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## Upton Lecture panelists deal with beef production from farm to fork

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

The 2016 Upton Lecture Series was held Monday, April 25, sponsored by Food For Thought, a Kansas State University student organization dedicated to bridging the gap between agriculture producers and consumers. For the first time, the event featured a panel rather than an individual speaker. Farm-To-Fork Beef Production was the subject of the panel discussion that included Mark Harms, Lincolnville, who owns and operates Harms Plainview Ranch, a Red Angus and Charolais seedstock operation; Todd Allen, president of Cargill Cattle Feeders; Ann Brackenridge, director of Value-added Protein Beef Research and Development for Cargill; and Chef Alli, speaker and brand diplomat for agriculture organizations. The discussion was moderated by *Agriculture Today* producer Eric Atkinson.

Topics ranged from public perception issues, organic production and the use of technology to sustainability and animal traceability, as the panel not only took questions from Atkinson and the audience, but occasionally turned the tables and posed a few questions of their own to the students in attendance.

On the subject of the most pressing public perception issue currently facing the meat industry, Harms and Allen agreed that the use of antibiotics looms large.

"A lot of it is lack of understanding or fear itself," Harms stated. "If we don't know any different, a lot of times we will believe the first thing we hear on a topic. The responsible use of antibiotics is important to me as a producer. I don't use them because it feels good or because I want to add more expenses to my operation. There's a very sensible reason for using them and that's



Agriculture Today host Eric Atkinson, left, moderated the panel discussion at the 2016 Upton Lecture Series. Panelists included, seated from left: Mark Harms, Ann Brackenridge, Todd Allen and Chef Alli, each representing their segment of the beef industry as it relates to meat production from farm to fork.

Photo by Donna Sullivan

to protect the health and welfare of the livestock we produce." He added that helping consumers understand the protocols that are used would go a long way towards easing some of their fears.

Cargill recently announced a goal of a 20% reduction in antibiotic use and Allen acknowledged the pushback within the industry on the lack of solid proof that antibiotic use is causing bacterial resistance. "We can debate that a lot, there are a lot of unknowns around the subject," he said. "But the reality today is that horse is already out of the barn." He believes the opportunity to simply educate the consumer on the safety of antibiotics is more or less gone and the

issue now is how those involved in producing proteins can reduce the use of antibiotics in a way that will sustain the production systems efficiently and effectively from an economic perspective. "Pharmaceutical companies understand they have a target on their back around antibacterials," Allen said. "We're going to pay somebody a lot more to help us not use antibiotics than we're paying today to use them. They get that and they're working on it."

As the average consumer struggles to understand the differences between organic, natural and conventionally raised foods, so did some of the students express a bit of confusion. Both Bracken-

ridge and Chef Alli emphasized that nutritionally speaking, all the production methods are the same. From a food safety standpoint, Allen brought up the topic of hormones in food. "One of the technologies that falls under the dark cloud is the use of hormone implants in cattle," he said. To illustrate, he explained how a sixteen-ounce steak from an animal that has been implanted with an estrogen implant has three nanograms of estrogen while one without the implant has two nanograms. While that 50% increase between the two might alarm consumers, he pointed out that a jar of peanut butter has 4500 nanograms of estrogen. "Sometimes the fear mon-

gers and the internet has led people astray," said Allen. If you'll simply spend two minutes doing a little research, you'll find out how ridiculous some of it is." With that knowledge, Allen says he won't spend the extra money to buy organically produced food, although he believes people have the right to make that choice if they want to. "Cargill believes in those choices and we have a full spectrum out there on the shelf." He told how the company's marketing people are always asking why they can't take out the hormones, antibiotics and beta agonists. "We can take out every one of those things," he said. "In fact, it's available today. It's

called All Natural. It's just going to cost you \$20 instead of \$10. They say, 'We can't afford that,' and I rest my case."

Chef Alli emphasized the importance of using the digital platform to reach urban consumers. "Those people spend a lot of time commuting and so are on their devices," she explained. "So that's why telling a digital story and blogging and things like that is super-important." In running her analytics for last year, she discovered that through her blog and other digital mediums, she had reached two million people with her messages promoting agriculture.

Harms agreed that social media is one of the best ways to reach a consuming public that has no desire to be lectured and probably won't take the time to read up on a subject. "With the exponential growth of re-tweeting something or putting something on the Internet, you have the greatest position in getting that message out," he said.

"We are probably late getting to the party," Allen said. "In today's world you have minutes, maybe hours to respond to a negative attack, rather than days, weeks or months like we used to twenty years ago." He pointed to the Pink Slime debacle where Lean Finely Textured Beef became the focus of negative attacks. "A perfectly safe, nutritious product was destroyed in a matter of hours, basically," he said.

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## 5th annual Spring Crank Up! Tractor Show held in Alta Vista



Ag Heritage Park, Alta Vista, hosted its 5th annual Spring Crank Up! Tractor Show, Saturday, April 16th. The Parade of Power was led by Kirby Zimmerman driving his 1949 Farmall H, a tractor that belonged to Ag Heritage Park founder Everett Zimmerman. Riding in the trailer advertising the day's events were Sheila Hill, her daughter Ashley Brown and grandson Porter, and Cindy Zimmerman with granddaughter Lexi Wyrill. Thirty-four tractors, several stationary engines and a vintage sawmill added to the 40-plus tractors and exhibits always on display at the Park. A drawing was held for the featured barn quilt at 4:00 that afternoon, with the winner being Ron Otney of Barnes.

Courtesy photo



## Goodbye Lorna Doone

By John Schlageck,  
Kansas Farm Bureau

"Goodbye, sweet girl - it's time to go," I said looking into those eyes that showed love, devotion and friendship. My eyes and those of son, Ben, overflowed with tears.

We were taking our beloved Sheltie, Lorna Doone, to the vet. This was her last ride.

Weak and failing, she couldn't jump into the SUV

any more. Gone were the days when that graceful blur of brown, black and white fur bounded into the back seat with ease. On this day, I gently placed her in the seat next to my son.

Lorna Doone loved to ride in cars. She'd bark and bark when we asked, "Do you want to go for a ride?"

Once in the car I'd quickly roll down the window so she could stick her head out and take in the fast-flowing

air.

My family enjoyed 17 wonderful years with Dooney. She retrieved tennis balls, Frisbees, hedge apples - about anything round she could fit into her mouth. Our sweet girl never knew when to stop fetching and only when we ceased throwing would this wonderful game end. When the small walnuts dropped from our giant walnut trees, Lorna heard them hit the ground, smelled them out and brought these little marble-sized nuts to us. She expected us to play fetch with them.

She loved to chase squirrels in our yard and kept these little rodents running for their lives. As they scolded her from high above in the trees, she barked her

disapproval of them trespassing in her domain.

Lorna smiled all the time. We referred to her as the happiest dog in the world. When she wagged her tail her whole rear end moved.

Our Sheltie served as a constant companion throughout my son's childhood. Having arrived in our household a full year before Ben, she always tried to dominate her younger sibling even when he grew to be a teenager and towered above her.

Dooney bossed Ben and growled at him whenever she believed he interfered with her playful activities.

She assumed the role of scout that trotted out front when the boys explored the woods surrounding our house. Like a horse, she pulled the small wagon filled with Ben's toys.

Lorna also barked incessantly when it was time for her to eat. With a built-in clock that rivaled any

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A couple of weeks ago we celebrated Earth Day. Yes, I know it was a couple of weeks ago and I am finally getting around to writing about it. No one ever accused me of being quick or timely. While I may have missed the holiday by a couple of weeks I do think it is worthy of mention. I know Earth Day has been hijacked by so called environmental activists and has a negative image for those of us in farming and ranching.

I would propose to you that Earth Day should be one of our biggest holidays in the realm of agriculture. I have long said that no occupation is more concerned about the environment than those of us who make our living growing food and fiber. We are the world's best environmentalists and we should be proud of it and take ownership of the title. We have utilized technology to employ techniques such as no-till. We have installed buffer strips, terraces and other structures that protect our soil and water.

Increasingly it seems as though we are under attack about not doing enough to protect our water, soil and air. I suppose we could always be doing more but it does seem as though we are going above and beyond to protect the natural resources entrusted to our care. Our farm and ranchlands have been the focus of conservation efforts but recently I have wondered if our focus maybe should shift in a different direction.

I am blessed (or cursed) to live in one of the areas with the fastest population growth rate in our state. Economic development is a good thing but it does make me wonder. One of Tatum's best friends lives in a new subdivision and recently when I went to pick her up at her friend's house a thought hit me.

The subdivision was built on very marginal farm ground. More often than not it did not produce a crop, the land was too sandy and the crops either burned up from a lack of moisture or did not produce enough to cover the cost of planting them even in a good year. When the housing development started going up I thought it was a good place to grow houses. It probably still is but a couple of things occurred to me.

First, we turned very marginal dry land, crop acres into highly irri-

gated grasslands. Every lawn that I saw had several sprinklers going on newly seeded lawns. I wonder how many acre-feet of water we are committing to the perfect lawn, how many gallons of water are we using now that were not used before? Second, how much more fertilizer is being used on those acres in an attempt to get that grass growing? I will guarantee it is more than any of us in farming would put on them, especially grass acres.

I also noticed quite a bit of erosion from the newly built houses. Much of it was because the soil was disturbed and did not have any vegetative cover to protect it. Previously the fields had been terraced and the soil loss was much less. Some of this current soil loss is because the runoff was much greater. Hard surfaces such as roofs, driveways and patios do not soak the precipitation up like the farmland that had once been there.

Finally, I saw many pets running in the neighborhoods or in outdoor kennels. There is no way to put this delicately but they do defecate and it does have to go somewhere. Most often I would imagine it washes away with the rain, down the drainages and out into our creeks, rivers and other watersheds. I know your dog isn't very big, but it all adds up.

Am I saying the housing development is a bad thing? No, development is a touchy subject but I think most of us would agree that in the long run it is good for the economy. Am I trying to pit us against our urban cousins? Absolutely not, the last thing we need is to get in a debate over who should do more. We will lose that debate because of sheer numbers (Well, we will lose until they all get hungry). What I am saying is that we need to look at this issue with the same lens we look at ag lands.

