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NASS releases cash rental rate surveys for Kansas

Service published their survey on cash rental rates in Kansas for irrigated cropland, non-irrigated cropland and pasture ground.

had cash rental rates above Harvey had rates between

\$160 per acre, Cheyenne \$110-134, and Hamilton, tional Agricultural Statistics County at \$215, Republic at \$199 and Meade at \$169. Counties reporting rates from \$135-160 per acre were Rawlins, Thomas, Sheridan, Wallace, Gove and Finney. For irrigated cropland, of Kearny, Barton, Stafford, Edthe counties published, three wards, Pratt, McPherson and

Stanton, Stevens, Gray and Kingman came in at less than \$110 per acre.

For non-irrigated cropland, the cash rent paid per acre was \$100 or more for four counties, Marshall, Brown Nemaha. Doniphan. Jewell, Republic,

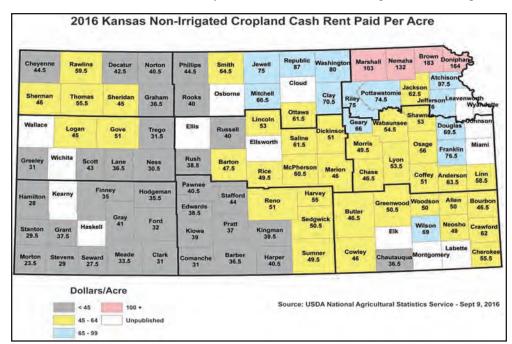
Washington, Mitchell, Clay, central and most of western Riley, Geary, Pottawatomie, Atchison, Jefferson, Douglas and Franklin reported rates between \$65-99. Thirtyeight counties in eastern and central Kansas and Sherman, Rawlins, Thomas, Sheridan, Logan and Gove in western Kansas had rates from \$45-64 per acre, while parts of

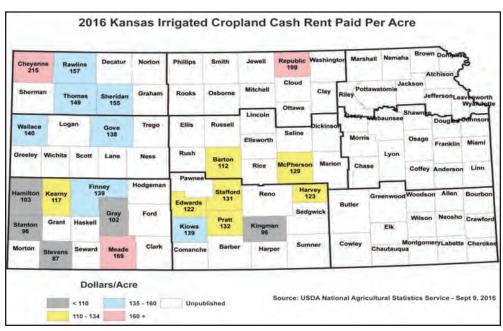
Kansas had rates less than \$45 per acre.

Pasture rent was the highest in Republic, Cloud, Nemaha, Brown, Atchison, Crawford and Cherokee Counties, ranging from \$30 in Cloud County to \$38.50 per acre in Brown County. Grant County had the lowest

rate in the state at \$7.90.32 counties in central and eastern Kansas reported cash rents paid of \$20-29 dollars, 28 counties had rates of \$14-19 and 19 counties showed rates less than \$14 per acre.

Pasture rent map found on page 6





ocal family business has national scope.

By Glenn Brunkow

Can you imagine a mechanic shop so good that you would ship your tractor several states away to get it fixed? When it comes to International Harvester hydro tractors, there is such a place that tractor owners from across the United States and even Canada will eagerly ship their transmissions or even tractors to. That place is Herrs Machine Hydrostatics in Washington.

Herrs Machine, now called a family business with a long legacy and deep roots. Herrs Machine was started by Raleigh's aunt and uncle, Cara and Lawrence Herrs.



Raleigh and Haely Or- Herrs Machine Hydrostatics in Washington is a family-owned business that began in doyne are the new owners of a garage but continues to grow and expand.

This business, with a re-Herrs Machine Hydrostatics, markable reputation and room, four bathroom home great following in the world of hydrostatic enthusiasts. was started by Lawrence and Cara in their garage in 1969. The business was built on the foundation laid by Lawrence's father, Raleigh's grandfather, Alfred Herrs. Alfred had the reputation of being able to fix anything in his shop.

This is a legacy Raleigh is proud to continue in a niche market. "I am just honored to be entrusted with continuing the legacy of our superior work. I take great pride in carrying on the family name with the business." said Ordoyne. Raleigh and his wife Haely moved back to Washington County in 2008 to care for Raleigh's father, who was ailing from the side effects of Agent Orange from time served in Vietnam. Raleigh & Haely purchased a property with a unique setup. The property not only had their personal home and shop, but it also

had an additional four bedand three car garage. With a little vision and motivation, Raleigh and his wife updated and remodeled the additional home and it is now used as

hunting lodge. The lodge houses out of state hunters during the spring, fall and winter months. Raleigh & Haely also own a skilled

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Known as Dr. Hydro, Raleigh Ordoyne and his wife Haely purchased the business from his uncle last Feb-



Tractors from Minnesota and Wisconsin arrive at the shop in Washington.

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Find the facts

By John Schlageck,

Kansas Farm Bureau Lack of understanding and critical thinking on the part of some in the environmental movement has compromised their effectiveness as self-appointed protectors and guardians of our

Whenever we improve our critical thinking skills it becomes easier to see through deception and exaggeration that has characterized the promotions of some environmental organizations and the mass media's coverage of their is-

If we examine the issue of critical thinking, one of the first things we must realize is that correlation is not causation. I know I am wandering into a deep subject. for such a shallow mind as mine, but bear with me.

Correlation means two things tend to happen at the same time. Causation means one thing is known to cause another.

Because two things happen at the same time doesn't mean one is causing the other. We need proof, including a reasonable theory showing the path by which one thing causes another to

Global warming and pollution of the water supply with herbicides for example common environmental concerns - have resulted when correlation of two things was mistaken for causation. To avoid future errors, radical environmentalists must be responsible for proving that one thing is actually causing another to happen.

They just can't say it. That doesn't make it so.

In today's world, much remains unexplained. Cancer is one disease that comes to mind.

This dreaded disease might be due to genetic conditions, nutrition, a health problem in childhood, prolonged stress or a combination of these factors. One day scientists may find a cure for this disease, but that day has not arrived.

Trends don't always predict the future. During the early '70s some scientists predicted the advent of another ice age. During the '80s temperatures increased and some experts said we'd experience catastrophic global warming. The cold winter of 1993-94 prompted a new wave of hysteria about another ice age.

Today's projected cataclysms are the continued fear of global warming and the melting of the polar ice caps. Predictions of resource depletion are another reason for concern. Most of these are based on projections of past trends. Trends only serve as a guideline of past events and cannot document exactly what will happen down the

Another element of critical thinking is reliance on fact rather than opinion. So often in our society, the "squeaky wheel gets the grease." The loudest or most controversial opinion receives the most attention.

This has definitely been true in the environmental movement where claims of upcoming calamities receive extensive media coverage. To make sure experts with a minority view don't mislead the public, seek relevant facts and make up your own mind.

One reason apocalyptic abusers thrive is the general public rarely relies on its long-term memory. People are unlikely to remember a doomsayer's dire predictions of a few months ago, much less ten or 20 years back. We must remember yesterday's false alarms and the people who sounded them if we are to respond to future calls to action.

While few people enjoy risk in their lives, we can't live without it. Everything we do has risk attached even ordinary events like

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Prairie Ponderings By Donna Sullivan

A couple of weeks ago I got to cover a story that helped remind me why I love my job. The news in agriculture has not been pretty for a while now, and many of my recent stories have been filled with some hard truths. It's all important information that you need to know, and I take very seriously my responsibility to bring it to you. But light and cheery reading it has not

But on that Tuesday I headed down Highway 77 to meet Becky and Carroll Walters of Walters' Pumpkin Patch. I knew within two seconds of meeting this remarkable couple that I was about to have a very special experience. Their faces lit up as they spoke of the business they had built. A one-acre patch growing miniature pumpkins for local florists grew to visitors beginning to come to their farm on the weekends and eventually into one of the top pumpkin patches in the nation. When they got started in the '80s, the idea of agritourism was just beginning to gain awareness in Kansas, but that didn't stop them. They made connections, worked hard and dreamed big.

Over the years I've had the privilege to interview other dreamers, innovators and risk-takers, who weren't willing to let the status quo define their future. Don Landoll of Marysville comes to mind. Without an engineering degree, he built a worldclass company out of his own ideas, hard work and sweat equity. For over 50 years that company has continued to grow, manufacturing farm equipment and other products, and providing good jobs in a small Kansas town.

I have great admiration for this kind of people. The odds might not always be in their favor, but rather than stand around wringing their hands and crying, "Woe is me," they go out and make things happen. Do they make mistakes? Of course. Do they sometimes fail? Sadly, yes. But even failure doesn't generally stop them. They learn from it, get up and try again. They don't let the fear of failure keep them from trying.

No doubt things are tough out there right now, and probably will be for a while. But what you do as agriculture producers is so critically important.

> It's hard work... Thankless work...

But hang in there and know you are appreciated.



Once again my sense of timing let me down. Okay, so I really have no sense of timing, especially during harvest season when every day seems just like the last. In short, this was my long rambling way of telling you that I missed National 4-H Week and the opportunity to write about one of the things most near and dear to my heart, 4-H. Not one to let such an opportunity pass, you will now get my 4-H week column one week post-National 4-H

To say that 4-H has played a major role in who I am would be a monumental understatement. I have been involved in 4-H in some form since I started with the Lucky Leven 4-H Club in Pottawatomie County at age eight. Yes, you can join 4-H at age seven but my mother thought I needed to be more mature and made me wait. Thank goodness she gave in a year later or I would never have gotten to join.

My first project was rabbits. Looking back, it was also my most successful and profitable livestock project. Bart, my New Zealand White buck (named Bart because he came from the Bartleys and we name everything after the people we bought them from), was champion that year. I am not completely sure but I think that was the last champion I would have in anything until my last year in 4-H.

I learned a lot from the rabbit project. Responsibility, decision-making and a love for livestock - all life skills that would be with me the rest of my life. I also learned not to give rabbits penicillin, a lesson that cost Bart his life. Out of that I learned about adversity and disappointment; both lessons that would serve me well later on. I also learned to pick myself up, quit crying and get on with life. Also a valuable lesson that served me well many times from then on.

