

# New ag chief gets first task to help farmers and ranchers

Just hours after being sworn in as the 31st Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Perdue had his first assignment before him: lead a new interagency task force on agriculture and rural prosperity. This group will examine how the federal government can lighten the regulatory burden on agricultural producers, expand trade markets for U.S. products, and accelerate investment in rural America.

“President Trump has made it clear that addressing the needs of rural America will be a top priority, and the message that we want to send to the agricul-

ture community is that we are here, we are working hard, and we are on their side,” stated Perdue.

Trump signed the executive order establishing the new initiative after hosting a roundtable with 14 farmers from across the country to hear about the challenges they are facing and how this new initiative would help mitigate them.

“Our farmers deserve a government that serves their interest and empowers them to do the hard work that they love to do so much,” explained Trump.

Trade in particular received top billing for topics

discussed as the president announced plans to impose a new tariff on Canadian lumber imports and criticized Canada’s dairy pricing system, which has locked out U.S. dairy exports.

In a press conference afterwards, Perdue said the actions sent a signal to Canada and other countries that “we need to play fair.” And Hank Choate, a dairy farmer from Michigan further described the domestic pricing changes as a way for Canada to work “underhandedly.”

“If the secretary and the president doesn’t get a handle on that, other coun-

tries that we work with and trade with will look for ways to work underhandedly as well,” commented Choate.

Free and fair trade has been a specific interest of Farm Policy Facts. Although there is a need to maintain and expand markets abroad for U.S. products, there is also a need to ensure everyone is playing by the rules, especially when it comes to agriculture. They have highlighted several examples where foreign competitors are renegeing on agreements made in the World Trade Organization (WTO) thereby putting American farmers and ranchers at a com-

petitive disadvantage. Additionally, they have made the case that this is another pressing reason why we need an on-time farm bill reauthorization when the current one expires.

Perdue offered up assurances that expanding opportunities in trade would be a priority for him and this administration, as well as enforcement of existing and future trade agreements.

“The blessings of America is that we’re so productive, America’s farmers and ranchers have been so productive over the years that we have an abundance that we need to sell,” stated Per-

due. “It’s going to be my task to go around the world with Commerce Secretary Ross, our U.S. trade representative, and our undersecretary of trade to make sure American products are on the tables all over this world.”

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All worked and ready for grass.</p> <p>7 big fancy Angus 1st calf hfrs w/ Angus sired calves by side.</p> <p>10 Hereford 1st calf hfrs w/ bwf &amp; rwf calves by side. Calves worked.</p> <p>15 home raised Angus OCV 1st calf hfrs w/ 30-60 days Angus calves by side. Hfrs &amp; calves all worked &amp; ready for turn out.</p> <p>8 choice OVC red Angus 1st calf hfrs w/30-60 day old red Angus sired calves by side. All worked and ready for grass.</p> <p>8 choice OCV blk bwf &amp; rwf 1st calf hfrs w/30 day old Angus sired calves by side. All worked and ready for grass.</p> <p><b>COW CAMP RANCH</b> will sell 31 choice OCV homeraised SimmAngus Fall bred hfrs, approx. 20 are AI bred to SimmAngus Graduate. Gen Ex proven easy calving bull, balance bred to Graduate son. AI due date Sept. 1. All to calve Sept/Oct.</p> <p>10 blk &amp; bwf OCV fall bred hfrs bred to Angus bulls, due Aug. 1st.</p> <p>10 blk bwf 1st calf OCV hfrs bred Angus bulls, heavy Springers.</p> <p>10 blk bwf 1st calf OCV hfrs w/ Angus sired calves by side.</p> <p>20 Angus Gardiner genetics 1st calf OCV hfrs w/ Feb-Mar. calves by side.</p> <p>15 Angus 1st calf hfrs w/2 week-30 day Angus calves by side.</p> <p>20 7/8 Angus 1/8 Gelv bred 1st calf hfrs, bred Angus, heavy springers.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Replacement Heifers</b></p> <p>4 OCV replacement SimAngus hfrs, pelvic measured 3 rds shots, 775-800 lbs</p> <p>25 Angus OCV replacement hfrs, pelvic measured, breeding shots, 850-950 lbs</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Complete Dispersal Consisting Of:</b></p> <p>245 mostly blk &amp; bwf cows, running ages. 110 will have 30-90 day calves by side. Balance Springers.</p> <p>44 blk bwf cows 3 yrs to older w/ fancy late Feb. &amp; Mar. calves by side.</p> <hr/> <p>13 blk cows, 3 w/calves, balance heavy Springers, 6-8 yrs old.</p> <p>8 homeraised SimAngus cows, 6-8 yrs old bred to Cow Camp bulls for Sept.-Oct. calves.</p> <p>85 choice blk cows 3-5 yrs bred blk Simm &amp; blk Angus bulls for Sept.-Oct. calves.</p> <p>8 Final Answer rOCV blk cows, 3 yrs, bred to Son of SAV Pioneer Angus bull for Sept.-Oct. calves.</p> <p>2 Final Answer OCV blk cows 6-8 yrs, bred to Son of SAV Pioneer Angus bull for Sept.-Oct. calves.</p> <p>5 Angus cows 4-8 yrs w/ calves by side.</p> <p>40 Angus Gardiner Genetic OCV cows, 3 yrs, bred Gardiner Angus bull, 4 mo.</p> <p>25 blk &amp; blk cross cows, running ages w/ Mar-April calves by side.</p> <p>6 blk cows SS w/ Feb.-Mar. calves by side.</p> <p>30 blk &amp; bwf cows, 4-8 yrs, most will have 30 day old blk &amp; bwf calves by side, balance heavy Springers</p> <p>6 3-4 year old wf cows, bred Angus for Aug.-Sept. calves.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Breeding Bulls Will Sell First @ 11:00 a.m.</b></p> <p>2 Angus bulls 24 mo., sired by Coleman Regis. 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Sires represented are Graduate, Bismark, &amp; Final Answer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>If you have any consignments for this Special Sale, please give us a call so we may advertise them for you!</i></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR MAY 5th</b></p> <p>65 choice Angus strs &amp; hfrs, 1 rd shots, 500-650 lbs</p> <p>90 choice blk w/ a few Char feeder hfrs, 750-850 lbs</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR MAY 12th</b></p> <p>2 Purebred LBW Angus bulls, 14 months old.</p>
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# Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay market activity moderate to slightly slower; demand moderate to slightly lighter for all classes of hay; prices steady. With the recent rain, the U.S. Drought Monitor indicated that the abnormally dry (D0) category decreased to 45.96 pct, while moderate drought (D1) decreased to .30 pct. According to the NASS Kansas Crop Progress and Condition Report, topsoil moisture rated 3 pct very short, 15 pct short, 70 pct adequate and 12 pct surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 4 pct very short, 17 pct short, 73 pct adequate and 6 pct surplus. Hay and roughage supplies rated 1 pct very short, 7 pct short, 83 pct adequate, and 9 pct surplus. If you have hay for sale, and/or need hay, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: [www.hayexchange.com/ks.php](http://www.hayexchange.com/ks.php).

## Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, grinding alfalfa 5.00 higher, movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 240.00-250.00. Dairy, .75-.85/point RFV, Supreme 140.00-160.00, Premium 130.00-150.00, Good 115.00-145.00. Stock or Dry Cow alfalfa, 75.00-95.00, with an instance at 110.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 85.00-100.00. New crop grinding alfalfa 95.00-100.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 110.00-120.00, with an instance at 130.00. New crop ground and delivered 120.00-130.00. The week of 4/16-4/22, 10,863T of grinding alfalfa and 1,838T of

dairy alfalfa were delivered. Grass hay: bluestem, large rounds 65.00-75.00. Brome: large rounds 55.00-65.00. Sudan: large rounds 40.00-45.00. Corn stalks, ground and delivered 70.00-80.00.