In the end analysis, we all have a lot at stake in the preservation of our air, soil and water. It is something, we as ag producers do a great job of and should take great pride in. This is what I propose next year we should celebrate Earth Day by helping everyone understand that they can do their part to help protect the resources we all share. After all, we are all in this together.

## Prairie Ponderings

By Donna Sullivan

A while back I wrote about establishing a Bureau of Common Sense that all policies must pass through before being enacted. As long as we're at it, I have another idea. How about establishing the "Island for the Easily Offended?" We live in a time where we all seem to enjoy getting offended and being mad at each other. We're offended by so many things, it's hard to keep track of them all. Truly, it's exhausting. What happened to the days of, "If you don't like something, don't do it?"

When did we stop politely deciding to agree to disagree? How, in an era when diversity is the buzzword, did having an opinion different than someone else's cause you to become public enemy number one? The irony and double standard of it all is mind-boggling.

I truly believe that most people are not that easily offended. Problem is, when you're not offended, you're generally pretty quiet about it, whereas the offended ones tend to make a whole lot of noise.

I have four things that can cause me to get noisily offended. Insult my God, my family, my country or my integrity, and we're probably going to have an issue. Stay away from those things, and we can probably get along. I am a proud gun owner and believe in the right to bear arms. If you don't want to own a gun, no problem here. Just don't try to take away my Constitutional right to do so. I am a proud agriculture producer. If you don't want to consume my product, again, that's your choice. Just don't go around telling people my products are unsafe or unhealthy, because that is a lie. And I hate lies.

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live our own lives in a way that best fits our beliefs and be happy. People might watch and say, hey, that looks like a good way to live, I think I'll give that a try. Or they might decide to avoid our lifestyle like the plague. Either way, screaming and yelling about our beliefs really isn't going to sway anyone.

And for those who simply can't play nice with others and insist on being offended by every single thing that comes down the pike, we have the Island

## Goodbye Lorna Doone

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Rolex, she knew to the minute when it was time to eat. She also stood next to the utility room where her feast awaited.

Guard dog?

Without a doubt. Nothing wandered into our yard and evaded the notice of Miss Doone. She patrolled day and night with razor-sharp eyes. Even when she slept, her super-sonic ears missed nothing. They pointed straight up as did her tail that curled to the right. Her look said, "Enter at your own risk."

How do these four-legged fur balls burrow so deep in our hearts?

It hurts when they go. But when you ask yourself, "Would I give up having known them to make the pain go away?"

The answer remains, of course, "no."

A dog like Lorna Doone, only comes around once in a lifetime. That said, Miss Bea, our new Sheltie, appears to be a worthy com-

panion. Just like her predecessor, she tears up the leaves and yard ensuring her territory remains off limits to squirrels and other rodents.

Seems like a win-win to me.

So, does anybody out there have an island they would like to sell?

Bea also announces the arrival of friends, family, UPS delivery and anything else who ventures near her home. While she's a bit stand-offish at times, she's still a happy girl and we're happy to have her in our lives.

As for Lorna Doone, her memory lingers in our minds. Who knows, maybe one day we'll see her again, listen to the thump, thump, thump of her tail and look into that smiling, happy face.

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He underscored the importance of building relationships with consumers and referred to a quote given in a conference by undersecretary to the Secretary of State Jack Bobo, where he said that in the broad world, if you don't have a relationship, the science doesn't matter. It's irrelevant. They don't trust you. And if you do have a relationship, the science doesn't matter, because they trust you. Allen said that social media is the way to build those relationships. "Build the relationship first, then follow with the science and facts. You can't shove science down their throats."

An audience member

raised the question of livestock traceability and its value to the consumer.

"The value to the consumer might apply more to our export markets," Harms said. There are certain places we can't go with our products because we don't have traceability in place." He added that from the consumer standpoint, and their desire to know the story of their food, if it causes the product to become to expensive, they will likely revert to a product without traceability. He believes much of the reluctance in the industry to implement traceability comes down to the concern for potential liability. "If they can trace this steak back to the ranch where it was

raised, will they be liable if there is an illness outbreak because they produced the steak, even though there would be things along the production chain that could have happened to it?"

While economic incentives might get the ball rolling for traceability, Allen doubts it will get to the level it needs to be unless it becomes mandatory, and added that he had never heard of a single case where a processor traced a liability issue back to the producer. "We are going to continue to hobble our industry going forward if we resist this like we have been," he said. "It's something we're going to have to deal with."

Brackenridge, who lives on a cattle ranch near Council Grove and recently transitioned from a career in food safety, hopes that the stu-

dents will continue to act as ambassadors for agriculture and emphasize that American agriculture produces the safest food in the world. "Knowledge is power," she said. "There are people who are against agriculture, but it's important that you do understand their perspective and listen. We deliver a safe food product every day, and we also expect the consumer to treat that food with respect."

"You have to establish that trust," Harms said. "I think largely our consuming public does trust us. What we do on a daily basis throughout the supply chain is produce a safe product for them every day, because we're feeding it to our families, too. I just want them to know that their trust has been well-placed."

## Beef projections: up and down

Analysts at the University of Missouri Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) have released market outcome projections for 2017 through 2025, and beef projections are mixed.

The institute projects 2016 net returns per cow at more than \$211 per head, declining to about \$85 in 2017 and to more than just \$9 in 2018. However, the projections show annual returns growing from \$10.45 in 2021 to \$98.32 in 2025.

Fed steer prices for all grades are projected to decline from an average of about \$133 per hundred-weight (cwt.) this year to a period low of almost \$118 per cwt. in 2018. From there, prices are projected to increase to nearly \$136 in 2025.

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## Jeannine Colstrom, Osage City, Wins Weekly Grass & Grain Recipe Contest

Winner Jeannine Colstrom, Osage City: "This salad is a little different but is very delicious!"

### CAULIFLOWER CASHEW SALAD

- 1 head iceberg lettuce, torn into small pieces
- 1 head cauliflower, chopped into small pieces
- 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
- 2 cups seasoned croutons
- 1/2 cup cooked & crumbled bacon
- 3-4 green onions, chopped
- 2 cups cashews

#### Dressing:

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Combine lettuce, cauliflower, Cheddar cheese, croutons, bacons, onions and cashews. Set aside. Stir together mayonnaise, sugar and Parmesan cheese. The salad and dressing can be made ahead and combined just before serving. Serves 10 to 12.

#### Leah Giger, Elmdale: RANCH DIP

- 2 cups real mayonnaise
  - 24 ounces sour cream
  - 5-6 green onions, chopped
  - 4.5-ounce package dried beef, chopped or jar
  - 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
  - 1 package dry Hidden Valley dressing mix
- Mix & chill. Best if chilled 12 hours before serving.

Barbara Barthol, Olathe: "Found this in a Jesse James cookbook; tried it and it is good!"

#### CORN IN A SKILLET

- 3 strips of bacon, fry until crisp
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- (2) 16-ounce cans whole kernel corn

Using pan you fried bacon in, (leaving grease in it) place chopped green pepper and onions in it. Cook slowly until onion is transparent. Drain corn and mix in with green pepper and onions. Break bacon into small pieces and sprinkle in pan

over corn mix. Simmer while covered, about 20-25 minutes. Approximately 6 servings.

Sandra Norris, Salina: "I found this recipe on the can of seasoned bread crumbs. It tasted real good and smelled good too!"

#### MEATLOAF

- 1 package onion soup mix
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt
- 2 pounds beef
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 3/4 cup seasoned bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup ketchup

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine all ingredients except ketchup. Mix well and spread into a 9-by-13-inch loaf pan or shape into a 9-by-5-inch loaf in an ungreased pan. Spread ketchup over the top and bake 1 hour and 25 minutes or until a thermometer reads 160 degrees. Let stand 5 minutes then carefully remove from pan.

#### Gin Fox, Holton: CHILI-ROASTED CARROTS

Roasted with chili powder and cumin then tossed with cilantro and lime juice, these carrots are bursting with zesty flavor. Serve them with simple roast chicken or pork.

- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 pounds carrots (10-12 medium), cut into 1/4-inch diagonal slices
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 tablespoons lime juice

Position rack in lower third of oven; preheat to 450 degrees. Combine oil, chili powder, cumin and salt in a medium bowl. Add carrots and toss well to coat. Spread

out on a rimmed baking sheet. Roast the carrots, stirring once, until tender and golden, 20 to 25 minutes. Toss the carrots with cilantro and lime juice. Serve immediately.

#### A couple from Millie Conger, Tecumseh: CROCK-POT ROAST

- 3-pound roast
- 1 can golden mushroom soup
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 onion, sliced or diced
- Salt & pepper to taste

Put roast in crock-pot. Combine all ingredients and pour over roast. Cook on low about 8 hours.

#### CROCK-POT CHICKEN IN A HURRY

- 3 pounds drumsticks
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 packet onion soup mix

Arrange chicken in a slow-cooker. Combine remaining ingredients and then pour over the chicken. Cover and cook on high 4-5 hours or on low 7-8 hours.

#### Lydia J. Miller, Westphalia: "If you like sweet & salty treats, you'll love these bars!"

- 2 cups light corn syrup
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups crunchy peanut butter
- (2) 9 3/4-ounce package corn chips

Combine corn syrup and sugar in a saucepan over medium heat; bring to a boil. Remove from heat and stir in peanut butter. Place corn chips in a large bowl coated with nonstick vegetable spray. Stir in peanut butter mixture. Gently press into a 18-by-12-inch baking pan. Let cool. Slice into squares. Makes about 2 dozen.

## Make way for spring cleaning

MANHATTAN — Warmer temperatures and greener lawns signal the arrival of spring, which means it's also time for spring cleaning.

This activity is dreaded by some and revered by others, but a large portion of Americans will participate in some form of spring cleaning. A 2013 study by the American Cleaning Institute revealed that 72 percent of Americans partake in spring cleaning annually.