From the rabbit project I branched off into other areas like woodworking. Woodworking taught me that those skills are not genetic, white ribbons are not the end of the world and that measuring and attention to detail are important skills to hone. I also dabbled in the beef project; the highlights were my steers named Mo and Bandy. If you don't get that you were not a country music fan in the '80s. I muddled around in mediocrity in the beef

project but I did find my calling in life and a passion for raising beef cattle.

My final years in 4-H I focused on the swine project. It was easy and Dad sold me a few feeder pigs each summer and let me work off the feed. I learned real world economics from those pigs. One summer I made a couple hundred bucks and the next I barely broke even and that was counting the generous sale premium I got from my fair pig. The swine project did let me end my 4-H and show career on a high note as I exhibited the champion market hog my senior year. I know this because when you win just two trophies in your entire 4-H career they stand out and because the trophy is gathering dust on my desk in the office.

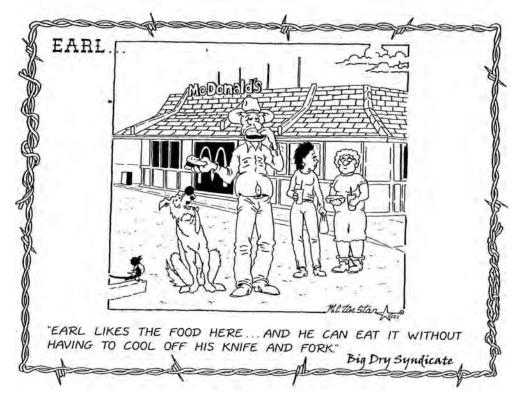
While I may not have had the most successful 4-H career in terms of championships and trophies I did achieve success in many other and much more important ways. 4-H taught me leadership and a passion for community service. I learned to speak confidently in front of groups and how to do so effectively. 4-H taught me the importance of making decisions and being able to defend and explain those decisions, skills that would help me win a livestock judging scholarship and pay for my college degree.

4-H gave me many of my close friends, many that I am still in contact with. It helped me develop a network of likeminded people that I still use to this day. The ability to work in groups and in a democratic system have been instrumental in my work as an adult. I learned parliamentary procedure, something that served me well in future organizations. I expanded and developed my love for animals and agriculture and that has brought me to my current career.

There is no denying that 4-H has played an important role in my life. I have also seen 4-H be an integral part in my kids' development as they go through the program. Many people helped along the way from my parents, my 4-H leaders and my 4-H agent. Each of them pushing, prodding and encouraging me to live the 4-H motto and "Make the Best Better." It wasn't easy being green but it was invaluable.



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Local family business has national scope

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nursing home in Washington, which Haely operates.

Raleigh previously had co-founded a transmission shop in McPherson before returning home. He started working for his aunt and uncle eight years prior to buying the business in February of this year.

The attention to detail is what sets Herrs Machine Hydrostatics apart from the competition. Many of the parts used in the remanufacture are actually better than the original parts and an improvement on the original

design. All hydrostats are put phone after a few questions." and tested extensively.

"When you're shipping a transmission to the east or west coast, it better work." Raleigh stated. Customer service is also a calling card of Herrs Machine Hydrostatics. "We treat people how you would want to be treated. We offer free tech help over the phone. After talking to either Wayne (our service manager) or myself, people really want us to be the one to work on their hydrostats. We have been known to fix

hydrostat issues over the Honeybee workshops offered

answer questions on wide

range of topics that might

include feeding bees in the

summer, controlling pests,

considering plants that help

make the best honey and ex-

panding the honeybee pop-

will be a great opportunity

to ask questions and gain a

greater understanding of

beekeeping. Both meetings

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are also free to attend.

Both of these meetings

ulation

Enthusiasm for beekeeping has continued to expand throughout the area. Therefore, Kansas State Research and Extension is pleased to announce that Sharon Dobesh, K-State bee specialist, is returning to the area. There will be two separate opportunities to attend a bee workshop.

For the first meeting, Sharon Dobesh will be presenting information about Integrated Pest Management (IPM) for honeybees and how to prepare a hive for winter. The meeting will be held at the Cherokee County 4-H Building in Columbus on Thursday October 20 at 6:30pm. The building is located at 114 W. Country Rd Columbus, Kansas on the Cherokee County Fairgrounds. The meeting is sponsored by Farmers Co-op of Baxter Springs and Columbus Kansas and the Cherokee County Area Beekeepers Club. Refreshments will be provided

The next opportunity to learn about the beekeeping in our area will be on Friday October 21 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Sharon will hold a Beginning Beekeeping Clinic at the Riverside Park and Zoo 4-H Building in Independence. The building is located at 1736 North 5th Independence. Street. Dobesh will present information at the workshop for both the novice and experienced beekeeper. She will demonstrate equipment used in keeping bees and follow up with a question and answer period. She can on a specially designed dyno and placed under a full load said Ordoyne proudly.

One thing that hasn't changed is the family connection. His aunt and uncle continue to work in the business on a part-time basis. Cara helps up front in the office and Lawrence works on the diesel pumps and torque amplifier as needed. Raleigh works alongside his family members; Jon Rettig and Chris Herrs who are employed as technicians with additional responsibilities.

The future of Herrs Machine Hydrostatics is extremely bright. In a down agricultural economy Herrs Machine Hydrostatics is a growing, expanding business, adding three new employees in the past six months. They are also looking to expand their facilities because they are running out of space. Raleigh sees expan-

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walking down the steps (falling and breaking bones) or crossing the street (being hit by a truck).

Remember the risk of drowning (16 in a million), or dying in a home accident (90 in a million), or being killed in an auto accident (192 in a million) greatly exceeds the alleged environmental risks being hawked by some organizations.

Throughout our lives we make choices. We must decide between the black pair of shoes and the brown. We must decide on catsup, pickles or mustard on our hot

The same can be said about our environment. We have to choose our priorities. We can't do everything at once. To do so could produce unintended consequences that could harm the world in which we live.

Instead, we must apply the same prudence we

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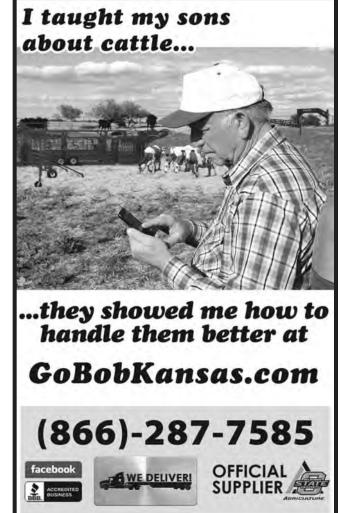
apply to other significant aspects of our lives. The importance of environmental issues doesn't exempt them from this discipline. Their importance makes careful planning and efficiency all the more necessary.

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



more inventory, especially for skid steer hydrostats and combines, in their exchange program. Raleigh sums it up with, "In times like this,

sion in the future by adding many of our customers want to fix what they have rather than spend money on new rear wheel assist motors on equipment. We want to make sure it will last them for many more years."



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Oak curio cabinet w/claw feet;

oak curio cabinet w/lead glass doors; newer oak curved glass china cabinet; marble top coffee table; fish end table; dolls inc.: Holiday Barbie, bride dolls, other dolls; silver plate coffee set; rooster collection; assortment brass items; Chef collection; crocks inc.: 4 gal Red Wing churn, 10 gal Red Wing, 3 gal Birch Leaf.

McCoy Indian & Monk cookie Note: This is an outstanding individual local 40+ year collection. There are many pieces of all collectables. The seller was a professional repairman and collected pottery. Some pieces are original some have been professional repaired. Check our website for pictures www.thummelauction.com.

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Our Daily Bread * * * * * * * By G&G Area Cooks * * * *

Sandra McIntyre, Waterville, Wins Weekly Contest & G&G Cookbook

Winner Sandra McIntyre, Waterville: "Can use this as a jelly roll base and put a filling on top and roll up and slice. Can use any kind of filling: cherry, blueberry, cherry, etc. Apple pie filling you can put some nuts in if you wish.'

ANGEL BARS

16-ounce package angel food cake mix 21-ounce can lemon pie filling Powdered sugar, if desired

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine the angel food cake mix with lemon pie filling in a mixing bowl. Blend until smooth. Pour the batter into an ungreased 10-by-15-inch jelly roll pan. Bake in preheated oven until golden brown and top springs back when lightly touched, 20 to 25 minutes. Cool in the pan. Sprinkle powdered sugar on top if desired (or you can use frosting or Cool Whip). Cut into squares.

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Barbara Barthol, Olathe: "With cooler weather I am back to baking and spending more time in the kitchen. Here are some delicious goodies; have tried them and know others will enjoy them as well."

HILLBILLY COOKIES

- 2 cups granulated sugar 2 cups brown sugar
- 2 cups solid shortening 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 2 teaspoons baking powder 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 4 cups flour

4 cups oatmeal 1 cup nuts

12 ounces chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Cream sugar, brown sugar and shortening. Add egg and vanilla and mix well. Sift together salt, soda, baking powder, cinnamon and flour. Stir into the sugar mixture. Add oatmeal, nuts and chocolate chips. Bakes for 10 to 12 minutes.

> Lisa Conger, Topeka: SLOW COOKER **CUBE STEAKS**

2 nounds cube steak

1 can beef broth

1 can cream mushroom soup

1 package dry onion mix whites and 2 tablespoons soy sauce in a bowl with 1/4 cup You can add small carrots, water. Lay a wrapper on a cut up or very small potaclean, dry surface, and using a brush, spread a bit of egg along half of its circumfer-Mix all ingredients together except meat and vegence. Place a rounded teaetables (if using). Place meat spoon of filling in center, in slow cooker. Pour liquid fold over and seal by pinchover top (and add vegetables, ing edges together (do not overfill). Place dumplings on (if using). Cook on low 8 hours or high 4-5 hours. a plate; if you want to wait a few hours before cooking, Carol Ricketts, Clay Cencover plate with plastic wrap ter, shares the following: and refrigerate. Or freeze, APPLE CRISP for up to two weeks. To cook, 5 to 6 Red Delicious apples put about 2 tablespoons oil 1/2 cup apple juice in a large nonstick skillet 1 package yellow cake mix and turn heat to medium-2 tablespoons sugar high. A minute later, add 1 tablespoon cinnamon dumplings, one at a time; 1/2 cup butter or margarine they can touch one another. but should still sit flat in one

Salt & pepper

toes

(melted)

1/2 cup nuts (optional)

Peel and core apples and

slice into a 9-by-13-inch pan.