## South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered and alfalfa pellets steady, movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 230.00-240.00, Dairy, .70-.80/point RFV, Supreme 140.00-150.00, Premium 130.00-140.00, Good 110.00-130.00. Stock cow alfalfa, 90.00-95.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 80.00-90.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 100.00-110.00, an instance of 115.00-120.00. New crop ground and delivered 110.00-120.00. The week of 4/16-4/22, 4,748T of grinding alfalfa and 1,205T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 140.00-145.00, 17 pct protein 145.00-155.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 200.00-205.00. Grass hay: bluestem, mid and large squares 65.00-75.00, large rounds 60.00-70.00. Brome, mid and large squares, none reported, large rounds 75.00-80.00. Oat hay, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Sudan 60.00-70.00. Cane hay, large rounds 45.00-55.00. Corn stalks, ground and delivered 80.00-85.00. Straw large rounds 40.00-50.00, Straw, mid squares 50.00-55.00.

## Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay steady, movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 210.00-220.00. Dairy .70-.85/point RFV. Stock cow alfalfa 90.00-100.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa 70.00-80.00. Ground and delivered, 80.00-90.00. Grass hay: bluestem, small squares 100.00-110.00. Good, mid and large squares 75.00-85.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00. Brome: small squares

130.00-135.00. Good, mid and large squares 90.00-110.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Straw, mid squares 50.00-60.00. CWF grass mulch 30.00-40.00.

## Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa and ground/delivered steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse/goat, 180.00-190.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme .80-.95/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 100.00-110.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 65.00-75.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 90.00-95.00.

## North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay steady, movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 8.00-10.00/bale. Dairy .80-1.00/point RFV, Supreme 150.00-200.00. Premium 140.00-160.00, Good 130.00-140.00. Stock Cow, good 110.00-120.00. Fair/Good, grinding alfalfa, 80.00-90.00. Ground and delivered, 105.00-115.00. Grass hay: bluestem, small squares 4.00-6.00/bale, large squares 7.00-8.00, large rounds 6.00-7.00. Brome: Good, small squares 6.00-7.00/bale, mid and large squares, horse quality, 110.00-120.00, good large rounds 70.00-80.00. Sorghum/Sudan, large rounds 60.00-70.00. Straw, none reported. CWF grass mulch, none reported.

\*\*\*Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.

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Posted to the Internet: [www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/DC\\_GR310.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/DC_GR310.txt)

## Tractor Safety Training to be held May 26

Tractor Safety Training will be held on May 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Pomona Community Center, 219 Jefferson, Pomona. The driving and written

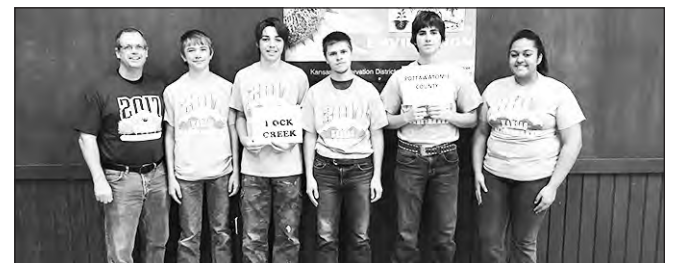
test will be given off-site at a local producer's farm. Youth will be transported by the instructors to the farm and back to the Pomona Community Center. This school is designed to assist 14- and 15-year-olds in gaining certification for farm employment. Youth that wish to drive a tractor or use a lawn mower bigger than 20 hp require this training if working for someone other than their parents.

Youth age 13 are welcome to take the training. However, they cannot become certified until they reach the age of 14. Participants must be able to attend the day-long session. Snacks and lunch will be provided.

Pre-registration is required by May 19th, please contact your local Extension office. You will need to provide your name, address, phone, and birth date at pre-registration time. There is a class fee of \$6.00 for materials. Please stop by your local Extension office to pick up the book and to register.

Call or email to register: Frontier Extension District Office: Lyndon - 785-828-4438, Ottawa - 785-229-3520, Garnett - 785-448-6826 or by emailing the agents at: [rschaub@ksu.edu](mailto:rschaub@ksu.edu) or [dhibdon@ksu.edu](mailto:dhibdon@ksu.edu) or [sblocker@ksu.edu](mailto:sblocker@ksu.edu)

This program is co-sponsored by Frontier Extension District and Farm Bureau.



Rock Creek Envirothon team members are, from left: David Holliday, advisor, Colby Sims, Cayden Figge, Tristan Stillwagon, Austin Hynek and Hannah Fouts, captain.

## Rock Creek High School competes in Kansas Envirothon

The Rock Creek High School Envirothon Team competed at the 26th Annual Kansas Envirothon on April 26, 2017 at the Barton County Community College's Camp Aldrich near Claflin. The Kansas Envirothon is a hands-on outdoor, environmental high school educational competition that is organized and coordinated by Conservation Districts.

Students train and test in such components as Soils/Land Use, Forestry, Wildlife, Aquatic Ecology and a Current Environmental Issue. The current issue for the present year is "Agricultural Soil and Water Conservation Stewardship."

Students rotated to one presentation in each area and then as a team during the written testing portion of the contest. Each group also gave an oral presentation over the topic. There were 17 teams from all over Kansas competing at the

event. The Rock Creek High School squad attended the regional competition at the Red Rock Guest Ranch located near Soldier on April 12, 2017 which earned them the opportunity to compete at the state competition. The unit of five 'first-time' students scored 330 points and received fifteenth place.

Clay Center High School's Envirothon team took first place and will now advance to the National Conservation Foundation's North American Envirothon to be held at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland on July 23-29, 2017. Typically there are approximately 55 top teams at this contest from the United States of America along with teams from Canadian provinces and territories.

Team members are sponsored by the Pottawatomie County Conservation District.

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**Tract 1:** Farmhouse, Buildings And 2.77 Acres +/- (Survey Available On Our Website) 3 Bedroom/ 1 & 1/2 Bath  
**Tract 2:** 29 +/- Acres Of Land Laying South Of Mill Creek. See Picture Inset

