traveled 4,162 miles from the mouth of the Missouri to the Pacific Ocean. His estimate, based on dead reckoning, will turn out to be within 40 miles of

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# Something for everyone at the National Festival of Breads

Eight home bakers from across the nation will come to Manhattan June 20-22 to participate in the National Festival of Breads, America’s only amateur bread baking contest. The biennial contest - sponsored by the Kansas Wheat Commission, King Arthur Flour and Fleischmann’s Yeast - celebrates the relationship between producer and consumer and highlights the art of baking bread at home.

The bakers will prepare their original bread recipes in miniature kitchens at the Hilton Garden Inn and Convention Center in Manhattan. One contestant will emerge as the 2013 champion and earn a prize package worth nearly \$5,000, including cash, an expense-paid trip to King Arthur Flour Baking Center in Norwich, Vermont and a year’s supply of Fleischmann’s Yeast.

Contestants in the 2013 National Festival of Breads include: Judi Berman-Yamada, Portland, Oregon; Elke Roby, Lincoln, Nebraska; Gloria Piantek, West Lafayette, Indiana; Marilyn Blankschien, Clintonville, Wisconsin; Merry Graham, Newhall, California; Rita Lutz, Horseshoe Bay, Texas; Jane Hinrichsen, Cottage Grove, Minnesota and Rosemary Leicht, Bethel, Ohio.

Contest finalists, sponsors and other guests will enjoy several additional activities during their stay, including a “Farm-to-Fork” tour featuring lunch at a local wheat farm and a visit to a field during wheat harvest, plus tours of a grain elevator and flour mill. The tour is designed to teach contestants about the journey taken by wheat from field, to flour mill, to grocery store shelf.

“The harvest tour is really enlightening to the contestants,” says Cindy Falk, nutrition educator at the Kansas Wheat Commission, and contest coordinator. “Most of them have never been on a farm before so the Farm-to-Fork tour is a real highlight.”

These activities for contestants precede the day-long

Festival of Breads, which will be held June 22 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 410 South Third Street, Manhattan. A number of family-friendly activities will take place at the hotel.

“Our goal is to provide a family-friendly, inexpensive event the whole family can enjoy, and provide a wealth of information to make home baking exciting and enjoyable,” Falk says.

Visitors can watch the finalists prepare their recipes live in the Convention Center ballroom; peruse items at a miniature trade show; gain baking insight and information at several baking sessions, enjoy fresh-baked bread and take part in several activities designed for kids, including pretzel-shaping and flour milling. Local professional and amateur bakers will help end childhood hunger, through the Share Our Strength’s “Bake Sale for No Kid Hungry.” Meanwhile, Kansas wheat weaving artisans will show how they make straw art. Finally, the hallways will be filled with the aroma of fresh-baked cinnamon rolls - free to taste - courtesy of the

Nebraska Wheat Growers Association baking trailer.

Those attending the National Festival of Breads will receive \$1 discount coupons to attend the acclaimed Flint Hills Discovery Center, plus meet Willie the Wildcat, mascot of the Big 12 Champion Kansas State University Wildcats, and Mr. and Mrs. Slice. Folks can register for door prizes, which include a KitchenAid mixer and Panasonic Bread Machine.

“Military families attending will receive free baking ingredients, including flour and yeast,” Falk says.

Those attending the National Festival of Breads can take part in several free educational seminars, each of which lasts about 45 minutes, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Hilton Garden Inn Ballroom.

Speakers and topics include:

9 a.m.: Mardi Traskowsky, 2013 NFOB Youth Winner, “Family Italian Bread.”

Mardi, who will demonstrate her family-style bread recipe at this year’s Festival, has earned the top award-champion-in the first youth category competition in the

National Festival of Breads. She is a Kansas 4-H member, and qualified (at the county fair) to exhibit her bread recipe at the Kansas State Fair, where she earned a purple ribbon. Her entry also was selected for display in the 4-H Foods Exhibit Showcase in 4-H Centennial Hall during the Fair. Mardi’s recipe has become a family favorite with an Italian twist, and she’ll be on hand to discuss how she adjusted a basic bread machine recipe as a healthy choice with an Italian twist.

10 a.m. and 1 p.m.: Paula Gray, King Arthur Flour, Inc., “Bread 101 and More! With King Arthur Flour.”

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experienced pro, you’ll take home helpful tips, recipes, and free gifts! We’ll also discuss the Life Skills Bread Baking Program® and how you can bring this free program to students in your area.

11 a.m.: Sharon Davis, Home Baking Assoc., and Diane McElroy, ACH Food Companies, “Rise to a New Level.”

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2 p.m.: Aaron Clanton, AIB International, “Baking With Whole Grains.”

This session will explore what whole grains are and why they should be incorpo

rated into bakery products. Participants will learn the unique flavor and textures that whole grains can add to foods as well as the nutritional benefits. Key adjustments for adding more whole grain to breads will be shared.

3 p.m.: Panel discussion featuring Fleischmann’s Yeast, King Arthur Flour and Home Baking Association, “Baking Questions and Answers”

In this session, home baking experts will be available to answer your specific baking questions. The panel will provide current information and tips to help you understand the function of bread ingredients, baking tips and techniques for successful - and enjoyable- baking. The 2013 Grand Prize winner will be announced at a contestants’ banquet the evening of June 22. One finished product from each of the eight contestants will be auctioned off in a fund-raiser for Share Our Strength’s “Bake Sale for No Kid Hungry.”

For more information, log onto the Festival’s website, nationalfestivalof breads.com.

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Above left: Governor Sam Brownback, flanked by his chief of staff Landon Fulmer, Reps. Lynn Jenkins and Tim Huelskamp, DHS director of national labs Jamie Johnson and Lt. Governor Jeff Colyer, spoke of the years of work that preceded the groundbreaking of the central utilities plant for NBAF. Right, Sen. Jerry Moran followed Sen. Pat Roberts in speaking of the importance of the facility that will conduct zoonotic research and be part of what has become known as the Animal Health Corridor from Manhattan to Columbia, Missouri.

Photos by Donna Sullivan



## Importance of NBAF stressed at groundbreaking ceremony

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

Calling the day “a long time coming,” Kansas governor Sam Brownback addressed the audience at the groundbreaking of the central utilities plant for the National Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility on May 28. Brownback expressed appreciation for the work of the delegation from Kansas, saying, “The fight doesn’t stop when you’ve got a federal budget that’s having so much difficulty like this one is. For these folks to lean in and make this their

number one project to get done, means you’re throwing every resource we have as a state to get this across the line and they’re doing it.” Sens. Jerry Moran and Pat Roberts spoke of the national importance of NBAF. “When we leave here today, we will continue our years-long effort to generate understanding and most important, support regarding the vital need for this facility,” Roberts said. “As national emergency exercises have shown, every American would be affected if the

worst was to happen and this nation was plagued by a foreign animal disease outbreak.”

“If there’s something I would like to see accomplished in my life as a Kansan, it would be changing the nature of our state,” said Moran. “Never walk away from the basic industries of agriculture that is so important to our state, the aviation industry in south-central Kansas, the oil and gas industry that fuel our state’s economy. But wouldn’t it be a great

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## NASS releases 2012 chemical use data for soybeans and wheat

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) recently published the 2012 Agricultural Chemical Use Survey data for soybeans and wheat. During the fall of 2012, NASS conducted the survey among soybean producers in 19 states and wheat producers in 15 states. The information released includes on-farm fertilizer use, pesticide use, and pest management practices.

**Soybeans.** The 19 states surveyed for chemical use on soybeans accounted for 96 percent of the soybean acreage planted in the United States during the 2012 crop year (the period starting after the 2011 harvest through end of the 2012 harvest). Phosphate and potash were each applied to 37 percent of planted acres, making them the most widely used fertilizer materials, followed by nitrogen (27 percent of planted acres). Farmers applied herbicides to 98 percent of soybean planted acres, more widely than insecticides (18 percent) and fungicides (11 percent). The top monitoring practice for managing pests was scouting for weeds, used on 94 percent of planted acres. The survey also asked about prevention, avoidance, and suppression practices for managing pests.

**Wheat.** The 13 states surveyed for chemical use on

winter wheat accounted for 80 percent of the winter wheat acreage planted in the United States during the 2012 crop year. The four states surveyed for chemical use on spring wheat (excluding durum) accounted for 91 percent of the spring wheat (excluding durum) acreage planted in the United States in the 2012 crop year. The two states surveyed during the 2012 crop year for chemical use on durum wheat accounted for 88 percent of the durum wheat acreage planted in the United States. The surveyed farmers applied nitrogen more widely than other fertilizers, applying it to nearly all durum and spring (excluding durum) wheat acres, and to 85 percent of winter wheat acres. Herbicides were the most extensively used pesticide, applied to 99 percent of durum wheat acres, 97 percent of spring (excluding durum) wheat acres, and 61 percent of winter wheat acres. The survey also identified the most used herbicides by active ingredient and the top prevention, avoidance, monitoring, and suppression practices for managing pests.

To access the data via the Quick Stats 2.0 database, data tables, or release highlights, go online to <http://bit.ly/AgChem>. For assistance, contact the NASS Agricultural Statistics Hotline at (800) 727-9540.



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## Recent changes to crop insurance promote water conservation

Recently the USDA-Risk Management Agency (USDA -RMA) reduced their mandated number of crop samples per acre that had to be maintained for insurance appraisal under center pivot irrigation. These representative sample area (RSAs) reductions are important for minimizing the amount of water required to be pumped on crops affected by extreme environment conditions.

"We appreciate RMA's willingness to work with the Kansas Water Office, the Kansas Department of Agriculture and farmers and ranchers on a solution to conserve water in Kansas," said Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Dale Rodman. "Water conservation is a priority for the state and this policy will encourage producers to be more efficient with their water while still allowing irrigation and access to critical risk management tools."

This adjustment to USDA-RMA's Loss Adjustment Manual (LAM) will allow for producers to more accurately determine and aggregate representative sample areas (RSAs) and conserve irrigated water, energy and operating costs when using center pivot irrigation systems.

"RMA has made great improvements to its process for providing an adequate crop sample under center-pivot irrigation," said Tracy Streeter, director of the Kansas Water Office. "This will allow producers to minimize the amount of water necessary to irrigate failed or damaged crops for insurance purposes."

For more information regarding changes with the RSAs when acreage is contained in a center pivot irrigation system visit: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/bulletins/pm/2013/13-023.pdf>.



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## Kearny County farmer takes a chance with canola

(AP) - A Kansas farmer whose bright yellow crop has caught the eyes of travelers in Kearny County says his peers should branch out.

Fred Ritsema has been growing 125 acres of canola on land between Deerfield and Lakin. The crop has been in bloom since last week and will be ready for harvest in about a month, the Garden City Telegram reported.

Ritsema used to live in Holland and grew the crop - used to make canola oil - there. When he moved to Kansas in 1997, he decided to try his luck with the state's soil.

Because the drought has made growing corn and alfalfa difficult in recent years, Ritsema thinks more Kansas farmers should try canola, which is a winter crop.

"This has gotten a lot of farmers' attention. I think in the near future more farmers will be turning to winter crops instead of summer crops," he said.

Ritsema said canola could be significantly more profitable than wheat.

"The price is close to twice as much as wheat. The profits could be twice as high," he said.

Dale Kuhn, from Kuhn Harvesting, said Ritsema's canola crop will be the first one he's harvested in Kansas; he's done it before in Texas.

"I would think that it will gain some strength as we go on here. It's just going to take some time. It's moving steadily north all the time," he said.

To harvest canola, the crop is bound when the seed pods are starting to dry down. It takes five to seven days for the crop to be durable, Kuhn said. Then, a combine picks the rows and knocks the seeds out of the pods.

The crop survived the recent cold and snow, Kuhn said.

"We don't know how harvest will go. But now it looks good," he said.



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# Kansas State University scientists awarded \$5.5 million for wheat and rice blast research

By Mary Lou Peter

Kansas State University researcher Barbara Valent and a team of colleagues have been awarded \$5.5 million by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to develop novel disease control strategies for two closely related diseases in rice and wheat – the latter of which has wreaked havoc in some South American wheat growing areas.

Valent, a university distinguished professor of plant pathology, is leading a team of K-State and national and international collaborators who are studying ways to protect Kansas and U.S. wheat fields from the deadly disease known as wheat blast. The team is also studying ways to protect U.S. rice from the deadly rice blast disease. Unlike wheat blast, rice blast is well established in the United States and in all other rice-growing countries.

"This disease – wheat blast – spreads quickly," Valent said. "It has not been found outside South America, but if we don't prepare by learning and educating others about detection, and look for ways to curb it if it does strike the U.S., the consequences could be enormous."

Both wheat blast and rice blast are explosive diseases under favorable weather conditions.

Blast disease, caused by the fungus *Magnaporthe oryzae* is a major constraint to global rice production and is an emerging and very serious threat to U.S. wheat, Valent said. Rice blast research over the past 20 years has provided a wealth of understanding on the molecular basis for blast resistance in rice.

"Our goal is to leverage this knowledge as part of an integrated approach to improve U.S. rice production and protect the nation's wheat crop," Valent said.

Wheat blast was first discovered in Brazil in 1985, and has since been found in Bolivia, Paraguay and Argentina. Three years ago it cut production in Brazilian wheat states by up to 60 percent in some areas.

Rice blast caused significant crop losses in fields in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas in 2012 and the disease has already been reported this year in Louisiana.

"Our goal is to develop resistant varieties for control of both diseases," Valent said. "We plan to use traditional strategies for finding and deploying resistance genes, as well as novel strategies based on new knowledge generated by research on rice blast." Additional outcomes will be diagnostic tools, training resources for first detectors and responders, and a disease forecasting model. "Another important objective for this project is to educate undergraduate students in plant biosecurity."

"Arguably, rice and wheat are the two most important crops in the world," said K-State professor of plant pathology, James Stack, who is one of the research team mem-

bers. "In most countries, either wheat or rice is a staple in citizens' diets. It's hard for people who have ready access to food to understand, but threats to either of those crops can be the difference between food security and hunger."

Typically, about one-fifth of all wheat grown in the United States is grown in Kansas, according to the Kansas Wheat Commission. About half of Kansas wheat is exported to other countries.

In 2012, Kansas produced 382 million bushels of winter wheat and overall U.S. production totaled 1.65 billion bushels, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

One of the many problems posed by wheat blast is that it looks a lot like some other wheat diseases, so it's sometimes hard to detect, said Stack, who serves as the director of the Great Plains Diagnostic Network, a consortium of nine states which is part of the National Plant Diagnostic Center. The GPDN coordinates diagnostics, communications and trains first detectors of plant diseases.

Because wheat blast has not been found in North

American wheat, it is critical that the team's research be conducted in a secure facility. For that reason, the scientists are working in K-State's Biosecurity Research Institute, a facility that provides a safe and secure location to study high-consequence pathogens.