Pour apple juice over apples.

Mix the rest of the ingredi-

ents until it crumbles and

crumble over the sliced ap-

ples. Bake at 350 degrees for

POT - STICKERS

3/4 pound ground pork or

2 tablespoons minced ginger

6 scallions, the white &

1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons

1 egg, lightly beaten in a

4 tablespoons peanut oil or

vegetable oil, more or less

Combine meat, cabbage,

1/4 cup rice vinegar or white

green parts separated, both

1 tablespoon minced garlic

35 to 40 minutes.

other meat

minced

vinegar

good soy sauce

48 dumpling wrappers

Gin Fox, Holton:

1 cup minced cabbage

has been absorbed. Add 1/4 cup water per dozen dumplings to pan, and cover. Lower heat to medium, and let simmer about 3 minutes. To make the dipping sauce, combine remaining soy sauce, green parts of scallions and vinegar. Uncover dumplings, return heat to medium-high and cook another minute or two, until bottoms are dark brown

layer. Cook about 2 minutes,

or until bottoms are lightly

browned and most of the oil

sary). Serve hot, with sauce. Lydia Miller, Westphalia: **FUNNEL CAKES**

and crisp and water evapo-

rates (use more oil if neces-

2 eggs

- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 2 cups flour
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

1 1/2 teaspoons salt Powdered sugar for dusting

Combine eggs and milk. Combine dry ingredients (except powdered sugar) then stir the two together until smooth. Fry in hot fat 1/2 to 2 inches deep. To pour it in the fat, hold a funnel with finger in it over the fat. Hold your finger over the hole and release finger in a swirly motion. Fry for 2 to 3 minutes on each side. Having a ring in fat will contain cake in a circular shape. Drain on paper towel; dust with powdered sugar or serve with preferred toppings.

NOTE: If you desire shorter cake, add a little salad oil to the batter, a tablespoon or so.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh: **BLONDE BROWNIES** WITH WHITE CHOCOLATE & **CRANBERRIES**

- 1 1/4 cups flour 1 teaspoon baking powder 1 1/2 cups brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter, melted 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla 1 cup white chocolate chips 1 cup dried cranberries

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8-by-8-by-2inch baking pin with aluminum foil. Whisk together flour and baking powder. Combine brown and sugar and butter in a large bowl. Mix until fully incorporated. Add egg, vanilla and flour mixture and continue mixing until fully incorporated. Fold in the white chocolate chips and cranberries. Pour batter into pan and bake for 35-40 minutes or until edges are firm and starting to pull away from the sides of the pan. Cool on a wire rack for 15 minutes before serving.

Lydia Miller, Westphalia: **PIZZA DOUGH**

2 1/2 cups flour

- 1 package (or 1 tablespoon) yeast
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 cup warm water

2 tablespoons oil

Combine flour, undissolved yeast and sugar in a large bowl. Add very warm water and oil; mix until well blended, about 1 minute. Gradually add enough remaining flour to make a soft dough. Dough should form a ball and will be slightly sticky. Knead on a floured surface, adding additional flour if necessary, until smooth and elastic, about 4 minutes. Pat dough with floured hands to fill greased pizza pan or baking sheet. Or roll dough on a floured counter to 12-inch circle; place in greased pizza pan or baking sheet. Form a rim by pinching the edge of the dough. Continue with making pizza and bake at 425 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes.

Gin Fox, Holton: "I love meals that are in one pot and ready when I get home from

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- 2 pounds of ham, diced
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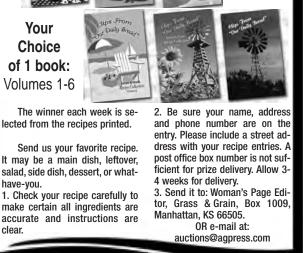
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How Could Your Medicare Plan Change In 2017? By Erin Tynon, FCS Agent Pottawatomie County

Extension Most people do not change their Medicare Part D or Medicare Advantage plan each year, even when they can save money on their prescription and medical costs. I can appreciate that for some people the value of consistency is worth the potential savings. But for many the savings can change from year to year so it is important to analyze vour options.

How are Medicare Part D prescription drug plans or Medicare Advantage plans changing in 2017?

- Your Medicare plan may
- not be offered in 2017, · Your Medicare plan's name may change,
- You may be automatically reassigned to another Medicare Part D plan,
- Your monthly Medicare Part D plan premium can
- · Your plan's Initial Deductible (the amount you pay before coverage) may change,
- Your Medicare plan's prescription drug cost-sharing design (co-payment) may change.
- Your Medicare prescription drug plan may be using preferred pharmacies,
- Your Medicare Advantage plan's provider network may change,
- The medications covered on your plan's formulary or drug list can change.
- Your Donut Hole or Coverage Gap benefits can change,
- Your 2017 Medicare Part D plan may no longer qualify for the LIS \$0 premium,
- · Your Medicare Advantage plan's Medicare Part A and B maximum out-of-pocket (MOOP) limit can change.

Bottom Line: If you do not enroll into a new 2017 Medicare Part D plan or Medicare Advantage plan, you will be automatically reenrolled into your current Medicare Part D or Medicare Advantage plan for 2017 and your 2016 Medicare plan may cost you more money and provide different coverage than in 2016.

The Good News: You still have plenty of time to review your 2017 Medicare plan coverage options during the annual Open Enrollment Period beginning on October 15 and continuing through December 7.

How to learn more about the changes in your 2017 Medicare plan

Your Medicare provider is required to summarize any 2017 plan changes in your Annual Notice of Change letter (ANOC) that you should receive in late September or early October. If you have not received a copy of your plan's ANOC letter, please call your plan's Member Services department and ask your plan to send another copy.

How can K-State Extension in Pottawatomie County help?

Open Enrollment begins October and ends December 7. I am a certified SHICK (Senior Health Insurance Counselor for Kansas) counselor and can help you look at your options and analyze the best fit for you for FREE. Please bring your Medicare card and a list of all of your prescriptions to your appointment. I will be taking appointments at my office on October 21, November 2, 18, and December 7 from 9:00 am until 3:30 pm. My office is located in Westmoreland at 612 E. Campbell. If you cannot make one of those dates call my office to arrange an alternative time, 785-457-3319, or you can set an appointment up by emailing etynon@ksu. edu. I look forward to hearing from all those who need assis-

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Meatballs

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A favorite recipe in our family, these BBQ meatballs are very simple to throw together and taste great with some mashed potatoes and green beans or corn on the side. I would mention something about freezing them (without the BBQ sauce) and making the sauce later when you pull them out to thaw ... But I rather

doubt you'll have any leftovers to freeze!

Sweet and Tangy BBQ Meatballs

- Meatballs: 1 onion, chopped
- 1 1/2 cups quick oats 2 pounds ground beef 3 eggs
- 3 tablespoons honey mustard 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce Salt & Pepper
- BBQ Sauce: 3/4 cup ketchup 1 1/2 cups KC Masterpiece BBQ sauce
- 3/4 cup brown sugar 3/4 teaspoon lemon juice 3/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce



Start by preheating your oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl, mix together all of the ingredients for the meatballs. Get your hands in there and work it all together gently!

Roll into 2-inch balls and place on foil-lined baking sheet, that's been





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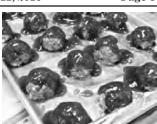


sprayed with non-stick cooking spray. Bake for 20 minutes or until starting to get crispy on the bottom. Cut one open and check for any pink (if there is none, they're done!).



In a small saucepan, mix together all ingredients for the sauce. Bring to a boil and boil one minute (or until sugar is dissolved). Be sure to stir it constantly.

Spoon a couple tablespoons of the sauce over each meatball and put



back in the oven for about 4-5 minutes.

Serve with mashed potatoes and green beans or corn. Enjoy!

Ashleigh is a freelance writer and blogger for her website, Prairie Gal Cookin' (www.prairiegalcook in.com).She shares everything from step-by-step recipes and easy DIY projects, to local history, stories, and photography from out on the farm in Kansas. Follow PGC online or like it on Facebook for more recipes and ramblings!



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Lester Edmunds and Matt Easton demonstrate the husker shredder to the onlooking crowd during Ag Heritage Park's vintage corn picking demonstrations, Saturday, September 24th. The corn picking event was held in conjunction with the annual Old Settlers Day celebration in Alta Vista.



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Renew Kansas staff members participated in the national Pink at the Pump campaign to raise funds for breast cancer as well as boost awareness of E85.

Renew Kansas participates in Pink at the Pump

Renew Kansas, representing the ethanol industry in Kansas, gathered in north Wichita on Friday, September 30 to celebrate "Pink at the Pump," a national campaign to raise funds for breast cancer as well as increase awareness of E85 and other ethanol fuel blends. Wichita fuel retailer, Jump Start, unveiled six new ethanol blender pumps donning pink nozzle guards for the month of October.

The new blender pumps were made possible through the Kansas Better Blends Initiative, a partnership of Renew Kansas, the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Kansas Corn Commission, Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission, United Sorghum Checkoff Program, and ICM, Inc. These organizations have committed matching funds and in-kind services to make this program a success with the help of a technical advisory committee. The USDA Grant is administered by the Kansas Department of Agriculture.

During the event, Greg Krissek, CEO Kansas Corn, emceed the ceremonies which included comments from: Josh Roe, assistant secretary Kansas Department of Agriculture; Dave VanderGriend, CEO ICM, Inc.; Kirsten Bruce, executive director Susan G. Komen Kansas: Tom Palace. executive director Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association of Kansas: and Phil and Chervl Near, owners Jump Start.

A breast cancer survivor and supporter of ethanol at the pumps, Cheryl Near, shared with attendees how important it is to educate their customers about a



pump. Fueling up with E85 means you're using a more environmentally friendly fuel that provides cleaner emissions and contains less carcinogens than straight petroleum gasoline.

Renew Kansas is proud to be a sponsor of the pink nozzle guards and promotional materials provided for the "Pink at the Pump" initiative. During the month of October, customers of Jump Start locations in Wichita will enjoy discounted prices at the pump each Friday from 3:00 pm to 5:00 p.m. on E85 blends. Simply look for the pink handle to help fight breast cancer with clean-burning E85.