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**VEHICLE:** 1972 Chevy custom/10 pickup, V8 350, 3 speed manual transmission, w/57,384 miles; pickup bed trailer. **FURNITURE & APPLIANCES:** Lester-Philadelphia USA piano & bench; sofa, platform rockers; o/s chairs; sm. coffee table w/ glass top & metal feet; old dropleaf dining table w/pads; wood kitchen table w/pull out leaves & 2 chairs; 4 old straight chairs w/tufted black leather backs and seats; old buffet (nice); 6 drawer blonde chest (Fashion Trend by Johnson-Carper); full size bed (David Cabinet Co.); 3 drawer dresser w/mirror (David Cabinet Co., nice); old wood rocker; single bed; misc. wood chairs; sm. desk w/glass top; night stands; round wicker stool; old footstools; end tables; card table; magazine racks; metal TV trays; roll away bed; ornate floor lamps & others; beveled wall mirror; metal cabinet; '50s porcelain top table; wood folding chairs; Faberware indoor grill; Sunbeam Mixmaster; small kitchen appliances; Amana Radar Range; Maytag electric dryer; GE washer; Large Frigidaire Chest Freezer. **ANTIQUES & GLASSWARE:** Lg. cast iron farm/school bell marked Montgomery Yard & Co., Crystal Metal, Chicago, Illinois w/number 26 on the bell; old large mounted drill press & drill bits; part of antique stove; c.i. floor grates; ornate iron bed frame; sm. wood keg; old child's potty chair; old ladies hats; Stetson hat in box; lg. tapestry floor rug; jewelry box; costume jewelry; sm. pink ice cream freezer; alum. pitcher; 1943 & 1944 Kansas State Royal Purple & other old books; old pictures; framed crewel pictures by Mary Ellen Crisp; lg. wicker laundry basket w/wood handles (nice); old foot locker; old trunk; old baby bed; Butter-nut coffee tins; old sm. alum. milk can w/lid & handle (nice); old cheese box; Columbia Family Scales; Ball blue glass canning jars w/glass lids & others; milk bottles; metal boiler; old oil cans; scythe; hand knife; Henry Disston & Son one man saw (nice) & others; grey granite bowl; cream & green granite coffee pot; lg oval black and white granite pan; kerosene lamp; old toaster; horse hames & misc. horse harness pcs.; c.i. windmill well pump cup; brace & bit; old levels; Keen Kutter No. 18 pipe wrench; old horseshoes; old rooster figurines; pr. white dove figurines by Andrea; Frankoma boat dish #211; Frankoma coffee cups; sm. brown crock & bowl; blue fire king mixing bowls & other fire king dishes; pyrex; Jewel T bowl; glassbake coffee cups; corningware; German granite fire king percolator; set of Corelle dishes; old kitchen utensils; salt & pepper shakers; Eb. Langbein original Western Zone Germany honey pot; knick knacks; old aprons. **YARD & TOOLS:** Iron well pump; log roller; lawn chairs & glider; yard tools; Craftsman hedge trimmer; bushel baskets; martin house; hand seeder; 4 rolls of barbed wire & misc. barbed wire; 6' metal fence posts (new); roll of wire; old grease pump; 6' Cuprum ladder; alum. scoop shovel; ammo boxes; old floor jack; handyman jack; giant clevis; 3 1/2" vise (The Chas. Parker Co.); log chains; post hole diggers; rock bars; wheelbarrows; galv. buckets; round galv. wash tub marked Cream City with a 2 in the bottom; sprayers; air bubble; misc. hand tools; 1/2" drive socket set. **MISC. & LOTS MORE!**

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## ESTATE AUCTION

**SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017 — 11:00 AM**  
 210 Knox Lane Self Storage Shed No. 58  
 MANHATTAN, KS 66502

Jazzy elite power wheel chair with 2 New Batteries, run great; Couch; Recliner; dinette set with marble top with 4 chairs; Craftmatic bed with a Memory Foam mattress; 2 bedroom sets; end table; several droplids; 5 antique dolls in very good condition; several belt buckles; revolver 32 caliber; lots of hand tools; trailer jack; **lots of other items to numerous to mention.**

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## REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

**TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2017**  
 Time: Personal Property - 5:30 PM • Home Sells @ 6:30 PM  
 Location: 2205 Stonepost Road — MANHATTAN, KANSAS



**Description:** 3 Bedroom and 2 1/2 bath home with just under 3000 sq. ft. of space. Tremendous limestone accents with worlds of potential. Screened-in porch, 2-car garage and terraced backyard are some of the additional attractions for this house that sits just west of K-State's campus off of Claflin.

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**APPLIANCES & FURNITURE:** Apt. size Magic Chef electric stove; Singer sewing machine in cabinet; Hoover SpinScrub; Shark Vacuum; Samsung TV; VCR; DVD; sofa; loveseat; ornate end tables (1 w/drawers); coffee table; sm. wood cabinet w/drawers; sm. wood desk; wood child's chairs; rockers (2); magazine rack; Safco file cabinets; old library table w/drawer; Dupont Allardet Clock & others; lamps; large framed zebra picture; large framed rabbit picture by P. Rolence; other nice pictures (some on canvas); sm. decorative trunk.

**ANTIQUES & GLASSWARE:** Ice cream table w/2 chairs; twisted wire ice cream shop stool; tinker toys; old butter mold; wood stick horse on metal wheels; sterling tray; brass; Longaberger baskets; old wood high chair; copper baby shoe bookends; metal signs; old books; sm. Bradley paper cutter (old); C.I. squirrel nut cracker on tray; sm. retro metal trash can; lg. blue & white granite bowl; crock jars; picture frames (some old); pink depression handled dish; misc. glassware; Norman Rockwell plates; Robert Hersey collector plates (Danbury Mint); lg. bald eagle statue.

**YARD & MISCELLANEOUS:** Kenmore gas grill; concrete bird bath; Worx weed eater; elect. hedge trimmers; hand sprayer; jogging stroller (nice); luggage; and **LOTS MORE!!**

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## REAL ESTATE AUCTION

**TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017 • 7:00 PM**

**Location:** 201 Main St., Westmoreland Community Center  
**Selling:** The offering will consist of a total of 147 +/- acres of hay meadow and pasture property. Land is split into two natural portions via HWY 99. General location of the property is roughly one mile south of Westmoreland. The property will be offered in the following tracts:

**TRACT 1: 19+/- acres.** One of the most scenic home sites you will find! Breath taking views, easy access, currently used as a hay meadow.

**TRACT 2: 69 +/- acres.** Productive hay meadow.

**TRACT 3: 88 +/- acres.** Tract 1 & Tract 2 combined.

**TRACT 4: 59 +/- acres.** Great pasture ground with good fences, catch pens and a pond with easy access.

**TRACT 5: 147 +/- acres.** Tracts 1, 2 & 4 combined. Buy it all and save the cost of a survey!



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# Wheat tour participants to scout for rust, viruses

By Marsha Boswell,  
Kansas Wheat Director of  
Communications

Nearly 90 grain traders, government officials, reporters, millers and even a few farmers started the 2017 Wheat Quality Council's Hard Winter Wheat Tour on May 1. Over the three-day tour, they will canvass the state's wheat crop from Manhattan to Colby to Wichita and back again. Along the way, they will stop every 15 miles or so to estimate yields in wheat fields on their routes. At the end, the results will be compiled into a yield estimate average for the Kansas hard red winter wheat crop.

Scouts will be on the lookout for viral diseases, including Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus; stem, stripe and leaf rusts; some scattered poor emergence in parts of northwest Kansas; and some nitrogen and sulfur deficiencies.

## Wheat Stem Rust

Wheat stem rust has been observed in Texas. Stem rust is generally considered the most damaging of the cereal rust diseases because it can infect leaves, stems and heads of the developing plants. It should be possible to manage the disease and reduce potential yield losses with foliar fungicides. While many popular Kansas varieties are resistant or moderately resistant to stem rust, it's still important to scout wheat and protect it against this devastating disease. (Read more at <http://www.plantpath.k-state.edu/extension/publications/stem-rust-management-mf2989.pdf>)

## Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus

According to K-State Research and Extension's April 21, 2017 eUpdate, the most prevalent viral disease is wheat streak mosaic virus (WSMV), especially in the western portion of the state. While some fields are completely infected by the disease, many fields are actually only showing patches of infected plants across the field, likely the result of low levels of wheat curl mites blowing in from distant areas of higher mite populations. Viral diseases were most likely favored by

the warm conditions experienced in the fall, winter and early spring, and by volunteer wheat not controlled before the growing season. Some fields in the affected area will ultimately be abandoned because of WSMV infection. WSMV has an average statewide impact of 2% yield loss.