With so much to potentially clean, it can be difficult to decide where to start. K-State Research and Extension associate and food safety specialist Karen Blakeslee suggests a popular gathering area — the kitchen — as a good place to get the spring cleaning underway.

"I would suggest starting with the cabinets," Blakeslee said. "Clean everything out. Look for packages that have any damage to them, that are leaking or spilled onto the shelf. Give them a good wipedown with a damp cloth."

Blakeslee added that if those spills are left unattended, there's a good chance they'll attract bugs.

Once the kitchen cabinets are clean, homeowners and renters have an opportunity to reorganize their cabinets. Creating places specifically for canned soups or vegetables can help make cabinets much easier to navigate, according to Blakeslee. Check "use by" dates, and organize them so older foods are pushed toward the front and will be used first.

"There are many types of stacking systems and shelves available, if you have wasted space above the canned foods or packaged goods in your cabinet," she said. "Buy extra shelves, and fill up the

empty space." Another area Blakeslee recommends to clean in the spring is the refrigerator. The fridge can be a tricky appliance to clean because of all of the drawers and shelves.

"Unplug your refrigerator first, and then take everything out," she said. "If you can take the shelves and drawers out, that makes it a lot easier to clean. Always refer to your manual for your appliance to make sure that you're using the right type of cleaning product for that appliance." Blakeslee also recommends vacuuming dirt and dust from under and behind the refrigerator.

While working in the fridge, remember to check the expiration date on baking soda, which can lose its odor control effectiveness over time. Also be sure to check expiration dates on all food items in the fridge, and discard those that are past the expiration date or not safe to consume.

In addition to the refrigerator, it's also important to clean other appliances, especially ones that are used to cook food.

"Don't forget your oven and microwave," Blakeslee said. "Clean these appliances as you go, because spills are going to get baked on and harder to clean."

Something that is often forgotten is the grill. Grills can collect a lot of food residue, and if not cleaned regularly, can affect the taste of food cooked on the caked surface.

"Take a look at the inside of your grill. If you can take the grill plate off, you can soak it in some soapy water to try to get some of that burnt food off," Blakeslee said. "After you've taken the food off the grill, let it burn a little longer, and that helps burn off the food residue. Use a wire grill brush to help clean grill grates."

Remember that spring cleaning activities don't have to only take place in the spring. Spread these tasks out over a few weeks, she said. These suggestions are most effective when done regularly and not just in the springtime.

More information about food safety in the home can be found online through the K-State Research and Extension Rapid Response Center or by visiting any local Extension office in Kansas.

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## Guidelines for Healthy Eating – What’s New?

By Nancy C. Nelson  
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Family Life

The USDA released new guidelines for healthful eating in January 2016. Dietary Guidelines for Americans can be summed up by these points:

1. Follow a healthy eating pattern throughout your life. All food and beverage choices matter.
2. Focus on variety, nutrient density, and amount.
3. Limit calories from added sugars, saturated fats, and reduce sodium.
4. Shift to healthier food and beverage choices.
5. Support healthy eating patterns for all.

There are many ways you can eat healthfully, and your cultural and personal preferences can be met.

New beginning for eggs. The egg has long been a

symbol of new beginnings. They are celebrating a new chapter as the revised Dietary Guidelines lifted the limit on dietary cholesterol. For most people, the cholesterol they eat doesn't significantly raise blood cholesterol. Saturated fat seems to be the problem. People often think of eggs as breakfast food, but egg dishes can be a one-pot entrée for any meal during the day.

Most of us engage in the tradition of spring cleaning and organizing, so why not "tune-up" your health at the same time? Stock your refrigerator and cupboards with healthful food for snacks and meals. Schedule time for exercise on your calendar so it becomes a regular part of your day. Let's get moving, and for all participating have a great Walk Kansas!

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## Coping with kids

By Lou Ann Thomas

A well-behaved, curious and inquisitive child is fun to be around. Unfortunately the last few times I've been around children I've been left wondering if there are any kids like that any more.

Over the weekend I had some friends and their two young children out to the farm. Maybe those of us without children have unreasonably high expectations for kids, but I am not without child experience. I was one once, after all. And if I had

behaved in someone's home as these children did in mine my parents would have given me a "good talking-to" along with some serious rules about acceptable behavior liberally laced with consequences for not following those guidelines.

That didn't happen with these kids. If they didn't like something on their plate, they threw it on the floor, which Boone greatly appreciated. Me? Not so much. When ketchup from their over-application of it on their hot dog

dribbled onto their hands, they wiped it on my furniture, even though ample napkins were available. They kicked the bottom of a glass table until I feared it would shatter and insisted on ringing the doorbell so long and frequently that my nerves nearly did.

I waited for the parents to do something, to say something, to step in and correct some of this behavior. When they didn't, I finally had to in order to save my home and my sanity. I don't think it was much appreciated by the parents, but allowing your children to trash and tear up someone else's house isn't acceptable to me. It is, however, difficult to completely blame the children if the parents aren't willing to guide and to teach what is expected of them.

The day taught me that maybe those of us who don't have our own children are ill-equipped to be around other people's for long periods of time. We who don't have children are accustomed to telling a story without constantly being interrupted. We like having our stuff, and ourselves, treated with some respect, and we are comfortable in a life that is pretty simple when compared to the life of a parent. But the day also taught me we don't have the joy of regularly discovering something new through the eyes of a child or hearing the enchanted laughter of a young person filled with glee.

Mostly, spending the day with a couple of kids assured me that it was a good thing I slept through the alarm on my biological clock.



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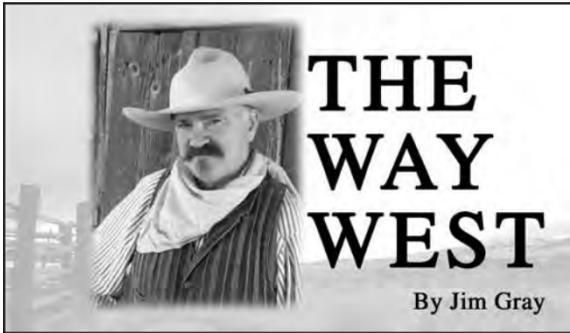
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Wiser was actually an American-born citizen. Born on the farm his parents had carved out of the dense forest in Oneida County, New York, John Phillip Wiser was known throughout his life as J.P. Throughout his junior years J.P. Wiser worked on his father's farm, gaining valuable experience where he was especially suited to buying and selling cattle. By his twentieth year J.P. became a clerk in the dry goods and general merchandise firm of his grandfather, Charles P. Egert at Gouverneur, New York. Egert owned the business in partnership with another relative, Amos Averill. J.P.'s livestock skills proved useful to Averill & Egert, who also operated a distillery and dealt extensively in the cattle trade. He pur-

## Government support needed, not opposition

Low commodity prices, tightening credit, expensive land and rising costs for expenses such as seed and fertilizer will lead to financial losses for many farmers and ranchers this year, Illinois Farm Bureau president Richard Guebert Jr. told a House subcommittee April 27.

Testifying on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) and the Illinois Farm Bureau, Guebert encouraged Congress to help farm and ranch families endure what observers agree will be a difficult year. He said Illinois farmers who produce row crops have been hit hard along with the rest of the farm economy.

"Over the last 18 months we have seen our working capital erode over 25%," Guebert said. "Our equity is fading into the sunset. Indexed to inflation, the economic return for Illinois farmers after accounting for family expenses is currently at its lowest level since 1972. All of this has proven to be a very steep learning curve for a new generation of younger and less experienced farmers who entered the business when times were better."

chased cattle throughout northern New York state for several years, eventually becoming the general manager for Averill & Egert.

At the distillery Averill experimented with feeding the distillery wastes to his cattle. J.P. assisted. That led to the purchase of a distillery across the St. Lawrence River at Prescott, Ontario, Canada. J.P. was put in charge of operations. Despite an economic depression the business prospered under J.P.'s guiding hand. In 1862 J.P. and a cousin purchased the Canadian distillery. The partnership continued for only a couple of years. Following a large fire that destroyed much of the distillery his cousin returned to New York.

J.P. used the fire to his advantage by upgrading his operations. Capacity in the distillery was increased and new barns allowed him to handle up to two thousand head of cattle. J.P. was

building a dream empire.

By 1871 J.P. Wiser was the third largest distiller in Canada. To J.P. his recipes were not just whiskey but, "the mingled souls of rye and corn." J.P.'s motto was "Quality is something you just can't rush."

J.P.'s extraordinary success in his distillery and beef business allowed him to invest in pure bred livestock. Prominent in both horse and cattle circles, his stock farm became a showplace of considerable reputation, reflecting the highest quality that became a standard in everything J.P. set out to accomplish.

By 1880 J.P. turned his attention to the prairies of Kansas. Through the H.E. Norton & Company real estate agency at Emporia he began to purchase tracks of land in northern Lyon County and southern Wabaunsee County. J.P.'s oldest son, Harlow, was given much of the responsibility for the Kansas venture. Harlow was described as an engaging young athlete with a "magnificent physique." He was well suited for the outdoor life of a cowboy and was often described in newspapers at the head of a herd of wild cattle.

With additional investments in ranching interests in southwest Alberta, Canada, the entire scope of J.P. Wiser's cattle interests became mammoth by any standard of measure for the time period. His Dominion Cattle

Company, Ltd. was backed by capitalist investors out of Montreal. As part of the Cherokee Strip Live Stock Association, Dominion claimed a large lease of grazing land from the Cherokee Nation south of the Kansas border on reservation land known as the Cherokee Outlet.

Meanwhile, the September 27, 1883, *Emporia Weekly News* noted that "J.P. Wiser, of Prescott, Ontario, president of the Dominion Cattle Co, arrived in Emporia Monday." The development of the Kansas ranch north of Emporia began to attract considerable attention by the summer of 1884. The overall improvements under construction at the ranch were said to represent an expenditure of thirty thousand dollars.