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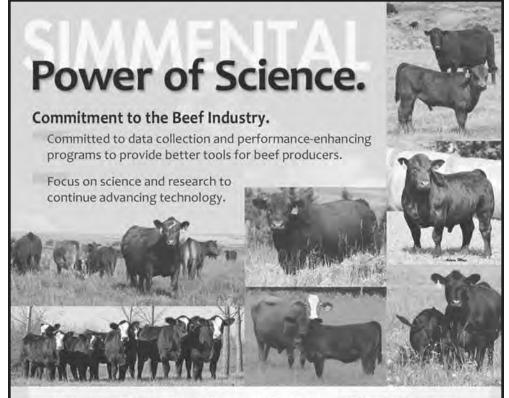
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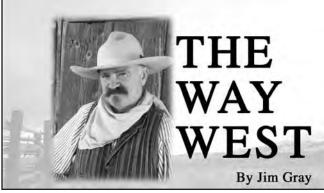
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The Dawning

When I hear a politician boast that his party is the party of Lincoln, I usually just grit my teeth and let it go. When he says his party freed the slaves he is technically right but his understanding of the policies of political parties in an earlier America shows an ignorance of our national heritage.

That is not his fault at all. The ideology of political parties has changed more than once through the years, and for the most part no one has taken the time to tell us. Maybe because it is all too confusing.

The trouble with studying history is that uncomBy Jim Gray

tions wiverged from the varive idepart the fense of well as tially minger. Several years ago I found myself confused by aspiring politicians who referred to themselves as good "liberal Republicans." What? That was during the 1870s.

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ferred to politicians who had crossed over from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party, but still, how could a Republican refer to himself as liberal? thought seemed unimaginable to me. It has taken some time for me to wrap my brain around this and some days I'm still not certain that I am clear as to the political changes that have visited national affairs throughout our history.

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about in today's terms.

The Republican Party rose out of the earlier Whig Party. As that party declined, the new Republican Party rose to prominence, keeping many of the beliefs of the Whigs intact. Lincoln's Republican Party used federal power and taxation to break the slaveholding tradition of the Confederate South. Radical Republicans also used federal

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power to enforce collective rights over individual rights during the reconstruction era following the American Civil War

Kansans especially should be aware of these developments. In fact, division over the Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854 caused the political upheaval that led to the secession of southern states, thus triggering the Civil War. Imbedded within the Kansas-Nebraska Act were the ideas of manifest destiny and popular sovereignty. In manifest destiny was seen an American mission to spread the nation's borders from sea to sea across the continent. Whigs rejected manifest destiny. Instead, they advocated for strong government policy to control growth and development within existing borders. Popular sovereignty tied the potential expansion of slavery to the territorial expansion brought about by the manifest destiny blueprint. However, the Whigs could not agree on slavery. Southern Whigs supported the Kansas-Nebraska Act and the spread of slavery while northern Whigs opposed the act. The party fell into decline with many of its influential northern leaders, like Abraham Lincoln, turning to the new Republican Party.

Republicans generally supported the abolition movement. To thwart proslavery Democrats, who were the early majority in Kansas Territory, abolitionists with Republican leanings settled Lawrence and other Kansas communities. Which brings an interesting observation to the subject at hand.

While the politics in Lawrence appear to have shifted from predominantly Republican to predominantly the Democratic party of today, the ideology of the town has remained relatively constant. And that illustrates my original confusion over the realization that Republicans of that era were progressive and Democrats were conservative.

During the Civil War the most vigorous faction of the Republican Party was a collection of anti-slavery activists known as the Radical Republicans. They actually opposed Lincoln's nomination to a second term because they believed his policy against slavery was weak. Speaking in Washington, D.C. in 1863, Kansas' own Senator Jim Lane addressed a crowd in true Radical Republican style with a personal declaration

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Tract II: Legal Description: W 1/2 NW 1/4 & NW 1/4 SW 1/4 9-10-12 Osborne Co

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1018678	12" x 40' Galvanized Tube 7 GA	1	\$850.00
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1018673	8" x 40' Galvanized Tube 11 GA	19	\$335.00
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31253	8" x 32' Galvanized Tube 14 GA	7	\$180.00
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31318	8" x 20' Galvanized Tube 12 GA	24	\$135.00
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AUCTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 - 2:30 PM

Auction will be held at the farm located at the East end of Dyer Street in WELLS, KS
Wells is 7 miles East of Minneapolis, Ks. on Limestone Road.

TRACTORS, CAR, TRUCKS 2166 riding mower; Econo- COLLECTIBLES &

TRACTORS, CAR, TRUCKS & MACHINERY

2010 Hyundai Sonata 4 door car, 4 cy, auto, power, gray color 112,000 miles, good; 1996 Chevrolet 2500 extended cab pickup auto, 8 cy, long box; 1960 GMC 4000 1 1/2 ton truck. V6 engine. 4speed 2 speed 15' w/hoist; Massey 180 gas tractor 3 pt.; Case 830 diesel tractor Case O Matic, 3 pt. like new rear tires w/GB 900 loader 6' bucket: Land Pride RCR 1872 3 pt. 6' mower; 3 pt. 6' blade; JD 38 sickle mower; 3 pt. bale fork; 3 pt. post hole digger; 4 wheel flat bed trailer; Huskee log splitter on 2 wheels w/gas engine; bale elevator w/gas engine; bale fork for loader; buzz saw; dump rake.

w/gas engine; bale fork for loader; buzz saw; dump rake.

TOOLS & FARM

Honda generator; Cub Cadet

2166 riding mower; Econohorse Troy tiller; Husqvarna 445 chain saw; Echo gas weed eater; 6 hp gas trimmer; gas Weed Eater hedge trimmer; Mig 151 welder; Lincoln 225 welder; Milwaukee cut off saw; bench grinder; table saw; jig saw; drills; saws; hammers; end wrenches; assortment hand tools; shovels; forks; rakes; step ladder; extension ladder; tractor chains; pickup fuel tank; 300 gal fuel tank on stand; 110 gal fuel tank on 4 wheel trailer; 1" x 12" boards; new roll barb wire; 2 rolls 4 sheep wire; 3 round bottom feeders; round bale feeder; 6 Behlen 10' portable corral panels; 8 Farm Master 10' portable corral panels; squeeze chute; tank heater.

HOUSEHOLD

52" flat screen TV; recliner; 2 divans; bunk bed like new; 1930's 3 pc. white bedroom set; 20's painted chest; cedar chest; pecan dining table; 5 drawer chest; queen bed; oak wash stand; Sentry safe; 15 cu chest freezer; metal lawn wash bench; neck chair: yokes; double trees; chicken nest; wooden barrel; well pump; pitcher pump; IHC cream separator; 2 crock jugs; games; hay fork; egg baskets; scythe; metal toys; wood tool box; walking plow; 5 tooth; wooden sled; wash tub; cream can; wireless printer; Kenmore canister vacuum; canner; dehydrator; canning jars; pots & pans; kitchen appliances; assortment of household.

STEVE & POLLY PEARCE ESTATE

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that he "would like to live long enough to see every white man in South Carolina, in hell, and the negroes inheriting their territory." There was no lack of passion among the Radical Republicans. Parties have changed platforms over the years. The Republicans and Democrats of today are not your grandfather's party. This sketch of the political systems at work during the mid-nineteenth century is

but a simple explanation of a very complex and continually changing subject. America's political world may actually be viewed as a living organism, breathing life into the country for which it stands as a symbol of citizen

Those who study such things have noted that platform switching has taken place through the decades from Grant to Wilson, to

FDR, to LBJ, to Reagan, to

Clinton. One thing is for

government.

sure. If you are a Kansan, you should be aware of the progressive ideology that stood for social justice when the State of Kansas dawned on The Way West.

"The Cowboy," Jim Gray is author of the book Desperate

Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier, Executive Director of the National Drovers Hall of Fame. Contact Kansas Cowboy, P.O. Box 62, Ellsworth, KS 67439. Phone 785-531-2058 or kansascowboy@kans.com.

Corn and soybean stocks down, wheat and sorghum up significantly

Kansas corn stocks in all positions on September 1, 2016 totaled 64.0 million bushels, down 7 percent from 2015, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Of the total, 11.0 million bushels are stored on farms, down 19 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 53.0 million bushels, are down 4 percent from last year.

Wheat stored in all positions totaled 533 million bushels, up 41 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks of 43.5 million bushels are up 89 percent from 2015 and off-farm stocks of 490 million bushels are up 38 percent from last year.

Sorghum stored in all positions totaled 20.3 million bushels, up 123 percent from 2015. On-farm stocks of

2.10 million bushels are up 112 percent from a year ago and off-farm holdings of 18.2 million bushels are up 124 percent from last year. Soybeans stored in all positions totaled 5.34 million bushels, down 41 percent from last year. On-farm stocks of 740 million bushels

are down 52 percent from a year ago and off-farm stocks, at 4.60 million bushels, are

down 38 percent from 2015.

Oats stocks stored in off farm positions totaled

691,000 bushels, down 19 percent from a year ago.

LAND AUCTION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18 — 6:00 PM

American Legion Cabin, North Hwy. 99 — FRANKFORT, KS

237.08 ACRES± - MARSHALL COUNTY KANSAS LAND
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Lunch: 11:30 a.m. • Sale: 1:00 p.m.

Lunch sponsored by: Bockringer Ingelheim

This is a sale of northern origin females that sell bred to Express, Riverbend, Krebs, STS Ranch and 44 Farms growth bulls. The females will calve in February, March and April and be sorted and sold into respective calving groups. All females pregnancy checked by sale day.