The grant, awarded by the USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture through the 2012 Agriculture and Food Research Initiative's Food Security program, was part of more than \$75 million in grants recently awarded to teams at 21 universities. The teams are working in research, education and Ex-

tension activities to ensure greater food security in the United States and around the world, according to the USDA.

"Millions of American households lack the resources to access sufficient food, and many of those, including our children, may go hungry at least once this year," said agriculture deputy secretary Kathleen Merrigan, in making the grant announcement. "The grants announced ... will help policymakers and others better recognize the food and nutrition needs of low-income communities in our country, while improving the productivity of our

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More information about wheat blast is available at <http://www.k-state.edu/wheatblast/>. More information about rice blast is available at [www.apsnet.org/edcenter/intropp/lesons/fungi/ascomycetes/Pages/RiceBlast.aspx](http://www.apsnet.org/edcenter/intropp/lesons/fungi/ascomycetes/Pages/RiceBlast.aspx).



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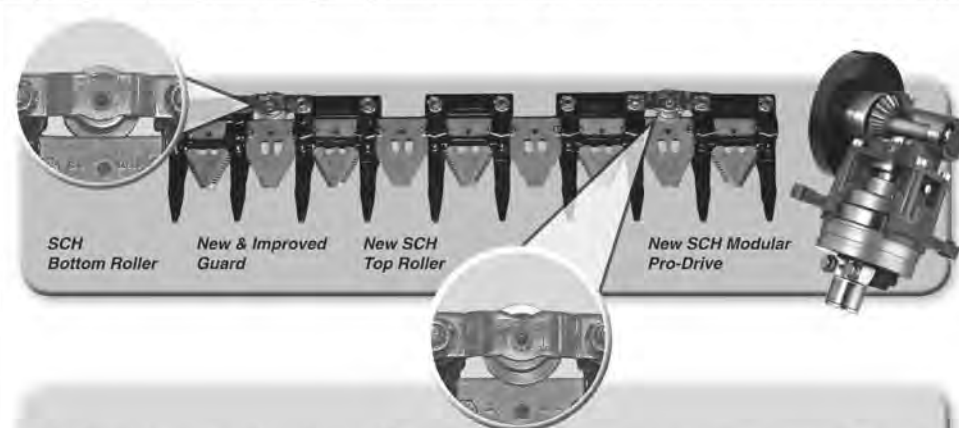
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# Combustible dust workshops offered

In order to increase safety awareness at grain elevators, feed mills and other grain processing facilities, Kansas State University's Department of Grain Science and Industry is offering workshops in English and Spanish to address combustible dust hazards.

Project leader Kingsly Ambrose, assistant professor in Grain Science and Industry, said the interactive workshops will create awareness regarding grain dust explosion hazards among workers and supervisors. The workshops, handouts and lecture materials are free.

Workshops will be held at the following Kansas locations in conjunction with the Kansas Grain and Feed Association:

- August 13 in Garden City at the Southwest Research-Extension Office. The course in English will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon and the Spanish course will be offered from 1-5 p.m.
- August 14 in Colby at the Colby Convention Center from 8 a.m. to noon.
- August 16 in Wichita at the Sedgwick County Extension Office from 1-5 p.m.
- August 19 in Salina at the Salina Courtyard Marriott from 1-5 p.m.
- August 20 in Seneca at the Nemaha County Community Building from 1-5 p.m.

The workshop will be offered in Texas, Nebraska and Minnesota on the following dates:

- July 23 in Mesquite, Texas at the Texas A&M Mesquite Auditorium. The course in English will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon and the Spanish course will be offered from 1-5 p.m.
- July 30, in conjunction with the National Grain and Feed Association, in Omaha, Neb. at the Omaha Hilton from 1-5 p.m.
- Sept. 6, in conjunction with the Minnesota Grain and Feed Association, in St. Cloud, Minn. at the Kelly

Inn Best Western from 1-5 p.m.

"It is important to educate supervisors and managers on training their employees using best practices to curtail the risk of dust explosions," said Dirk Maier, head of the Department of Grain Science and Industry at K-State. "This workshop will communicate practical risk information on dust hazards to mitigate fatalities and loss in grain handling and processing facilities."

This initiative is being funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Ambrose noted that grain dust explosions are caused by five factors: powder-fine grain dust, confinement of dust in an enclosed space, dust dispersion, an ignition source, and oxygen. Reducing combustible dust, keeping it out of the air and controlling ignition sources significantly reduce the probability of a grain dust explosion occurring.

Through delivery by faculty from K-State, hands-on activities and an explosion demonstration, the four-hour workshop will provide the awareness, understanding and motivation to reduce the number of explosions and their impact.

"The long-term goal of this team is to continue this effort of raising awareness about grain dust explosion hazards through training activities," Ambrose said. "We are collaborating with GEAPS (Grain Elevator and Processing Society) to offer a distance education course on grain dust explosions starting Fall, 2013."

To register for any of the workshops, go to [www.grains.ksu.edu/igp](http://www.grains.ksu.edu/igp) and select the link under 'Upcoming Short Courses.'

For more information, interested persons may also contact Ambrose at [graindust@k-state.edu](mailto:graindust@k-state.edu), or 785-532-4091.

# ASI announces 2013 Sheep Photo Contest

It is time to start thinking about the American Sheep Industry Association's (ASI) 2013 Photo Contest. The contest is open to all who wish to enter, which means you do not have to be involved in the U.S. sheep, lamb or wool industries to participate. The only rule is that your photograph must include sheep. Entries postmarked by Aug. 16 will be considered.

Entries will be judged on clarity, content, composition and appeal. More than \$1,000 will be awarded, with awards of \$125 going to the grand prize winner in each of the four categories listed below; \$75 for the first runner-up in each category; and a \$50 prize for the second runner-up in each of the four categories. The winning photos will be highlighted in the October 2013 issue of Sheep Industry News.

The four categories are: Action - Photographs of activities such as shearing, wool classing/skirting/baling, moving/trailing sheep, lambing, tagging, feeding, etc.; Scenic (East) - Photographs of sheep outdoors located east of the Mississippi River. (Photos entered in this category cannot include people); Scenic (West) - Photographs of sheep outdoors located west of the Mississippi River. (Photos entered in this category cannot include people); Open Category - Photographs with subject matter that does not fall into the three above-listed categories.

For additional rules and complete submission details, go to ASI's home page at [www.sheepusa.org](http://www.sheepusa.org).

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Applications will be accepted beginning June 3 through June 28, 2013.

Practices eligible for cost-share are onsite-waste water repair, abandoned well decommissioning, livestock waste systems and certain other water quality improvements.

Priority worksheets will


be utilized to determine funding of cost-share applications.

Cost-share funds are not available for practices started before approval of the cost-share application.

For further information contact the Pottawatomie County Conservation District at 501 State Street, Westmoreland or call (785) 457-3398.

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# March beef export results mixed; pork exports trend lower

March exports of U.S. beef were down in volume from a year ago but edged slightly higher in value, while pork exports slumped on lower results in several mainstay markets. According to statistics released by USDA and compiled by the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF), March beef export volume of 83,612 metric tons (mt) was down 7 percent from a year ago but export value (\$440.7 million) was slightly higher. Beef exports finished the first quarter 4 percent lower in volume (256,587 mt) but 5 percent ahead of last year's record pace in value (\$1.3 billion).

March pork exports declined 18 percent from a year ago in both volume (163,004 mt) and value (\$469.5 million), hampered by a beta agonist-related market closure in Russia, larger domestic supplies in China and South Korea and weakened demand in top markets Japan and Mexico. For the first quarter, pork exports fell 12 percent below last year's record pace in volume (528,195 mt) and 11 percent in value (\$1.49 billion).

"We are definitely facing a challenging environment in several of our leading markets," said USMEF president and CEO Philip Seng. "Some of these trends are anticipated, such as the lower demand for exports where domestic production is up and inventories are plentiful. But the trade impasse with Russia is very frustrating because we have lost access to a market where demand for our product is extremely strong. In other destinations we have seen the overall demand for high-quality proteins become sluggish, and USMEF is very focused on reversing this trend."

March beef exports equated to 9 percent of U.S. muscle cut production and 12 percent when adding variety meat – ratios consistent with a year ago. Export value equated to \$222.20 per head of fed slaughter, up from 9 percent in March 2012. First quarter export value was \$221, also an increase of 9 percent.

Pork exports accounted for 20 percent of muscle cut production in March and 23.4 percent including variety meat. This is down from 24 percent and 27.8 percent, respectively, in March 2012.

March export value equated to \$50.38 per head, down from \$59.92 in March 2012. First-quarter export value averaged \$53.38 per head, down 10 percent from a year ago.

## Expanded access boosts beef exports to Japan, Hong Kong

Beef exports to Japan received an excellent bounce from aggressive promotional campaigns designed to capitalize on the recently expanded market access. March volume (18,565 mt) was nearly 80 percent higher than a year ago and value was up 62 percent to \$114.2 million. This pushed first-quarter exports to Japan 30 percent higher in both volume (38,483 mt) and value (\$252.1 million).

Japan ranks second in beef export value to Canada, where U.S. exports also posted an outstanding first quarter. Export volume to Canada increased 20 percent to 44,305 mt while value was up 32 percent to \$284.2 million. This made Canada the leading volume and value destination for U.S. beef.

Beef exports to Hong Kong more than doubled in volume in the first quarter to 22,217 mt, while value increased 93 percent to 123.4 million. Market access was also expanded in Hong Kong in late February, when the market began accepting bone-in cuts from U.S. cattle less than 30 months of age and boneless cuts from cattle of all ages.

Another bright spot for the U.S. beef industry has been the steady recovery of exports to Taiwan, which slumped in late 2011 and much of 2012 due to controversy over Taiwan's beta agonist policy. With more workable regulations now in place, exports to Taiwan posted their best-ever first-quarter performance with volume increasing 56 percent to 8,669 mt and value up 88 percent to \$66.1 million.

Beef exports to the Middle East also recorded the best first quarter ever in terms of volume, increasing 10 percent to 39,018 mt. Export value (\$75.7 million) slipped 4 percent due in part to the continued lack of access to Saudi Arabia, which closed to U.S. beef following the April 2012 BSE case.

As mentioned previously, red meat trade with Russia has been effectively

shut down since early February. First quarter beef exports were down 87 percent in volume (1,858 mt) and 96 percent in value (\$2.3 million). Exports to former No. 1 market Mexico continue to struggle, with first-quarter results down 27 percent in volume (40,668 mt) and 29 percent in value (\$177.1 million). Mexico now ranks second in export volume to Canada and third in value behind Canada and Japan.

## Slowdown in key markets hampers pork exports

Coming off a record year in which pork exports to Japan reached nearly \$2 billion and export value to Mexico topped \$1.1 billion, demand in both markets has slowed in 2013. Along with the shutdown of the Russian market – ranked No. 6 in export value last year at \$281.7 million – this hindered U.S. pork's global performance in the first quarter despite gains in smaller, emerging markets.

Compared to the first quarter of 2012, pork exports to Japan fell 12 percent in volume (108,313 mt) and 9 percent in value (\$482.5 million), partially as a result of the weaker yen. Exports to Mexico declined 15 percent in volume (137,506 mt) and 16 percent in value (\$252.8 million).

Exports to Russia were down 62 percent in both volume (5,646 mt) and value (\$17.5 million). Larger exports to neighboring countries, especially Ukraine, helped the overall performance in the Greater Russia region but exports were still down 41 percent in volume (9,221 mt) and 44 percent in value (\$27.1 million).

Large domestic inventories impacted pork exports to China/Hong Kong (104,109 mt, -10 percent, valued at \$219.5 million, -7 percent) and South Korea (34,841 mt, -35 percent, valued at \$96.1 million, -38 percent). China's domestic pork prices recently dropped to the lowest level in more than two years despite a stockpiling program aimed at stabilizing the market. A voluntary herd-culling program initiated by the Korean government in an effort to boost domestic prices has also yielded disappointing results, creating a difficult environment for imported pork from all sources. According to the Global Trade Atlas, Korea's total pork imports fell 27 percent in vol-

ume and 35 percent in value in the first quarter. Despite the decline in imports from the United States, U.S. market share has increased in 2013.

Pork exports to several Western Hemisphere markets posted positive first-quarter results. Examples include:

Exports to Canada increased 4 percent in volume to 58,162 mt and 3 percent in value to \$205.3 million.

Bolstered by the recently implemented free trade agreement, exports to Colombia jumped 57 percent in volume to 5,325 mt and 45 percent in value to \$13.7 million. It was the leading

volume market in the Central-South America region, where exports increased 16 percent in volume (23,843 mt) and 12 percent in value (\$59.9 million). Chile was the region's leading value market at \$14.1 million (+15 percent).

Exports to the Dominican Republic increased 9 percent in volume to 3,795 mt and 16 percent in value to \$9 million.

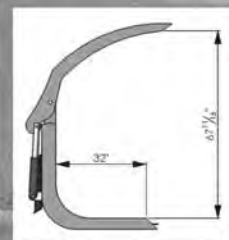
Asia's first-quarter bright spot was the ASEAN region, where exports increased 37 percent in volume to 14,408 mt and 29 percent in value to \$35.5 million. This was driven in large part by outstanding performance in the Philip-

pines, where export volume increased 57 percent to 11,739 mt, valued at \$28.1 million (+44 percent).

## U.S. lamb exports bolstered by strong demand for variety meat

First-quarter lamb exports posted a 16 percent gain in value (\$7.4 million) despite a 5 percent decline in volume (3,132 mt). Exports to leading market Mexico declined slightly in volume (2,364 mt) but increased 27 percent in value to \$4.1 million. Global exports of lamb variety meat, a key contributor to carcass value, increased 19 percent in volume (2,161 mt) and 43 percent in value (\$2.9 million).

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# Teff, the lovegrass your animals will love

By Josh Coltrain, Ag and Natural Resources Agent Wildcat Extension District

Which crop has the smallest seed? Our local staples corn and soybeans are obviously not in the running. Wheat is small, but is it smaller than sorghum? If we are talking forages, alfalfa is incredibly tiny, but even alfalfa seed is larger than this crop. The smallest seeded crop in the world is called teff (*Eragrostis tef*), a warm season annual lovegrass native to Africa.

From 2008 to 2010, I was the project coordinator for a U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Conservation Innovation Grant promoting the growth of teff in the Nicodemus area. Why there? History buffs would know that Nicodemus is a town near the Rooks and Graham County lines in northwest Kansas founded by freed slaves. The descendants of those freed men and women formed the Kansas Black Farmers Association (KBFA) in 1999, and they sponsored the grant proposal.

Teff was chosen for the grant because the KBFA traced their lineage back to Ethiopia in the horn of Africa. Teff is the staple

crop of Ethiopia. After grinding the tiny seeds, they make a spongy flatbread called injera which they eat nearly every day. Teff flour is growing in popularity here in the U.S. because it is gluten-free and very nutritious.