## Stripe Rust

Stripe rust is more severe in the southeast region of the state and has moved to the upper leaves in some fields. While recent weather conditions haven't been favorable for the spread of stripe rust, we aren't out of the woods yet. We know stripe rust is present at low levels in many fields in the state. There is still a moderate risk of Kansas having a serious problem with stripe rust this season.

## Leaf Rust

Scouts will also be on the lookout for leaf rust and powdery mildew. Leaf rust was reported previously in south central and southeastern Kansas. Leaf rust has moved to the upper leaves in few areas, which is important because these leaves provide most of the resources the plants will use to produce grain. Any damage done to the upper leaves increases the risk of yield loss.

## Powdery Mildew

Powdery mildew is becoming severe in fields planted to moderately susceptible and susceptible varieties. This early establishment of the disease is cause for concern, and growers should consider both rust and powdery mildew into their fungicide decisions.

## Fungicides

Aerial applications of fungicide have already started across the state, and chances are, tour participants will once again see these planes during their three-day trek across Kansas and parts of Nebraska,

Colorado and Oklahoma. All fungicides are best applied before the disease becomes established or very early in the development of disease within the crop.

For fungicide recommendations, Erick DeWolf, K-State Research and Extension plant pathologist, says, "Fungicide products that combine multiple modes of action offer very good to excellent efficacy against stripe rust and other important foliar diseases in Kansas. Using a fungicide with a mixed mode of action can also help reduce the risk of fungicide resistance developing in a fungal population. I think growers have a lot of product options with very good or excellent efficacy on stripe rust and other leaf diseases. I suggest that growers consider efficacy ratings, cost and availability when selecting products to use on their farm."

K-State Research and Extension reminds farmers that it is essential to always consult the label when applying fungicides, since any label violations could have unwelcome consequences. In general, the triazole fungicides can be applied the latest.

DeWolf says, "While several fungicide products can be applied through the flowering stage, they have a 30-day preharvest interval, so producers have to keep that in mind and make sure they're not applying it so late that they will have to delay harvest to meet the preharvest interval. Other fungicides have a growth stage cut off that prevents application during and after the flowering stages of growth. (Read more at [https://webapp.agron.ksu.edu/agr\\_social/eu\\_article.throck?article\\_id=1338](https://webapp.agron.ksu.edu/agr_social/eu_article.throck?article_id=1338))

## Freeze Damage Potential

According to the National Agricultural Statistics

Service, the crop is ahead of schedule when compared to the five-year average. For the week ending April 23, 2017, wheat in far southeast Kansas is flowering, with some fields even further along in the early stages of grain development. Eighty-two percent of the crop is jointed, behind 91% last year, but ahead of the five-year average of 70%. In addition, 25 percent is Kansas' winter wheat crop is headed, ahead of 20 last year and 17 average.

This means that when there are frosts or freezes, the crop is more vulnerable than it normally would be at this time of year. The effects of a freeze event to the wheat crop depend on how the event matches up with critical sensitive stages of crop development. Generally, temps below 32°F for a minimum of about two hours will cause damage to the crop. Damage doesn't show until about a week or ten days after a freeze event. Freeze injury during heading and flowering stages can cause severe yield consequences. Therefore, scouts will also be looking for any signs of freeze damage, which may include damage to the kernel or the lower stem. If there's any good news, it's that there is plenty of soil moisture in the south central area, which could help buffer the low temperatures to a certain extent, according to Romulo Lollato, K-State Wheat and Forages Extension specialist. The extent of the damage from any freeze events won't be known until harvest.

## Yield Potential

Agronomists have visited several different fields across the state. Many fields visited had good yield potential, especially in the central portion of the state.

With recent freeze events, this could change. Fields in far northwest Kansas and in parts of southwest Kansas also had good yield potential when not infected by wheat streak mosaic virus.

For the week ending April 23, winter wheat condition in Kansas rated 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 32 fair, 45 good, and 7 excellent. While the condition of the crop remains favorable, it is important to remember that planted acres were at a century-low, meaning that even with good yields, production will be down this year.

## Holy cow! Triplet calves born on two southern Kansas farms

Two southern Kansas farmers are rearing unusual sets of triplet calves.

The *Hutchinson News* reports that Delbert Ross described the recent discovery of the triplets in a pasture on the line dividing Pratt and Kiowa counties as "pretty special." He says it's been at least 25 years since he's seen triplets and that one of those calves was stillborn. He's watching to see whether he'll have to pull one or two of the calves to bottle-rear.

On the other end of Pratt County, near Preston, another set of triplets was born in mid-March at the home of Mike and Sarah Jackson. They raise purebred Simmental cattle that their three daughters show for 4-H.

Pratt Community College agriculture instructor Lori Montgomery says it's rare to have "live, healthy triplets."

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## Four winter canola field tours scheduled for May

K-State Research and Extension will host several opportunities in May to learn more about winter canola varieties and crop production practices, said Mike Stamm, K-State canola breeder.

"Having field tours at this time of year gives us a great opportunity to evaluate yield potential of the winter canola crop. As producers gear up for harvest, there are a number of questions we can address to help with those important decisions. We'll also talk about new varieties, variety development, and how well the crop has fared over the growing season," Stamm said.

Four tours have been scheduled. The first tour will be May 12 in the Harper

County area and is co-hosted by Progressive Ag Co-op. The tour will begin at 10 a.m. at the southeast corner of Hwy 160 and NE 80th Ave. near Danville, Kansas. There will be four additional stops highlighting different production practices and varieties. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. at the Blue Fair Barn in Harper. RSVP for lunch by May 10 by calling the Harper County Extension office at 620-842-5445.

The second tour will be May 23 starting at 2 p.m. at the South Central Kansas Experiment Field, Redd Foundation Field southwest of Partridge. To get to the field, drive west of Partridge 1.5 miles on Trail West Rd. Turn south on High Point Rd. and drive 0.5 miles to the field. Attendees will see a National Winter Canola Variety Trial, Round-

up Ready canola cultivars under development, fungicide/growth regulator trial, seeding rate trial, and a canola/wheat rotation study. Refreshments will be provided. The South Central Kansas Experiment Field Day at the headquarters unit, 10702 S. Dean Rd., will follow at 5 p.m.

The third field day will be May 25 at the Southwest Research-Extension Center, 4500 E. Mary Street, Garden City, in conjunction with the center's Spring Field Day. The field day starts at 4:30 p.m. and a meal will be provided. Attendees will hear about canola variety development, production practices, and the National Winter Canola Variety Trial.

The fourth field day will be May 26 starting at 10 a.m. near Montezuma. The first stop will be 1 mile north of town on the Ingalls blacktop (12th Road) on the west side of the road. Attendees will learn about canola growth and development, harvest options, and variety development. Lunch will be sponsored by Helena Chemical and Monsanto.

All field days are co-sponsored by K-State Research and Extension and the Great Plains Canola Association. Financial support for these field days was made available through the Great Plains Canola Association's Promote Canola Acres program and the U.S. Department of Agriculture-National Institute of Food and Agriculture Supplemental and Alternative Crops Competitive Grant Program.