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ANTIQUE AUCTION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 — 10:00 AM

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

INDIAN, RAILROAD, COLLECTABLES

1880 Apache war club; Indian ledger drawing of attack; scrimshaw "Sloop Decator" 2 shot spirt cup; Indian tobacco beaded bag; 1800 Indian beads; 1900 beaded Indian belts; Sioux arm bands; WWII Sioux Indian ration bag; 1800 fox hunt horn; 1890 brass percussion alarm gun; hand forged chain restraint; African serving bowl; James Fraser bronze "End Trail"; Lanford Monroe "Intruder"; compass; Navy uniform; Stetson hats; Judd North spurs; 30's bow & arrow; horse measure cane; 3" Buda; 12 railroad lanterns inc.: ATSF. UP. Duluth, Missabe & Iron Range, RI, Texas & Pacific, CCC & STL; 8" brass railroad bell; Lionel train (681 engine, 2046 tender, 3520 search light, 6415 tank car. 6464 box car. 6717 caboose all in boxes); 2018 engine; steam engine; Indian &

George Washington banks: 12 place set Wallace sterling flat ware; Oneida flatware; Signs inc.: Sovereign Service, Pepsi Tire Repair, Greasing Service; Travelers Express clock; Coca Cola thermometer; Police Department sign; Socony can w/wood carrier; John Wayne lobby card "Jet Pilot"; Hillman seed poster; assortment pictures inc.: 1898 Omaha Expo, Ike, tin type, ladies, flowers, other good pictures; Clocks inc.: Regulator Standard Time, New Haven Regulator, Seth Thomas wall, 31 day wall, Coco, kitchen; Swedish American & Kellogg wall telephones; 1954 Abilene telephone book; jewelry box; assortment costume jewelry; wedding ring; Bombadier pocket watch; Waltham watch; rosary's; 1890 autograph book; model ship; Schwinn man & ladies bike: Star tobacco cutter; Ford tools; alarm; camera's;

pedal car pictures; linens; 3 flour sacks; baseball glove; Universal Library of Music books; Little Golden books; Western Horse magazines; bird houses; wood butter mold; store scale from Elmo store; wooden boxes; other collectables.

FURNITURE & GLASS

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Oak quarter sawn flour bin; oak parlor table w/claw feet; oak highboy w/mirror; oak English wardrobe; oak clover leaf table; walnut side chair; oak bed; oak serpentine dresser; 42" round oak table; 3 drawer pine chest; cedar chest; table lamp w/stain glass shade; White portable sewing machine; Glass & Pottery inc.: Jewell T "Poppy" pieces; 100+ pieces Fiesta; Van Briggle, Weller, Hull, Roseville 645 vases; nude Chez vase; carnival glass bowl; blue spittoon; cobalt paperweights; State glasses; assortment of other glass.

Note: There are many very unique pieces. Check our website for pictures www.thummelauction.com.

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Grass & Grain, October 11, 2016

Auction Calendar

October 11 — House & 9.9 acres ± in Geary County held at Junction City for James David Harrel. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

October 11 — 800 +/- acres of Ottawa Co. pasture & farmland for Kay Family Farms in Minneapolis. Auctioneers: United Country Real Estate - Crossroads Auction & Realty.

October 12 — Unreserved online machinery auction (www.bigiron.com).

October 12 — Irrigated

Riley County land held at Manhattan. Auctioneers: Ruckert Realty & Auction. October 14 — 1490+/- acres

Of Rolling Native Cattle Grazing Pasture of Elk Co. KS ranch held at Howard. Auctioneers: Sundgren Auction & Realty.

October 15 — Yard & shop, household & collectibles & more at Moundridge for Robert & Delonna Barnett Revocable Trusts. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

October 15 — Furniture, appliances, collectibles, signs, glassware, air-

planes & related items, tools & misc. at Junction City for Christa E. Galbreath Estate & others. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

October 15 — Tractors, machinery, livestock equipment, mowers & misc. equipment at Sabetha for Frank Althouse Estate. Auctioneers: Wilhelm Auction Service.

October 15 — Antique furniture, collectibles, glassware, books, motorcycle, windmill parts, tools & much more at Wamego for Marie Talbott Carrel Family. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

October 15 — Collectibles, vintage furniture, pictures, tools & misc. at Lawrence for Mrs. (William) Darlene Naff. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

October 15 — Guns, pocket knives, coins, S&P shakers, clocks, toys, primitives, model cars, antique furniture & more at McPherson for Gerald & Marilyn Winslow Estate. Auctioneers: Oswalt Auction Service.

October 15 — Auto, tractor, machinery, 3-wheeler (for Delmar & Sharon Schoneweis); semi storage trailer, military command center semis, iron work equipment gun safe, ammo, generator, tools, misc. at Beatrice, Nebraska for Pinnacle Bank. Auctioneers: Jurgens, Henrichs, Hardin.

October 15 — Vehicles, lawn mowers, tools, antiques at Cuba for Barbara Reynolds Estate. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

October 15 — Guns, ammo, fishing items, pickup, ATVs, stock trailer, tractor, mowers, tools, farm & livestock related items, woodworking tools, shop & hand tools & more near Ottawa for Donald J. Callahan Trust. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

October 15 — Household goods, antiques, tools & misc. at Clay Center for Vi Spurrier Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

October 15 — Antique tractors, farm related items & collectibles at Newton for Maurice & Dolores Clark Estate. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt.

October 15 — Tools, collectibles & household at Marysville for Buck & Ruth Overman Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsteds & Sandstrom.

October 15 — Guns at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 15 — Shop tools & equipment, antique tractor & items & misc. at Minneapolis for Art Weis Repair. Auctioneers: Bacon Auction Co.

October 15 — 83.9 acres m/l of Washington County Land held at Linn for Denny Trumble Rev. Trust & Jan Radley. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

October 15 — Business Liquidation for Custom Hardwoods, personal property & real estate for Jon Nelson & Leon Nelson. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction Service.

October 15 — Tractors, car, trucks & machinery, tools & farm, Collectibles & household items for Steve & Polly Pearce Estate in Wells, KS. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction.

October 15 & 16 — Tag sale: almost new appliances, antique furniture, collectibles & household at Abilene for Mr. & Mrs. Bob Purdy. Annette's Liquidation Service.

October 16 — Collectibles, primitives, cars at Council Grove for private collector. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions,

October 16 — Three bedroom home, Car, Antiques, Glass, Furniture, Collectibles at Lyndon for Property of the late Marjorie M. Dlugosh. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

October 17 — Jewell County land held at Republic for Charlotte Walters Estate, James R. Brooks Trust, Anna M. Hoover Trust. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 18 — 160 acres m/l farmland, house, barns, pasture held at Wellsville for Percy & Grace Van Horn Family Farm, Currier Family Estate & Trust. Auctioneers: Dave Webb, Webb Realty, Webb & Associates Auctions & Appraisals.

Online only (opens Oct. 18, starts to close Oct. 24) — Tractor, backhoe, pickups, equipment, tools, trailer, car port, concrete blocks & more. www.dlwebb.com for J.D. Heitman Estate. Auctioneers: Dave Webb, Webb Realty, Webb & Associates Auctions & Appraisals.

October 18 — Mitchell & Jewell County land held at Jewell for Beverly Smiley & Paul Hartsel. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 18 — 237.08 acres m/l Marshall County land held at Frankfort for Jones/Stewart Farm. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

October 19 — 3 tracts of Hamilton County land held at Syracuse. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

October 20 — 2 tracts of land (Harvey & Reno counties) held at Hutchinson. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

October 20 — Osborne County land in 2 tracts held at Luray for Robert & Rodger Salkeld. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 20 — 79.4 acres m/l Morris County land held at White City for William Baker Revocable Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

October 21 — 114 acres of Marshall County farmland held at Frankfort for Charles E. Wendling Trust. Auctioneers: Olmsted Real Estate.

October 22 — Ford 8N tractor, Toro zero turn riding

NEMAHA COUNTY LAND AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 — 10:30 AM SALE SITE: Knights of Columbus Hall on 1st in SENECA, KS 117 ACRES M/L NEMAHA COUNTY LAND

LAND LOCATION: From Seneca, KS take Hwy. 63, 8 miles North to 232nd Rd., go West 2 miles on 232nd to I Rd., go South on I Rd. 1 1/4 miles. Property begins on West side of I Rd. From Dubois, Nebraska go 3 miles South to 232nd Rd., go West 2 miles on 232nd Rd. to I Rd., go South on I Rd. 1 1/4 miles, property begins on West side of I Rd.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: East 1/2, SE 1/4 & SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec 17, Twp 1, Range 12, Nemaha Township, Nemaha County, KS. TAXES: \$1.058.40.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Property has approximately 63.51 tillable acres. 17.83 of tillable acres are enrolled in CRP until 9-30-2023 with a payment of \$137.61 per acre. Property has approximately 44.87 acres of native pasture with good fences. Balance waterways and a pond. Farmland has tile outlets and lays well. REAL ESTATE FIRM'S COMMENTS: Very nice farm. The owners

family have always taken great pride in following conservation practices in maintaining the preservation of this farm. The owners and present tenants have shown great stewardship with this farm. TERMS: 10% down auction day with balance due on December 12, 2016. Buyer and seller to equally split title insurance expenses. Seller will be responsible for taxes to closing date. Buyer and seller will equally split closing costs of Nemaha County Abstract Title Co. Statements day of sale take precedence over printed material. Seneca Realty represents seller interest.

SELLER: LAZY D. RANCH (Les Droge Heirs)

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AUCTION 800 ACRES M/L NESS COUNTY, KANSAS

FOR: UMMEL BROTHERS TRUST
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016 — 10:00 AM
Auction Location: Ness Co. Bank Bldg-102 W. Main, Ness City

Live internet bidding available.

Legal Description: All of 25-17-24 & N/2 of N/2 of 36-17-24 Ness Co., KS. F.S.A. Information: 680.97 Acres Grassland; 105.50 +/-Acres CRP; Total yearly CRP Payments are \$3,892. The Grassland is watered by six earth dams, 1 of which is spring fed. There is a windmill, as well as a water well with a submersible pump.

There is also a 50'x100' pole shed covered with metal. Minerals All seller's interest to be conveyed to purchaser, to Seller's knowledge all minerals are intact.