Boasting an operation of over seven thousand acres of "beautifully undulating grazing land" the Emporia ranch was J.P.'s American

showplace. That is until the Kansas Legislature passed a series of laws affecting legal ownership of land by non-residents of the state. As a Canadian citizen, Wiser was forced to sell his prairie paradise. Eventually divided into smaller acreage, memories of the grand Wiser ranch would have been lost had its stories not been whispered on the

prairie breeze that they might return in another time on The Way West.

"The Cowboy," Jim Gray is author of the book *Desperate Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier and Executive Director of the National Drivers Hall of Fame*. Contact Kansas Cowboy, P.O. Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058 or [kansascowboy@kans.com](http://kansascowboy@kans.com)

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# Kansas represented at Women Connected conference

The American Angus Auxiliary's biennial event traveled to Wooster, Ohio, April 2-4.

Five Kansas women recently attended the third Women Connected conference hosted April 2-4 at the Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) brand's Education and Culinary Center in Wooster, Ohio. They joined a progressive and enthusiastic group of 36 women from 17 states, who came together to share their ideas, knowledge and passion for raising

Angus cattle.

Attendees from Kansas were: Lynne Hinrichsen, Westmoreland; Anne Lampe, Scott City; Missy Cozzitorto, Lawrence; Wendy Flory, Baldwin City; and Tonya Theis, Leavenworth.

"The main goal of Women Connected is to provide an opportunity for participants to network with other Angus women with a common bond," said Women Connected Chair Anne Lampe. "In bringing these women

together, we hope to educate them, help them engage with one another and empower them to meet their goals."

To kick off the conference, Lampe welcomed attendees to Wooster, Ohio, and they heard comments from American Angus Auxiliary president Shally Rogen, Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) marketing director Deanna Walenciak, American Angus Association CEO Allen Moczygemba and Angus Foundation president Milford Jenkins. The

evening closed with singing, dancing and entertainment provided by cattlemaster and Auxiliary member Cara Ayers of Sweet Home, Ore.

The "Brand Champion Chopped Competition" was a main event on April 3, where participants were assigned teams and given a mystery basket of ingredients — including CAB® as the main course. Six teams of women took on the Education and Culinary Center's state of the art kitchen, and participants voted for their favorite meal.

Attendees also had the opportunity to explore and shop at The Pine Tree Barn and visit Troutman Vineyards, located just outside Wooster.

On the final day of the conference, CAB president John Stika and vice president of marketing Tracey Erickson spoke about the CAB brand and the many moving parts associated with the industry's largest branded beef program. The women also toured CAB Headquarters, led by CAB meeting planner Danielle

Foster, and took part in sessions with Amanda Barstow, director of legal affairs, and Margaret Coleman, director of digital marketing.

The Women Connected conference is funded by the Angus Foundation, and attendees are responsible only for their travel to and from the conference location. Women interested in attending must fill out an application to participate.

The next Women Connected conference will be held in 2018 in a location to be determined.

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Janae McKinney, McPherson - to study Ag Communications at Kansas State

University

Jenna Goetzman, Gardner - to study Ag Business at Kansas State University

Whitney Gutsch, Herington - to study Biological Systems Engineering at Kansas State University

Allison Railsback, Mankato - to study Ag Business at Fort Hays State University

Rachel Bellar, Howard - to study Ag Education at Kansas State University

Brooke McNickle, Stafford - to study Animal Science at Kansas State University

Suzanne Huntley, Phillipsburg - to study English at Fort Hays State University

Kurt Winter, Mount Hope - to study Microbiology at Kansas State University

Michaela Strecker, Mineola - to study Radiology and Nursing at Fort Hays State University

Tyler Phillips, Allen - to study Farm and Ranch Management at Fort Scott Community College

BreAnn Anshutz, St. John - to study Software Engineering at Kansas State University

Katelyn Bohnenblust, Clay Center - to study Ag Engineering at Kansas State University

KGFA received 86 applications that were considered by an independent scholarship selection committee made-up of association members.

Each year, KGFA awards one \$500 Dub & Inez Johnson Memorial Scholarship winner, four \$500 KGFA scholarships and seven \$1,000 KGFA scholarships. KGFA also awards one \$1,000 John Cranor Memorial scholarship, whose winner is selected by the Kansas State University Foundation.

Founded in 1896, the Topeka-based KGFA is a voluntary non-profit, trade organization providing governmental representation, educational opportunities and a wide variety of other services to the vast and indispensable grain and feed marketing system. KGFA's 900 members include country elevators, subterminal and terminal elevators, feed manufacturers, flour mills, grain merchandisers and allied industries such as grain exchanges, equipment manufacturers, insurance firms and railroads. KGFA is proud to represent 97% of the federal or state licensed grain storage in the state of Kansas.

## 2-DAY AUCTION

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SATURDAY, MAY 7 — 9:00 AM

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# AUCTION

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W ice cream scope; wood butter molds; celluloid brass relish dish; M. Horner harmonica; gold eye glasses; Victorian door knocker; Mickey Mouse silver baby rattle; assortment costume jewelry; beaded frame mirror; Swiss music box; cast iron table mirror; 6" covered Indian basket; Toys: (windup trike w/boy, airplane, motorcycle, tractors, machinery, Shirley Temple doll, Fisher Price radio); Glass: 25 pieces Fiesta; vases; 50 pieces Nippon; KPM china pitcher; vaseline pitcher; hand painted plates & cups; Occupied Japan pieces; assortment of good pressed glass; green depression refrigerator dish; pink depression bowl; Fenton pieces; 27 pieces Akro Agate child's dishes; Satsuma eggs; Pyrex mixing bowls; assortment of other glass; china carousel horses; bell collection; cut glass vase; hand painted plates; 1880 German mug; gold plate tea set; silver plate tray; records; Kodak 52186 camera; metronome; violin; copper bed warmer; celluloid dominos; brass pieces; mesh purse; 1923 quilt top; bed spread; lace; Keen Kutter & Texaco letter openers; desktop calendar; Hoosier ginger jar; Lucky Brown shoe polish; Excelsior Springs souvenir; Berry Barb beater samples; Walkers grape juice spoon; Puss-N-Boots child's silverware; Coors beer mugs; Buckeye Rolled Oats sack; calendars (Weather Bird shoes, Hendermarks store Lincoln, Ks, Singer Sewing ma-

chine, Peerless soap, Langstone market, Santa Fe Yarnel Market, 51 Shorty's Café, First National Bank, Madison, Ks); 1963 Winchester & 1965 Western catalogues; cloth lamp shades; sterling umbrella; costume jewelry Christmas tree; Royal #10 typewriter; cast iron stove parts swans; office billy club; wooden boxes; 2 wooden ducks; flat iron; drawing knife; 1880's wash tub; granite lunch pail; kindling box; wooden pick-up sticks; Fraber spice grinder; National wash board; peacock scissor; folding rule; King padlock; mole trap; wooden pulleys; Winchester W13 grinder; apple peeler; Paper 500 early Life & Post magazines; machinery manuals; Frankie Avalon music magazine; early Nebraska Farmers; 1800's hardware receipts; Wallace Farmer; Colliers, Cavalier magazines; assortment good books inc.: Tom Brown, Alger, Bobbs Merrill reader, Billy Whisker, Louis LaMour; many other good books; 1920-45 National Geo magazines; 1970-80 Playboy magazines; assortment of other collectables. Assortment of craft items; TOOLS B & D 12" band saw; 1 hp portable air compressor; Dremel scroll saw w/sander; Dremel tool w/bits; B & D grinder; aluminum extension & step ladders; tap & dye sets; sockets; circular saw; hammers; saws; planes; drills & bits; assortment of other good tools.

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# AROUND KANSAS



A couple of weekends ago, I was privileged to speak to the Kansas Livestock Association meeting for Logan and Thomas counties, and the next day to speak to the Kansas chapter of the Western Music Association meeting at the Prairie Rose Chuckwagon in Benton. On the surface, two very different groups, but in reality, with very similar values.

Matt Teagarden, KLA's CEO, and Ryan Higbie, director of marketing and membership, drove out from Topeka for the camaraderie and to share news. While there was the usual stuff about keeping an eye on the legislature (that's a full-time job!), the big news was the

wildfire in Comanche and Barber Counties. Nearly 400,000 acres were scorched—destroying hay reserves, fences, barns, homes, and other personal property. While there was no loss of human life, thankfully, the stories of livestock affected by the fires have been heartbreaking. Matt and Ryan both shared stories of the KLA's leadership in those counties in identifying needs and overwhelmingly responding to them. Hay arrived by the truckloads, and the response continues.

The Kansas Livestock Foundation has created a fund for wildfire relief and deductions are tax deductible. Also, a limited se-

ries of signed and numbered prints of the original painting, *A Walk Through Henry's Dream*, created by Dr. Eva Gardiner, Ashland, are for sale. All proceeds from the sale of the prints will be donated to the KLF's wildfire relief fund.

Dr. Gardiner created the painting as a thank you to Dr. Dan Thomson, commemorating his keynote presentation at the opening of the Henry & Nan Gardiner Marketing Center in April. After many in the audience of more than 600 expressed an interest in the painting, Drs. Thomson and Gardiner generously decided to offer the limited edition prints in support of the Wildfire Relief efforts on behalf of Thomson and Gardiner Angus Ranch.

The gallery quality prints are \$200 each and will be shipped upon receipt of payment. All funds collected will go to affected ranchers. Visit [KLA.org](http://KLA.org) for details on how to order or contribute.

Wherever I go around Kansas, folks ask me about Dr. Dan, host of *AGam's Doc Talk*. I don't have to tell

them what a great guy he is, in addition to being an amazing veterinarian and educator. He proves it all the time.

My talk to the KLA that night was about the army and cattle on the Great Plains in the 19th Century. It was a fascinating topic to research and I am fortunate to have among my friends many fine historians on whom I can call at any hour for help, most notably Rod Beemer. Many of you know Rod from his tractor books, thoroughly researched histories of the equipment that was a part of our everyday lives. Two of his books that are must-haves are: *The Deadliest Woman in the West* (it's about the weather, folks!), and his brand new bestseller, *Notorious Kansas Bank Heists*. Fascinating works!