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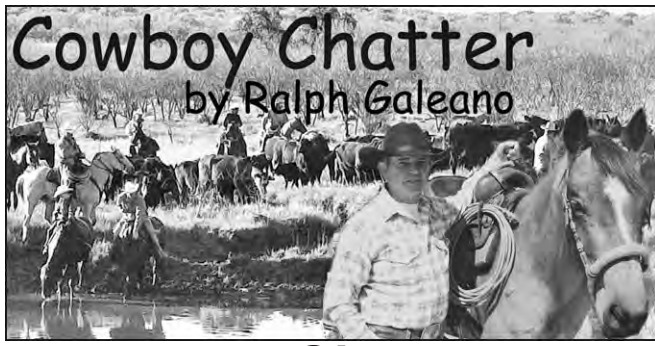
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## Siv

The horse was leaning on me while I worked on her hooves. I couldn't hold her up and the more I poked her in the ribs, the more weight she asked me to carry. A thousand-pound horse can wear you out in a hurry when they want you to carry their load. It's doubly aggravating if it's a horse that is always causing problems.

They've got four legs and I know for a fact they can stand on three unless another leg has a problem and hurts to stand on.

"Just before your back gives out, throw your saddle on her and tie a rope from her leg up to the saddle horn for a while to keep that leg off the ground. She'll learn to stand on the other three legs pretty quick. Then you can go on with your work and do a better job because you won't be aggravated having the weight of a horse on your legs and back," said Siv Siedensticker.

I knew Siv was watching me work and I also knew he didn't waste time with idle talk. When Siv said something, you better pay atten-

tion. He knew what he was talking about.

Liked and admired by all, you can say Siv was a legend in parts of central Montana. He was in his 90s when he passed away and the town of Twin Bridges, Montana mourned his passing and the end of the era of the Siedensticker Ranch. I felt privileged and honored to have earned his friendship and would like to share a few memories of Siv Siedensticker.

Siv's Grandfather emigrated from Germany and ended up in the mining districts of Montana's Highland Mountains in the 1860s. Mining wasn't to his liking so he purchased land near the headwaters of the Jefferson River. It was the beginning of the Siedensticker Ranch. Siv was born on the ranch and was the third generation of Siedenstickers to manage the ranch. In all, the ranch lasted 119 years in the Siedensticker name with five generations contributing to the operation.

Siv was a man that loved the mountains and range on

the ranch. He took pride in being the best steward of the land he could be. With over 20,000 acres of deeded and leased land, the ranch was a full time job that kept him busy. He loved to roam the hills and mountains watching the elk, deer and antelope to see how they were faring during all seasons of the year.

Weeds were his enemy and he took a vengeance on them. He was a master at driving his pickup with a 400-gallon spray tank mounted in the bed into treacherous mountain areas in order to reach patches of leafy spurge or other noxious weeds that clung to the steep slopes.

I spent many days accompanying Siv on breathtaking trips into areas where the top-heavy pickup with its tank loaded with chemical seemed to defy gravity as it clawed its way along steep side hills with thousand-foot drops. Many times, I wanted to bail out and take my chances walking behind the truck in case it rolled off the grade, but decided to screw my courage up a few notches, keep my mouth shut and not say a word about the imminent danger of the overloaded truck rolling off the mountain with us in it.

Siv was never bothered by the places he drove the spray truck. I, on the other hand, kept my eyes straight ahead as we clawed along on impossible steep grades. If I looked out the side window, I knew I would only see the frightening abyss and the rocks below. I kept

adjustable pump recharges the wick. The effect is proper control without overtreatment. The oiler is built to last with an eight-chain harness to provide extra protection for the wick and an aggressive scratching surface for cattle.

Finally, Joey Bogdahn with Purina Animal Nutrition discussed Fly Control feed products that are available that resist wind and rain while still remaining digestible. Altosi (IGR) helps prevent the breeding of horn flies in the manure of treated cattle.

RanchLand Feed and Edwards Cattle Co. provided a free USA-Beef dinner for the attendees. Other proud sponsors included: PrairieLand Partners, Lewis Cattle Oilers, Emporia Livestock Sales Co., Tractor Supply Co., AgriLabs, AgChoice, Frontier Farm Credit, LeRoy Co-op Association,

my eyes straight ahead so I wouldn't see any weeds on those dangerous slopes. If I saw weeds, I knew we'd have to go after them and I didn't bring a change of underwear. Mouth shut and eyes straight ahead on those scary mountain slopes was my program.

One expedition found us creeping along in low gear on a high ridge with steep slopes on both side and the tires barely clinging to the edges of the razorback ridge.

"What's the name of this place?"

"Suicide Pass," he answered.

Hunting season was Siv's favorite time of year. He loved being in the mountains hunting elk and deer. He reminisced about the game in the 1930s. It was so scarce because of the drought, depression and homesteaders, he said, that if you ever saw a deer track, you'd better stay on its trail because it was probably the only one in the country.

The open range was devastated in those years and an area known as Rochester Basin was particularly bad due to overgrazing and drought.

Siv and his dad disappointed and walked approximately one mile leading their horses in the basin one year. Their purpose was to find one blade of grass and they failed to do so. All that was left was sage. While they were walking, they could see five bands of sheep, wild horses coming in to water to the west

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and cattle leaving the high points in the east heading into water in the middle of Rochester Basin. That's what the range looked like in 1943-1944.

Siv said before his death, he wished the conservationists could have seen the range back then so they could see the improvements that have been made to the range and also the abundance of game on the Siedensticker Ranch today.

One winter day we chained up the tires on his four-wheel-drive truck and headed for Sheep Mountain. Siv drove along a high ridge and stopped the truck near a cluster of rocks on the very top of the ridge. I could see a sheep monument of stacked rocks at the top.

"Let's walk up there. I want to show you something."

We walked to the cluster of rocks in a strong south wind laced with stinging snow. When we reached the top, he pointed down at a flat rock blown clear of snow. Inscribed on the rock was the date, 1903.

"My dad found this and showed it to me a long time ago. He told me a sheepherder had chiseled the date on that rock long ago."

We continued on our journey and stopped at a gate on another high ridge.

"This is dog gate. I named it after I stopped to open it one year and forgot to put the brake on and left the truck in neutral. It started rolling and went through the gate with my dog in the cab. It rolled and


cartwheeled all the way to the bottom. The truck was totaled but my dog wasn't even scratched. We had a long walk home."

We ended that day with a hair-raising stop on an icy knoll just before we slid off the edge into a basin a thousand feet below. We wanted to see if there were any elk wintering in the basin. Siv's boots had a crust of ice on them when he pulled up to the overlook. His foot slipped off the clutch and the truck leaped forward to the edge of the cliff. My heart went to my throat as Siv desperately tried to brake and clutch the truck at the same time. He managed to control it and we stayed on top of the icy lookout. I started breathing again and he said, "One of these days I've got to get my hip fixed again. Sometimes it just doesn't work right."

There were no elk in the basin.

Siv died in 2008 at the age of 92 after giving 47 years of his life to the management of the Siedensticker Ranch.

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## Kansas Cattlemen's Association hosts Animal Health & Wellness Seminar

Members and guests of the Kansas Cattlemen's Association (KCA) came together for an Animal Health and Wellness seminar in Madison on April 17 at the Sauder Community Center. Presentations were focused on the prevention and herd treatment of anaplasmosis and foot rot. Six presentations provided diverse options to keep cattle herds clear from disease.

Tyler Dupy, KCA executive director, opened the evening clarifying some of the industry issues that KCA is tracking through legislative and regulatory channels. He discussed topics like Country of Origin and the GIPSA rules and their importance to independent cattle producers.