The intention of the grant was to grow teff for grain production. It was quickly discovered that grain harvest was very difficult due to the extremely small seed size. However, the side effect of this discovery was that teff was shown to be an excellent forage crop.

Teff is an extremely quick-growing plant. After planting, hay harvest can occur in as little as 45 days. Due to this, teff should be recognized as a great emergency livestock feed option. While teff is well-suited for haying, it is not suited for grazing due to its shallow root system. Interestingly, teff has shown that it can tolerate both drought conditions and water-saturated times as well.

There are multiple ways of planting teff. In general, teff requires good seed to soil contact ideally with a fairly firm seedbed. If producers are planning on drilling the crop, the teff seed should be one

quarter-inch inch or less deep in the soil. The seed can also be drop seeded as long as it is followed with a very light harrowing.

Teff is very intolerant of cold temperatures so planting should be delayed until all threat of frost has passed. As mentioned before, teff is incredibly fast, both to maturity and simply emerging. Under good conditions, producers should expect emergence within a week of sowing, possibly even within four or five days.

The ideal planting rate will depend on what the producer's seed source is. Untreated seed should be planted around eight pounds per acre. Some seed companies have released treated versions of teff varieties. These will require slightly higher planting rates (up to ten pounds or so), but they are treated to make planting the tiny seed simpler.

As far as fertility goes, a producer in Central Oklahoma who has been growing teff for over 20 years fertilizes his teff fields exactly how he would fertilize his wheat fields. I must point out that he is growing his teff for grain, so producers who are aiming for maximum forage potential should consider

additional nitrogen applications between cuttings.

Teff hay has very fine leaves and fine stems with a quality similar to cool season hay crops. Because of this, it is very palatable for both cattle and horses. For such a small seed, it can pack quite a forage punch.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call me at the office (620) 724-8233, or e-mail me at [jcoltrain@ksu.edu](mailto:jcoltrain@ksu.edu), or visit the Wildcat Extension District website at [www.wildcat.district.ksu.edu](http://www.wildcat.district.ksu.edu).



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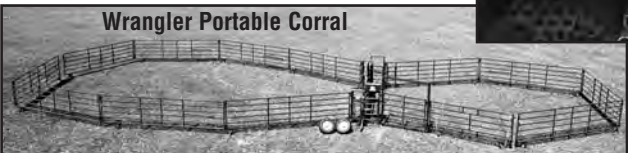
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# Auction Sales Scheduled

June 4 — McPherson County real estate at Moundridge for Darrel D. & Jamie Dirksen. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Specialists, Inc.

June 5 — Tractors, combines, farm equipment, trucks, livestock, tillage & planting equipment & more online (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

June 6 — Storage units at Junction City for J C Self Storage, Inc. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 6 — Reno County farmland near Hutchinson. Auctioneers: United Country Blomquist Realty & Auction.

June 6 — Dickinson County land & livestock equipment N. of Hope for Russell & Rebecca Walker. Auctioneers: Reynolds Real Estate & Auction Co.

June 8 — Tractors, ATVs, 2T truck, equipment, guns, coins, furniture, collectibles, survey transits & equipment, cast iron wood burning stoves at Maple Hill for Bill Fleischer Estate, Carol Fleischer. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

June 8 — Furniture, appliances, clocks, glassware, miscellaneous at Junction City for Roger Markey Trust. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 8 — Car, antiques, collectibles, household & misc. at Pomona for Rollo Knight Estate, Reta Knight Living Estate. Auctioneers: Griffin Auctions.

June 8 — Household, antiques, toy tractors & toy machinery at Belleville for Anita Cline. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

June 8 — Downtown restaurant, equipment, mounts, antiques at Lincoln for Hungry Hunter Restaurant. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

June 8 — Tools, appliances, household, collectibles & real estate at Waterville for Clara Youngberg Trust. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

June 8 — Tools, fishing, mowers, patio appliances, household, Vietnam-Germany Tour of Duty collectibles & more at Herington for US Army Col. E.L. Alvey (retired). Auctioneers: Bob's Auction Service.

June 8 — Figurines, ornaments, crafts, soaps, cookbooks, ropes, bits & horse items & much more at Newton for Chisholm Trail True Value. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

June 8 — Equipment &

tools & real estate at Olsburg for property of Robert Poulter. Auctioneers: United Country Ruckert Realty & Auctions.

June 8 — Appliances, furniture, household, costume jewelry, watches, SUV, mower, scooter, hand tools, collectibles & more at Carbondale for Nadine I. Forbes Estate. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

June 8 — Antiques, Longaberger items, office, household, lawn & garden at Wamego for John & Bert Uhlrich Estate. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

June 8 — Camper, 1 1/2 ton truck, '39 Ford 2 dr sedan, tools, antiques & misc. at Abilene for Shirley Riedy. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

June 8 — Horse related items, tools, Fenton, household goods & misc. at Abilene for Stefanie Barlow. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

June 9 — Camper, pickup, trailer, semi pup trailers, garden & yard equip., hand & power tools, household & misc. at Ottawa for Linda Trowbridge. Auctioneers: Griffin Auctions.

June 9 — Coins, guns, antiques, collectibles, trailer & pony cart, furniture & misc., tools & misc. at Council Grove for C.J. Washington & another seller. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

June 9 — House & lot, furniture, tools, appliances, household & antiques at Clifton for Leona Damman. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

June 9 — Ford Windstar, tools, appliances, household, large steel Victor safe, HP computer with printer, collectibles, antiques & misc. at Abilene for Neil & Beverly Wieters. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

June 10 — Stafford County land (Zenith area) at Stafford. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction & Real Estate.

June 10 — Grassland/CRP land S. of Haddam for KWP, LLC. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott Realty & Auction.

June 12 — Tractors, combines, farm equipment, trucks, livestock, tillage & livestock equipment & more online (www.bigiron.com). Auctioneers: Stock Auction Co.

June 13 — Chase County acreage at Cottonwood Falls for Brasche Property. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction

Service, LC.

June 15 — Appliances, furniture, antiques, postcards, knives, single axle trailer, mower, lawn equip., tools & misc. at Manhattan for Shirley & the late Richard Zentz. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

June 15 — Ranch home & acreage, construction equip., tools at Mulvane for Fred & Karen Heersche. Auctioneers: United Country Theurer Auction & Realty, LLC.

June 15 — Guns at Osage City for Private Collector. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

June 15 — Personal property at Beattie for Don Gaston Family. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

June 15 — Furniture, appliances, guns, clocks, glassware, collectibles, misc. at Junction City for Isabelle Quigley Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 15 — Real estate, guns, shop & garden tools, mowers, antiques & collectibles, crocks, household & misc. at Kanopolis for Marguerite F. Strohl Estate. Auctioneers: Victor Bros. Auction & Realty, Inc.

June 15 — Butler County ranch land, home, historic barn, timber & creek at El Dorado for Bob Green Estate. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

June 15 — Mower, set of china, asst. tools, household & misc. East & South of Agenda for Bill Pickard Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

June 19 — Land at Kansas City, Missouri for O'Dell Farms, Clay County, MO. Auctioneers: Hall & Hall Auctions.

June 20 — Commercial office building at Scranton for Lee Ann Bohm. Auctioneers: Miller & Midyett Real Estate, Wayne Wischropp.

June 20 — Pottawatomie County land at Olsburg for Claude Woodard Family. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Mark Uhlik.

June 22 — Furniture, collectibles, antique silver set, household at Manhattan. Auctioneers: Schutte-Harris Auction Service.

June 22 — Furniture, appliances, amateur radio equip., clocks, glassware, collectibles, tools, computer & misc. at Junction City for John & Joenne Stanesic Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 22 — Personal property at Marysville for the Late C.W. Allerheiligen. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

June 26 — Greenwood County land at Eureka for Abe & Mary Lou Chadlerdon. Auctioneers: Sundgren Auction & Realty, Inc.

June 29 — Personal property at Blue Rapids for Eva M. Flower. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

June 29 — Furniture, collectibles, glassware, household, lawn & garden, tools at Wheaton for 2 living estates. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 20 — Land, old machinery, antiques & misc. NE of Leonardville for Robert & Fern Berggren Estate. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, salesmen & auctioneers.

August 3 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 2 — Harley Gerdes 18th annual Labor Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

September 21 — Farm equipment consignments at Salina. Auctioneers: Omli and Associates, Inc. November 2 — Harley Gerdes consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

November 2 — Sim-Angus & Simmental Bull & Cow Production Sale for Irvine Ranch at the ranch N. of Manhattan.

November 9 — SimAngus, Simmental & Angus Bulls North of Wheaton for Moser Ranch 22nd Bull Sale.

January 1, 2014 — Harley Gerdes 29th annual New Years Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auction.

## Careers in agricultural sciences, plant pathology are focus of June 12 program in Manhattan

Undergraduate college and high school students are invited to attend a free program Wednesday, June 12 in Manhattan to learn about the array of career possibilities in plant pathology and agricultural sciences in general.

"Many students — even if they really enjoy science — do not know about the many careers available in the agricultural sciences. They often have not been exposed to the career paths that they can begin while in college and even in high school," said Chris Little, assistant professor in Kansas State University's Department of Plant Pathology.

Little is coordinating the program, which is planned as part of a meeting of the North Central Division of the American Phytopathological Society at the Hilton Garden Inn in Manhattan from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Students will meet at the hotel. Transportation will be provided to the field tours and Throckmorton Plant Sciences Center at K-State for lunch and afternoon lab tours and activities, before returning to the hotel. Students can register by contacting Stephanie Al-vord-Albanese at stephal@ksu.edu or 785-532-6176. Students should include their name and/or faculty or student advisor's name, email address, telephone number and mailing address. The student's school, year in school and name of academic advisor are also requested.

Students will tour research fields in the morning and hear presentations about wheat genetics and diseases and research on big bluestem grass, which is not only forage for livestock, but has shown potential as a biofuel for the future.

After lunch, the students will move into K-State labs to hear about the plant disease diagnostic lab (including a plant disease show and tell and diagnostic technologies); microscopy and cytogenetics and how that pertains to chromosome visualization and engineering; and a look at microscopy and fungal imaging using the examples of Rice blast disease infected and non-infected plants; resistant versus susceptible.

The students will also get an up-close view of viruses in plants and their symptoms; a microscopic view of insect vectors; a demonstration of the use of a gene gun and a discussion about genetically modified organisms. The afternoon will wrap up with a look at the destructive disease, wheat rust and view a demonstration on how scientists are using genetics to combat the disease.

A flier about the free career day is available online by copying and pasting the URL into a Web browser: <http://bit.ly/16ISLrL>



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# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Grammar Lessons

Stew and I were talking about the world we grew up in. A time when family had a much greater influence on children than they do today. We grew up before cable television, texting, iTunes, unavoidable soft porn, misogynistic vulgar rap, instantaneous news, a sense of entitlement and electronic isolation. Both of our folks were Bible Belt believers and played music.

I'll let you decide whether it was better or worse; we all have our own story. But I think we'd agree it was a simpler upbringing. In both our growing up, cussing was not allowed. Stew was raised in the bootheel of Missouri and his family were farmers. Grandpa was the patriarch, stern but compassionate. Grandma's pride was her bountiful garden. She would not allow a tractor or Roto-Tiller in her garden for fear of oil or gas contamination of the soil.

Grandpa kept a full-grown Poland China boar to breed his sows. He (the boar) weighed twice as much as Grandpa, who him-

self was 6'5", 250 lbs! One night the boar got into the garden and tore it up. Grandma commanded, in no uncertain terms, that the boar must go.

It was traditional to castrate boars at least two days before slaughter so the meat wouldn't be rank. A plan ensued. Grandpa instructed 16-year-old Stew to rope the boar's hind feet and hold 'em till he got a hog snare around his nose.

Stew walked into the pigpen with his catch rope and snagged one of the boar's hind legs. Six hundred pounds of pork exploded like a funny car at a drag race! Stew was jerked over in a Forward Head-first Horizontal Olympic Ballistic Dive and hit the ground like a skipping rock! When the boar made the first corner, Stew, in a skewed twist, somehow bounced off the boards, flipping him onto his back, where they then caromed through the hog wallow, throwing a wall of water that blocked out the sun in Cape Girardeau, forty miles away, for a full three

minutes! Hanging on for life, Stew plowed a furrow in the pig pen soil slush like someone dragging a ham hock through twenty feet of biscuits and gravy!

It was ugly to watch when Stew flopped to a stop empty-handed. Grandpa walked over to his favorite grandchild. He politely waited for his uncle and grandma to quit laughing, which took several minutes. Stew stood, wearing his porcine stucco-covered shirt

and jeans. He looked like a chocolate bunny.

As in all our upbringing there was always a lesson to be learned.

"Better catch him again, boy," said Grandpa not unkindly.

"If you want that @%&\*!#..." was as far as Stew got.

"We don't use that kind of language on this farm," Grandpa said.

"Here, let me help you up."

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# Amazing Grazing project receives funding

Kansas Farmers Union (KFU) is pleased to announce it has received a grant from the North Central Risk Management Education Center. KFU will use these funds to support Kansas livestock producers challenged by rising input costs, intensifying drought conditions and increasing land prices.

Amazing Grazing programming includes a conference, six workshops and two field days across the state. The project will tap both Kansas experts and nationally-known educators to assist producers in enhancing grazing management. More than 300 graziers are expected to participate in events covering diverse topics such as range and drought planning, low-stress livestock handling, improved soil health and forage development.

"The North Central

Risk Management Education Center is dedicated to funding projects that help producers learn and adopt effective risk management practices and strategies. This project promises to help livestock producers manage current challenges from drought to land costs, implement effective strategies including managed grazing, and position their operations for success," said Brad Lubben, director of the NCRMEC.

The grant is a collaboration with the Kansas Graziers Association (KGA), a grassroots producer organization formed in 2000 to support Kansas ranchers with educational activities including workshops, tours and networking opportunities. "The beauty of this group is the way in which members share their experiences and wisdom with

each other - the good, the bad, and the different," explained Mary Howell, KGA board secretary and KFU member specialist.

"We're extremely excited to organize and offer this high quality programming," stated Howell, who will serve as project director. "The upcoming year of activities is open to anyone involved in the ranching and livestock industry and will be very worthwhile. Stay tuned for dates and details." Visit the Amazing Grazing blog for project info, event details or to sign-up for the e-newsletter: [kansasgraziers.blogspot.com](http://kansasgraziers.blogspot.com).

"I'm really happy that Kansas Farmers Union can offer the livestock producers of Kansas availability to these great resources, especially as drought management affects our management de-

cisions more all the time," says Donn Teske, KFU president.

Amazing Grazing project collaborators include Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition, National Resources Conservation Service, Kansas State Research and Extension, and Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops.