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The next day, Dr. Jake and I headed to Benton to the Prairie Rose Chuckwagon. I had the occasion to visit with my friend Roger Ringer, who lives near Medicine Lodge and as a former fire fighter, was affected in so many ways not only by the

loss but by the incredible outpouring of love and support to the communities.

Roger was just one of my talented friends present for the Western Music Association's meeting and jam session. Orin Friesen, of course, manages the Prairie Rose and leads the house band, the Prairie Rose Rangers. Ron Wilson is a regular on *Around Kansas* with his always clever cowboy poetry. Jeff Davidson is a partner in another project I am working on. Jim Farrell and Martha Slater Farrell, one of the most talented couples I know, have crossed my history path many times. So many other talented people, like Del Shields (RFD TV fans will recognize Del as the co-host of *Best of America by Horseback*); I fear I can not name everyone but this handful of folks demonstrates what a quality group this is.

There is some crossover in membership among these groups, of course, but beyond that, there is a profound commonality in the general membership – core values. The farmers and ranchers of the Kansas Livestock Association profoundly care about their profession and their fellow farmers and ranchers. Likewise, the members of the Western Music Association celebrate that same culture, the same values, and many of its practitioners are also farmers and ranchers.

I felt privileged to be in the company of all of them.

Deb Goodrich is the co-host of *Around Kansas*, the Wednesday feature of *AGam*. Episodes are archived online at [aroundkansas.com](http://aroundkansas.com). For sales questions or story ideas, contact her at [author.debgoodrich@gmail.com](mailto:author.debgoodrich@gmail.com).

## K-State to host BIF Annual Meeting and Research Symposium; registration now open

Registration is now open for the 2016 Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Annual Meeting and Research Symposium. Themed "Progress on the Prairie," this year's event will be June 14-17 in Manhattan, and headquartered at the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center.

Early registration deadline is May 15. Attendees can save \$100 by pre-registering. Online and pdf registration options are available at <http://www.asi.k-state.edu/events/2016bif>.

This year's BIF symposium features two and a half days of educational programming and a full day of tours. The first morning's general session — "Opportunities for the Beef Value Chain: Can we become more coordinated and more profitable?" — will feature Ted Schroeder and Glenn Tonsor, Kansas State University (K-State); John Stika, Certified Angus Beef (CAB) LLC; Brad Morgan, Performance Food Group; and Keith Belk, Colorado State University (CSU). The second day's general session, "Protecting producer profit for the future," will include David Lalman, Oklahoma State University; Chip Ramsay, Rex Ranch; Mark Enns, CSU; and Clay Mathis, King Ranch Institute for Ranch Management.

The afternoon breakout sessions will focus on a range of beef-production and genetic-improvement topics. The conference also

features a Young Producer Symposium on Tuesday afternoon, designed to network and equip young cattle producers with essential knowledge as they grow their role in the business.

For more conference details, including registration information, complete schedule and lodging information visit <http://www.asi.k-state.edu/events/2016bif> or contact K-State hosts

Bob Weaver, [bweaver@ksu.edu](mailto:bweaver@ksu.edu), 785-532-1460; or Lois Schreiner, [lschrein@ksu.edu](mailto:lschrein@ksu.edu), 785-532-1267.

Each year the BIF symposium draws a large group of leading seedstock and commercial beef producers, academics and allied industry partners. The attendance list is a "who's who" of the beef value chain, offering great networking opportunities and conversa-

tions about the issues of the day. Program topics focus on how the beef industry can enhance value through genetic improvement across a range of attributes that affect the value chain.

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**REAL ESTATE AUCTION**

**TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016 — 7:00 PM**

Auction will be held in **Glasco Senior Center, GLASCO, KANSAS**

**Legal Description: SE ¼ 9-8-4 Cloud Co. KS**  
The farm is located on the NW corner Deer & 90th Road (Highway 24 & Delphos corner) east of Glasco, Kansas. There are 158.03 acres with 103.48 acres crop, 54.46 grass. The bases are 55.3 acres wheat, 50 bu yield, 21.0 acres grain sorghum, 96 bu yield, 7.3 acres soybeans, 39 bu yield, for a total base of 83.6.  
Seller will pay ½ 2016 taxes based on 2015 taxes. 2015 taxes were \$1,682.24.

**Possession:** Possession will be after 2016 wheat harvest on land planted to wheat. Seller will retain landlord share on 2016 wheat crop. Possession of grass will be upon closing. Water & mineral rights pass with the land.

**Terms:** 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before June 20, 2016. Down payment will be escrowed with Mitchell Co. Abstract. Escrow fees will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser.

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1964 Chevrolet Impala 2 door convertible, body good, new motor, transmission & brakes; 1966 Ford T Bird 428 engine, runs; assortment of Mustang parts; assortment car parts; engines; 1984 Cimmaron ski boat; 24' Wellcraft boat Mercury Cruiser motor w/living area; Ford 9N tractor, 3 speed, 3 point; loader for Ford tractor; Land Pride 3 pt. 6' blade.

**TOOLS, HOUSEHOLD & OTHER**  
5 hp. Upright air compressor like new; Craftsman stack tool box; 90 amp flux wire welder; parts washer; 10" Craftsman band saw; router; sander; planer; Craftsman table saw; bench grinder; 3/8" drill press; 4" vise; impact tools; large assortment of hand tools; floor jack; Handyman jack; gas weed eater; Ham radio equipment (several pieces); dresser base; chest of drawers; octagon table & chairs; end tables; school desk & chair; Nordictac tread mill; Office jet printer; records; pressure cooker; buck saw; gas iron; sad iron; pop out toaster; baskets; yard tools; 2 coaster wagons; wood & wood racks; ammo boxes; assortment of other items.

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# Auction Sales Scheduled

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May 3 — Guns, vehicles, jewelry, real estate, and misc items. Monte L. Ramskill Estate. Wischropp Auctions.

May 4 — Farm equipment of all kinds online at ([www.bigiron.com](http://www.bigiron.com)). Held by Big Iron Online Auctions.

May 4 — Harper County land in 2 tracts held at Attica. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

May 4 — Real estate, 10,000 sq. ft. Strip Mall currently divided into 8 Units held at Junction City for F and L Enterprises, LLC. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

May 5 — Land auction held at Leonardville for Evelyn Davies. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

May 5 — Tools, yard items, mowers, van boxes & misc. at Clay Center for John & Cenith Cowing. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

May 7 — Charity action/garage sale at Wamego for Wamego First United Methodist Church youth ministry program. Auctioneer service donated

by Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

May 7 — ATV, zero turn mower, trailers, wood-working equipment & tools, collectibles, household & misc. at Berryton for Mrs. Dallas (Linda) Burton. Auctioneers: Mark Elston & Jason Flory.

May 7 — Snap-On, Mac, Craftsman, tools & Camaro car parts, household, antiques, boat, guns & coins at Cuba for Ronald K. Kauer Estate. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

May 7 — Cars, tractors, boats, tools, household & more at Salina for Betty Turner. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

May 7 — Tractors, farm equipment, semis, trucks, pickups, stock & other trailers, hay equipment near Osborne for Wayne "Bo" & Carla Wilcoxson. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction & Realty.

May 7 — Tents, blacksmith items, tools, camping items, guns, bows & misc. at Westmoreland for Estate of Don Harris. Auctioneers: Hinrichsen Auction Service.

May 7 — Real estate (3BR, 2BA home), antiques, collectibles, glassware, household, furniture, appliances, tools, shop & lawn items at Council Grove for property of Stella M. Swisher & the late Clyde Swisher. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

May 7 — Tractors, trucks, farm machinery, shop equipment & household at McPherson for Joe Ledell Estate. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt.

May 7 — Auction at Salina for Grant Woodcraft Inc. Auctioneers: Wilson Real

ty & Auction Service.

May 7 — 2010 Ram 2500HD, Crew Cab pickup, farm machinery, hay & livestock equipment, goose-neck trailers, boats, campers, shop equipment & tools, household at Brookville for Diane Hicks. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Co.

May 7 — Antiques, furniture and misc. at Clay Center for John & Cenith Cowing. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service

May 7 — Real estate, tractors, equipment, Model A & Model T cars, vehicle, trailers, carport, guns, antiques, collectibles, shop & misc. at Peabody for Archie M. Riggs. Auctioneers: Leppke Realty & Auction.

May 7 — Harleys, vehicles, ATVs, guns, farm & shop equipment, antiques & welders at Hartford for property of the Young Family. Auctioneers: Sundgren Auction & Realty.

May 7 — Real estate, pickups, Zero turn mower, tools & collectibles at White City for Keith Lee estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

May 7 & 8 — 2 day auction. Furniture & antique furniture, Collectibles, Glassware, Tools, and misc items at Gardner for Ruth & Vincent Miller Estate. Auctioneers: Edgcomb Auctions.

May 10 — Real estate, ranch style 3 BR house in Alta Vista for Elizabeth Moyer Trust. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

May 14 — Automobile, collectibles, household goods, tools & misc. at Beatrice, Nebraska for William B. Rist Estate.

Auctioneers: Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

May 14 — 116.60 acres m/l land sold in 2 tracts held at Eskridge. Auctioneers: Simmitt Brothers.

May 14 — Coins at Portis for Sandy Albert Estate. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction.

May 14 — Shop tools & access., lawn & garden, fencing, machinery, trailers, ATVs, livestock equipment, household at Soldier for Larry J. & Linda R. Savage and consignments by John Patch. Auctioneers: Harris Auction Service.

May 14 — Antiques & collectibles at Salina for Jim & Ladonna Pangrac Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

May 14 — Vehicles, lawn mower, household items, furniture, antiques, collectibles, tools at Abilene for Kenneth & Bonnie Bourbina, Sr. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

May 14 — Consignments at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

May 15 — Antique furniture, collectibles, crocks, art & pictures, toys, glassware, paper items, tools & more at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

May 15 — Farm machinery, portable welder, livestock equip. & misc. items NE of Council Grove for Ken Leiker Estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

May 16 — 160 acres m/l Reno County land held at Abbyville for Frank J. McBride Trust #1. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction & Real Estate, LLC.