Presentations regarding the prevention of Anaplasmosis and Foot Rot in livestock herds were given by industry representatives. Dave Murphy with Ruma-Lic Liquid feeds started the presentations with some background information on the diseases. He discussed the importance of quality animal nutrition as a foundation for disease prevention.

Greg Davis with RanchLand Feed discussed the importance of balancing a plan with multiple forms of protection. Proper animal nutrition is key as well as balancing an insect growth regulator with other means to prevent and control horn flies and ticks.

Work smarter not harder was Andrea Dietel's advice from AgriLabs. She recommended comparing the actual fly season to the life of some remedies, and be ready to accommodate herd needs in an extended season. The VetGun, an innovative delivery platform for effective fly control when and where you need it, allows for sole-operator applications to the entire herd without corrals and chutes at a reasonable cost.

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tis brought Beef Technical Service veterinarian Dr. Doug Hilbig, who addressed attendees and discussed treatment and control of anaplasmosis and foot rot. Aureomycin works well with VFD for treatment when individual animal treatment is difficult. Terramycin is an injectable and short-acting treatment of both diseases. Working with a veterinarian and feed specialist can help with both prevention and treatment.

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Tampa, 1 blk 1205@86.00	Gypsum, 1 blk 1305@67.00	
Lincolnville, 1 blk 1190@86.00		
Wilsey, 1 bwf 1330@85.00	Lincolnville, 7 blk 444@181.00	Lincolnville, 3 blk 365@167.00
Wilsey, 1 bwf 1170@80.50	Herington, 4 blk 543@167.00	Lincolnville, 3 blk 365@167.00
Tampa, 1 blk 1090@77.00	Chapman, 1 blk 1675@90.50	Chapman, 5 mix 371@166.00
Wilsey, 1 bwf 1275@70.50	Marion, 1 Char 1785@85.50	Chapman, 5 mix 371@166.00
White City, 1 red 1245@70.00	Tampa, 1 blk 1815@82.50	Carlton, 3 blk 362@161.00
Marion, 1 blk 1520@70.00	Hillsboro, 1 blk 1830@80.00	Marion, 2 blk 303@161.00
Marion, 1 blk 1205@70.00	White City, 1 blk 1620@80.00	Marion, 2 blk 375@154.00
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Tampa, 1 blk 1445@69.50		Marion, 20 blk 473@145.00
Wilsey, 1 bwf 1235@69.50		Lincolnville, 8 mix 480@143.50
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Wilsey, 1 blk 1300@68.50		Wilsey, 21 blk 692@137.00
Wilsey, 1 red 1400@68.50		Cncil Grove, 3 mix 712@135.00
Burdick, 1 blk 1400@68.00		Herington, 128 blk 766@135.00
Wilsey, 1 blk 1315@68.00		Woodbine, 63 blk 852@130.50
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# Kansas Corn anticipates higher ethanol blends at three new Casey's locations

Three new Casey's General Store locations will soon open in Kansas and offer higher ethanol blends of E15 and E85, according to the Kansas Corn Commission. Casey's General Stores, Inc., a Midwest convenience store chain, announced it will expand consumer choice by offering higher ethanol blends at 17 sites in Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas. The Kansas locations will be in Topeka, Seneca and Smith Center.

E15 is a fuel that contains 15 percent ethanol and works

well for any car 2001 and newer. Higher blends up to E85 are choices for flex-fuel vehicle owners.

"Kansas is excited to be a part of this new effort by Casey's General Stores," Kansas Corn Commission chairman Kent Moore of Iuka said. "Casey's was one of the early adopters of the E10 unleaded fuel that is now used by nearly all motorists in the U.S. Today, Casey's and other fuel retailers are expanding consumer choice by offering higher blends of

ethanol fuel. E15 fuel is a higher octane, high-performance fuel at an excellent value. That's good news for Kansas motorists and for Kansas corn farmers."

The locations of the three new Casey's General Stores that will offer higher ethanol blends are:

Topeka: 6741 SW 21st Street

Seneca: 1106 North Street Smith Center: 205 W. Hwy. 36

"We like the potential that E15 and E85 could bring to

Casey's and are excited to provide our customers with a wide variety of fueling options" said Terry Handley, president and CEO of Casey's. "We appreciate the assistance Growth Energy, and the farmers funding the corn checkoff in Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas have invested in our E15 and E85 program."

The Kansas Corn Commission, Illinois Corn Marketing Board and Iowa Corn Promotion Board along with Growth Energy are assisting Casey's with their new

program. The retail chain has over 1,950 convenience stores across 15 states making it the nation's fourth-largest.

Casey's adoption of higher biofuel blends marks a major milestone for renewable fuel availability, especially across rural America where demand for higher ethanol blends is at an all-time high. The Kansas Corn Commission is active in funding expansion of higher ethanol blends for motorists in Kansas and across the nation to increase demand for

ethanol and for corn.

The Kansas Corn Commission is also active in the Kansas Better Blends Initiative (KBBI), working to bring higher ethanol blends to Kansas fuel retailers. Higher ethanol blends through the KBBI are now available at seven locations and with nine additional locations in progress. For more information on Kansas stations that offer E15 and higher blends, visit <http://kscorn.com/ethanol>, or visit <http://getethanol.com> for stations across the U.S.

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600-700	\$155.00-\$190.00	17 mix	Blaine 906@134.75
700-800	\$141.00-\$174.00		
800-900	\$130.00-\$151.50		
900-1000	\$118.00-\$140.50		
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400-500	\$141.00-\$169.00	12 mix	Beloit 337@175.00
500-600	\$132.00-\$156.00	9 mix	Hutchinson 342@172.00
600-700	\$131.00-\$147.00	4 blk	Canton 411@169.00
700-800	\$130.00-\$144.00	12 mix	Beloit 421@163.00
800-900	\$115.00-\$133.85	6 mix	Hutchinson 442@161.00
		7 blk	Glendale 463@161.00
		6 blk	Delphos 408@161.00
		13 blk	Tescott 407@159.00
		17 blk	Manhattan 481@158.50
		12 mix	Hutchinson 498@158.00
		3 blk	Lincoln 530@156.00
		6 blk	Clafin 554@154.00
		17 blk	St. George 535@154.00
		13 mix	Wamego 547@153.00
		7 blk	Lincoln 539@152.00
		4 blk	Moundridge 548@151.00
		3 mix	Bunker Hill 562@149.00
		9 blk	Kechi 556@149.00
		6 blk	Clafin 581@147.00
		5 blk	Medicine Lodge 611@147.00
		17 blk	Bushton 579@146.50
		8 blk	Lincoln 623@146.00
		19 blk	Hope 728@144.00
		5 red	Hillsboro 758@144.00
		34 blk	St. George 643@143.50
		5 blk	Windom 617@143.00
		134 blk	Lincoln 766@142.50
		14 blk	St. George 760@142.50
		5 mix	Bunker Hill 654@142.00
		72 mix	Whitewater 725@141.75
		23 mix	Wamego 649@141.00
		31 mix	Lincoln 765@140.75
		51 blk	Great Bend 733@140.50
		16 mix	Salina 763@139.50
		14 mix	Medicine Lodge 735@137.50
		2 char	Bunker Hill 715@137.00
		5 mix	Hillsboro 816@137.00
		84 mix	Great Bend 797@134.25
		66 blk	Abilene 800@133.85
		12 mix	Medicine Lodge 823@133.25
		10 blk	Carlton 804@133.00
		3 blk	Chapman 853@133.00
		64 blk	Beloit 800@132.25
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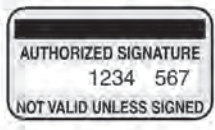
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## Beef cattle and forage crops field day planned for Mound Valley

Kansas State University's Southeast Agricultural Research Center will host its Beef Cattle and Forage Crops Field Day on Thursday, May 4, at the Mound Valley Community Center, 505 Hickory St.