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197 ACRES REAL ESTATE AUCTION

NW POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016 — 10:00 AM

Educational Building – Just South of Methodist Church 2nd Street & Main, WESTMORELAND, KANSAS

Property Description: This property is located in Northwest Pottawatomie County between Olsburg and Westmoreland. This is an L shaped pasture with ¼ mile of frontage on paved Westmoreland Road at the north side and good gravel Cree Road along ¼ mile of frontage at east side. The pasture is mostly native grass with a small pond and spring water. A tree lined draw runs through the south side of the property with hard and soft wood mature trees that provide wildlife habitat and shade for livestock.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016 — 1:00 PM
Auction will be held at the school Community Center — REPUBLIC, KANSAS

TRACT I: NW ¼ 26-1-6 Jewell Co. Kansas The farm is located on Ash & 290 Road.

There are 158.10 acres with 145.39 cropland acres. Base acres are 33.91 wheat with 41 bu yield, 59.77 corn with 166 bu yield, 2.80 grain sorghum with 145 bu yield, 34.52 soybean with 50 bu yield for a total base acres of 131.0. Conservation system is being actively applied.

This farm has a 7 tower T & L pivot w/end gun, 3x4 Berkley pump 1000 gal per minute, 2012 John Deere diesel 4024 power unit. Half of the pivot is 2011, the other half 2014. 69.2 irrigated acres.

2015 General Taxes were \$3,815.22, 2017 Bostwick irrigation \$3,061.55, Bostwick repair \$303.10.

TRACT II: N ½ NE ¼ 22-1-6 Jewell Co. Kansas The farm is located on Birch & 290 Road.

There are 77.01 acres with 77.01 cropland acres. Base acres are 19.20 wheat with 41 bu yield, 33.80 corn with 166 bu yield, 1.60 grain sorghum with 145 bu. yield, 19.40 soybeans with 50 bu yield for a total base acres of 74. Conservation system is being actively applied. This farm has irrigation pipe. 45.5 irrigated acres.

2015 General taxes were \$1,722.20, 2017 Bostwick irrigation \$2,082.74, Bostwick repair \$199.29

TRACT III: NE 1/4 **27-1-6 Jewell Co. Kansas.** The farm is located on Ash & 290 Road. There are 154.79 acres with 141.39 cropland

acres. Base acres are 32.58 wheat with 41 bu yield, 57.42 corn with 166 bu yield, 2.69 grain sorghum with 145 bu yield, 33.17 soybean with 50 bu yield for a total base acres of 125.86. The pivot, pump and motor are owned by the renter. 120.8 irrigated acres.

2015 General taxes were \$3,463.08, 2017 Bost-

wick irrigation \$5,344.25, Bostwick repair \$529.10.

Tract IV: NE ¼ 34-1-6 Jewell Co. Kansas, less 26 acres on East side irrigation ditch. The farm is located on Z & 290 Roads.

There are 117.87 acres with 115.74 cropland acres. Base acres are 43.29 wheat with 42 bu yield, 56.58 grain sorghum with 88 bu yield, .16 soybeans with 36 bu yield for a total base acres of 100.03.

2015 taxes were \$1,046.28. Seller will pay 2016 taxes, purchaser will pay 2017 taxes.

Terms: 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before November 16, 2016. Down payment will be escrowed with Downing, Alexander & Wood Attorney, 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.

Possession will be March 1, 2017. Thummel Real Estate & Auction LLC is acting as seller agent. All statements made day of auction take precedence over printed material.

CHARLOTTE WALTERS ESTATE JAMES R. BROOKS TRUST ANNA M. HOOVER TRUST

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LAND AUCTION THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 — 6:00 PM White City Community Bldg. — WHITE CITY, KS

79.4 ACRES± - MORRIS COUNTY KANSAS LAND

This property would make a nice addition to any cattle or farming operation and is currently approx. 50/50 crop land to hay meadow but the opportunity exists to add additional ag acres. Property Location from White City: North on 2200 Road approximately 4.5 miles. From 2200 Road & B Ave property is located .5 miles north on the east side of 2200 Road.

WILLIAM BAKER REVOCABLE TRUST, SELLER

See Sept. 27 Grass & Grain for complete information or go to www.MidwestLandandHome.com

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

Good Quality Crop Ground Hay Meadow Hunting

SOUTH CENTRAL POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2016 — 10:00 AM Wamego Senior Center – Ash Street - WAMEGO, KANSAS

Tract #1: 55 Ac M/L Native grass hay meadow with tree covered wildlife area at southwest corner, 2 small ponds, water line, would make an excellent building site. Location: 4 miles north of Belvue on east side of Lost Creek Road.

Tract #2: 105 Ac W/L Hunters take notice! Secluded property adjacent to Jeffery Energy land on 2 sides, everything all types of wildlife need with year round flowing water from tree lined creek, CRP Native grass and nearby grain fields, 51.1 acres of CRP with \$3,200 annual payment, expires in 2018 & 2020, approximately 10 acres of Native grass hay meadow, the balance is creek, trees and wildlife habitat. Location: 4 miles north of Belvue on Lost Creek Rd to Welch Rd then east 3/8 miles on south side.

Tract #3: 192 Ac M/L with 164.44 acres of good quality crop ground, 2.9 acres of Filter strip CRP, approx. 24.66 acres of creek/tree area & wildlife habitat. The crop ground soils are 33% Class I Muir silt loam, 7% Class II Kennebec silt loam, 29% Class II Wymore silty clay 1 to 3 % slopes and 31% Class III mostly Tully silty clay loam with small amount of Wabash silty clay. Seller will provide survey if needed. Location: 4 miles north of Belvue on west side of Lost Creek Rd

Tract #4: 360 Ac M/L mostly Native grass pasture. Approximately 330 acres of pasture with good to average fence & 3 ponds. The balance is tree lined Lost Creek that runs along the east side of the pasture with superior wildlife habitat. Access to Tract #4 will be an agricultural access easement through Tract #3 from Lost Creek Road. To view Tract #4 call for appointment. Seller will provide survey if needed.

Tract #5: Combination of Tract #3 & #4 consisting of 552 Acres M/L. No survey will be provided if sold in combination.

Terms of Sale: Successful bidder, sign purchase contract, 10% down day of auction with the balance due at

Terms of Sale: Successful bidder, sign purchase contract, 10% down day of auction with the balance due at closing on or before December 16, 2016, possession at the time of closing. Buyer to have all inspections they deem necessary completed prior to auction. Buyer agrees to assume CRP contracts and sign needed documents with Pottawatomic County FSA office immediately after closing. Buyer will receive 100% of 2017 contract and beyond. All financial arrangements must be made prior to auction, no finance contingencies will be accepted. Owner's title policy and closing fees will be paid half by Seller and half by Buyer. Seller will pay all of 2016 taxes. Real Estate Agents are agents of the Seller. The property is being sold in its present existing condition "as is". Statements made the day of auction take precedence over all printed materials. Not responsible for accidents.

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mower, antique furniture, glassware, collectibles, tools & yard equipment at Manhattan for John & Irma Sjo Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

October 22 - Tools, household, furniture, appliances, collectibles & antiques at Hope for Doris Morgan Estate. Auctioneers: Bob Kickhaefer.

October 22 — Tools, household, collectibles, 2-3BR home at Marysville for Robert "Bob" Martin. Auctioneers: Olmsteds & Sandstrom.

October 22 — Combine, equipment, vehicles, dozer, tractor, firearms, knives, coins, currency, vintage sports cards, collectibles, household & misc. at Baldwin City for C.T. Taul. Auctioneers: Jason Flory & Mark El-

October 22 - Antiques, artwork, guns, tools, farm

equipment & more at St. George for Bill & Glenna Berry Estate. Auctioneers: United Country Real Estate, Red Hills Realty & Auction, Ron Hinrichsen. October 22 — Industrial fab-

rication equipment & supplies at Waterville for JSL Corp. Auctioneers: Simnitt Real Estate & Auction, Inc.

October 22 — Antiques & collectibles and many unique items at Salina for & Doug Deanna Clemence. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service.

October 22 — Roseville, Fiesta, Hull, carnival, furniture, dolls & collectibles at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC

October 22 — 252 acres m/l Republic County land held at Munden for Roger & Pam Dean. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home. October 22 — Motorcycles

(2005 Harley Davidson Sportster, 1985 Harley Davidson Iron Head Sportster), antiques, collectibles & misc. at Salina. Auctioneers: Baxa Auctions, LLC.

October 23 — Indian, railroad, collectibles, furniture, glass at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 25 — 4 BR. 2 BA farm house, barn & outbuildings on 6 acres m/l held at Manhattan for Marcy Cassel. Auctioneers: Ruckert Realty & Auction.

October 26 — Fink Beef Genetics Angus & Charolais Bull Sale at Randolph.

October 27 — 4-wheeler, mower, antiques, household & other held near Hedville for Virgil H. Claussen. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 27 — 295 acres m/l Dickinson County tillable land on Chapman Creek offered in 2 tracts held at Junction City for Jack Schwab Trust. Auctioneers: Horizon Farm & Ranch Realty, LLC.

October 27 — Annual KAA Livestock Market Auctioneers Competition held at Coffeyville Livestock Market, Coffeyville. Kansas Auctioneers Association.

October 29 - Antique & new guns at Newton for Carl C. Krehbiel Trust. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

October 29 — Household goods, antiques, collectibles, pottery, glassware, old bottle collection, rock collection, tools & much more at Abilene for the Ernst family. Auctioneers: Chamberlin Auction Service.

October 29 - Farm machin-

ery, antique vehicles, tractors, antiques & collectibles, shop items & misc, at Onaga for Harold Berg. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC

October 29 - Household goods, tools & misc. at Clay Center for Gail & Cheryl Schooley. Auctioneers: Kretz & Bloom Auction Service.

