

# Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crotts

The trends in the grain markets remain down. We saw new contract lows in the Kansas City wheat and a test of the contract lows in the December corn. The lack of bullish news from USDA in the August supply

and demand report has set a negative tone for the grain markets and we haven't been able to get any news to counteract it.

The next best hope for the bull camp is the Pro Farmer Crop Tour, which

will give an objective view of corn and soybean production potential. Twitter will be loaded up with pictures from the crop tour and traders will be following the numbers closely. If the tour doesn't come up with something bullish we will likely see the markets trend lower into their normal harvest lows, which come in near the end of September or beginning of October.

The cattle market isn't

much better right now. Both the live cattle and feeder cattle futures fell to new multi-month lows in the front months and some deferred contracts made new contract lows. The cash market is still declining and the beef market has been declining as well. There was a little bit of rebound at the feeder cattle auctions, but not enough to get the attention of the feeder cattle futures, just enough to create a little bit of bull spreading.

The truly interesting markets of the week were the gold and the stock market. We are starting to see some support failures in the stock market and some technical indicators of a top. It has not paid so try and pick a top in the stock market for

over 5 years, but if one has a stock portfolio to hedge now might be a good time to take a look at some kind of a short position.

The gold, on the other hand, made a new high for the year Friday, which is at least in part an indication that investors are getting nervous about the stock market, civil unrest in the United States, North Korea, etc. The lower trending dollar also adds to the upside potential in the gold market. From a purely technical perspective, the April gold has a good shot at a move to \$1450.

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Avery Eckhoff, Pillsbury 4-H Club, drove the reserve supreme champion gilt at the Riley County Fair, as selected by judge Kyle Baade.



Tristan Stillwagon exhibited the reserve champion market hog at the Riley County Fair. He is shown with judge Kyle Baade.



Avery Eckhoff's champion Berkshire went on to be named supreme champion gilt at the Riley County Fair. She is a member of the Pillsbury 4-H Club. Kyle Baade judged the show.

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The cattle offered for our sale Friday, August 18, sold at mostly steady prices on the kind offered. Cull cows and bulls sold \$2-\$3 lower.												
<b>STEER CALVES — 425-525 LBS.</b>												
Florence	12 blk	433@185.50	Randolph	14 bwf	863@146.00	Eureka	5 Hereford	727@132.50	Alma	1 bwf	1260@69.50	
Wheaton	5 blk	478@174.00	Wheaton	4 bwf	851@144.00	Wheaton	6 bwf	824@131.25	Westmoreland	1 blk	1435@69.00	
Auburn	4 Cross	452@164.00	Wheaton	6 Cross	755@140.50	Alma	10 blk	882@130.25	Auburn	1 bwf	1310@68.00	
Auburn	11 blk	517@158.25	Council Grove	4 blk	797@138.50	<b>COWS &amp; HEIFERETTES — 675-1,700 LBS.</b>				Council Grove	1 Hereford	1210@67.50
<b>STEERS — 550-1,000 LBS.</b>												
Manhattan	10 blk	625@162.50	Alma	4 blk	863@135.50	Alma	6 blk	850@129.50	Beattie	1 blk	1180@66.50	
Wamego	7 blk	570@162.50	Berryton	17 Cross	889@135.00	Alma	4 Hereford	838@123.00	Manhattan	1 Holstein	1225@66.00	
Dwight	6 blk	597@162.00	Berryton	59 Cross	997@129.35	Wamego	1 Cross	685@118.00	Alta Vista	1 Holstein	1225@65.00	
Wheaton	6 Angus	635@157.50	<b>HEIFER CALVES — 475-550 LBS.</b>				Wheaton	1 blk	1105@109.00	<b>BRED HEIFERS</b>		
Leavenworth	6 red Angus	559@156.50	Wheaton	5 blk	489@153.00	Wamego	1 blk	875@97.50	<b>AGE MO</b>			
Wamego	14 blk	686@155.50	Auburn	13 blk	494@151.75	Manhattan	1 blk	1545@77.50	Wheaton	14 blk	7-9 @1675.00	
Randolph	8 bwf	737@155.25	<b>HEIFERS — 550-900 LBS.</b>				Manhattan	1 blk	1480@75.50	Wheaton	5 blk	2 @1575.00
Clay Center	12 blk	785@154.00	Manhattan	7 blk	565@149.50	Manhattan	1 blk	1685@75.00	<b>BULLS — 1,425-2,050 LBS.</b>			
Onaga	8 Cross	666@151.50	Wheaton	8 blk	573@148.50	Harveyville	1 blk	1675@74.00	Clay Center	1 blk	1960@90.50	
Eureka	9 Hereford	596@151.50	Onaga	10 blk	574@147.00	Leonardville	1 blk	1595@72.50	Frankfort	1 blk	2040@89.50	
Wamego	11 blk	809@150.75	Wamego	12 blk	612@146.75	Wheaton	1 blk	1590@72.50	Westmoreland	1 blk	2245@88.00	
Manhattan	12 blk	741@149.50	Manhattan	9 blk	667@145.25	Lost Springs	1 blk	1375@70.50	Alma	1 Herf	1435@83.00	
Alma	7 blk	740@149.50	Council Grove	4 blk	641@143.00	Clay Center	1 Cross	1230@70.00	Alma	1 Herf	1455@81.00	
Eureka	14 Hereford	789@149.00	Council Grove	4 blk	623@140.50	Clay Center	1 Char	1270@70.00	Lost Springs	1 blk	1925@81.00	
Auburn	12 Cross	622@149.00	Council Grove	38 blk	751@138.25							
Eureka	28 Hereford	717@148.25	Eureka	9 mix	661@137.75							
Vermillion	6 Cross	705@148.00	Randolph	5 blk	697@137.50							
Onaga	8 blk	769@148.00	Council Grove	7 blk	688@137.00							
Leavenworth	6 red Angus	685@147.00	Alma	5 blk	655@137.00							
Clay Center	25 blk	862@147.00	Hillsboro	6 blk	640@137.00							

**EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST 25th**

- 47 blk str & hfrs, 1 rd shots, 700-800 lbs
- 20 big blk Fall calving cows, 3-4 yrs old, bred to Angus bulls for Sept.-Oct. calves
- 10 choice Angus 1st calf hfrs bred to LBW Angus bull for Sept.-Oct. calves
- 3 registered purebred home raised Angus Fall bred hfrs bred to LBW Angus bull for Sept./Oct. calves. 1250 lbs
- 19 mostly blk cows, 5-9 yrs, bred Angus for Sept./Oct. calves

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COW SALE DATES, 11 A.M.: Wed., Oct. 18; Wed., Nov. 15; Wed. Dec. 13**

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## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017 — 9:00 AM

LOCATED ON 75 HWY, NORTH EDGE OF LYNDON, KS (30 MILES SO. OF TOPEKA)

No small items, Be On Time! Tractors & Misc. equip. lined in rows together.

**TRACTORS**  
2004 MF 6465, CA, Dyna 6, MFD, 3 pt., pto, 4,100 hrs.  
2006 CHALLENGER MT-285B, hydro, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/ML-40B ldr., 2,330 hrs.  
KUBOTA L-2850, MFD, 3 pt., pto, w/spray tank, 3,980 hrs.  
1981 IH 186, CA, hydro, 3 pt., dual pto  
1980 IH 1086, CA, 3 pt., pto, 6,699 hrs., 18.4x38 duals  
1977 IH 1086, CA, 3 pt., dual pto  
IH 574, gas, 3 pt., pto  
IH 450, gas, f.h., pto, w/F-11 ldr.  
IH 240, gas, pto  
1993 JD 7800, CA, MFD, p.s., 3 pt. pto, 7,750 hrs., w/18.4x42 duals, Nice  
1989 JD 3155, CA, 3 pt., pto, 4,846 One Owner Hrs.  
1983 JD 4050, CA, quad, 3 pt., pto, 3,419 One Owner hrs., Nice  
1969 JD 2520, gas, 3 pt., pto  
1966 JD 4020, p.s., 3 pt., pto, 1,818 One Owner Hrs.  
\*\*JD 4320, 3 pt., pto, 9,000 hrs., Collector, SN#14320  
JD 4010, Wheatland, pto, turbo, Good  
JD 3203, MFD, 3 pt., pto, 600 hrs.  
JD 2020, gas, 3 pt., pto, 3,900 hrs., Good  
JD 1650, 3 pt., pto, 3,997 hrs.  
JD 1520, gas, 3 pt., pto  
JD 820, 3 pt., pto  
JD 630, gas, pto, Parade Ready  
JD 60, gas, 3 pt., factory 3 pt., Parade Ready  
1979 WHITE 2-155, CA, 3 pt., pto, 7,229 hrs., 20.8x38 duals  
1990 FORD 4610, SU II, 3 pt., pto, 6,725 hrs.  
1986 FORD 8210, CA, MFD, 3 pt., pto, 4,548 One Owner Hrs.  
1985 FORD 4610, SU, 3 pt., pto, w/FORD 728 ldr., 3,736 hrs.  
FORD 6610, Series II, 3 pt., pto, w/FORD 777-B ldr., 4,507 hrs.  
FORD 4630, 3 pt., pto, 5,938 hrs.  
FORD 540-A, 3 pt., pto, w/ldr., 4,805 hrs.  
1963 MF 35, gas, 3 pt., pto, w/ldr.  
MF TO-35, gas, 3 pt., pto  
MF Super 90, gas, 3 pt., pto  
MF 50, gas, 3 pt., pto  
FERGUSON TO-35, gas, 3 pt., pto  
OLIVER Super 77, n.f., gas, pto, Good