The North Central Risk Management Education Center (NCRMEC), supported by USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, awards grants through a competitive application and review process. NCRMEC will fund 16 projects totaling approximately \$652,000 from the 31 submitted full proposals requesting \$1,220,289.

Learn more about the project at [www.kansasfarmersunion.org/docs/amazing-grazing.pdf](http://www.kansasfarmersunion.org/docs/amazing-grazing.pdf)

## OIE votes to upgrade U.S. to "negligible" risk for BSE

On May 28, the World Organization for Animal Health voted to upgrade the risk status of U.S. cattle for bovine spongiform encephalopathy from "controlled" to "negligible." Under the OIE code, negligible is the lowest risk level.

Last year, the United States submitted an application and supporting information to the OIE's Scientific Commission to upgrade the United States' risk classification. The commission conducted a thorough review before recommending in February 2013 that the risk classification for the United States be upgraded. National Cattlemen's Beef Association president-elect Bob McCan, a cattleman from Victoria, Texas, said the decision is great news for U.S. cattle producers.

"This announcement by OIE's Scientific Commission is very positive news for U.S. cattle producers. The U.S. being classified as negligible risk for BSE by the OIE further solidifies the fact that the safety and health of our cattle and our beef is a top priority for American cattlemen and women. With the implementation of multiple interlocking safeguards by the U.S. beef industry and our partners, we have successfully been able to prevent BSE from becoming a threat to the U.S. beef supply, which remains the safest in the world," said McCan. "The vote by the OIE, an internationally recognized, standard-setting body, is proof that the science-based mitigation measures in place in the United States effectively protect our public and animal health."

## Kansas Cowboy Poetry Contest announces celebrity judges

A diverse group of leaders in television, the judiciary, public policy, and the arts have agreed to serve as judges for the 2013 Kansas Cowboy Poetry Contest. The state contest finals will be held at 7 p.m. on June 14 at the St. John's Lutheran Memorial Hall at 218 Kansas in Alma. There is no admission charge and

the public is invited to attend.

Judges for 2013 include: Nate Hill, anchorman for Kansas First News, KSNT-Topeka; Senator Jeff Longbine of Emporia; Chief Justice Lawton Nuss of the Kansas Supreme Court; and Linda Weis, president of the Kansas Arts Foundation.

"We are pleased and

honored that this distinguished group will serve as our judges for this event," said Ron Wilson, chair of the poetry contest. "They are outstanding leaders and communicators. We appreciate their support for this contest which honors the great western history of Kansas."

The 2013 contest is

being held with support from the Kansas Arts Foundation and in partnership with the Kansas Chapter of the Western Music Association. For the first time ever, only those poets who qualify at one of the state's regional qualifying contests will be eligible to compete at the state contest on June 14. Qualifying events are:

Chisholm Trail Wild West Days at Wellington on April 26; Carnegie Center for the Arts in Dodge City on May 31; and Echoes of the Trail in Fort Scott on June 7.

At the state contest, there are two divisions: serious and humorous poetry. First place winners in each division will receive the Saddlejack Bradrick

Award, the coveted Governor's Buckle, two tickets to the Symphony in the Flint Hills, and the opportunity to recite their work again in the Patron's Tent at the Symphony. The Symphony in the Flint Hills will be held Saturday, June 15th at historic Fort Riley.

For more information, go to [cowboypetrycontest.com](http://cowboypetrycontest.com).



The champion SimAngus heifer and reserve supreme heifer for Dickinson County at the Wild Bill Kick 'Em Up Shootout was shown by Marcus Cox. He was also named Dickinson county's senior showman.



Marcus Cox also exhibited the champion Simmental heifer for Dickinson County at the Wild Bill Kick 'Em Up Shootout.



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# Unapproved genetically modified wheat found in Oregon field

(AP) – Unapproved genetically engineered wheat has been discovered in a field in the western state of Oregon, a potential threat to trade with countries that have concerns about genetically modified foods.

The Agriculture Department said Wednesday that the genetically engineered wheat is safe to eat and there is no evidence that modified wheat entered the marketplace. But the department is investigating how it ended up in the field, whether there was any criminal wrongdoing and whether its growth is widespread.

"We are taking this very seriously," said Michael Firko of the Agriculture Department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

A farmer discovered the genetically modified plants on his farm and contacted Oregon State University, which notified USDA early this month, Firko said.

No genetically engineered wheat has been approved for U.S. farming. USDA officials said the

wheat is the same strain as a genetically modified wheat that was legally tested by seed giant Monsanto a decade ago but never approved. Monsanto stopped testing that product in Oregon and several other states in 2005.

The discovery could have far-reaching implications for the U.S. wheat industry if the growth of the engineered product turns out to be far-flung. Many countries around the world will not accept imports of genetically modified foods, and the United States exports about half of its wheat crop.

Oregon Department of Agriculture Director Katy Coba said in a statement that the discovery is "a very serious development that could have major trade ramifications." The state exports about 90 percent of its wheat.

"I am concerned that a highly regulated plant material such as genetically modified wheat somehow was able to escape into a crop field," Coba said.

USDA officials declined to speculate whether the modified seeds

blew into the field from a testing site or if they were somehow planted or taken there, and they would not identify the farmer or the farm's location.

The discovery also could have implications for organic companies, which by law cannot use genetically engineered ingredients in its foods. Organic farmers have frequently expressed concern that genetically modified seed will blow into organic farms and contaminate their products.

U.S. consumers have shown increasing interest in avoiding genetically modified foods. There has been little evidence to show that modified foods are less safe than their conventional counterparts, but several state legislatures are considering bills that would require them to be labeled so consumers know what they are eating.

While most of the corn and soybeans grown in the United States are already modified, the country's wheat crop is not.

USDA said the unidentified farmer discovered

the modified wheat when farm workers were trying to kill some wheat plants that popped up between harvests. The farmer used the herbicide glyphosate to kill the plants, but they did not die, prompting the tests at Oregon State to find out if the crops were genetically engineered to resist herbicides.

The tests confirmed that the plants were a strain developed by Monsanto to resist its Roundup Ready herbicides and were tested between 1998 and 2005. At the time Monsanto had applied to USDA for permission to develop the engineered wheat, but the company later pulled its application.

The Agriculture Department said that during that seven-year period, it authorized more than 100 field tests with the same glyphosate-resistant wheat variety. Tests were conducted in 15 states, including Oregon.

During that testing and application process, the Food and Drug Administration reviewed the variety found in Oregon and said it was as safe as conventional varieties of wheat.

In a statement issued Wednesday, Monsanto noted that this is the first report since its program was discontinued.

"While USDA's results are unexpected, there is

considerable reason to believe that the presence of the Roundup Ready trait in wheat, if determined to be valid, is very limited," the company said.

USDA officials confirmed they have received no other reports of discoveries of genetically modified wheat. Firko and Acting Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Michael T. Scuse said they have already been in touch with international trading partners to try and assuage any concerns.

"Hopefully our trading partners will be understanding that this is not a food or feed safety issue," Scuse said.

## Smithfield confirms agreement to sell to Chinese firm for \$7 billion

Smithfield Foods and Shuanghui International Holdings Ltd. announced May 29 that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement that values Smithfield at approximately \$7.1 billion, including the assumption of Smithfield's net debt.

Shuanghui International is the majority shareholder of Henan Shuanghui Investment & Development Co., which is China's largest meat processing enterprise and China's largest publicly traded meat products company as measured by market capitalization.

Smithfield will become a private company. Current leadership and management will remain in place. The headquarters

will remain in Smithfield, Va.

There will be no Smithfield plant closings as a result of the transaction, Smithfield president and CEO C. Larry Pope said on a conference call. He also confirmed that he will remain in his current role.

"This is a great transaction for all Smithfield stakeholders, as well as for American farmers and U.S. agriculture," said Pope in a news release. "We have established Smithfield as the world's leading and most trusted vertically integrated pork processor and hog producer, and are excited that Shuanghui recognizes our best-in-class operations, our outstanding food-safety practices and our 46,000

hard-working and dedicated employees. It will be business as usual — only better — at Smithfield. We do not anticipate any changes in how we do business operationally in the United States and throughout the world. We will become part of an enterprise that shares our belief in global opportunities and our commitment to the highest standards of product safety and quality. With our shared expertise and leadership, we look forward to accelerating a global expansion strategy as part of Shuanghui."

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# Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow. Demand light to moderate for dairy and grinding alfalfa, for stock cow hay, grass hay and alfalfa pellets. There has been just a little new crop alfalfa cut, baled and delivered at the old crop price. More producers are starting to swath alfalfa. The western half of the state is in a severe drought, the eastern half is waiting for dry weather to swath hay between rains. As expected the eastern crop is much better than the western, drought and heat stressed crop. The brome is about ready to cut and looks great. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange: [www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm](http://www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm)

## Southwest Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement moderate. Alfalfa, Horse, small squares 350.00-400.00. Dairy, Supreme 260.00-280.00; Premium 250.00-270.00; new crop contracted 180.00-205.00 standing in the field all cuttings; Heifer or Bunk hay a little new crop contracted 230.00-235.00. Fair-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, old crop 210.00-240.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, old crop 240.00-275.00, a few instances of 225.00-235.00 new crop contracted. The week of 5/20-25, 7,463T of grinding alfalfa and 1,175T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, large bales 60.00-70.00. Corn stalks 55.00-65.00, or 70.00-85.00 delivered, ground and delivered 72.00-100.00. CRP, Fair, large bales 90.00-100.00.

## South Central Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa, Dairy, Supreme, 260.00-280.00. Premium 240.00-260.00; Heifer or Bunk hay 225.00-240.00. Fair-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field old crop 200.00-220.00, some 210.00-230.00 delivered, Utility-Fair 190.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots, 240.00-265.00. The week of 5/20-25, 3,044T of grinding alfalfa and 915T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 280.00-290.00, 17 pct protein 290.00-305.00; Dehydrated 17 pct 355.00. Straw, large bales 55.00-70.00, Hi-density bales 65.00-75.00. Corn stalks 55.00-70.00. Milo stalks 70.00-85.00. Grass hay, Good, large bales 150.00-180.00, Fair, large bales 90.00-120.00.

## Southeast Kansas

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## Northwest Kansas

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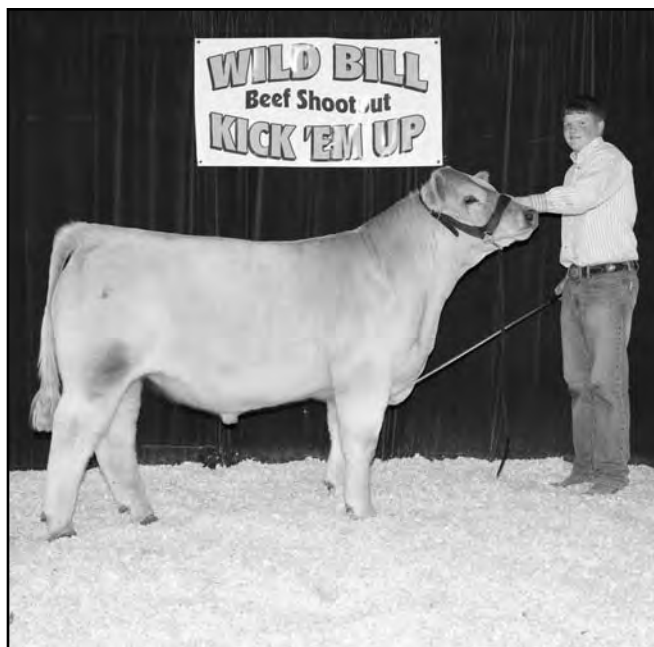
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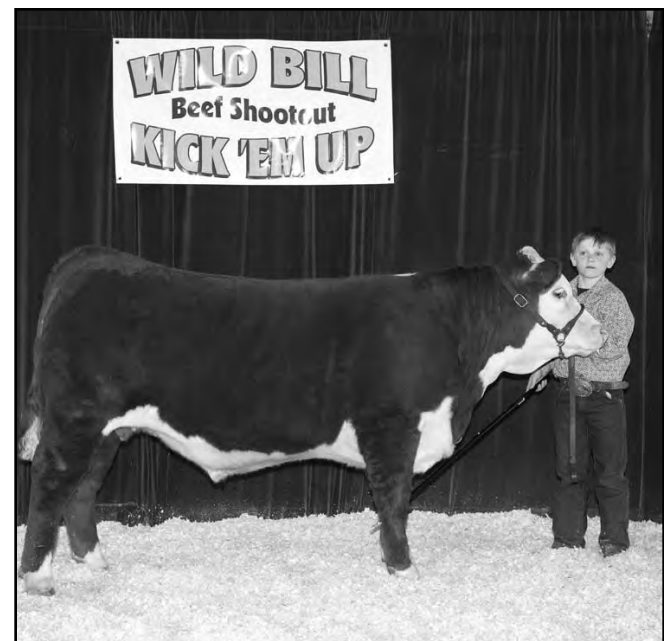
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WRP helps landowners restore and protect wetland ecosystems on private and tribal lands. Landowners may select either a permanent or 30-year easement, or a ten-year restoration contract while retaining ownership of the land. More than 11,000 private landowners participating in WRP are already protecting more than 2.6 million acres of America's wetlands.

Wetlands benefit migratory birds, other wildlife and plants, including species of concern and those that are listed on state and federal lists of threatened and endangered species. The program also helps restore active floodplains along creeks and rivers, aids in flood control and improves water quality by restoring environmentally sensitive, frequently flooded cropland back to permanent vegetation.

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## Nutrients for Life Foundation announces winners of the Kansas FFA Helping Communities Grow Chapter recognition program

The Nutrients for Life Foundation has announced Chapman FFA as the 2013 Helping Communities Grow Kansas FFA winner. The Chapman FFA Chapter wins \$5,000 for its efforts to teach elementary students the importance of crop nutrients in both production agriculture and home gardens. Chapman FFA partnered with 12 community leaders and the local Co-op to provide 42 elementary students a hands-on plant nutrient day.

"I am so impressed with the quality of projects we received in our 'Helping Communities Grow' FFA chapter competition," said Nutrients for Life Foundation executive director Harriet Wegmeyer. "It gives us great honor to award these checks to such deserving students. Not only did they educate fellow students and their communities about the important value of fertilizer, they expanded their leadership ability, communication skills and knowledge base during the year-long projects."

The Southeast of Saline FFA Chapter and Inman FFA Chapter placed second and third, and received grants of \$3,000 and \$1,000, respectively. The Southeast of Saline FFA Chapter won the second place award of \$3,000 by developing curriculum for first grade iRead, creating a marketing plan for a fertilizer company and making recommendations to school officials regarding soil nutrient needs for the football field. The Inman FFA Chapter won \$1,000 for third place by teaching elementary students the importance of the 4Rs of fertilizer usage and conducting a community awareness campaign.