October 29 — Collectibles at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

October 29 — 197 acres m/l NW Pottawatomie County pasture held at Westmoreland for Still Corporation. Auctioneers: Pearl Real Estate & Appraisal Serv-

October 29 — Tractor, combine, trucks, farm machinery, primitives & tools at Scranton for Mrs. Ralph

(Linda) Ullery. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions. October 29 — 337.1 m/l acres Marshall County land in 3 tracts held at Marysville for Gee Family Trust & Edna M. Gee Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

October 29 — 162 acres Clav County land & 3BR 3BA ranch home held at Green for Don & Klara Wright. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

October 30 — Railroad items & collectibles at Salina for Hank Sanchez. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

November 1 — Ness County grassland held at Ness City for Ummel Brothers Trust. Auctioneers: Farm-

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PERSONAL PROPERTY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 - 10:00 AM 2323 North Jackson — JUNCTION CITY, KS

FURNITURE & APPLIANCES: Pit Group w/Recliner, Several ane Recliners, Swivel Rocker, 3 Drawer Dresser, Wardrobe, 5 Shelf Bookcase, Walnut 4 Pcs. Bedroom Set Headboard (No Frame), 5 Drawer Dresser, Chest of Drawers, 6 Drawer Dresser w/Mirror & 2 Night Stands, Headboard w/8 Drawer Dresser w/Mirror, 3 Drawer Chest of Drawers, Walnut Wall Hugger Table, McCall Pattern Cabinet, 50's Doll Dresser, 60's Modern Chair, Drummer Stool, Old Wooden Desk, Wood Folding Table, German Shrunk, Maple Top Plant Stand. Padded Blanket Chest. Jewelry Cabinet w/Doors & Drawers, Coffee Table & End tables, German Coffee Table, 6 Lamp Tables, 2 Occ. Chairs, 2 Metal Baker's Racks, Kitchen Book Shelf, Desk, Doll Chair

COLLECTABLES, SIGNS & GLASSWARE: Ft. Riley U.S. Calvary Stirrup, Old Military Ammo Boxes, 1944 Camp Hood Texas Pillow, Old Medicine Bottles, Old Advertising Pieces, "Go Big Red" Nebraska Horse Blanket, Tractor Mugs, Nascar Telephones, Deer Antlers, Pewter John Deere Tractor in Box, Knife Display Case, 4 Coca Cola Trays, Knife Display Case, Advertising Pens & Pencils, Union Pacific Railroad Lantern, Barbie Dolls w/Barbie House, Pool & Kitchen, Cars & Trucks 1970's to 90's, Nylint Circus Truck, 50's Metal Toys, Games 70's to 90's, Dolls in Boxes, Puzzles, 50's & 60"s Kids Books, Comic Books, 2 70's Mash Action Figures (NIB), Budweiser Beer & Schlitz Beer Blow Up Advertising, Highway Men Working Sign, Planter's Nuts Large Store Display Sign, Schlitz Beer Mickey Gilley Sign, Radioactive Metal Sign, Box of Metal Sign Letters, Falstaff Beer Light, Coors's Baseball Bat Bottles, Glassware, Figurines, Pottery, Salt & Pepper Shakers, Tea Pots, Bird Houses & Cages, 2 Crystal Lamps w/Cloth Shades, Glass Road Runner Bird, CLOCK'S: Dr. Pepper Clock, Mantel Clock Tempus Fuget (Westminster Chimes), Gernan Oak Mantel Clock

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Caterpillar 416 C backhoe with extend a hoe, three buckets, 4x4 fully equipped 925 hours, ID # 4ZN23639, like new; John Deere 790 compact tractor, MFWD, 116 hours; John Deere 513 rotary mower, Polaris 500 liquid cooled six wheeler with bed, 280 hours Takeuchi 33.5 hp track hoe, 5,100 hours; 70 plus large concrete wall blocks 5'x2'x2', 1,200 plus concrete building blocks fluted, iron gate, 2 carports, 3 concrete waters, 12' tandem axel trailer with ramp, snow plow, three pickups one withsnow plow, one with 10 cargo box & side doors, one flatbed. (Note the pickups with flat bed and box have not run in years), engine stand, ladders, electric golf cart, Dixie Chopper 0 turn mower, Craftsman rolling tool box, too boxes of various sizes, 2 sections of pallet racking, shelving, fans chop saw, chain saw, bolt bins, fuel cans, 4,000 watt generator, job boxes, floor jacks, lots of parts, battery charger, oxygen and act torch set, 14' alum truck box used for storage, weed eaters drainage pipe, shop fans, two man power post hole digger, 3p post hole digger, electric roto rooter drain line machine, large stack of steel includes red iron bar joist & roofing metal, plus many more items; Complete list will be on line with detail photos.

LOCAL PICK UP ONLY! 315th & Metcalf, Louisburg, KS Friday October 28th & Saturday October 29. 9:00 a.m. to Noon both days. Concrete blocks, car ports, truck bed, and steel can be picked up during the following week.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 — 10:00 AM Landoll Lanes - Conference Center, Marysville, KS

337.1 ACRES± MARSHALL COUNTY KANSAS LAND

Tract 1: 148 acres± with 135.88 estimated DCP cropland acres with 113± Irrigated acres. Senior Water Rights certified in 1982 - estimated 108 acre feet

annually

Currently has a standard 1/4 mile,10 tower, center pivot in place. Legal Description: Northeast Quarter of S26, T01, R07E, Less Marietta & Less Beginning NE Corner of Block 8 then E375' S300' W375' N300' TO Point Of Beginning & Less Beginning SE Corner Pine St & Maple St then E390' S140' W430' NE147' TO Point Of Beginning & 1/2 Vac Rd Less Right of Way.

2015 Real Estate Taxes (estimated) = \$1,519.00

Tract 2: 120 acres± Big Blue River Bottom with 71.78 estimated DCP cropland acres featuring predominantly Nodaway Silt Loam & Muir Silt Loam soil type considered PRIME cropland.

 Senior Water Rights certified in 1982-estimated 60 acre feet annually. Legal Description: East 1/2 of Northwest Quarter & the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 Less Right of Way of S26, T01, R07E. 2015 Real Estate Taxes (estimated) = \$1,243.00

Tract 3: 69.1 acres± with 64.76 DCP cropland acres featuring predominantly Wymore Silty Clay Loam soil type with 1-3% slope. Legal Description: West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of S36, T01, R08, Less Tract Beginning Northwest Corner of Northwest 1/4 Then E430 S910.5' W430' N910.5' To Point Of Beginning Less Right of Way. **2015 Real Estate Taxes = \$890.09**

Directions to Properties: Tracts1 & 2 - From 12th Road & Highway 36 go north on 12th Road (Oketo Highway) 7 miles to Deer Trail Road. Property is located on the west side of 12th Road and on the south side of Deer Trail Road. Tract 3 - From 18th Road & Highway 36 go north on 18th Road 5.5 miles. Property is located on the east side of 18th Road and south side of Eagle Road.

GEE FAMILY TRUST & EDNA M. GEE TRUST, Sellers

Listing Agent's Notes: Irrigated dry land & highly productive Big Blue River Bottom with senior water rights on both combined with high yield percentages make these properties perfect for your farming operation or investment portfolio. Contact me direct with any questions you may have on these GREAT Marshall County Kansas properties. Jeff Dankenbring - 785-562-8386

Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before November 30, 2016, Sellers to pay 2016 taxes. Title insurance escrow and closing costs to be split equally between buyer and seller. Buyer to take possession at closing. This property to be sold as-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of the sale. This is a cash sale and will not be subject to financing, have your financing arrangements made prior to sale day. Midwest Land and Home is acting as a Seller's Agent and represents the seller's interest. All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential bidders are encouraged to verify all information independently. Arthur-Green, LLP, is attorney for sellers. Marshall County Abstract & Title Co. will act as escrow and closing agent. Statements made sale day take precedence over printed material



Jeff Dankenbring - Listing Broker 785-562-8386 Mark Uhlik – Broker/Auctioneer www.MidwestLandandHome.com

GUN AUCTION

BROWN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 — 10:00 AM Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co. Expo Center 900 Greeley

1. Winchester 22 model 03 172x; 2. Winchester 22 long model 90 5231x; 3. Winchester 22 long model 63 7000xA; 4. Winchester 22 WRF model 90 53334x; **5.** Winchester 22 model 62A 40807x; 6. Winchester 22 WRF model 90 52887x; 7. Winchester 30WCF model 94 11241x; 8. Winchester 22 short model 90 20628x; 9. Winchester 22 model 61 28170x; 10. Winchester 22 short model 90 80588x; 11. Winchester 22 model 06 19293x; 12.

13. Winchester 32WS model 94 152768x; 14. Winchester 22 model 74 28839XA; 15. Winchester 22 long rifle model 90 67522x; **16.** Winchester 22 long model 90 17449x: 17. Winchester 30WCF model 94 CNL156x: 18. Winchester 30 WCF model 94 CNO156x; 19. Winchester 30 model M1Garand 124480x;

SALINA, KANSAS 20. Winchester 30 M1 Carbine 111317x; **21.** Savage 250 model 99 D45913x; 22. Savage 303 Savage model 99 28247x; 23. Savage (Stevens Favorite) 22 model 71 1021XSF; 24. Savage 22-250 G25745x; 25. Savage 245-E 22/410 over under; 26. Revelation 410 model R310EC JO1043x; 27. Revelation 410 model 350 D53445x; 28. Revelation 410 model 350 D53445x; **29.** US Rifle H & R 30M1 Garand 578768x; 30. International Harvester 30 Garand 453429x; 31. Remington 30 model 03A3 338946x; 32. Springfield Armory 30 model 1903 142931x; **33.** Springfield Armory 30/40 model 1898 18872x; **34**. Springfield Armory 30/40 model 1896 5065x; 35. Springfield Armory 22 model 1899 22762x; 36. Springfield Armory 30

Garand 87195x; 37. Springfield Trap Door 45-70 model 1882 21560x; 38. Enfield 303 MK2 590729x; 39. US Carbine Standard Product Co. 30 216661x; 40. Steyr-Autriche 45-70 model 1878 242x; 41. Ruger 223 Mini 14 1803785x; **42.** Henry 22lr 10119x; **43.** H & R Topper 20 ga. model 150 AL29725x; 44. Interarm 22 mag HO2786X; 45. Iver Johnson Champion 410 9146XXF; **46.** Thompson Black Powder 54 cal 3144X; **47.** Daisy Heddon 22 model V/L 19x; 48. Daisy Heddon 22 model V/L 19x; 49. S & W 38 pistol 16584x; 50. Forhand 32 pistol 16213x; 51. H & R 32 pistol 35754x; **52.** Iver Johnson 22 pistol K5827x; 53. Iver Johnson Target 22 pistol N1500x; 54. Savage 22 LR pistol 5259x; assortment of ammo.