**COMBINES & HEADS**  
1983 JD 7720, CA, hydro, 3,103 hrs., chopper, Good Machine  
1981 JD 4420, CA, chopper, 3,450 hrs., Clean  
1971 JD 3300, gas, gear, cab, 1,082 hrs., Super Nice  
2010 CIH 2020, 30', flex, One Owner, Clean  
1994 IH 1020, 20', flex  
2009 JD 622, flex, Clean  
1990 JD 915, platform  
1979 JD 222, rigid  
1987 JD 653-A, row head  
1981 JD 653-A, row head  
JD 930, flex  
JD 220, rigid  
JD 222, rigid  
JD 100, 13', rigid  
JD 244, 2x38, corn head, Good  
IH 963 corn head  
IH 963, 6x30, corn head, Nice  
HARVEST AG AH-32, 32', tandem, header trlr.  
KILLBROS, 30', head trlr.  
UNDERFERHT HT-30, head trlr. Like New  
Header trlr.

**PLANTERS & DRILLS**  
BRILLION, 10', seeder  
JD 8300, 23x7, dd  
JD 750, 15'x7 1/2', no till, w/dolly wheel  
JD FB, 15x7, sd, w/seed  
JD B, 14x7, sd, w/seed  
GP, 24x7.5, w/dolly, 7,834 acres  
HOLLAND transplanter, 2 seat  
**EMPORIA CLOSE OUT**  
1977 WHITE 2-135, CA, 3 pt., 1,000 pto, 18.4x38, Like New, New Paint, 2 Owner, Low hrs., Super Nice  
SHABEN 1010, 1,000 gal., tall tire, sprayer, w/60' booms, Good  
AC, 9 shank, soil saver  
2) 500 gal., oil supply tanks w/air pumps and hose reels, shedded

1,000 gal., fuel tank, w/pump  
300 gal., poly tank  
MILLER 225, welder on cart  
WITCO, 4,000 lb, hot pressure washer  
60", aluminum, side tool boxes

**HAY EQUIPMENT**  
2012 JD 568 rd. baler, Mega Wide  
Plus, net wrap, 21,000 bales  
CIH 8450, rd. baler  
CIH 3650, rd. baler  
HESSTON 555-T, 4x6, rd. baler, w/tucker wheels, Low Bales, Field Ready  
HESSTON 560, rd. baler  
MF 126-W, sq. baler  
NI 403, rake  
NI 400, rake  
NH 258 rake, w/dolly, needs repair  
DEWEZE, bale unroller  
Hay wagon, 14x7  
JD hay head  
Bale spear  
3) Bale forks

**HOLTON ESTATE**  
IH 1086, rops, 3 pt., dual pto  
KOYKER K-6, ldr., fits IH  
BLU JET, 5 shank ripper  
OSWALT 1830, 3 auger, feed wagon, w/scale  
JD 39, sickle mower  
GEHL 100, grinder  
PEERLESS 630, Mil-N-Mix, grinder, w/scale  
OLIVER, 10', plow disc  
IH, 4 section hoe  
KORY, gravity wagon  
BMB, 6x30, Danish tine, cult.  
IH 183, 6x30, Danish tine cult.  
IH 133, 4x38, cult.  
HUSKEE, gravity wagon  
IH 540, 4 btm., plow  
CRUSTBUSTER, 18', spring tooth  
IH 560, 5 btm., plow  
JD 653-A, rowhead  
NH 2216, swather platform  
OSWALT feed wagon, Needs Work  
2) 1,000 AA tanks  
NH 2330 BF, adaptor  
JD, 7', pull type, shredder Needs Work  
Hyd. cylinders  
CLARK, 500 gal., AA applicator  
HUTCHISON, 6"x42", auger  
9 shank, AA applicator

**CONSTRUCTION**  
2006 JD 317, skid ldr., 1,541 hrs.  
1999 BOBCAT 864-G, skid ldr.  
KANSAS CLIPPER, tree shear for skid ldr.  
Tree Spade, for skid ldr.  
60", skid ldr. Bucket

**LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT**  
KUHN KNIGHT 5144, Vertical Maxx, feed processor, w/scale, Nice  
JD 33, manure sprdr.  
KR, 4x12, feed wagon  
2) KR, 4x10, feed wagons  
OMC 432, grinder mixer, w/scale  
GEHL 100, grinder mixer  
GEHL 95, grinder mixer, Nice  
GEHL, grinder mixer  
BAR SIX, 6 cake feeder  
Creep feeder, Good  
Calf cradle

**SHREDDERS & MOWERS**  
BUSHHOG 2715, Legend, 15', bat wing, Like New  
BUSHHOG SQ-720, 6', 3 pt.  
BUSHHOG SQ-72, 3 pt.  
BUSHHOG, 7'  
CRUSTBUSTER, 15', bat wing, Needs Work  
LAND PRIDE RCR-2684, 7', Good  
HOWSE, 10', 3 pt., Good  
7', 3 pt.  
BMB, 6'  
RHINO Twister, TW-84, shredder, Good  
RHINO, 15', bat wing  
ALAMO, 15', bat wing mower, Good  
ALAMO, 15', bat wing, for parts  
DIXON ZTR-3304, 32" deck  
KUBOTA F-2560, 72" deck  
KUBOTA RTV 900, 4x4, 1,769 hrs., Runs Good  
KUBOTA RTV 500, gas, 4x4, needs work