Students in participating FFA chapters developed and executed community-based education programs based upon the Nutrients for Life Foundation curriculum, Nourishing the Planet in the 21st Century. This free curriculum, developed by the Biological Sciences Curriculum Study and reviewed by the Smithsonian Institution, provides field-test-

ed, standards-based classroom activities to help tomorrow's generation realize that the challenge of feeding our growing population can be solved with science.

The Helping Communities Grow contest encouraged FFA chapter students to teach others about the importance of fertilizer and the role that it plays in one of two categories: 1) providing a safe and nourishing food supply; or 2) keeping the Earth green. FFA chapters who entered projects but didn't win the top three awards each received \$500 mini-grants for their participation. The Helping Communities Grow chapter recognition program encouraged FFA students to help the public become better informed about plant nutrients and related agricultural issues. During the project, students gained skills in leadership, public speaking, team building and community awareness while increasing knowledge of soil science and agricultural issues.

The Nutrients for Life

Foundation will continue this program next year in Kansas. The Nutrients for Life Foundation program in Kansas is supported by the program's founding sponsor, Koch Fertilizer, LLC. Kansas FFA chapters are encouraged to submit letters of intent and pre-project summaries by the November deadline. Details can be found at [www.nutrientsforlife.org](http://www.nutrientsforlife.org).

The Nutrients for Life Foundation informs the public of the role of nutrients in both the production of nutritious, abundant food and preservation of healthy green spaces through the development of science-based educational resources and an outreach campaign to people across the country. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.

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# Kansas 4-H to award scholarships to 57 students

The Kansas 4-H Foundation has selected 57 students to share in \$45,700 in scholarships, rewarding them for their dedication and leadership as Kansas 4-H members.

The scholarships can be used to fund post-secondary education during the 2013-14 academic year, and will be awarded at the 2013 Emerald Circle Banquet, May 30 in Manhattan, Kan.

"Education – and the building of life skills and lifelong interests in many disciplines – is an integral part of Kansas 4-H programs, and it is our pleasure to make academic awards to extend educational opportunities," said Gordon Hibbard, president of the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Scholarship recipients are 4-H members selected through an annual application and review process. Applications are judged with emphasis on 4-H leadership, citizenship and involvement.

Many of the donors are former 4-H members who give back with appreciation for experiences in 4-H that have helped to shape their lives, he said.

"Kansas 4-H is very appreciative of the donor's investment into the 4-H member's future as an effort to grow Kansas leaders. The scholarships are reward for the young person's hard work, outstanding leadership and contribution to his or her community," said Pam Van Horn, Extension specialist in the Department of 4-H Youth Development for K-State Research and Extension.

2013-14 Kansas 4-H Foundation scholarships

are listed in alphabetical order by the scholarship recipient's hometown, followed by the recipient's name and donor: Auburn: Luke Garrison, Cecil and Merle Eyestone Scholarship; Axtell: Audrey Schmitz, Orscheln Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship; Austin Schmitz, Roscoe M. and Winona M. Starkey Scholarship; Baileyville: Tyler Deters, Roy B. and Elizabeth Curry Oyer Scholarship; Brookville: Cain Fouard, Jack and Lindy Lindquist 4-H Youth Council Leadership Scholarship; Courtney Reed, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Brewster: Benjamin Baird, Pierre C. Henry Scholarship; Carbondale: Whitney Wilson, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Centralia: Blake Henry, Douglas F. and Linda Beech Educational Scholarship; Colby: Rachel Juenemann, Northwest Area Extension Step Ahead Scholarship; Concordia: Erica Johnson, Orscheln Farm and Home 4-H Schol-

arship; Delphos: McKayla Brubaker, Glenn M. and Rosemary Busset Scholarship; Effingham: Kelsi Sheeley, John Junior and Ula Armstrong Scholarship; Emporia: Arissa Moyser, Frances W. Dunbar Memorial 4-H Scholarship; Englewood: Carl Clawson, John C. Carter Memorial Scholarship; Fredonia: Leah Kimzey, Goppert Southeast 4-H Scholarship; Fort Scott: Katelyn Vincent, Dr. Robert A. and Vera Jean Bohannon Memorial Clovia Scholarship; Garden City: Steven Buchele, Allan and Carolyn Harms Family Scholarship; Charla Norquest, William G. and Marita Jean (Spiers) Willis Scholarship; Garnett: Amanda Nelson, Goppert Southeast 4-H Scholarship Great Bend: Danette Unruh, A.B. Mahieu Scholarship; Hanover: Emily Meyer, Orscheln Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship; Hartford: Doris Laws, M. H. Coe Memorial Scholarship; Brianna Zweimiller, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Hays:

Chelsey Smith, Elmer and Mary Schlagel Pelton Family 4-H Scholarship; Hugoton: Logan Brecheisen, Southwest Area Extension Step Ahead Scholarship; Little River: Anna Dillon, Georgia Wertsberger Scholarship; Louisburg: Kaitlynn Combs, Winter Family Grants Scholarship; Manhattan: Kristine Clowers, Mary E. Border Scholarship; Aaron Messerla, Mary Lou Gibbs 4-H Scholarship; Reid Shipman, Ross E. and Margaret Colman Wulfschle Scholarship; Marion: Cara Martin, Southeast Area Extension Step Ahead Scholarship; Meade: Cooper Clawson, J. Harold and LaVerne Johnson Scholarship; Meriden: Jennifer McNary, Frank W. and Gwen Romine Jordan Scholarship; Morland: Jordan Bell, John L. Wilson Memorial Scholarship; Oakley: Leigh Ann Maurath, Clara L. Dubbs 4-H Scholarship; Oberlin: Zachary May, Master-Farmer Farm Home-maker 4-H Scholarship;

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**ANTIQUES:** 2 old saddles; maps; crocks; jugs; bowls; enamel ware; kitchen items; egg crates; wood boxes; graniteware coffee pots; flour sacks; ice tongs; buck saws.

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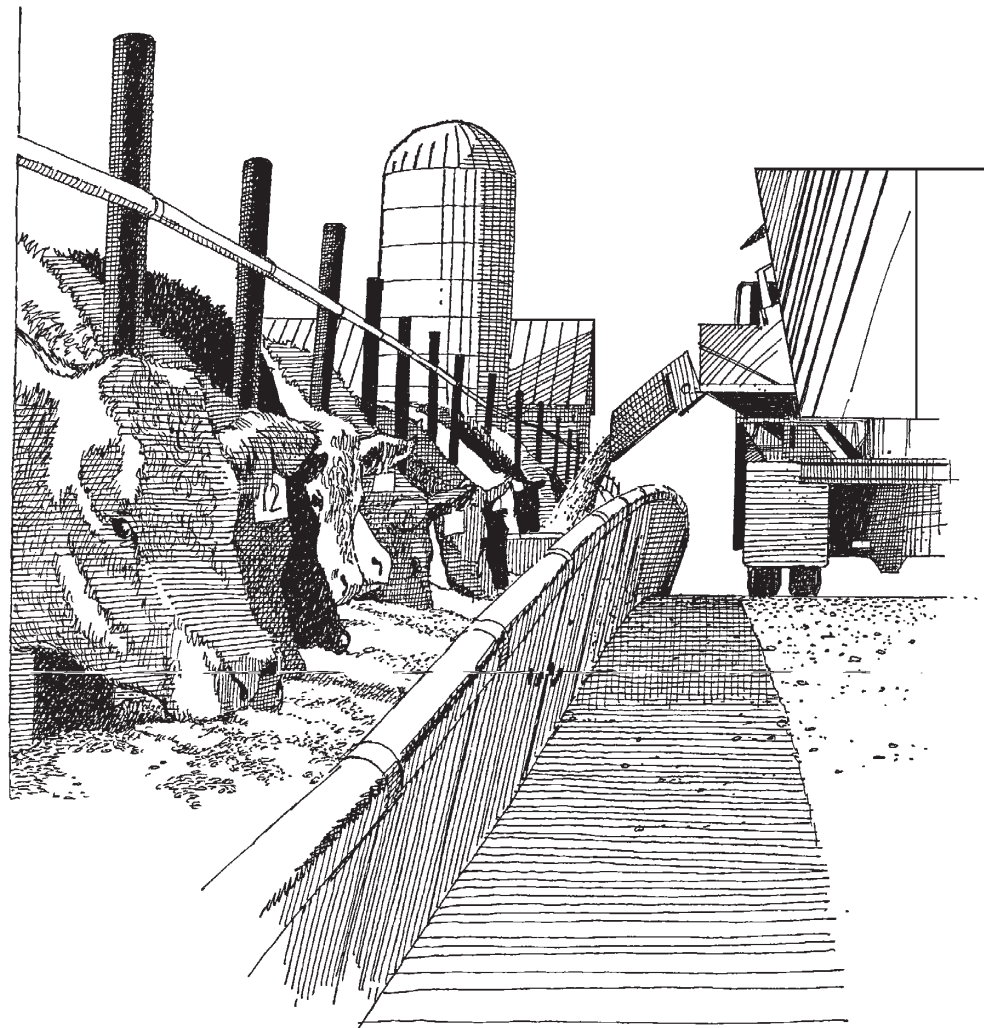
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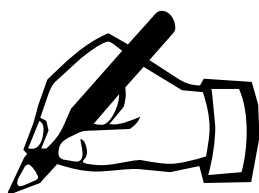
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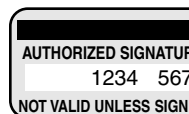
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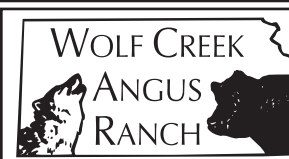
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## Top ten tips for long-living trees

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**1. Don't plant too deep**  
Planting too deeply can cause roots to encircle the tree and eventually girdle and choke it, Miller says. "This invisible killer often doesn't cause a problem for many years."

Dig the hole only as deep as the soil ball. For more information, see the MU Extension guide "How to Plant a Tree" (G6850), available for free download at [www.extension.missouri.edu/G6850](http://www.extension.missouri.edu/G6850).

**2. Pick a site suited to the tree**

Plant trees where roots can grow unhindered. Trees with sidewalks, houses and streets covering their roots will struggle to survive, Miller says. Roots need water and air.

Some trees do best in partial shade while others may prefer full sunlight, she notes. The MU Extension publication series "Selecting Landscape Plants" offers tips on choosing the right trees for your yard. Go to [www.extension.missouri.edu/TreesShrubs](http://www.extension.missouri.edu/TreesShrubs).

**3. Don't burn brush or leaves too close to your tree**  
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**6. Remove strings, wire or plastic from the tree before planting**

Over time, these can girdle the tree, causing it to die, Miller says.

**7. Avoid compacting root zone soil**

"Compaction in the tree root zone from construction equipment reduces the ability of the soil to hold air and water," she says. "Often people build a house on a wooded lot only to find that years later the construction process has caused the trees to slowly die."

Before construction starts, check out the MU Extension guide "Preventing Construction Damage to Trees" (G6885) at [www.extension.missouri.edu/G6885](http://www.extension.missouri.edu/G6885).

**8. Don't crowd the tree**  
Raised beds around a tree can suffocate the roots and damage the trunk, Miller says. Do not change the soil level around a tree if possible.

**9. Easy on the mulch**  
Mulch should be applied in a 2- to 3-inch layer in the drip line area around the tree. Mulch should not touch the bark. "Think mulch doughnuts, not volcanoes," Miller says.

**10. No weed eaters**  
"Ban weed eaters from your possession," she says. "O.K., maybe you can own one, but never let it be used near a young tree. The vascular system of a young tree is just under the thin bark layer. If the vascular system layer is damaged, it can girdle the tree and kill it. Mower decks can do similar damage."

For more information on lawn and garden topics, go to [www.extension.missouri.edu/LawnGardenNews](http://www.extension.missouri.edu/LawnGardenNews) or contact your local MU Extension center.



Spencer Riffel, Dickinson County had the champion steer for Dickinson County in the Wild Bill Kick 'Em Up Shootout, which was also named the reserve Hereford steer for the show.



# KSU rodeo team finishes season with six earning points in Central Plains Region

The ten-rodeo schedule in the Central Plains Region of the National Inter-collegiate Rodeo Association came to a close in late April. When the dust had settled, six members of the K-State Rodeo Team had earned points in their respective events, according to team Coach Doug Muller. The K-State men's team earned 565 points to finish 13th in the region. Members of the K-State women's team finished 9th with 306.5 points.

Sophomore Tanner Brunner came the closest to making the College National Finals by earning

300 points in the steer wrestling, good enough for seventh in the region. Brunner missed making the top three, which is how many qualify in each event, by only 70 points. The highlight of his season was winning the steer wrestling average at the Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) Rodeo in Weatherford.

Men's team captain Austin Crabtree collected 120 points through the season in the team roping. The junior heeler's best finish was fourth in the average at SWOSU.

Freshman Austin Jack-

man earned 95 points in the team roping. His highlight came at the Fort Hays State University Rodeo, where he won third in the average.

Gage Blair also roped for K-State this year, amassing 50 points as a heeler. His highlight was winning fifth in the average at the Fort Scott Community College (FSCC) Rodeo.

On the women's side, senior Cally Thomas led the way with 186 total points. She earned 136.5 in the barrel racing, including a second place finish in the average at her home

rodeo in K-State's Weber Arena. Thomas also collected 60 points in the breakaway roping, highlighted by fourth in the average at FSCC.

Elli Ouellette capped off her senior season with 110 points in the breakaway roping. Her highest placing rodeo was fourth in the average at South-eastern Oklahoma State University. Ouellette, the women's team captain, also placed sixth in the average at K-State.

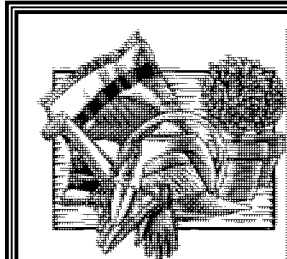
Coach Muller, whose position is partially funded by the K-State Rodeo Advisory Council, helped the team with practices, entering rodeos, travel logistics, securing practice stock and putting on the

home rodeo. The team made extensive use of practice facilities provided by the university, including the new outdoor Burtis Arena during good

weather and the indoor Weber Arena during inclement weather. Both arenas, as well as the team stall barns, are conveniently located on campus.



Dillon Knapp showed the champion Mainetainer heifer for Dickinson County at the Wild Bill Kick 'Em Up Shootout.



## Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

### Manhattan Area Garden Tour

Visiting local gardens is a good way to see what is growing in a similar environment as your own. The 25th Annual Manhattan Area Garden Tour organized by the Riley County, K-State Research and Extension Master Gardeners is Sunday, June 9. Visit the gardens between 1 pm and 5 pm. Advanced tickets for \$7 are available at the Extension office and several of the area garden stores. Tickets for \$8 are available at all of the tour sites during the garden tour. Youth aged 12 and under are free. Proceeds benefit the KSU Gardens.