Note: This is a private collection, check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction.com. We will be open for viewing at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 — 7:00 PM

Auction will be held in the Community Center on the South side of the square in **JEWELL, KANSAS**

TRACT I: 49.59 acres in S ½ SE ¼ 3-6-8 Mitchell Co. Kansas

The farm is located on 260 Rd. 5 miles North of the Highway 24 & Solomon Rapids corner, There are 49.59 acres of crop land. Bases are wheat 18.58, 43 bu yield; grain sorghum 9.43, 94 bu yield; soybeans 12.69 acres, 40 bu yield; total base acres 40.7.

Taxes: Seller will pay 2016 taxes. Purchaser will pay 2017 taxes. 2015 taxes were \$733.34 Possession will be after 2017 wheat harvest.

Purchaser will receive cash rent of \$50.00 per acre on the 2017 wheat. TRACT II: SE 1/4 27-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas

The farm is located 2 miles North of Tract I on the corner of 170 Road & B Road. There are 159.95 acres with 86.66 acres cropland. Bases are wheat 32.48, 43 bu yield; grain sorghum 16.48, 94 bu yield; soybeans 22.18, 40 bu yield; for a total base of 71.14. The balance of 73.29 acres are pasture.

Taxes: Seller will pay 2016 taxes, Purchaser will pay 2017 taxes. 2015 taxes were \$1,589.12. Possession will be after 2017 wheat harvest on crop acres. Purchaser will receive cash rent of \$50.00 per acre on the 2017 wheat. Possession

of pasture will be March 1, 2017. TRACT III: NW 1/4 27-5-8 Jewell Co. Kansas
The farm is located in NW corner of Tract II on

the corner of 160 Road & C Road. There are 159.33 acres of farmland with 157.85 acres cropland. Bases are wheat 59.16, 43 bu yield;

grain sorghum 30.0, 94 bu yield: soybeans 40.4, 40 bu yield: for a total base of 129.56 acres. Taxes: Seller will pay 2016 taxes, Purchaser will pay 2017 taxes. 2015 taxes were \$2.559.56.

Possession of land planted to wheat will be after 2017 wheat harvest. Purchaser will receive cash rent of \$50.00 per acre on 2017 wheat. Possession of open ground will March 1, 2017. Terms: 10% of purchase price as down payment day of auction, the balance will be due upon closing on or before December 15, 2016. Down payment will be escrowed with Weltmer Phillips law office, escrow fees will be split 50/50 between seller & purchaser. Title insurance will be used, the cost will be split 50/50 between seller

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& purchaser.

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Grass & Grain, October 11, 2016

Auctions, cont.

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November 2 — Farmland Auction for Dale L. Robeson Trust in Summerfield, KS. Auctioneers: Olmsteds

November 3 — 400 acres m/l

southern Pottawatomie County Rock Creek bottom, native meadow & native pasture land held at Wamego for Donald & Evelyn Zoeller Trust. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

November 3 — 160 acres m/l Dickinson County land held at Abilene. Auctioneers: Gene Francis & Associates.

November 5 — Tractors, trucks & farm machinery at Falun for Kenny & Gail Backhus. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt.

November 6 — Coins, art, glassware, sterling silver, bulk silver at Abilene for Dr. Frank Holtz Estate. Auctioneers: Reynolds

Auction Service.

November 12 — 712 acres m/l acres south central Pottawatomie County land in 5 tracts, CRP, pasture, crop ground, hay meadow & hunting held at Wamego for Thomas Family Trust & Lucille M. Berges Trust. Auctioneers: Pearl Real Estate & Appraisal Service

November 12 - 149.31 acres

m/l Marshall County land (farmland, hunting & fishing acreage, house & pasture) sold in 3 tracts held at Blue Rapids for James Baldwin, Pauline Baskett, Kelly Crook. Auctioneers: Donald Prell Realty & Auction.

November 12 — 117 acres m/l Nemaha County land held at Seneca for Lazy D Ranch (Les Droge Heirs). Auctioneers: Seneca Realty, Mike Kuckelman Dale Wilhelm auctioneer. November 12 — Moser Ranch 25th SimAngus, Simmental & Angus Bull Sale at the ranch,

Wheaton. November 15 — Real Estate in western Clay County, Kansas for David & Kathleen Dunn and Darrell & Nancy Hosler. Clay County Real Estate. Auctioneer: Greg Kretz.

November 17 — 560 acres m/l Ellsworth County land held at Ellsworth. Auctioneers: Homestead Realty & Auction, Tom Hill, Hill Realty, broker.

November 19 — 275 acres m/l Nemaha County farmland, pasture land, native meadow & farmstead offered in 3 tracts held at St. Benedict for Rupert R. Rethman Estate. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction, LLC.



Hoot and a Holler

Hoot had a way of keepin' the bubble level. Which ain't as easy as it sounds in the cricks and hollers around Ada.

Ol' man Johnson was tight with a dollar bill but flexible when it came to runnin' cattle. Meanin', he turned 'em out on his ranch and gathered 'em up but the numbers didn't always jibe. He now owned several steers that had evaded sale day for at least three Octobers.

He made several attempts to bring 'em in himself. Goin' so far as to enlist the aid of a cowboy or two, five Boy Scouts on three-wheelers, a company of coon hunters, six archeologists from the University of Tulsa looking for the Oregon Trail, and a water witcher from Fittstown. But, alas, the wild cattle still remained free!

As a last resort he asked Hoot what he'd charge to gather the critters. "Ten bucks," said Hoot.

Hoot showed up with two horses and a truckload of Catahoula Leopard dogs. Best cowdogs in the country accordin' to Hoot.

Hoot and Bill saddled up, loosed the dogs and lit out from the corral. Ol' Mr. Johnson saw 'em off then went back to the house.

It took the dogs less than ten minutes to find the strays. The riders could hear the dogs bayin' and cryin' just past the first holler. Hoot and Bill rode up on the noise. Eight head of three-year-old steers were bunched up together like baby elephants square dancin'! The dogs were runnin' circles around the frightened beasts.

Hoot called off the dogs and he and Billy started the herd down the fence line. They drove'm straight to the corral. They marched through the gate like teenagers in line at a Garth Brooks concert.

Ol' man Johnson ran out of the house lookin' at his watch. "I need to git some dogs like that," he muttered.

Hoot rode up and dismounted. "Eight head," he said.

"How much will that be?" asked Mr. Johnson, sliding his billfold out of his overall bib and slipping off the rubber band.

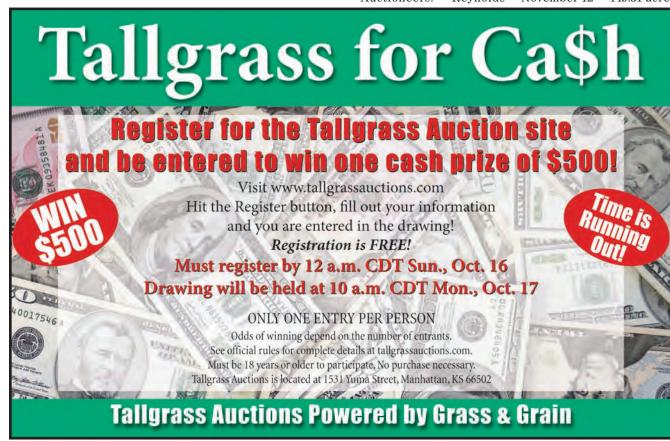
"Eight head," said Hoot, "That'll be eighty dollars."

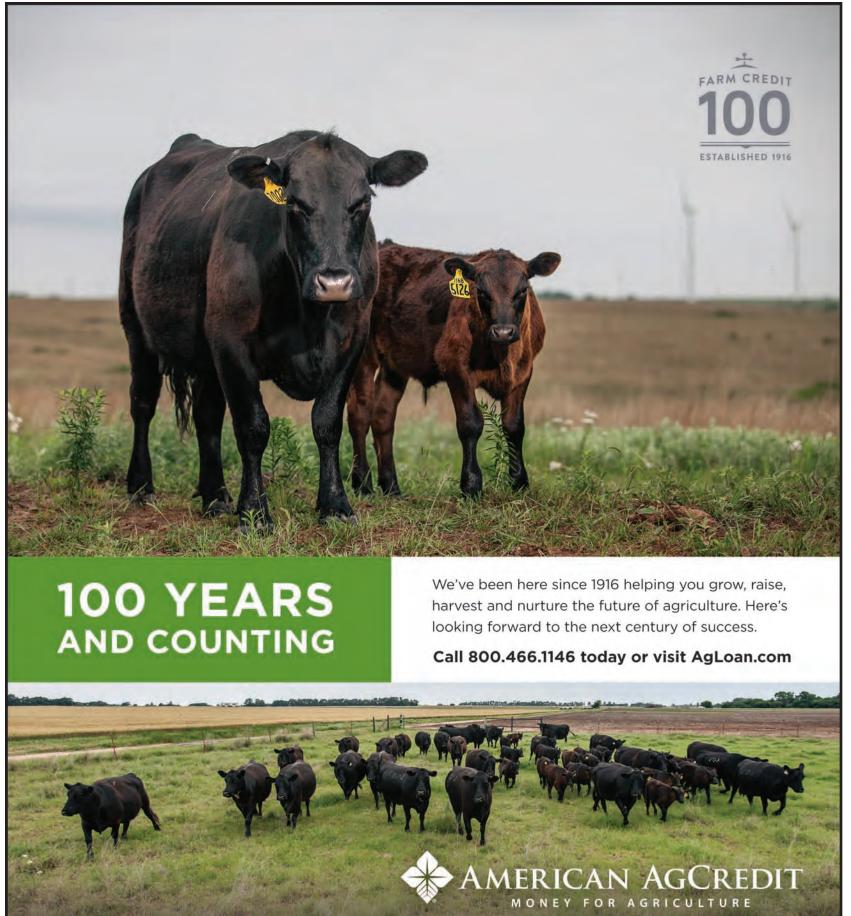
"Oh," said Mr. Johnson,
"I can't pay that much. It
only took you fifteen minutes." He looked over his
glasses at Hoot.

Hoot studied him a second, spun on his heels and stepped to the corral gate. He swung it open and with a wave of his hand shooshed the steers outside!

It took ten days for Ol' man Johnson to call Hoot again.

"Glad to," said Hoot,
"'Course, the price has gone
up!"





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