**LOADERS & BLADES**  
WESTENDORF WL-42, fits IH  
2) WESTENDORF grapples  
JD 534, 10', dozer  
JD 534, 9', dozer  
Dozer blade, 8', fits Ford  
80", rear  
MF 1545, dozer, fits 1547-1652 tractors  
BIG OX, 8', rear  
2) RHINO, 8'  
8' and 9'  
2) 9', HD  
BMB, 7'  
PLYMOUTH, 9'  
BMB Earth Brute, 10', hyd  
SOIL MOVER  
KING KUTTER, dirt scoop  
GNUSE, 9', rear scoop

**MOVING ... LOCAL LISTING**  
KUBOTA MX 5100, 3 pt., pto, 622 hrs., Nice  
BMB, 7', shredder  
HOWSE, 7', blade  
CUSHMAN turf truck, gas  
Floor sand blast cabinet  
JD chain saw  
Briggs & Stratton, 17 hp. Engine  
CRAFTSMAN, 10', table saw  
CRAFTSMAN, radial saw  
Air bubble  
Rubbermade tank  
SCHUMACHER, battery charger  
EARTHQUAKE, post hole digger  
B&D, Lawn Hog, elec. lawn mower  
K&R bench vise  
CRAFTSMAN, 3.5 hp., tiller  
FIMCO, pull type, lawn sprayer  
BRINLY, seeder  
Swisher, string trimmer  
Shop vac  
COLEMAN, Powermate 5000  
SPEED CLEAN, pressure washer  
JD LA 145, hydro, w/48" deck  
Brinkman, Gourmet smoker  
Members Mark, propane grill  
Haier & Holiday mini fridges  
Craftsman trimmer  
Front blade for lawn mower  
LARIN, HD, engine stand  
Ryobi blower2) Live traps  
Shop creeper  
PVC saw horses  
5 drawer file cabinet  
Dog cage, dog feeder and yard tools

**MISC. EQUIPMENT**  
HAWK BILT 545, stainless, fert. spdr.  
HAWK BILT 540, fert. spdr.  
DANUSER, p.h. digger, w/12" bit  
Post Driver, hyd.  
Truck auger  
KOYKER, truck auger  
DANUSER, post pounder  
WARDS, post pounder  
JACOBSEN 548, 52", grass seeder  
JET FLOW, 6"x42", portable auger  
PECK, 12" x61", w/power hopper, Good  
HOWSE, 70", tiller

**TILLAGE**  
CIH 496, 24', disc  
CIH 496, 22', disc, Good  
CIH 496, 20', disc  
MF 520, 12', disc  
MF, 9', 3 pt., disc  
KRAUSE 4901, 18', disc  
BRILLION, 12', cultipacker  
BRILLION, 10', packer  
BRILLION, 12', packer  
CIH 4300, 37', field cult.  
IH 45, 12', 3 pt., field cult.  
JD 714, 9 spring shank, soil saver  
WHITE 435, 12 shank soil saver  
WHITE 435, 9 shank soil saver  
3 shank, ripper  
GLENCOE, 6x30, cult.  
BMB, 6x30, Danish tine, cult.  
BUSHHOG, 6x30, Danish tine cult.  
LANDOLL, 10 shank, 3 pt., chisel  
LANDOLL, 11 shank, 3 pt., chisel  
OLIVER, 11 spring shank, 3 pt., chisel  
IH 55, 9 spring shank, chisel  
MF, 9 shank, 3 pt., chisel  
JD, 16 coil shank, 3 pt., chisel  
JD, 12 coil shank, 3 pt., chisel  
KRAUSE, 10 shank, 3 pt., chisel  
PAULK, 5 shank, ripper  
Harrow, 4 section  
Harrow, 3 section  
Drag harrow, 6', chain  
DAKON, track scratcher

**WAGONS**  
JD 400, grain cart  
UFT, grain cart  
KORY gravity, w/hyd. auger  
LABOR SAVER, gravity wagon, w/hyd. auger  
SNOWCO 700, auger wagon  
DULTMEIER, flair box wagon  
Flair box wagon  
BADGER, tandem, silage wagon, Good  
HEIDER, 7x12, silage wagon  
Hay wagon, 14'x7.5'  
12x6, box wagon  
2) LUNDELL, gravity box  
Gravity box  
PARKER 2500, gravity box  
DAKON, gravity box  
KILLBROS, gravity box  
2) PARKER, gravity boxes  
FICKLIN, gravity box  
DUAL 400, silage box  
WESTENDORF, 10 ton, running gear  
LUNDELL, 10 ton, running gear  
JD 953, running gear  
JD 963, running gear  
KASTIN gear  
LUNDELL gear  
CENTRAL gear