May 17 — Sumner County land in 3 tracts held at Wichita. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

May 17 — Cloud County farmland held at Glasco for Mike Loy & David Loy. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

May 17 — Morris County

# AUCTION

SATURDAY, MAY 14 — 10:00 AM

Location: 23605 D Road — SOLDIER, KANSAS

Directions: From Holton, Ks, 13 Miles West On Hwy 16 To D Road (1 Mile West Of 16 & 62 Jct.), ¾ Mile North On D.

## SHOP TOOLS & ACCESSORIES

Central Metal Lathe, 12" Swing w/Tools; Central 4" Wood Lathe; Central Milling Machine; Central 4 1/2" Metal Band Saw; Large Upright NAPA Air Compressor 220v; Rollaway Tool Chest, Top & Bottom; Rollaway Set; Chicago Portable Band Saw; DeWalt Skil Saw, Like New; Central Air Framing Nailer; (2) Milwaukee Sawz All; Craftsman Metal Work Bench w/4 Drawers & 8" Vise; (3) Storage Cabinets 4x5' Tall; 6" Bench Grinder; 1/2" Drive Electric Impact w/Case; Power Steering Pulley Puller; Torque Wrench; Skil 9" Grinder; 4" Grinder; B&D 6" Skil Saw; 14" Chop Saw; Clark Turbo 100 EN 120 Amp Wire Feed Welder; Wards 120 Amp Welder; (2) Cordless Drills; Cordless Sander & Sabre Saw; 4 Ton Port-A-Power & Assembly; 4000 Lb Engine Puller; Acetylene Torch Set w/Bottles; Air Muffler Cutter; Framing Square; Wood Drill Bits, 3/8 Thru 1"; Machinist Vise & Work Bench; Machinist Surfacing Gauge; Machinist Calipers 4", 6", 12"; Machinist Micrometers 1" & 3"; AC Gauge Set; 16 Speed Drill Press; Craftsman Dowel Jig; (3) Sets Screw Drivers; Punch & Chisel Set; Metal Hole Saw 1" Thru 2 1/2"; Socket & Open End Wrenches 3/8 To 1"; Tubing Wrenches 5/16 To 3/4; Offset 3/8 Drive Tubing Wrenches 3/8 To 1"; Offset Wrenches 1/8 To 1"; Combination Wrenches 1/4 To 1"; Number & Letter Stencils; Assortment Of Cotter Keys & Allen Screws; Fluke Bolt Bin w/Assorted Bolts; Fluke Digital Meter; O-Ring Kit; 3/8 & 1/2" Electric Drills; Belt Sander; Electric Hand Planer & Saber Saw; (2) Fender Pads; Air Guns; Right Angle Air Drill; Rotary Air File; Auto Body Tools; Air Body Saw; Air Die Grinder; Ridge Reamer; Reversible 1/2" Drill; Offset Ratchet Wrenches; Montgomery Wards 10" Table Saw; Table Saw Blades; 100 Ft Drop Cords; 150 Ft Air Hose; PVC Pipe Cutter; Wet & Dry Shop Vac; Metric Combination Wrenches 9 Thru 24; Drill Bits 1/16 Thru 1/2; Orbital Buffer; Engine Analyzer; 1/2" Sockets 3/8 Thru 1 3/8; Deep Well Socket Set; (2) 1/2"

Break Over Bars; Swivel Head Ratchet; Detroit Diesel Injector Tool; (3) 6" Vise Grips; (3) Sets Allen Wrenches; (3) Tap & Die Sets; Table Wood Planer; Jigsaw Mounted On Table; Central Engine Stand; Hand Router; Table Router, New; (12) 2x12 8' Long; Air Compressors; Electric Power Washer; 20 Ton Air Over Hyd Jack; 20 Ton Hyd Jack; Antique Drill Press; (2) 6 Hp Gas Engines, New; Pipe Wrenches 4" Thru 24"; Steering Wheel Puller; 3 Legged Puller; Rolls Of Insulations; Assortment Of Electrical Fittings; (5) Plastic Drawer Cabinets; Cement Mixer w/1 Hp Motor; Sears Bug Light; Fishing Poles & Tackle Box; 5 Gal Gas Cans; (2) Halogen Lights; Copper Boiler; (3) Bolt Cutters; Wheel Barrow; Yard Dump Trailer; 6' Step Ladder; Steel Post Puller; PTO Barb Or Smooth Wire Winder; 100 Amp Battery Charger; 7000 Watt Generator w/Electric Start; 48" Portable Fan; Woven Wire Stretcher; Coleman Downdraft Furnace; (3) 6' Looped Nylon Straps; 6' Nylon Strap w/Ratchet; 2 Creepers; A Large Selection Of Misc. Tools Not Listed.

**LAWN & GARDEN & FENCING**  
Country Clipper Jazee ZT Riding Mower 52", 100 hrs, New In 2014; White 28" 2 Stage 6 Speed Snow Blower/Electric Start; Homelite 20" Chain Saw; Fence Stretcher; Barb Wire Fence Crimper; Snapper Rear Tine Roto Tiller; Homelite Weed Eater; Electric Weed Eater; (3) 12 Volt Solar Fencers; Electric Fence Insulators; Electric Fence Posts; Wards Lawn Aerator; Shovels, Rakes, Hoes; Spades & Garden Weasel.

## MACHINERY, TRAILERS TRACTOR & ATVS

JD 4020 w/KD Loader Quick Attach Bucket, Bale Fork, Pallet Forks, 1000 Hrs On Engine Overhaul, All To Be Sold As One Unit, Very Nice; 2008 Polaris 500 4x4, 2000 Miles, 2nd Owner; 1994 Polaris 400 4x4, Snow Plow, 14 Gal Sprayer, 590 Miles, One Owner, Needs Carburetor Work; (2) 5' 3 Pt Blades; 5' 3 Pt Box Scraper; 3 Pt Post Hole Digger w/9 & 12" Augers; (2) 3 Pt 2 Section Harrows; 10' Ez Flow; 3 Pt Bale Spear; Krause 12' Disk w/Hyd Cylinder;

20 Ton Log Splitter w/6hp Gas Engine; Propane Hose Hook-Up To Fill Tractor; Ferguson 3 Pt 2 Bottom Plow, Missing Plow Points; Massey Ferguson Model 124 Square Baler, Good; 100 Gal Gas Tank w/12 Volt Pump; Barrel Pump; Load Trail 8x16' GN Hyd Dump Trailer/Ramps, Like New; Star 20' GN Flatbed Trailer, w/4' Dovetail; Kodiak 6x16' GN Truck Trailer; Old Case Swather (No Head) & Trailer; Seeder For ATV.

## LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

Linn Pipe 20' Adjustable Cattle Alleyway; 5 Blue Bale Rings; Cattle Squeeze Chute; Goat Squeeze Chute; 5 1/2' Stock Rack, Nice; Old Manure Spreader; 2 Hay/Bunk Feeders.

## HOUSEHOLD

Estate refrigerator/freezer, Small; (2) Office Desks; File Cabinet; (2) Fold Up Tables; (15) Folding Chairs; Computer Desk; Antique Sewing Machine; Oak Oval Table w/Captain Chair & (5) Chairs; 6 Piece Patio Furniture w/(4) Chairs; Matching Couch & (2) Recliners; (3) End Tables; (3) Queen Size Bedroom Sets; 3 Piece Sectional Couch; Television; (4) Lamps; TV Cabinet; Stereo Cabinet w/Speakers; Oak Dining Room Table w/(5) Chairs; 59"x78" Oval Rug; Huge Hutch; China Hutch; BBQ Grill, Propane; Big Smoker; Paper Cutter; Rotisserie Oven; Microwave Oven; Stereo w/33 1/3 LP's; Train & Track Set; Antique Floor Lamp; Coleman Camp Stove; 5 Qt Cooker; White Mountain Ice Cream Freezer; 32 Cup Coffee Pots; Copier & Fax Machine; Other Miscellaneous Household.

**Consigned By John Patch (785) 438-2189 Home (785) 741-1408 Cell: 2009 Ford F150 Laramie Ext Cab 4x4, Full Power, Keyless Entry, Heated Seats, Michelin 10 Ply Tires, Tool Box, 77,000 Mi, 2nd Owner, Has Never Been In Mud; 1999 Nortrac 254 FWA Tractor w/Great Bend Loader, 25 Hp, 800 Hrs, 2nd Owner; Great Bend 3 Pt Backhoe, w/Hyd Pump And 12" Bucket, Category 1 (Sold Separate From Tractor) 3 Pt 6" Blade; Miscellaneous Harley Davidson Parts; Car Top Cargo Hauler.**

# REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

SATURDAY, MAY 7 — 10:00 AM

106 E. GRANT STREET • WHITE CITY, KS

**REAL ESTATE SELLS AT 12:00**  
**DESCRIPTION:** Large 2 story house on the south edge of town. Large living room and dining room with a parlor that has been used for a downstairs bedroom. Large kitchen, 1 bath and an enclosed breezeway to the 26'x 47' oversized garage completes the 1st floor. One bath and 3 bedrooms on the 2nd floor. New metal roof and hot water heat. 1872 sq. ft. Lot size, 150'x140'.  
**TAXES:** \$1,395.90. 2015 and all prior years taxes will be paid by the Seller. 2016 taxes will be prorated to the day of closing.

**TERMS & CONDITIONS:** 15% earnest money due the day of the auction. Balance due when merchantable title and Warranty Deed are delivered. Closing and possession on or before June 7, 2016. Property sells in As-Is condition. All Buyer's inspections are to be done prior to the auction. Sale is not contingent on the Buyer obtaining financing. **Broker and Auctioneers are representing the Seller For information contact Greg Hallgren, Broker & Auctioneer at 785-499-2897.**

**MOWER & PICKUPS**  
Bad Boy Elite Series zero turn mower, 37.3 hrs., 48" deck, 725cc, SN BZE-48KT 74001151030, like new; 1950 Chevrolet 3100 pickup, repainted original color, runs good; 1991 Chevrolet 1500 pickup, 350 auto, 204,565 miles, minor body damage.

**ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES**  
Trumpet; misc. glassware; kerosene lamps; steins; die cast pickup & cars; crock bowls; misc. jewelry; CI items; Seth Thomas mantle clock; Linden mantle clock; pitchers & basins; cowboy lamp; radio flyer wagon; metal lawn chairs; vintage football helmet & shoes; large selection of pipes; Mr. Peanut bank; Hopkins split imagine transit; Pittsburg #6 crock; vintage prints; Bausch and Lomb model B Balopticon; metal buckets;

wooden carpenters box, full of vintage wood working tools; primitive tools; Budweiser clock and sign, some damage; Miller light clock, damaged.

**FURNITURE & APPLIANCES**  
Vintage walnut head board & foot board; yellow pine shelf; oak rocker; oak dining chairs; SW sofa; walnut wardrobe cedar lined; walnut dressing table; oak wishbone dresser mirror; oak table; Whirlpool freezer; Whirlpool front load washer & dryer, white; Whirlpool refrigerator; Roper refrigerator; Whirlpool air purifier.

**TOOLS & MISC.**  
Small 10 gallon air compressor 4hp; Craftsman contactors series jointer/planer, like new; Craftsman radial arm saw; Craftsman 10" table saw; Craftsman 12" wood lathe; Rockwell floor model drill press; floor jack;

Makita shop vac; welding table, large; Wilton 5" vise; several bar clamps & levels; lathe tools; hand saws of all kinds; rough sawing walnut lumber; Craftsman belt sander; Snap-On Tool Chest base unit; socket sets & large selection wrenches mostly Craftsman; large C clamps; gear pullers; Craftsman hole saw; Milwaukee 1/2" hammer drill; lead & lead tools; Milwaukee Sawzall; Werner ladder; tin smithing tools; all kinds of pip wrenches; small welding torch; AC gauges; post vise; Sears battery charger; Chicago electric dual mig 131 welder, like new; Meridian 3 wheel bicycle, good cond.; Craftsman lawn sweep; numerous work benches & tables; heavy duty extension cords; shovels; rakes etc.

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# Diagnosing corn production problems

**By Jeri Geren,  
Crop Production Agent,  
Wildcat Extension District**

With warm temperatures forcing winter behind us, the new growing season begins with optimism for this year's crops. Once the corn seed goes into the ground, the potential for a productive corn crop has begun. From this point forward, many factors can contribute to the yield potential and health of the plant. Corn, like all crops, may suffer from a variety of insects, diseases, nutritional and environmental stresses. Careful and frequent observations throughout the growth stages of the plant will help to aid in the correct diagnoses of plant issues if they may arise. Look for these symptoms with possible causes:

**Poor seedling emergence:** First of all, look for patterns. Is there a uniform pattern of skips? Also, look for empty seed coats in holes where seeds were placed due to rodent damage. Insects may have fed on the germinating tissue of the planted seed, especially when cool temperatures

delay germination. Seedlings may have experienced emergence issues if crusting was an issue.

**Wilting and lodging:** Sometimes plants may emerge fine but later die or look poor in spotty or wide spread areas of the field. Root damage may be an issue. Wireworms and white grubs are two culprits who prune roots of new seeded plants. Black cutworms may feed on the leaves, and older larvae can cut plants near the soil surface. Herbicide carry over issues may also be a cause of stunting and poor growth.

**Freeze or frost damage:** Depending on the severity of the freeze, leaves may first appear water-soaked then turn white within a few days. A late freeze will kill the leaves but may recover depending on if freezing temperatures penetrated the soil and had contact with the growing point.

Frost damage may cause some damage to the leaves, but the roots should remain intact.

Discolored leaves or stems: Nitrogen deficiency will cause a pale green or yellowish discoloration. If yellowing is most pronounced in younger rather than older leaves, this could be a sign of sulfur deficiency. Phosphorus deficiency is visible in young plants with reddish-purple leaf tips and margins on older leaves; however, some hybrids and sunny days and cold nights can also lead to coloration similar to phosphorus deficiency. Potassium deficiency is seen as yellowing and necrosis of the leaf margins. If leaves exhibit a whitish band on the side of the midrib beginning at the base of the leaf and extending towards the tip, this may indicate zinc deficiencies.

Frequent field inspections are advised during

stand establishment. In most cases, an accurate diagnosis of problems is more likely if the fields are inspected when the symptoms are readily visible and more clues remain to lead to a correct conclusion.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call me at the office (620) 331-2690 or email me at [jlsgle@ksu.edu](mailto:jlsgle@ksu.edu). To view this or any past articles or radio recordings from the Wildcat District Ag Agents, please visit the Wildcat Extension District website at [www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu](http://www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu)

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land at Dwight for Curzydlo & Thomi. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

May 18 — Farm equipment of all kinds online at ([www.bigiron.com](http://www.bigiron.com)). Held by Big Iron Online Auctions.

May 20 — 240 +/- acres cropland & grass with 2 wind turbines (Lincoln County) held at Wilson. Auctioneers: Farm & Ranch Realty, Inc.

May 21 — Car, trailer, tractor, equipment, horse collections: bits, spurs, hames, collectibles, furniture, household, Budweiser items, vintage toys & misc. at Lawrence for Tom & Nancy Swearingen Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

May 21 — Real estate, 15 acres with a home & personal property held at Elmdale for property of Larry & Carol Kohr. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service, LC.

May 21 — Abilene high school carpentry class 3BR house held at Abilene for USD 435. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service.

May 21 — Tractors, trucks, semi trucks, tillage, irrigation and livestock equipment, shop items at Minneapolis for Rupert Land & Cattle Co. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Company.

May 21 — 4BR, 3BA home, 80 acres at Rosalia. Auctioneers: Select Homes Auction.

May 21 — 234.4 acres of productive cropland and pasture timber. 2 tracts in Rooks County held at Stockton. Auctioneers: J.P. Weigand & Sons Auctions.

May 24 — 9480 acres m/l in 5 tracts of Finney & Haskell counties held at Garden City. Auctioneers: Schrader Auction.

May 25 — 732 acres Flint Hills pasture held at Eureka for Frank N Bills Living Trust. Auctioneers: Sundgren Realty, Inc.

May 28 — Pickup, 4-wheeler, tractor, portable welder, tools, collectible, guns, & furniture, N. of Emporia, for the Norman Thomas Estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

May 30 — Harley Gerdes 23rd Annual Memorial Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

June 2 — 440 acres m/l Jackson County land held at Holton for Adam, Jr. & Ruthann Nocktonick Trust. Auctioneers: Kellerman Real Estate.

June 4 — Real estate & personal property at Minneapolis for Leanna Crist. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

June 18 — Real Estate & collectibles at Waterville for Earl & Helen DeWyke Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016**  
★ 10:00 AM ★

1767 ROAD 20, HARTFORD KS 66854

**DIRECTIONS:** From Madison, Ks North on HWY 99 to Rd 30, east 5 miles to T Rd, south 1 mile to Rd 20, east 1/2 mile.

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**HARLEYS, VEHICLES, ATV:** 61 Harley Davidson FLH — Panhead • 68 Harley Davidson FLH — Shovelhead • 93 Chevrolet 1 Ton Flat Bed • 59 Chevy Viking 60 2 Ton Flat Bed • Honda FourTrax ATV 4x4 350cc. • **GUNS:** Springfield Micro Compact 45ACP • Colt 70 Series 9mm Benjamin Model 342 22 cal • Browning BPR-22 • Sturm Ruger Mini-14 • Chech Army Rifle 8mm Japan Army Rifle 7.7 Carbine • M1 Carbine • Aides 36 cal Black Powder • Winchester Model 70 30-06 • Remington 1917 30-06 • Springfield 1898 • Benelli Super 90 20 Ga • Browning 26 20 Ga Baker Batavia 12 • American Arms Silver 11 12 Ga • Connecticut 12Ga Black Powder. • **FARM & SHOP EQUIPMENT:** JD MoCo 820 Mower/Conditioner swather • NH 846 Auto-Wrap baler Hesston Rounder 5800 baler • JD Rake 640 • Chevrolet 1ton 1993 4x4, flat bed • JD LX188 riding mower, 36" • AC Dozer, HD4 • Big Tex gooseneck 20ft. Flatbed trailer • Grizzley Horizontal Mill/lathe G4016, like new • Grizzley Vertical Mill G9901, like new • Grizzley chucks, bits, heads, digital readouts, oilers, collets, tools, drills, inserts, cutters, bores, edge finder, clamps, table, spokes haves, tapers • Sheet metal machine, 30", G4011 • Metal band saw Duracraft • Cattle cube bunks, metal frame/plastic • 1959 Chevy Viking 60 2 ton truck • King Kutter box blade — 7 foot • 3 pt blade grader, positionable, 8 foot • John Deere Post Hole auger 8" and gear box • Dewalt transit & Dewalt tripod & scale • Saddle • Fishing Equipment. • **ANTIQUES:** Buffalo Forge Metal Kids wagon • Champion Co. Forge & Blower • Toledo Scales. • **WELDERS:** Lincoln Ranger 8 Welder / Generator, diesel • Miller Millermatic 90 wire welder.