The day starts with registration at 8:30 a.m., and the program begins at 9 a.m.

In addition to presentations by K-State Research and Extension and Oklahoma State University specialists, 20 commercial vendors will be available with displays and to answer questions about their products. Lunch, compliments of the vendors, will be served following the program.

Presentations include:

Beef Cattle Market Outlook – Glynn Tonsor, K-State agricultural economist;

Bermudagrass Production and Management – Brian Pugh, Oklahoma State agronomist;

Mineral Supplementation of Grazing Cattle – Jayme-lynn Farney, K-State beef specialist;

Chemical Seed Suppression of Tall Fescue – Doug Shoup, K-State crops and soils specialist; and

Grazing Systems for Southeastern Kansas – Lyle Lomas, K-State animal science specialist and head of the Southeast Agricultural Research Center.

More information is available by calling the K-State Southeast Agricultural Research Center at 620-421-4826.

## Equus-Walnut Regional Advisory Committee Meeting to be held May 11 in El Dorado

The Kansas Water Office's (KWO) Equus-Walnut Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold a meeting to discuss current water issues affecting the basin as well as the state.

The meeting will be held Thursday, May 11 at 1 p.m., at the BG Veterans Stadium, 392 SW Haverhill Road in El Dorado. The main focus of the meeting will be discussion of Regional Action Plan implementation for the approved Equus-Walnut Regional Water Supply Goals associated with

the Vision for the Future of Water Supply in Kansas.

The agenda and meeting materials will be available at [www.kwo.org](http://www.kwo.org) or you may request copies by calling (785) 296-3185 or toll-free at (888) KAN-WATER (526-9283).

If accommodations are needed for a person with disabilities, please notify the Kansas Water Office at 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 404, Topeka, KS 66611-1249 or call (785) 296-3185 at least five working days prior to the meeting.

## National Agricultural Biosecurity Center at Kansas State University offers animal disease response training in Nebraska, Kansas

A Kansas State University center is offering training to help local and state emergency responders prepare for something they hope never happens: a serious animal disease outbreak.

The National Agricultural Biosecurity Center conducted six animal disease response training sessions in Nebraska in April and is offering two sessions in Kansas in May. The training will be offered in Manhattan on May 9 and in Ottawa on May 11. Registration is available at [k-state.edu/nabc/nkrhsc.html](http://k-state.edu/nabc/nkrhsc.html). Each one-day session is an awareness-level course designed to cover many aspects of foreign animal disease response, including biosecurity, quarantine, cleaning and disinfection, depopulation and disposal, and proper use of personal protective equipment.

The training targets non-traditional agricultural first responders such as firefight-

ers, public health officials, law enforcement and emergency medical technicians as well as veterinarians and others. Bringing many professions together helps individuals better understand their roles in the response to an animal disease outbreak, said Ken Burton, program director at the National Agricultural Biosecurity Center.

"A lot of the traditional human response personnel don't recognize their potential role in a high-consequence animal disease outbreak," Burton said. "They feel they wouldn't be involved, but the idea behind the class is to make people understand it doesn't matter what your role in the community — what your day job might be — the whole community is going to be involved in responding to and be affected by an animal disease outbreak."

Chelsea Kramer, emergency response coordinator

for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, attended all six training sessions and said she would like to see more animal disease response training in Nebraska.

"The training gives non-traditional responders an opportunity to see the response as a whole so when they are asked to set up roadblocks or do traffic control or other pieces, they know why they are being asked — they know what the purpose is," Kramer said.

Kramer said robust response plans are important.

"In Nebraska, our state's economy is driven by agriculture," Kramer said. "To protect Nebraskans' way of life, we need to respond to emergencies in a timely and effective manner."

Animal disease response training is designed within the Incident Command System framework and is listed in the Federal Emergency Management Agency

state and federal catalog. Emergency responders and veterinarians who complete the course will be eligible for continuing education credit.

The training includes presentations, and then concludes with a tabletop exercise during which individuals consider their responses to a scenario and then discuss how they would work together. Burton said responses to the training have been favorable.

"The scope, size and overall effect of an animal disease outbreak are eye-opening," he said. "Law enforcement realizes it's so much bigger than just a checkpoint. The comments are almost all positive."

The National Agricultural Biosecurity Center is working to schedule animal disease response training sessions in northwest and southwest Kansas later this year.

## Beware of foot rot in cattle

By Jody Holthaus, Meadowlark Extension District Livestock and Natural Resources

There just might be something to the 90 days after a fog, you can expect rain! My husband is a true believer in this. It's a good thing he doesn't believe in all the old sayings, "If you don't eat a devil's egg on Easter, then the gnats will bother you all year." I'm pretty sure deviled eggs weren't on the table! That could have just been something my dad told me, to have me try a deviled egg. He once told my sister that the cow trail in the pasture was part of the

Chisholm Trail. Her history teacher set her straight! At any rate, with all the rain, foot rot could be around the corner.

Foot rot is a sub-acute or acute necrotic (decaying) infectious disease of cattle, causing swelling and lameness in at least one foot. This disease can cause severe lameness and decreased weight gain or milk production. Lame bulls will be reluctant to breed, and severely affected animals may need to be culled from the herd. The disease can become chronic, and if treatment is delayed the recovery prognosis is poor. This results in deeper structures of the foot becoming affected. Weight gain is significantly reduced when grazing cattle contract the disease.

Normal healthy skin will not allow the bacteria involved in foot rot to enter the deeper tissues. Mechanical injury or softening and thinning of the interdigital (between the toes) skin by puncture wounds or continuous exposure to wet conditions are necessary to provide entrance points for infectious agents.

Grazing stubble on recently mowed pasture may irritate the interdigital skin as well as standing in environments heavily contaminated with feces and urine. Injury is often caused by walking on abrasive or rough surfaces, stony ground, sharp gravel, hardened mud or standing in a wet and muddy environment for prolonged periods of time. High temperatures and humidity will also cause the skin to chap and crack, leaving it susceptible to bacterial invasion. *Fusobacterium necrophorum* is the bacterium most often isolated from infected feet. This organism is present on healthy skin, but it needs injury or wet skin to enter the deeper tissue.

Foot rot occurs in all ages of cattle, with increased incidences during wet, humid conditions. When case incidence increases in hot and dry conditions, attention must be directed to loafing areas, which are often crowded and extremely wet from urine and feces deposited in small shaded areas. The first signs of foot rot include:

Extreme pain leading to sudden onset of lameness, which increases in severity as the disease progresses. Acute swelling and redness of interdigital tissues and adjacent coronary band. Lesions in the interdigital space are often necrotic along its edges and have a characteristic foul odor, evenly distributed swelling around both digits and the hairline of the hoof, leading to separation of the claws, fever and loss of appetite.

Treatment of foot rot is usually successful, especially when instituted early in the disease course. Treatment should always begin with cleaning and examining the foot to establish that lameness is actually due to foot rot. A topical treatment of choice should be applied at that time. Some very mild cases will respond to topical therapy only. Most cases require the use of systemic antimicrobial therapy. Your veterinarian may advise on recommended antibiotics and dosages.