**ONE OWNER - LENEXA**  
2003 FORD F-250, Lariat, V-10, auto, 4x4, Crew Cab, 141,293 mi.  
2002 JD 4310, hydro, MFD, 3 pt., pto, 880 hrs.  
JD 2950, CA, quad, 3 pt., pto, w/TA-26 ldr., 5,677 hrs.  
KAWASAKI 3010, mule  
KING KUTTER, 72", 3 pt., rock rake  
RHINO RPHD, post hole digger, w/9" bit  
BUSHHOG 70-08, 8', rear blade  
WORKSAVER, bale clamp  
LANDPRIDE FDR-1672, groom-mower  
Bale spear, 3 pt.  
WESTENDORF, pallet forks  
KING KUTTER, 5', 3 pt., shredder  
CROFT, 6x12, lawn trlr.  
WESTENDORF bale spear

**TRUCKS, VEHICLES & TRAILERS**  
2009 DODGE Durango, V6, auto, AWD, 108,500 mi., water in oil  
2002 DODGE 2500, 6.7, Cummins, 6 sp.  
1997 FORD F-350, V8, auto, w/Reading utility bed, 87,073 mi.  
1992 FORD F-250, XLT, Lariat, Super cab, 7.3, auto, 66,700 mi., Super Nice  
1984 FORD F-150, 6 cyl., auto  
1983 FORD F-700, V8, 5 sp., 6x6, w/2,000 gal. tank and pump  
1977 CHEVY C-65, 366, 5x2, w/16' box & hoist, One Owner  
2000 MERCURY, Grand Marquis, V8, auto, 156,182 mi.  
2010 LOAD MAX, 8 1/2'x26', triple axle, hyd. tilt, elec. winch, g-neck trlr.  
OWNER UPDATING, GOOD OUTFIT  
1986 IH 2275, 350, Cummins, 9 sp., twin screw, overhaul 90,000  
1995 JET, 34', double hopper, tandem axle trlr., One Owner

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
KNAPHEIDE, service bed  
2) Pickup trlrs.  
Pickup fuel tank  
100 gal, pickup fuel tank, w/elec. pump  
Bale fork  
2) Bale spears  
Northern, compact p.u. rack, w/tool boxes, New  
EZ-ON, bale spear  
Misc. CIH, air seeder wheels  
Roll bar & canopy for JD  
CIH field cult. Parts  
Carry All, 3 pt.  
WEIGHTS:  
IH and JD suitcase  
JD slab  
JD rear  
MF front

**TIRES**  
3) 20.5xR25 tires  
32) 295x75R22.5 truck tires  
18.4x38 clamp on duals  
112x24 and 169x30 turf tires, fit MF 4235  
10x16.4 turf tires  
Pr. 18.4x42, JD cast off 4840

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## South Dakota cattle breeder joins sustainable beef roundtable discussion

Eagle Pass Ranch, an industry-leading beef genetics company based out of Highmore, S.D., announced that it has been granted membership into the U.S. Roundtable for Sustainable Beef (USRSB). This membership was approved at the recent USRSB general assembly meeting in Denver, Colo. Eagle Pass Ranch becomes the first member from the Northern Plains region accepted into the USRSB and joins other cattle producers such as King Ranch, Simplot Land & Livestock, Hitch Enterprises, Cactus Feeders and Adams Land and Livestock. In addition to these cutting edge producers, the USRSB is made up of large retailers McDonalds, Wendy's, Arby's, WalMart and Costco, plus the four largest beef processors, Tyson, JBS, Cargill and National. Allied Industry members and Civil Society members complete the Roundtable.

USRSB is an independent, multi-stakeholder, transparent effort focused on shaping the sustainability framework for the U.S. beef value chain. USRSB encourages and promotes continuous improvement in the U.S. beef value chain by identifying sustainability indicators, verifying methodologies, and generating field project data to test sustainability concepts. The USRSB began in 2011 as an extension of the Global Roundtable for Sustainable Beef with the goal to enhance the supply chain's ability to produce environmentally sound, socially responsible and economically viable beef.

Recent efforts by Eagle Pass Ranch to enhance its customer's profitability through reduced feed intake

genetics dovetail into the USRSB goal of economically viable beef production. Eagle Pass Ranch began collecting highly accurate feed intake data in 2007 and has been using the information for identifying and selecting for increased feed efficiency. They have proven a 27% improvement in feed efficiency across their entire herd of Angus, Balancer and SimAngus cattle using the GrowSafe feed intake technology. They are the only cattle herd in the U.S. that can make this claim.

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The champion market goat at the Cloud County Fair was shown by Kelli Lange, Clifton-Clyde FFA.



The champion market swine at the Cloud County Fair was exhibited by Ashley Bartlett, Hill & Dale 4-H Club.

# Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay market activity slow; demand light for all classes of hay; prices steady. Per NASS, Kansas alfalfa hay condition rated 2 pct very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 53 good, and 3 excellent. Third cutting was 86 pct complete, near 83 pct last year and ahead of the 71 pct average. Fourth cutting was 14 pct complete. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, counties in eastern Kansas received a month's worth of precipitation in one week, erasing abnormally dry conditions. Central Kansas saw an expansion of moderate drought (D1) as continued rainfall deficits dried out soils, lowered streamflow, and stressed vegetation. The abnormally dry (D0) category has decreased to 43.91 pct and moderate drought (D1) increased 13.87 pct. If you have hay for sale, and/or need hay here in Kansas, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: [www.hayexchange.com/ks.php](http://www.hayexchange.com/ks.php).

## Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. 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, 100.00-110.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 100.00-110.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 125.00-135.00, with instances at 140.00. The week of 8/6-8/12, 9,667T of grinding alfalfa and 840T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Grass hay: none reported.

## South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, alfalfa pellets steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 7.50-8.50/bale, Dairy, .70-.80/point RFV. Supreme 140.00-150.00, Premium 130.00-140.00, Good 110.00-130.00. Stock cow alfalfa, 80.00-90.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 95.00-105.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 110.00-120.00. The week of 8/6-8/12, 4,632T of grinding alfalfa and 895T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15 pct protein 150.00-160.00, 17 pct protein 155.00-165.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 192.00-202.00. Grass hay: none reported. Oat hay, large rounds 85.00-95.00 delivered. Straw large squares 50.00-60.00.

## Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, steady, grass hay steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 210.00-220.00. Dairy .75-.85/point RFV. Stock cow alfalfa 90.00-100.00 with an instance at 125.00-135.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa 70.00-80.00. Ground and delivered, 80.00-90.00. Grass hay: bluestem, small squares 105.00-115.00. Good, mid and large squares 85.00-95.00, large rounds 50.00-60.00. Brome: small squares none reported. Good, mid and large squares 110.00-120.00, large rounds 65.00-75.00. Oat hay, large squares 120.00-130.00. Straw, none reported. CWF grass mulch large squares 50.00.

## Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: small squares, horse quality none reported. Goat, 170.00-180.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme .80-.95/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 85.00-95.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 65.00-75.00 with an instance at 85.00.

# Increase in ethanol production likely to outpace near-term demand

According to a new report from CoBank's Knowledge Exchange Division, the ethanol market will soon face worsening slim-to-negative profit margins, which could potentially push the industry toward consolidation. However, producers that are well-capitalized with strong balance sheets and cash reserves will be in the best position to weather the softening market.

The report, "Ethanol's Growth Path: Output and Export Uncertainties Both Rising," outlines how an ethanol market fueled by corn prices at multi-year lows coupled with reinvestment into production capacity will push supply past demand growth.

"Forecasts indicate that total ethanol production by 2020 will have increased by approximately 850-900 million gallons, compared to 2017 levels," said Tanner Ehmke, CoBank senior economist. "Without a substantial increase in domestic demand or exports to clear excess supplies, ethanol producers are facing a downturn over the medium term. Those who have access to multiple transportation markets and have invested in new technology will be leaner and more cost efficient enabling greater flexibility to endure prolonged periods of low prices."

## Multiple Variables Complicate Demand Picture

Domestic demand for gasoline blended with ethanol has been strong over the last 18 months, as low fuel prices resulted in consumers driving more. A second bright spot for ethanol has been continually rising ethanol blend rates at the pump. While E-10 (gas containing 10 percent ethanol) remains the dominant fuel blend, consumers are increasingly buying higher blends like E-15 (15 percent ethanol).

However, the longer-term picture for ethanol in gasoline is less optimistic. In 2017, export weakness and lower distillers grains (DDGS) prices have hurt margins.

Exports of ethanol, particularly to Brazil and China, have been strong over the last year, but that picture has changed significantly and the outlook for future ethanol exports suggests a continued decrease over the foreseeable future.

China has effectively ceased ethanol imports from the U.S. following its implementation of a 30 percent tariff on U.S. ethanol. Exports to Brazil are also expected to erode as Brazilian sugar refiners come back online following a sugar crop failure in 2016, which led to the country's heavy reliance on ethanol imported from the U.S.

Growth of U.S. exports to new markets such as India,

Mexico and Indonesia, where governments are seeking to improve air quality, is possible, but will likely take time to fully materialize.