You can start at any of the tour sites. The KSU Gardens at 1500 Denison Ave. is a good place to start if unfamiliar with the other locations. Your purchased ticket will have a map of the tour stops. The private gardens this year include Jim and Sally Lindquist at 1500 Sharingbrook Drive, Sharyl and

Jerry Reynard at 3308 Shady Valley Drive, Bob and Francine Rowland at 3008 Meadowood Circle, Kirk and Betty Wilson at 2151 Blue Hills Road and Southside Gardens by Elaine Mohr at 800 South Juliette.

These are a few highlights of this year's tours. You will see water gardens, urban farming with a high tunnel, the use of drip irrigation, outdoor kitchen, a little piece of prairie, restful sitting areas, a storm water solution system, cactus garden, waterfalls, and a variety of plants.

Rain barrels will be available for purchase during the tour. They will be at the 800 South Juliette garden site. Master Gardeners are promoting the use of rain barrels. You are invited to decorate your rain barrel and bring to the county fair.

Gather a few family members and friends and spend the afternoon out-

side enjoying the beauty. This once a year event allows you access to a few neighbors backyard that you have only been able to peek at before. You are likely to see an interesting plant or two and spark an idea for your garden. Research has shown that a stroll through a garden will provide emotional as well as physical wellness.

Please contact the Extension office if you need more information and a ticket. I hope to see you on Sunday, June 9. Thank you to the hosts for sharing their fantastic gardens with all of us. If you would like additional information on a horticulture topic, please contact Gregg Eyestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension. Gregg may be contacted by calling 537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyestone@ksu.edu and at www.riley.ksu.edu

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BARNES	12 BLK STR	483@	\$168.00	HANOVER	1 BLK COW	1,385@	\$76.00
CORTLAND, NE	4 BLK STR	506@	\$166.00	GREEN	1 BLK COW	1,210@	\$75.75
HANOVER	1 BLK STR	465@	\$165.00	GREEN	1 BLK COW	1,140@	\$75.25
WATERVILLE	2 BLK STR	565@	\$160.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,655@	\$75.25
WASHINGTON	4 BLK STR	541@	\$159.50	SENECA	1 XBRD COW	1,435@	\$75.00
BREMEN	3 BLK STR	565@	\$154.50	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,350@	\$74.50
BARNES	5 XBRD STR	631@	\$151.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,460@	\$73.75
FRANKFORT	48 XBRD STR	593@	\$150.75	GREEN	1 XBRD COW	1,270@	\$73.50
WASHINGTON	13 BLK STR	662@	\$147.75	BREMEN	1 RED COW	1,110@	\$73.50
DILLER, NE	3 XBRD STR	685@	\$145.25	WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,310@	\$73.25
FRANKFORT	18 XBRD STR	721@	\$141.00	WASHINGTON	1 BLK COW	1,265@	\$72.75
WASHINGTON	2 XBRD STR	715@	\$140.25	BAILEYVILLE	1 XBRD COW	1,400@	\$72.25
WASHINGTON	3 XBRD STR	646@	\$140.25	SABETHA	1 BWF COW	1,330@	\$72.25
WATERVILLE	2 BLK STR	647@	\$137.50	GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,135@	\$72.00
DILLER, NE	1 XBRD STR	700@	\$131.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,335@	\$71.75
WATERVILLE	5 BLK STR	776@	\$130.75	BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,310@	\$71.50
FRANKFORT	1 BLK STR	940@	\$117.00	SABETHA	1 BLK COW	1,555@	\$71.50
PALMER	16 BLK BULL	1135@	\$90.25	SENECA	1 BWF COW	1,470@	\$71.50
HEIFERS				WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,230@	\$71.50
FAIRBURY, NE	10 BLK HFR	371@	\$162.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,815@	\$71.25
HANOVER	1 BLK HFR	335@	\$162.00	BAILEYVILLE	1 HOL COW	1,255@	\$71.25
FRANKFORT	6 XBRD HFR	397@	\$147.00	DILLER, NE	1 BLK COW	875@	\$71.00
FAIRBURY, NE	5 BLK HFR	489@	\$145.50	BREMEN	1 RED COW	1,525@	\$70.75
FAIRBURY, NE	1 BLK HFR	410@	\$145.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,385@	\$70.25
BARNES	15 XBRD HFR	475@	\$144.00	CENTRALIA	1 HOL COW	1,620@	\$70.25
DILLER, NE	3 BLK HFR	465@	\$143.00	BREMEN	1 BLK COW	1,180@	\$70.25
HANOVER	1 BLK HFR	445@	\$143.00	WASHINGTON	1 BLK COW	1,320@	\$70.25
DILLER, NE	1 BWF HFR	405@	\$142.00	HADDAM	1 WF COW	1,360@	\$70.00
CORTLAND, NE	7 BLK HFR	516@	\$138.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,375@	\$70.00
FRANKFORT	30 XBRD HFR	495@	\$136.50	WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,485@	\$70.00
DILLER, NE	3 XBRD HFR	603@	\$135.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,290@	\$69.75
DILLER, NE	1 BLK HFR	495@	\$133.00	BREMEN	1 BLK COW	1,135@	\$69.75
WASHINGTON	1 XBRD HFR	545@	\$132.00	HOLLENBERG	1 BWF COW	1,405@	\$69.75
WATERVILLE	11 BLK HFR	629@	\$131.75	SENECA	1 BWF COW	1,445@	\$69.75
WASHINGTON	2 XBRD HFR	580@	\$132.00	SABETHA	1 BWF COW	1,345@	\$69.50
FRANKFORT	9 XBRD HFR	578@	\$130.25	SABETHA	1 WF COW	1,145@	\$69.25
BARNES	3 BLK HFR	583@	\$130.25	FRANKFORT	1 BWF COW	1,480@	\$69.25
WASHINGTON	6 XBRD HFR	671@	\$126.00	BREMEN	1 RED COW	1,080@	\$69.00
WASHINGTON	4 XBRD HFR	641@	\$126.00	BREMEN	1 BLK COW	1,045@	\$68.75
HFRETES				SABETHA	1 WF COW	1,410@	\$68.50
HADDAM	1 CHAR HFRETTE	955@	\$110.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,190@	\$68.25
SABETHA	1 WF HFRETTE	1,050@	\$108.00	BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,465@	\$68.00
BARNES	1 BLK HFRETTE	985@	\$106.00	BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,425@	\$68.00
WASHINGTON	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,110@	\$105.00	WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,250@	\$67.00
WESTMORELAND	1 BWF HFRETTE	1,085@	\$100.50	WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,305@	\$66.75
CLIFTON	2 BLK HFRETTE	987@	\$99.00	GREEN	1 BWF COW	1,170@	\$66.00
REYNOLDS, NE	5 BLK HFRETTE	1,208@	\$95.50	MORROWVILLE	1 WF COW	1,400@	\$66.00
FRANKFORT	1 BLK HFRETTE	1,040@	\$94.00	BAILEYVILLE	1 XBRD COW	1,200@	\$65.75
CLIFTON	1 BLK HFRETTE	910@	\$91.00	BAILEYVILLE	1 XBRD COW	1,200@	\$65.25
MARYSVILLE	1 BLK HFRETTE	905@	\$72.50	WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,390@	\$65.25
BRED COWS/PAIRS				WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,450@	\$64.50
WASHINGTON	6 BLK COW	3-4 YRS	3-4 MO \$1,490.00	CENTRALIA	1 HOL COW	1,925@	\$64.00
CLIFTON	2 BLK COW	3 YRS	4 MO \$1,140.00	BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,685@	\$63.75
PERRY	5 BLK CCPR	6-7 YRS	\$1,550.00	SABETHA	1 WF COW	1,635@	\$63.00
HOME	3 BLK CCPR	8-9 YRS	\$1,500.00	BREMEN	1 RED COW	1,100@	\$62.25
BARNES	4 MIX CCPR	SS	\$1,310.00	BARNES	1 BLK COW	920@	\$60.50
BARNES	1 BLK CCPR	AGED	\$1,270.00	ST. GEORGE	1 LH COW	960@	\$60.25
COWS				WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,275@	\$60.00
LIBERTY, NE	1 RED COW	1,105@	\$84.00	ADULT BULLS			
BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,185@	\$83.50	WASHINGTON	1 CHAR BULL	2,400@	\$99.25
WASHINGTON	1 BLK COW	1,560@	\$83.00	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK BULL	1,660@	\$97.25
WESTMORELAND	1 BLK COW	1,095@	\$82.00	AXTELL	1 BLK BULL	1,730@	\$97.00
LIBERTY, NE	1 BLK COW	1,470@	\$82.00	ST. GEORGE	1 BLK BULL	2,280@	\$95.25
MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,390@	\$80.00	REYNOLDS, NE	1 BLK BULL	1,590@	\$94.00
WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,125@	\$80.00	REYNOLDS, NE	1 BLK BULL	1,710@	\$93.00
GREEN	1 BLK COW	1,395@	\$79.50	HANOVER	1 BLK BULL	1,890@	\$91.50
MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,105@	\$79.25	MARYSVILLE	1 BLK BULL	2,340@	\$90.25
GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,410@	\$78.25	HANOVER	1 BLK BULL	1,815@	\$90.00
GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,660@	\$78.00	ST. GEORGE	1 BLK BULL	1,295@	\$86.50
GREENLEAF	1 BLK COW	1,710@	\$78.00	BAILEYVILLE	1 HOL BULL	1,885@	\$85.75
MARYSVILLE	1 BLK COW	1,240@	\$77.75	HANOVER	1 BLK BULL	2,050@	\$81.25
FRANKFORT	1 BLK COW	1,680@	\$77.25	EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR 6-6-2013			
BARNES	1 BLK COW	1,170@	\$77.00	15 MIX STRS/HFRS	400-500#	WV	HR
WESTMORELAND	1 BWF COW	1,190@	\$77.00	25 MIX STRS/HFRS	450-600#	WV	HR
				30 BLK STRS/HFRS	500-600#	WV	HR
				40 MIX STRS/HFRS	700-800#	WV	HR

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# AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 — 10:00 AM

We will sell the following described personal property at public auction at the farm located 1 mile East (on Highway 148) & 1 mile South (on blacktop road) of

### AGENDA, KANSAS

#### ANTIQUES, TOYS & COLLECTIBLES

Pickard handpainted signed china, i.e.: 13 place setting, plates, dessert plates, cups, saucers, salad plates, 1 reg oval bowl, teapot, gravy boat, platter; 1 bowl signed toby; 1 signed fish; small gold bowl; 2 tier gold plate; salt & pepper; gold vase; 10 place set Canary tone china; wood wagon box on 1929 Rugby Star wood wheel chassis w/endgate, box rough; **Toys:** In boxes: 825 Versatile, N6 Gleaner combine; R6 Gleaner combine; 3D 45 tractor; A-C D-21 tractor; no boxes, ie: 2 WC Allis tractors; 1 A-C Orchard tractor; Gilbert erector set in box; **Collectibles:** 12 gauge Remington Wingmaster pump shotgun; 12 gauge Western Field shotgun, 3 shot bolt action (clip missing); 22 LR Dura-Matic pistol w/case, Hi-Standard M-101, semi automatic, 10 shot clip; safety account box; Archer 2 gal. oil can; Singulars thermometer; wood high chair w/tray; Imperial compute; 10 teapots; stein collection; asst. porcelain; granite coffee pot; cast shelf brackets; cast pan; wood rolling pin; asst. dolls & clothes; 4 chrome chairs;

asst. costume jewelry; 5 gal. glass bottle; JD mtd cultivator w/stands; clipper fanning mill; 15 iron wheels; Dempster pump; walking plow; Avon collection; Victorian porch trim; milk bottles; water can; buck-saw; Coast King women's bicycle; wood bolt bin; wood recurve bow.

#### HOUSEHOLD

Wood china hutch; Lexmark X73 copier; Blakeslee commercial mixer; Conair whirlpool; 2 VHS players; 15" TV; electric skillet; electric clippers; 2 coffee pots; ice cream freezer; wok cooker; radios; asst. other misc. household items.

#### MOWER, TRAILER & TOOLS

Dixon Ram ZTR 50" front deck mower w/welded deck, 25 hp; B&S engine, nice; MoJack mower jack in box; 5'x8' flatbed tilt trailer w/ramp; **Craftsman tools, ie:** Base cabinet, 5 drawer; 12 drawer tool box; 2 hp air compressor; 12" elec. impact; gas weed eater; tablesaw; 2 right angle grinders; edger; combination wrench set; 15" crescent; asst. crescents; asst. sockets, 1/4", 3/8" & 1/2" drive; metric-sac deepwells; ratchets

7 extensions; speed wrenches; air hose reel; drill bit set; punches; screwdrivers; nut drivers; all are Craftsman; **Tools:** Lincoln 225 amp welder; Stahl MM55 tiller; Stahl BG55 leaf blower; Toro elec. blower; Century 6 & 12 v battery charger; Schumacher charger; DieHard power pack; Makita 14" cutoff saw; Skil saw; 110V electric fence; 5 1/2" vise; jigsaw; Comet air compressor; air bubble; weed burner; 2 wheel pullers; Handyman jack; Thorsen air chisel; electric drill; jumper cables; BCP power-washer; pipe wrenches; air impact; bolt cutters; asst. hammers; c-clamp; square & saws; braces & bits; Skil saw; 17 pc. combo wrench set; hand sprayers; electric bug light; asst. garden hoses; creeper; asst. log chains; A-C clevis hitch; asst. bars; come-a-long; boomers; #9 tie wire; hay hooks; asst. shovels; asst. bolts; wood bolt bin; vise grips; tinsnips; alum. 4' level; wood levels; alum. folding ladder; oil barrel & pump; RV plugs & equip.; towing mirrors; 30 steel posts; 2 gate panels; bale elevator; 3 bottom pt. plow; asst. other misc.

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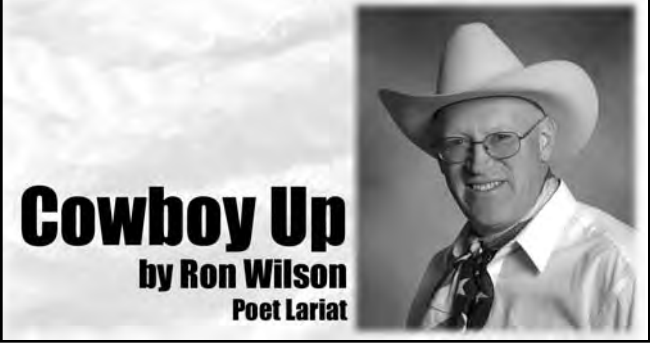
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Unlisted

What is an A-list celebrity? Apparently A-list celebrities are the biggest stars of entertainment. They are the top names: the stars whose appearance in a movie will bring in moviegoers, the folks whose picture appears on the covers of the magazines at the check-out counter. Unfortunately, I'm so old-fashioned that I don't even know who the A-list celebrities are, or the B-list and C-list for that matter. In fact, I didn't know there was a list!