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## ANTIQUE AUCTION

**SATURDAY, MAY 14 — 10:00 AM**

Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co Expo, 900 Greeley, SALINA, KS

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES**  
Oak quarter sawn china buffet w/fancy top & claw feet; oak curved glass secretary; oak 2 door flat glass china; oak curved glass china cabinet; 3 fancy high back church chairs from Niles church; oak kitchen cabinet w/frosted glass doors; oak step back kitchen cupboard; mahogany 1 door wardrobe; fancy oak fainting couch; oak commode; oak night stand; 48" round oak table; oak dresser w/mirror; Victrola upright phonograph; oak organ stools inc. 1 w/back; cedar chest; camel back trunk; wicker couch w/chair; parlor stove; wagon wheel coffee table; piano bench; pine ice chest; **Indian artifacts inc.:** (arrow heads, pots, hammer, hand drum, pictures); Amonite fossil; steer horns; Michael Garman western sculptures; 10 gal elephant ear crock Union oval; 5 gal. water crock; 4 gal Coffeeville churn; 2 & 6 gal RW crock; churn lids; pictures inc.: (Leonard Hicks painting, Fox, Lone Wolf, silhouette, Indian, cowboy, others); Fiesta 60th anniversary pitcher & glasses; hair receiver collection; covered dresser boxes; pickle castor; Chez glass collection; hand painted plates & bowls; Shawnee corn pitcher & covered bowl; bird wall pocket; cups & saucers; red glass pieces; glasses; large assortment of other glass; ash tray collection; Knowles & Bradford collector plates; violin bottles; silver pieces; collection of steins many Budweiser; cast iron Budweiser wagon & horses; large collection of liquor bottles inc.: Beam, Esra Brooks, Wild Turkey; ink well's; kitchen clock; IHC Harvester token 1809-1882; Minneapolis high pocket mirror; Solomon high power; Glen Martin memo (1939 Time magazine, 43 Readers Digest, 37 Sat. Evening Post & Life); assortment jewelry; assortment small collectibles; brass bucket; bridle bits inc.: Berry; razors; collector knives; Climax sign; horse collar mirrors; pay telephone; Walrath Motor Gloves brass plaque; cast iron frog ash tray; cast iron safe bank; mini anvil; peanut machine; Winchester plane; scale; IHC tractors; assortment small tins; viewer & cards; bisque doll; Boye hair pin tin; assortment collector plates; ladies hats; purses; patterns; records; Tinker toys; Fisher Price toys; assortment games; Steno Type No 3 machine; magazines; pr. wood-ens cars; glass washboard; M & N Oil thermometer; 16 silver dollars; large assortment of other collectables.

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## AUCTION

**SATURDAY, MAY 14 — 9:00 AM**  
Sterl Hall, 601 N. Rogers — ABILENE, KS





**VEHICLES**  
1922 Model T Ford, 2-door Sedan; 2003 Ford Focus Wagon, ZTW, 4-door, 107,070 miles.

**GUNS**  
Wards Western Field #85, 22-S-L & LR, Semi-Auto; Crosman 140 Air Rifle; Air Rifle B3; Marksman Pellet Pistol.

**FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD**  
Recliners; Swivel Rocker; Lift Recliner; Sofa Sleeper; Wood Rockers w/Cushion Seats; Wood Rocker & Loveseat w/Leather Seats; Oak Chairs w/Leather Seats (4); End Tables; Table Lamps; Desks; Wood Desk Chair; Bookcase; Bar Stools; Round Kitchen Table; Wood Table w/2 leaves; Dining Set w/4 Chairs & China Cabinet; Buffet; Wall Curio Cabinet; Shadowbox; Dresser w/Mirror; Chest of Drawers; Full Size Beds; Samsonite Card Table w/4 Chairs; Padded Wooden Folding Chairs; 4-Drawer File Cabinets (2); Kenmore 18 Chest Freezer; Washer & Dryer; VHS Player & Tapes; Trinitron 19" TV; Stereos; Emerson Stereo w/Turntable in Cabinet; Radios; 8-track Tapes; Portable Heaters; Assorted Fans; Humidifier; Portable Air Conditioner; Dehumidifier; 42" Ceiling Fans (3), New; Bissell Featherweight; Kitchen & Microwave Stands; Microwave; Trash Compactor; Paper Shredders; Montgomery Ward Safe; Smith-Corona Skywriter; Gilbert Adding Machine; Picnic Basket; Coffeemakers; Small Kitchen Appliances; C.I. Skillets; Roaster; Deluxe SS Pots & Pans; Waterless Cooker; Electric Irons; Airopts; Tupperware; Assorted Baking Pans; Cookie Cutters; Pfaltzgraff Fondue; Pfaltzgraff Chip & Dip Bowls; Pyrex & SS Mixing Bowls; Pyrex Plates; Wood Salad Bowl Set; Soup Bowls; Corningware; Marcrest Stoneware Casserole; Colander; Metal Cake Carrier; SS Sorbet Dishes; Wood Rolling Pins; Silverware; Knives; Assorted Glassware; Corelle Dishes; Coffee Mugs; Cheeseball Plate; Glass Cake Plate w/Krome Lid; Serving Tray Sets; Tins; Meat Grinder; Upholstery Fabric; Wallpaper & Brushes; Walkers; Crutches; Wheelchair; Décor; cookbooks; pictures; baskets; bedding; puzzles; Bingo cards; sewing basket; Thermos; metal cooler; smoke stand; books; guitar; harmonica; Jewelry; & More.

**ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, GLASSWARE**  
1912 Ice Box; Wood School Bench; Desk Lamps; Cook Stove Waffle Makers (2); Christmas Decorations; RCA Victor; Glass Egg Beater; Dazey Butter Churn; Decanters; Yellow, Pink & Green Depression Glass; Colony Harvest Stemmed Milk Glass; Vintage Indiana White Milk Glass Daisy/Sunflower Petal Bowls; Carnival Glass Fruit Bowl, Pitcher & Glasses, Vases; Cookie Jars; Tea Kettles; Lead Crystal; Fostoria Glassware, Plates, Cream & Sugar; Fenton Bowl; (2) Daher Decorated More Plates (Made in Holland); Bavaria Bowl w/6 Dishes; English Village — Plates, Bowls, Platter; Sheffield Fine China Coffee Cups; Collectors Glasses — Peter Pan, Military, Holly Hobby, Archie Comic, Looney Tunes, KS Centennial; Cut Glass Vases; Hagar Vase; Frankoma Vase; Ucagco Vase; Cream & Sugar Sets; Corn Cob Plates; Household Institute Pariscilla Gravy Boat; Fenton Bowl; S & P Shakers; Jadeite Green Glass Beaded Hobnail Milk Pitcher; CMI Inc. Chadwick Bone or Relish Plates (12); #3 Diamond Brand Crock; Oil Lamps; Columbia & Victor 33 1/3, 45, 78 Records; Firestone Presents Philharmonic Records; Dachshund Bank; 1930's Comics from Denver Post; A Big Little Books (12); The Big Little Book (3); The Better Little Book; 1937 Ford Truck Reference Book; 1935-1953 Vintage Car Edition Motor Auto Repair Manual; Car Collector Books; Studebaker-Packard Automotive Parts & Accessories Book; Your 1952 Studebaker Champion Book; 1909-27 Model T Obsolete Ford Parts Book; 1930-48 Car and 1932-47 Pickup Book; 1966 Motor's Auto Repair Manual; 1928-31 Model A Obsolete Ford Parts Book; Ford Tractor Operator's Manual Model 8N; 1921-2000 DK County Pictorial History; Nat'l Rural Letter Carriers Assoc. Centennial Portrait; Old School Books; German Books; Old Magazines - Saturday Evening Post, People's Popular Monthly (1921, 1922), The Household Magazine (1925), Woman's World (1920), Farm & Fireside (1921); American Legion 1946, 1948; Old Almanacs; '63, '65, '66 Cowboy Yearbooks; '32 Orange & Brown; Steelbuilt Henry Katz & Co. Junion Steel Air Liner; C.I. Cars — Some Reproductions; Belt Buckles — Hesston, 80th Anniversary Nat'l Rural Letter Carriers Association, Abilene Citizens Bank & Trust; 2x3 & 2x5 48-Star Flags; Monarch Viewer w/Cards; Vintage Post Cards; Polly Prim & More.

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Newborn Troubles

Being born is a traumatic experience! I remember... no, I guess I don't? It's an amazing blessing that we can't recall much about our first days of existence.

That thought occurred to me as I stared over the fence at the prettiest little heifer calf. She was red with a white face and black eyelashes. Her mama was a

black baldy and the previous owner says she'd been bred to a Simmental bull. Sure made a dandy calf.

The week before I'd gone out to move my cows to new grass. At my place that is not as simple as opening a gate. It's more like locking through the Panama Canal!

All the cows, save the aforementioned black baldy

herinafter referred to as SHE-WHO-BELLERS-THREATENINGLY-AND-PAWS-THE-EARTH, were already through gate #1. I was riding Coyote, so I rode up to push her up to the others. She refused and it was then I noticed the new calf hidden in the burdock. Dry, but less than a day old, I figured. Bluffing and dodging, SHE-WHO- had taken her calf down to the creek, waded across it and hid her in the weeds. She stood guard.

I spotted her. Coyote wouldn't cross the creek so I rode back and forth, flapping my arms wildly! SHE-WHO- responded by pawing the mud! I dismounted,

jumped the creek and tried to get near the calf. I'd taken my rope, so I slapped at the calf as SHE-WHO- formed a one-man ox ring around her baby.

Coyote spooked and ran back to the corral. The calf spooked and ran over the top of me, right through my hot wire fence! I chased her afoot across the big pasture, finally turning her back toward the creek which she splashed across. Then she raced up the hill, through a four-strand bob wire fence and ducked down instinctively in the tall grass. I arrived wheezing like a chronic lunger! I snuck up on her and put the rope around her neck. She rose, bawling and

crawled back through the bobwire draggin' me and 30 foot of rope!

I glanced back to see that SHE-WHO- had torn down my hot wire and joined us! I managed to tie the calf to a tree stump, with mother frothing about her. I rescued my horse and called for my good dog to help drive them in. I dallied up the calf and drug the little duffer, fighting all the way, through the corral into the next pasture. SHE-WHO- and the other cows followed as soon as my good dog quit helping me!

The little calf was covered with mud and dust.

Even her nose was dirty. I reeled in my rope, dragging the calf up next to my stirrup so I could peel off the catch loop. SHE-WHO- got in one solid whack on my shin before she took her baby and trotted off.

A week later I'm watchin' the calf suck. Her tail's waggin' and she's getting noticeably bigger. She doesn't remember a thing. But every time I get within fifty feet of her baby, SHE-WHO- wallers her head in the dirt and paws the ground. Wouldn't surprise me if she's packin' a grudge!

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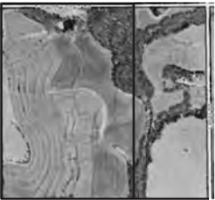
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