## Who Will Weather the Storm

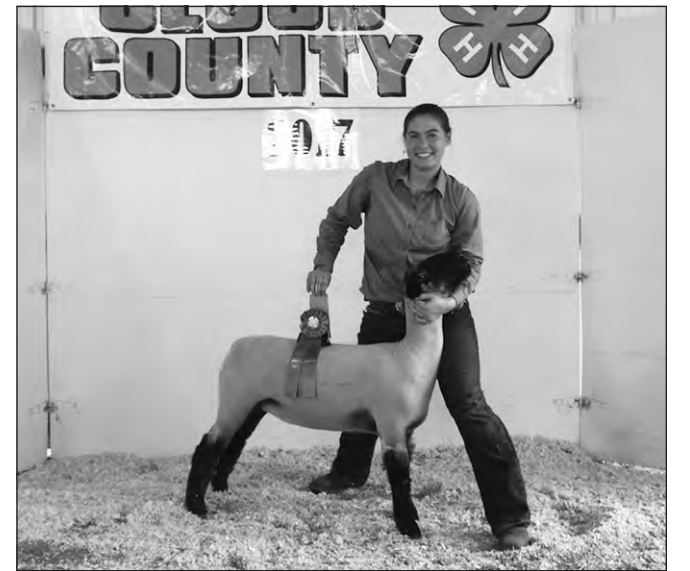
While a market correction is anticipated over the next two years, it is not expected to be as severe as prior corrections. Tight margins, limited profitability and consolidations are anticipated for the ethanol industry in the near future. However, ethanol producers who survived the last market correction have become wiser about the vagaries in the market and hedge their inputs and products - corn and ethanol - via the futures markets.

"More idling of production is expected in the next 18-24 months and aging facilities could be retired," adds Ehmke. "Financially weak and less efficient producers who have limited access to dependable corn supplies and transpor-

tation risk being consolidated. But given the recent profitability, those producers with favorable cash positions and technology-driven efficiencies will have greater flexibility to endure prolonged periods of low prices or higher production costs."



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Leading the champion market lamb at the Cloud County Fair was Rachel Anderson, Hill & Dale 4-H Club.

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**HOUSEHOLD:** Lift chair, recliner w/massage; Aladdin Fzee Reader; sofa; 2 recliners; dehydrator; humidifier; microwave; 2 file cabinets; desk; office chairs; old dropleaf table w/6 matching chairs; refrigerator, 1 year old; 2 chest deep freezers, 1 year old; full size electric adjustable bed; McCalls type cabinets; elec. heater; binoculars; ext. cords; Polaroid camera; 3 metal bar stools; 2 wood stools; 4' tables; label makers; 3 rolling plastic organizers; canning jars; big glass jars; 2 jewelry boxes w/jewelry; card tables and chairs; wheelchair; **(1) Go Go 4-wheel Elite Travel Plus scooter; (1) Bobcat 4-wheel scooter; Both Scooters are good!** Antique wardrobe, will need some attention. There will be a complete line of kitchen equipment including dishes, bowls, pots and pans, silverware and other normal kitchenwares.

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**GRASS & GRAIN** Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
A gem, one of only two left in Kansas, exists in Pott County: a courthouse built in 1894. An amazing structure, it can continue serving future growth with skillful updating.

At issue is a stated need for more office space and storage. B&G's study suggests it is cheaper to raze and rebuild rather than restore. I believe more information is warranted; having a line item cost via B&G, having a restorative architectural firm submit additional possibilities and considering ideas submitted via local residents merit time and consideration. Additionally, new technology allows storing hundreds of records on a single thumb drive; computers help consolidate offices. Blue Township may not be governed by Pott County if it is annexed or incorporated. All these factors impact decisions and could lessen overall costs.

Three commissioners should respect the history, values and heritage of 1894. Further reviews and public input are crucial. A possibility of repurposing the courthouse exists; creative marketing could open economic growth for the area. Preservation of this gift is the key for such ventures.

Pott County Courthouse is a treasure; it represents a unique time historically as our ancestors, skilled artisans, built a quality structure for posterity. Talented architects are able to renovate today with their knowledge of materials and technology available. A crucial decision awaits; this part of our county's history cannot be replicated by our forefathers... it should not be destroyed.

**JoAnn Mayer**  
St. George

Dear Kansas Landowner,  
In February, House Bill HB2207 was introduced into the House and a committee hearing was held.

HB2207 is a straightforward bill intended to protect the Kansas landowners from unwanted trespassing. Currently, Kansas law allows a person to trespass onto land they do not have permission to hunt, by simply claiming "they are pursuing wounded wildlife." Over 97% of Kansas is owned by the Kansas citizen, yet only 3% of Kansans deer hunt. As landowners we need to ask the question, who is our current trespassing law written to protect? Also, when can the Kansas landowner be in control of their own property, and have the right to keep unwanted trespassers off our lands?

We the landowners buy our land, pay property tax and insurance on our land, and spend our time and money improving and maintaining our lands. Why then does the state assume to have the authority to allow trespassers to enter your land without first asking your permission? Apparently it is so they can sell more hunting licenses to increase their fiscal budget.

The ethical hunter will always do the right thing and ask for permission either before hunting, or to

pursue a wounded animal if it crosses a property boundary. The unethical hunter will want to sneak onto your property for a variety of reasons. HB2207 is intended to protect you the landowner from these unwanted trespassers.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife Parks and Tourism announced they are opposed to this bill. While the bill is strongly supported by some representatives, other Kansas legislators have shown no interest to pass HB2207, or in reality, they have voted against your right to control trespassing on your privately owned land. If you feel the state has the authority to allow trespassers onto your land without your knowledge, then do nothing. However, if you feel this is a violation of your most basic rights as a landowner, contact your legislators and express your opinion to them. I encourage you to attend an open forum meeting hosted by your representatives, and ask them to explain their view of this bill. Also, keep in mind that if they will not support the 97% who are the landowners, in November 2018 we can express our opinion at the voting booths!