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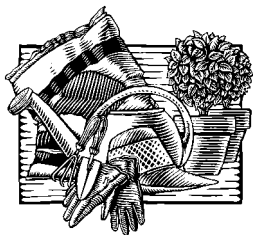
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# Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

## Shaping Up Shrubs

Many shrubs benefit from some annual pruning. Flowering shrubs bloom better usually on two-to-three year old stems. To keep shrubs at that age, annual pruning is necessary to remove the older stems which stimulate new ones to take their place. A rule of a green thumb is to remove a quarter to a third of the shrub each year.

Shrub pruning may be intimidating. I have scheduled a demonstration for Saturday, April 1. Come to the Gardens at Kansas State University located at 1500 Denison Avenue at 2 p.m. A few Extension personnel, including myself, will be instructing on the "how to" of pruning. We will gather on the east side of the parking lot.

Pruning deciduous plants at this time of year allows for a good view of the plant. Rubbing and crossing stems can be easily seen and corrected. Broken, perhaps diseased and dead stems are also easier to locate then when leaves are absent. Always prune back to a live bud or to the ground when making a pruning cut.

The function of the shrub determines pruning cuts. A screen or hedge will be pruned to keep the plant full yet allow for good sunlight distribution around the plant. Spring blooming shrubs are typically pruned after blooming to enjoy their flower display. Seed pods that develop after bloom should be removed to improve blooming for next year. Some of my spring blooming shrubs, I like to prune now. I bring the removed stems indoors to force in to bloom. I'm usually too busy to prune these at the preferred time right after bloom. This way I still get the shrubs pruned and enjoy their flowers.

Evergreen types like yews and junipers are pruned prior to the burst of new growth in the spring. Pruning done at that time generally is sufficient for the year. This keeps the plant the same size year-round.

A publication on pruning shrubs was recently printed. It is available at the Extension office and on line at [www.ksre.ksu.edu](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu). In the search window, type "pruning shrubs" to download the publication.

If you would like additional information on a horticulture topic, please contact Gregg Eyestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension. Gregg may be contacted by calling 537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: [geyeston@ksu.edu](mailto:geyeston@ksu.edu) and at [www.riley.ksu.edu](http://www.riley.ksu.edu)

# Walmart and Tyson continue to focus on sustainability efforts

Walmart recently announced the launch of a new sustainability platform that invites suppliers to join in with the company's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) that result from operations and supply chains. The platform, referred to as Project Gigaton, seeks to eliminate on gigaton of emissions by 2030. Walmart identified energy, agriculture, waste, packaging, deforestation, and product use and design as the

key areas to focus on in reducing emissions in supply chains.

Also this week, Tyson Foods' Tom Hayes placed a new emphasis on sustainable growth, but cautioned that trade-offs will be minimized in the drive for healthier food, animals and the environment. Hayes said Tyson is focused on creating a sustainable food system because it's what consumers demand. As part of the focus, Tyson Foods has appointed

its first chief sustainability officer, Justin Whitmore, to help ensure that sustainability is at the center of the company's future plans. Whitmore, who was most recently a consultant at McKinsey & Company, will be part of the company's enterprise leadership team, reporting directly to President and CEO Tom Hayes. He will work to implement solutions that drive industry-leading impact on all dimensions of sustainability.

# NCBA calls on producers to share death tax stories

NCBA has created a survey designed to evaluate the impact of the death tax on the U.S. livestock industry and is encouraging cattle producers to share personal stories.

Each year, livestock producers are forced to make tough choices and expend limited resources for estate tax planning purposes rather than investing in their operation. It is all too often that ranching families are forced

to sell land, equipment, or part of their operation in order to pay the death tax, according to NCBA.

All information shared through the survey will be kept strictly confidential. If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Beck at [dbeck@beef.org](mailto:dbeck@beef.org). The survey can be filled out at <http://tinyurl.com/Death-Tax-Survey>.

# New app helps millennials at the meat counter

The North American Meat Institute unveiled a new app called MyMeatUp to help millennial consumers

with purchases at the meat counter.

"For many consumers, selecting a cut of beef at the meat case can be intimidating," said Amanda Radke, BEEF Daily contributor and fifth-generation rancher. "Unlike a bag of frozen chicken breasts, which essentially taste and look the same every time, the variety of beef cuts, and respective

cooking methods, can be confusing."

Radke says that the app breaks down the various meat cuts for beef, pork, lamb and veal, explains the different cooking methods, host recipes, tips on preparation, thawing and storage, and even has a searchable glossary for terms like natural, antibiotic-free and organic.

"This handy app is a great all-in-one tool that we need to get in the hands of our consumers," Radke said. The app is available on both Android and Apple devices. To read Radke's full story, visit <http://tinyurl.com/Meat-Counter-App>.

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Who's in Charge?

Sometimes we forget who's in charge.

There has been so much concern lately regarding man's ability to change the environment. We worry about cutting down the forests, damming up the rivers,

endangering the species, warming the globe and paving the wetlands. We have begun to wonder, somewhat self-righteously, how on earth the earth ever survived without us!

Then we have extreme

weather.

We watch floods in Arizona, avalanches in the Rockies, blizzards in the breadbasket and the mother of all storms closing airports from Albany to Atlanta! Secretaries of State, lettuce growers, Sierra Club members who always paid their dues, cowboys, geniuses and self-made millionaires all huddled in their little holes waiting for Public Service to turn the lights back on.

Human beings are pretty small potatoes when Mother Nature decides to put us in our place. And those of us

who live on the land seldom need reminding of our status in the pecking order.

When you have to leave your four-wheel drive out on the road for a week and walk the 1/2 mile to the house, it's a humbling experience for both you and for General Motors.

When you can't feed for three days and only lose two cows, you are thankful.

When the flood washed away the machine shed but spares the house, you consider yourself lucky.

When the temperatures in your orchard doesn't

reach freezing as predicted, you know you've been spared.

It has to do with deadlines.

People of the land meet a different kind of deadline. It is not manmade. A reporter must meet an arbitrary deadline. Like this column. I must have agreed on the deadline and it can't be changed.

But every livestock producer, fruit grower or wheat farmer plays the odds. He gets his work done on time only to find that God has changed his deadline! We can only do the best we

know how and hope for a little luck.

I was a grown man the first time I saw the ocean. I watched the waves wash upon the shore. The timeless, inexorable cycle of nature impressed me to the bone. I realized that in spite of our good intentions, our technological advancements and our privileged place on earth, that man, is just a water-skipper on the pond of life.

From the smallest snowflake to the most awesome volcano, we are reminded that someone else is in charge.

### Grass & Grain Weather Report May 2, 2017

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Caleb Flory, Baldwin City, has earned the National Junior Angus Association's (NJAA) Bronze and Silver awards, according to Jaclyn Clark, education and events director of the American Angus Association in Saint Joseph, Mo.

The 18-year-old son Jason and Wendy Flory attends the Baldwin High School and is a member of the NJAA and the Kansas Junior Angus Association, where he has served as membership director and reporter.

He has participated in state and national shows. At the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), Caleb participated in the All-American Certified Angus Beef® Cook-Off. He also participated in the Raising the Bar conference in 2013.

The Bronze and Silver awards are the first two levels of the NJAA Recognition Program that began in 1972. Junior Angus breeders must apply for the awards, then meet point requirements in many areas of participation before receiving the honors. Applicants are evaluated in areas of junior Angus association activities and leadership, participation in showmanship, contests and shows, using performance testing to improve their herd and their progress in producing and merchandising Angus cattle.

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