But it is interesting to look at lists of various kinds. Sometimes I think magazine editors write

about lists when they don't have any real news to write about. A self-appointed list-maker can generate a list with no accountability these days. Lists do tend to stimulate interest.

When my recent copy of *American Cowboy* magazine came in the mail, I found a list called Cowboy Colleges. Sure enough, it sparked my interest. There were five colleges listed: Colorado State, Texas A&M, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Walla Walla Community College in Washington state, and Montana State University.

Obviously this is a highly arbitrary list, and there are

no stated criteria for selection. A friend of mine who taught at Colorado State said that, these days, it is a yuppie school, not a cowboy school. And comparing Texas A&M with a junior college is like comparing a watermelon and a grape. But I immediately thought of my alma mater, Kansas State University, which didn't make the list. It stimulated me to write a letter to the editor, which was submitted as the accompanying poem.

K-State would surely have a claim to be on this list. After all, when the Morrill Act was enacted in 1862, K-State (then Kansas State Agricultural College) became the first operational land-grant university in the nation. Extension activities began with KSAC's Farmer's Institutes in 1868. The university is celebrating its 150th year in 2013.

But what would make it a "cowboy college?" One way of determining this would be to look at the modern science of livestock management, taught in animal science departments. K-State's under-

graduate animal sciences enrollment is now, I think, the largest in the nation.

Apart from the numbers, how relevant is the animal science instruction to farming and ranching? Here again, K-State shines. Teachers like Miles McKee and Dave Nichols win major awards for being outstanding instructors with down-to-earth practicality.

Another measure would be to look at horse-related factors. K-State ranks highly yet again. In 2013, the women's equestrian team won a reserve national championship. The K-State Rodeo team puts on an outstanding college rodeo each spring, and plans are underway for a new equine education center.

Then there's the K-State College of Veterinary Medicine, one of the best in the nation with an emphasis on large animal practice, and the pending National Bio-and Agro-defense Facility and more.

Of course, K-State is more than just a cowboy college these days. It is a com-

prehensive center for higher education, with a plan to become a top 50 research university by 2025. One way to achieve that goal is to build on its tremendous strengths in agriculture, such as animal science and livestock management. Sounds like a modern version of a cowboy college to me.

The A-List

By Ron Wilson, Poet Lariat

In *American Cowboy* magazine, I saw a list Which I thought needed a little twist. "Cowboy Colleges" was the list's full name, Including five colleges of distinguished fame. But another name is needed to complete the diversity: The name of Kansas State University. K-State's Animal Sciences Department is a strong foundation, With the largest undergrad enrollment of any college in the nation. It has nationally known teams for livestock judging, women's equestrian, and rodeo, Plus the annual Cattleman's Day and Little American Royal show. The K-State Veterinary School is another treasure, With a large animal emphasis as a vital measure. There's a new center for livestock marketing to boot, Plus equine facilities, animal health and the Beef Cattle Institute. When it comes to being a cowboy college, K-State is a great place for animal and livestock knowledge. So in order to set the story straight, This list should include the name of Kansas State.

Happy Trails!  
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Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture awards scholarships

Each year, the Kansas Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture awards scholarships to college students studying in fields that benefit agriculture and rural Kansas. Thirty-seven recipients have received \$21,500 in scholarships for the 2013-14 school year.

Over the past decade, the foundation has awarded more than \$185,000 in scholarships.

"Developing leaders for tomorrow requires an investment in today's youth," says KFB Foundations director Harry A. Watts.

Lindsay Bulk, Riley County, is the winner of the \$500 DeWitt Ahlerich Memorial Scholarship, a permanent, privately endowed scholarship fund for juniors or seniors attending Kansas State University and majoring in agronomy.

Michaela Simmelink, Osborne County, is the winner of the \$500 Godfrey and Emma Bahr Miller Agriculture Scholarship, a permanent, privately endowed scholarship fund for students attending a college in Kansas and majoring in a subject related to agronomy and conservation.

Another permanent, privately endowed fund known as the Lester Crandall Memorial Scholarship awards \$500 to a student graduating from Ellsworth High School and attending a college in Kansas while majoring in a subject related to agriculture. This year's recipient is Riley Zamrzla, Ellsworth County.

Four students were awarded scholarships to Kansas technical and community colleges. They include: Clayton Beckman, Norton County, who will attend North Central Kansas Technical College; Jayson Kugler, Smith County, Hutchinson Community College or Manhattan Area Technical College; Christopher Sparks, Cloud County, North Central Kansas Technical College; and Ryan Kinsler, Kingman County, Hutchinson Community College.

Four \$1,000 KFB scholarships were awarded to juniors and seniors enrolled in Kansas State University's college of Agriculture and majoring in a subject related to agriculture. They include: Alexis Wingerson, Smith County; Katelyn Vincent, Bourbon County; Logan Britton, Labette County; and Shannon Rogge, Saline County.

Two \$1,000 KFB scholarships were awarded to juniors and seniors enrolled at

Fort Hays State University. Recipients are Jared Helfrich, Ford County and Julie Stoss, Barton County.

Twenty-four recipients received scholarships for students attending a Kansas college with a Kansas Farm Bureau Collegiate chapter. Students must be a Farm Bureau Collegiate member. Recipients include:

**Allen County Community College**  
Ira Parsons, Leavenworth County; Trint Peine, Anderson County; Mindy Powelson, Allen County; Kaden Roush, Smith County

**Coffeyville Community College**  
Jordan Hatcher, Lyon County

**Colby Community College**  
Michaela Simmelink, Osborne County

**Dodge City Community College**  
Laci Collins, Gray County

**Ft. Hays State University**  
Cammie Schmidtberger, Ellis County

**Ft. Scott Community College**  
Levi Rapp, Rockville, Mo.

**Garden City Community College**  
Linden Steuve, Lyon County

**Hutchinson Community College**  
Ryan Coulson, Dickinson County; Ashley Lorence, Smith County

**Kansas State University**  
Laikyn Adams, Cowley County; Hannah Anderson, Marion County; Kassie Curran, Crawford County; Jacinda Dickinson, Cloud County; Dalton Hodgkinson, Pratt County; Briana Jacobus, Logan County; Garrett Kays, Crawford County; Amy McVey, Wilson County; John Sachse, Leavenworth County; Jeri Sigle, Morris County; Jared Wendelburg, Stafford County; Seward County Community College; Lindsay Bulk, Riley County.

Firefighters battle big blaze in southwest Kansas

(AP) – A large grass fire in southwest Kansas has spread to thousands of bales of corn stalks stored at a facility in the Stevens County town of Moscow.

KAKE-TV reports the fire broke out late last Tuesday and involved about 50,000 corn stalk bales by Wednesday.

Moscow Mayor Billy Bell told the station that a bioenergy company had planned to use the stalks to produce ethanol.

Bell says firefighters contained the blaze, which investigators believe was intentionally set.

The mayor also says no injuries have been reported and no structures were in danger, but residents were told to prepare to evacuate if the wind changed direction.

Local farmers also had their irrigation systems on standby to help out if necessary.

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Wednesday Sale, Hogs 10:30 AM • Cattle 12:30 PM

For week of May 29, 2013:

<b>STEERS</b>			<b>Top Butcher Cow</b>
6	532	169.00	\$81.25 @ 1,480 lbs.
4	628	144.50	
2	608	130.00	<b>Top Butcher Bull</b>
6	792	126.00	\$99.50 @ 1,725 lbs.
2	928	118.75	
5	911	118.00	<b>Bred Cows: \$1,075 to \$1,150</b>
			<b>Pairs: \$1,210 to \$1,350</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>			<b>Fat Hog Top was</b>
2	403	147.50	\$56.50 @ 241 lbs.
3	557	136.00	
1	605	121.00	<b>Sows: \$52.00</b>
19	707	120.50	
8	839	116.10	

**CONSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 12:**  
15 Blk X Strs/Hfrs.....450-600 lbs.....Weaned  
25 Blk X Strs/Hfrs.....500-600 lbs.

**PLUS MORE BY SALE TIME!**

**UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE:**  
Starting in June

- Sales on June 12 & 26 and July 10
- NO SALES on June 5 & 19 and July 3

*We will be having sales in Clay Center on off weeks for Junction City*

*If you need assistance in marketing your cattle please call & we will be happy to discuss it with you.*

**Due to postal conflicts we will need your consignments 2 weeks in advance to sale date in order to advertise them in the Grass & Grain. This will be an adjustment but one we feel will help both you as a customer and buyers as well. Thanks for your assistance with this!**

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**CLAY CENTER LIVESTOCK SALES INC.**  
Cattle sales Tuesday, 11:00 AM.

For week of May 28, 2013:

<b>STEERS</b>			<b>Top Butcher Cow was</b>
1	460	164.50	\$83.75 @ 1,455 lbs
2	468	162.00	
1	510	139.00	<b>Top Butcher Bull was</b>
20	744	128.00	\$103.00 @ 2,340 lbs.
			<b>Bred Cows:</b>
<b>HEIFERS</b>			\$810 to \$1,050
2	355	146.50	
2	595	125.00	<b>Pairs: \$1,110 to \$1,450</b>
26	675	124.25	

**UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE:**  
Starting in June

- Sales on June 18 and July 2
- NO SALES on June 11 & 25 and July 9

**\*\*NO Sheep & Goat Sale in JULY due to 4th of July Holiday\*\***

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## Brush Control in Pastures

**Keith Martin, Livestock Agent, Wildcat District**

Brush, if left unmanaged can greatly reduce the productivity of grasslands. Complete eradication of brush is not practical or desirable in most situations. Brush can provide protection from the elements for both livestock and wildlife. Also, trees along streams protect riparian areas from erosion. However, if left unchecked brush species can invade a pasture to the point where the carrying capacity is greatly reduced. The primary species which can create problems in our area are red cedar, locust, blackberries, hedge, buckbrush, oaks, and sumac.

Prescribed burning is an often overlooked method to keep brush populations in check. Two keys for an effective burn are to have enough fuel to carry a fire and timing the burn just prior to when the primary grass species in the pasture comes out of dormancy. Burning can do a great job in controlling small red cedars. Burning does not eradicate other types of brush but can greatly control the spread of most brush species. Cutting or clipping is also a possibility to control some brush species. Red cedars are easily controlled by clipping, because they will not resprout if cut below their lowest branch. A cut stump treatment must be used on other species to prevent resprouting. It is vital to treat within the first few hours after cutting and to use products containing either picloram or triclopyr according to labeled directions.

Most woody plants are susceptible to herbicides when applied properly. All chemicals must be applied according to the label directions. Be sure to read all label information. The application of herbicides can be done by one of several methods.

**Foliar Aerial or Ground Application.** Chemicals may be applied by air or ground sprayers when heavy stands or large areas are to be controlled, but proper herbicide selection, timing of application for the optimal growth stage and proper application rate are important factors to consider. Most foliar-applied herbicides should be applied at full leaf stage when plants are actively growing.

**Basal Bark.** Some species can be controlled by applying a mixture of diesel and herbicide to the lower 18 to 24 inches of the trunk. The mixture should be applied all the way around the trunk and allowed to drain at the soil line to reduce root collar sprouts.

**Cut Stumps.** Many species, except red cedar, resprout after cutting near ground level. Treating the exposed surface with a herbicide shortly after cutting will usually prevent regrowth.

Generally, brush is most susceptible to foliar applied herbicides immediately after the full leaf stage in the spring because herbicides are absorbed and translocated to the site of action. Since the growth and development of plant species differ, the application date needs to correspond with the target species. For example, buckbrush is in full leaf by late April or early May, whereas hedge trees are not in full leaf until early June. Blackberries are most susceptible to herbicide treatments at the end of full bloom to the start of fruiting which is well after the full leaf stage.

For more information about this topic or other forage management topics please come by or call me at the Wildcat Extension District, Altamont office at (620) 784-5337 or you can email me at rkmartin@ksu.edu.

## Kansas co-op plans \$42 million grain storage project

(AP) — A central Kansas co-op is planning a \$42 million grain storage and loading facility that it hopes will create 18 permanent jobs.

The McPherson Sentinel reports the plant will be

built in McPherson County, just outside Canton. Officials with Mid Kansas Co-op say the project will take about ten years, with more than 150 construction jobs.

## What is wrong with my wheat?

**By John J. Forshee  
District Extension Director  
River Valley Extension  
District #4**

As farming practices change, so do weed and disease problems that we face. Such is the case we are experiencing with the rise in the incidence of wheat streak mosaic (WSM) virus in north central Kansas. I have had numerous calls over the past couple of weeks and so I thought I would address why this disease that was once known as a western Kansas wheat-fallow-wheat problem is showing up in north central Kansas.

I see three things contributing to the increase in this disease. It is difficult to breed wheat streak resistance into varieties and so many of our popular varieties are moderately or highly susceptible to the disease. Wheat streak mosaic has not been a north central Kansas problem and so producers have not really been concerned with it as we look at wheat management strategies. Finally, recent production strategies that include continuous no-till wheat, cover crops, and intensive rotations, have

provided an abundance of host plants for the wheat curl mite.

Let's back up and take a look at how this disease works. Wheat streak mosaic is vectored, or carried, by the wheat curl mite. This mite is too small to be seen with the naked eye and can be carried up to one-half mile on the wind. This virus causes stunting of plants and poor tillering in the fall. As weather warms, leaves turn yellow from the tip down. The veins stay green longest giving the streaked appearance. In addition to carrying wheat streak, this mite can cause curling of the leaf margins, hence the name "wheat curl" and trapping of the head as it emerges can occur. After harvest, the wheat curl mite survives the summer on "host" plants. This is typically volunteer wheat but the mite can survive on a variety of other cereal grains and weedy grasses. As we move into fall the mite is blown to newly seeded wheat and as it feeds it infects these plants with the wheat streak mosaic virus.

So how do we deal with this problem? The best way to reduce wheat streak mo-

saic virus is to eliminate the host crops during the crucial time frame between harvest and new crop planting. The preferred host plant is volunteer wheat and so it becomes crucial that all volunteer wheat within one-half mile of any intended wheat planting is controlled and completely dead prior to any wheat planting. This control method requires that we be good neighbors and do our part in controlling the many flushes of volunteer wheat that might occur.

The recent trend toward cover crops can also be a factor. Many cover crops include some sort of cereal grain, all of which can host the wheat curl mite. In addition to cover crops we are

bushels of grain.

McPherson Industrial Development Co. chief Brad Eilts expects the project to provide a benefit to the county of more than \$330,000.

planting more no-till wheat into wheat. It is vital to control not only the broadleaf weeds but also the grassy weeds and volunteer wheat in no-till fields.

The question producers are asking right now is: "What is the prognosis for my WSM-infected wheat this year?" The answer is that it depends on how early the crop was infected and the level of damage. We are seeing some fields with severe leaf loss at this point and so there will be significant yield loss in those fields. Others with small areas of infection may have less damage. Continue to monitor infected fields and consult your crop insurance agent to look at your options.

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OLD COWS W/CALVES: \$1,150-\$1,500  
LIGHT CALVES: 175-290 lbs., \$400-\$620 by head.

*Results Goat-Sheep Sale, Saturday, June 1, sold by pound.*

34 lb. goats	\$182.00	Slaughter Nannies	
49 lb. goats	\$165.00	\$48-\$90, most \$65-\$83	
62 lb. goats	\$160.00	Big Billies to \$105	
64 lb. goats	\$158.00	73 lb. lambs	\$96.00
65 lb. goats	\$155.00	80 lb. lambs	\$92.00
68 lb. goats	\$160.00	115 lb. lambs	\$91.00
70 lb. goats	\$148.00	Slaughter Ewes:	\$24.00
75 lb. goats	\$165.00		

**No Cattle Sale Friday, June 7th**

**Regular Cattle Sale Friday, June 14th, 10:30 AM**

**Next Goat & Sheep Sale: Saturday, June 29 • 4 PM**

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<b>STEERS</b>	4 limo	475@140.50	31 bk char	919@117.10
5 bk bwf	508@156.75	6 char red	545@137.25	6 bk bwf hfrt
6 limo	480@155.00	17 bk	614@136.00	3 bk bwf hfrt
8 bk bwf	750@138.25	9 bk bwf	597@135.00	
3 bk	755@131.50	12 mix	581@135.00	<b>BULLS</b>
10 Xbred	886@119.00	9 bk	717@124.50	2 bk
3 bk	987@118.50	7 bk	775@121.00	2 bk gry
		2 bk	822@120.00	558@136.00
		2 bk char	972@118.50	

**BUTCHER COWS: \$54-\$94.50, mostly \$80-\$90, steady to \$2 higher.  
BUTCHER BULLS: \$82.25-\$99.50, light test, steady.**

<b>COWS</b>	1 bk	1890@91.00	2 bk bwf	1602@38.50
1 Brangus	1165@94.50	1 Sim-X	1620@90.00	3 bwf rbf
1 bk	1180@92.00	5 Limo-X	1412@89.00	3 bk
2 bk	1652@91.75	3 bk	1528@88.75	3 bk red
				1325@85.25

**Butcher cows selling on a very active market. Steady to \$2 higher.  
Be a good time to sell some!**

**Early Consignments for June 6:**

• 36 mixed steers & heifers, 400-700 lbs.

**Early Consignments for June 13:**

• 125 mostly black steers, 850-1,000 lbs.  
• 70 mixed steers, 800-900 lbs.  
• 65 mixed steers, 800-850 lbs.  
• 33 black rbf steers, 950-1,050 lbs.  
• 55 black bwf steers, 900-1,000 lbs.

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300-400 lb. steers, \$130-\$179; heifers, \$125-\$164; 400-500 lb. steers, \$130-\$172; heifers, \$125-\$146; 500-600 lb. steers, \$125-\$163; heifers, \$125-\$146; 600-700 lb. steers, \$122.50-\$142; heifers, \$115-\$133. Trend on Calves: Choice steer and heifer calves, steady. Trend on Feeder Cattle: not enough for market test. Butcher Cows: High dressing cows, \$72.50-\$83; Avg. dressing cows, \$60-\$72.50; Low dressing cows, \$30-\$60. Butcher Bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls, \$85-\$98. Trend on Cows and Bulls: Butcher Cows, steady to \$2 higher; Butcher Bulls, steady on light test.

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**MARKET REPORT FOR TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2013  
RECEIPTS: 291 CATTLE**

<b>STEERS</b>	5 blk bwf hfrs	511@143.50
2 bwf str	345@182.00	5 blk hfrs
2 blk str	385@182.00	3 blk hfrs
2 blk str	410@174.00	6 blk hfrs
3 blk str	460@171.00	6 blk hfrs
2 blk str	532@159.50	11 blk bwf hfrs
3 bwf str	551@158.50	3 blk hfrs
3 blk str	546@155.75	
4 blk bwf str	550@150.00	
3 blk str	565@147.00	
2 blk bwf str	612@142.00	
4 blk bwf str	690@141.00	
4 blk str	655@141.00	
3 blk str	628@138.00	
5 blk bwf str	706@137.25	

**COW/CALF PAIRS**

**& BRED COWS**

5 blk hfrs/ calves	1029@1,710.00
1 bwf cw bwf calf	4yr1260@1,700.00
5 blk hfrs/ calves	1004@1,690.00
1 bwf cow pr	990@1,575.00
2 blk cws 8yr blk rd clvs	1457@1,530.00
3 blk hfrs/ calves	810@1,475.00
1 blk cow hfr calf	2yr995@1,450.00
2 blk cows 8yr 3pr	1502@1,250.00

**HEIFERS**

2 blk hfrs	427@153.00
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KCA welcomes new board members

Each year, the membership of the Kansas Cattlemen's Association elects other producer members to direct and guide the association. KCA welcomes Gary Schreiber of Soldier, D.J. Edwards of Hamilton, and Tony Anderson of Farlington who will all be serving a three-year term and David Leaming from Bloom who will be fulfilling a vacant one-year term.

After graduating with dual engineering degrees from Pittsburg State University, Anderson returned to his family farm operation to continue the legacy started by his great-grandparents in 1867. Currently, Anderson runs a cow-calf operation and is committed to selling on the open market rather than engaging in captive supply.

Dedicated to the mission of KCA, Anderson is taking an active role in the association. He is already working with KCA staff to gain more transparency in the industry, to reform the beef checkoff, and educate others about the adverse effects captive supply has on a competitive and open market.

Greenwood County native, D.J. Edwards is diversified in his operation. Although he runs a cow/calf operation and finishes cattle, his primary business consists of stocker cattle. Keeping with the traditional cowboy way of life, he uses horses to work cattle in his operation.

"One of the immediate obstacles and (industry) concerns today has to be the drought. We have had to be very creative in watering cattle. However, looking at our industry long-term, environmental and various marketing issues are tremendous challenges. We should be mindful of the monopolization of the food industry that continues to impact us as independent producers," he stated.

Edwards is committed to continue the fight for market transparency and addressing regulatory issues. As a leader within the organization, Edwards is also taking an active role to getting younger producers and industry businesses involved in KCA.

Born and raised in Soldier, Gary Schreiber is proud of his roots. As cattlemen are becoming the minority, Schreiber feels that producers need to make sure to tell their stories so that they are getting positive feedback from mainstream media and citizens.

"As a KCA member, the tremendous amount of regulations facing us including dust, water, endangered species, legislation, death tax, and this drought is costly on our businesses. I believe KCA can be successful in all of these areas to better our industry," he commented.

From Bloom, Kansas, David Leaming is also a lifelong cattleman. Running a stocker and cow operation in southwest Kansas, Leaming believes that the continued concentration of packers and large corporate feed yards as well as the lack of enforcement of the Packer and Stockyards Act are obsta-

cles that cattlemen face today.

"Having already sat in on one board meeting and one conference call, I want to assure all members that your organization is in good hands. I have served on other boards and I have found these KCA meetings to be well ran and thorough. God only knows that there's a lot of issues, both state and federal, to be worked out, and I am proud to serve an organization that represents the cattlemen and women of this state on these issues, and I will continue to support our members' decisions on these," Leaming remarked.

These enthusiastic men from across the state have a vast amount to contribute to the association. They are joining Perry Owens (Minneapolis), Dave Bowman (Brewster), Jake Geiger (Robinson), and John Ericson (Fort Scott) to complete the KCA Board of Directors. Under the leadership of this diverse team, KCA will continue to work on behalf of cattle producers and strive to fulfill its goals to improve the industry so that producers have better opportunities to regain profits.

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Conservation Stewardship Program applications due by June 14

The Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) will provide about \$175 million in funding for up to 12.6 million additional acres enrollment this year.

Although applications are accepted all year, farmers, ranchers, and forestland owners interested in CSP should submit applications by June 14 to their local NRCS office to ensure they are considered for this year's funding. The deadline was extended from May 31.

The voluntary program allows producers to go the extra mile in conserving natural resources while also maintaining or increasing the productivity of their operations.

"CSP is different than our other financial assistance programs," said NRCS acting chief Jason Weller. "It offers payments to producers who maintain a high level of conservation on their land and agree to adopt higher levels of stewardship. It's about conservation activities on the entire operation, focusing on multiple resource concerns."

Playing a significant part in conserving and improving our nation's resources, producers enrolled an additional 12.1 million acres in CSP last year, bringing the total number of acres to more than 50 million. Many of the CSP enhancements improve soil quality, which helps land become more resilient to extreme weather. Several other improvements are available for producers, including intensive rotational grazing, intercropping, and wildlife-friendly fencing.

Because of the extreme weather in 2012, more interest and participation in the cover crop enhancements is expected this year, according to NRCS experts.

A CSP self-screening checklist is available to help producers determine if the program is suitable for their operation. The checklist highlights basic information about CSP eligibility requirements, stewardship threshold requirements, and payment types.

For the checklist and additional information, visit the CSP website [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/csp/](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/csp/) or visit your local U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) NRCS office.

Grass & Grain Weather Report

June 4, 2013

### Seven Day Forecast

TUESDAY

Scat'd T-storms

High: 80 Low: 62

WEDNESDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 78 Low: 59

THURSDAY

Mostly Sunny

High: 79 Low: 55

FRIDAY

Mostly Sunny

High: 78 Low: 52

SATURDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 75 Low: 54

SUNDAY

Mostly Cloudy

High: 74 Low: 58

MONDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 79 Low: 57

### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 80°, humidity of 65%. The record high temperature for today is 95° set in 1921. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 62°.

#### Last Week's Almanac

Date	Hi/Lo	Normals	Precip
5/24	79/54	80/55	0.00"
5/25	86/67	80/56	0.00"
5/26	85/69	81/56	0.00"
5/27	87/63	81/56	0.00"
5/28	90/68	81/57	0.00"
5/29	87/65	82/57	0.12"
5/30	79/60	82/57	0.70"

Rainfall last week: 0.82"  
Normal rainfall: 1.26"  
Departure from normal: -0.44"  
Average temp last week: 74.2°  
Average normal last week: 68.6°  
Departure from normal: +5.6°

### Today's Local Outlook

### This Week's Sun & Moon Chart

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
Tuesday	6:00 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	3:30 a.m.	5:21 p.m.	New
Wednesday	6:00 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	4:04 a.m.	6:18 p.m.	6/8
Thursday	6:00 a.m.	8:50 p.m.	4:42 a.m.	7:14 p.m.	
Friday	5:59 a.m.	8:50 p.m.	5:23 a.m.	8:06 p.m.	
Saturday	5:59 a.m.	8:51 p.m.	6:08 a.m.	8:55 p.m.	
Sunday	5:59 a.m.	8:51 p.m.	6:56 a.m.	9:40 p.m.	
Monday	5:59 a.m.	8:52 p.m.	7:48 a.m.	10:21 p.m.	Full

### Local UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

### Weather History

June 4, 1982 - A four-day storm began over New England. The storm produced up to 14 inches of rain in southern Connecticut, breaching 23 dams and breaking two. Damage was estimated at more than 276 million dollars.

### Growing Degree Days

Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
5/24	16	5/28	29
5/25	26	5/29	26
5/26	27	5/30	20
5/27	25		

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Tuesdays

**Cattle**

**By Auction**

We sold 368 cattle May 28. We had a light seasonal run of steer and heifer calves. Feeder steers were steady to \$3.00 higher. Cows and bulls were steady to \$3.00 higher.

#### STEER & BULL CALVES

1 bwf str	320 @ 181.00	1 bwf str	810 @ 122.00
1 blk str	445 @ 169.00	5 blk/bwf str	875 @ 120.25
1 bwf str	470 @ 160.50	2 blk str	838 @ 120.00
2 w/bwf bulls	523 @ 151.00		
1 bwf str	305 @ 150.00		
2 blk str	520 @ 150.00		
1 bwf str	525 @ 150.00		

#### HEIFER CALVES

1 bwf hfr	375 @ 147.00
1 bwf hfr	340 @ 144.00
1 blk hfr	515 @ 132.75
2 w/bwf hfr	540 @ 127.00
1 char hfr	535 @ 125.00
1 wf hfr	430 @ 121.00

#### STOCKER & FEEDER STEERS

1 blk str	590 @ 150.00
3 blk str	617 @ 148.00
1 blk str	600 @ 147.00
1 blk str	580 @ 142.00
2 blk str	708 @ 140.00
5 blk/bwf str	703 @ 137.50
2 blk str	678 @ 132.50
61 blk/char str	864 @ 128.75
110 mix str	895 @ 127.50
2 bwf str	745 @ 127.00
60 mix str	910 @ 125.85
3 blk str	787 @ 125.00

#### STOCKER & FEEDER HEIFERS

3 blk/bwf hfr	553 @ 134.00
4 blk hfr	655 @ 127.00
3 blk/wf hfr	652 @ 110.00
1 wf hfr	730 @ 110.00
1 blk hfr	720 @ 105.00

#### COWS & HEIFERETTES

1 blk bred hfr	@ 1350.00
1 bwf cow/calf	@ 1090.00

#### 1 red bred cow

@ 750.00
1 blk hfrt 1425 @ 99.00
1 blk hfrt 1340 @ 98.50
1 blk hfrt 965 @ 95.00
1 bwf hfrt 1105 @ 92.00
1 blk hfrt 915 @ 90.00
1 bwf cow 1495 @ 87.00
1 blk cow 1570 @ 86.75
1 blk cow 1675 @ 86.00
1 blk cow 1415 @ 85.25
1 blk cow 1310 @ 84.00
1 rn cow 1615 @ 83.50
1 blk cow 1630 @ 83.00
1 brang cow 1305 @ 82.75
1 bwf cow 1535 @ 82.50
1240 @ 79.50
1 blk cow 1090 @ 78.25
1 blk cow 1610 @ 77.25
1 blk cow 1390 @ 77.00
1 blk cow 1335 @ 76.50
1 blk cow 1335 @ 76.50

#### 1 blk cow

1300 @ 76.25
1 blk cow 1405 @ 76.00
1 bwf cow 1335 @ 75.75
1 bwf cow 1405 @ 75.50
1 wf cow 990 @ 75.00
1 blk cow 1255 @ 74.75
1 blk cow 1280 @ 74.50
1 blk cow 1340 @ 74.00
1 limo cow 1065 @ 73.50
1 blk cow 1045 @ 73.00
1 blk cow 1060 @ 72.75
1 bwf cow 975 @ 72.25
1005 @ 71.50
1 limo cow 995 @ 70.00
1 red cow 1115 @ 69.50
1 bwf cow 920 @ 65.50

#### BULLS

1 char bull 2065 @ 95.00
1 blk bull 2255 @ 95.00
1 blk bull 1575 @ 92.50
1 blk bull 1650 @ 92.00

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