Sincerely,  
**Tim Nedeau**  
Scranton

**Community rallies to search for runaway heifer**

As Ben and Julie Freeman's granddaughter Lauren was getting her heifer's hooves trimmed north of Marion in preparation for the county fair, the heifer named Rosaline bolted and has not been seen since. The 750-800 pound Simmental is all black with some brown baby hair that she hadn't yet shed. When she escaped she was wearing a purple nylon halter. The only other identification is the metal bangs tag in her right year; all the other ear tags had been removed in preparation for the fair.

Despite efforts by friends and neighbors that included searches with a drone, airplane, kayak and on foot, as well as posters distributed around the area, the heifer remains at large.

Julie hopes that Rosaline found her way into a neighboring pasture and will be discovered when cattle are brought in off of grass.

"Our granddaughter is all about cows," Julie said. "This is a heifer we raised here on the farm. Each spring and fall Lauren personally picks one out of the herd for her projects, so she has had her eye on this heifer ever since she was born."

If anyone sees Rosaline, they can call the Marion, Morris or Dickinson County sheriff's departments, who have all been notified of the situation. Or phone 785-479-3770 (Ben) or 785-479-1374 (Julie).



The reserve champion market lamb at the Riley County Fair was shown by Michelle Cyr, pictured with judge Joe Hobbs.

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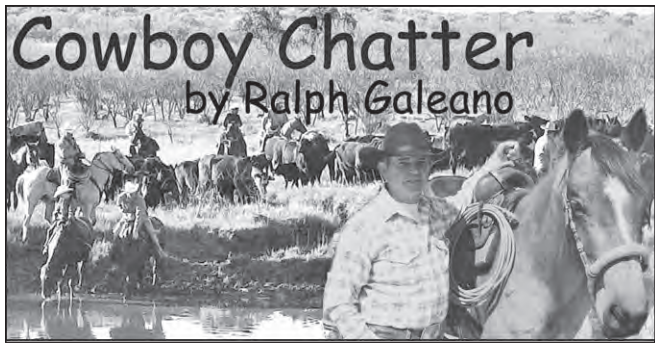
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## The North Star

Alone on the great prairie at night is a wonderful experience. The solitude is a rare gift that you can enjoy and draw solace into your being. Alone at night in the wilderness can also become a terrifying experience if you become lost. Everything changes when you lose the trail. The solace you drew from the darkness now becomes your enemy and fear most likely replaces the solace.

You may not be on the prairie but in the mountains or at sea. Only you know why you are there. Maybe

it's a midnight ride or you were looking for strays and wandered too far from camp. As darkness descended, the landmarks you were using to guide yourself back to camp disappeared in the blackness of night. Perhaps you encountered a storm and lost your way after the ship's compass failed. Hiking too far on a hunting excursion left you a long way from your truck. Daylight turned to black night and the trail you came in on was nowhere to be found.

There are as many ways to become lost as there are

stars in the sky. The final realization that you have lost your way comes as a creeping feeling of dread and maybe disbelief. Good travelers in the back country or at sea carry a compass and have taken the time to learn how to use it to find their way back to where they came from.

Since the beginning of time, man has used the stars to navigate by. Early men learned how to travel or steer their ships by identifying celestial bodies and individual stars in those bodies. It is a survival technique that was used by ship captains, Indians, explorers and anyone venturing into unknown territory.

All outdoor travelers should learn how to find and use the North Star. It is the super star for guiding travelers.

The northern axis of the earth points directly toward the North Star. When you are looking at the North Star, you are looking towards the North Pole. The astronomic

name of the North Star is the Polestar or Polaris.

On a clear night, the stars are visible and you can find the North Star. If it is cloudy or storming, the stars will not be visible and you will not be able to find this valuable navigation tool.

If the night is clear and stars are visible, locate the Big Dipper. The Big Dipper is the best known group of stars in the northern sky and is easy to distinguish from all others. The Big Dipper is located just north of the celestial pole. Knowing how to find the Big Dipper makes it easy to find the North Star. Look for bright stars that make up a handle with a cup on one end. It looks exactly like its name, like a dipper.

Locate the outer edge of the Big Dipper's cup. Line up the two stars that comprise the outer edge of the cup. They are known as "pointers." Draw an imaginary line through the two stars and that line will point

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to the North Star. It is a bright star, and in fact, is part of the Little Dipper. It is the brightest star of the Little Dipper and sits at the end of the Little Dipper's handle.

Don't wait till you are lost to try and find the Big Dipper and North Star. Practice finding them on clear nights so you will have a better idea of what to look for when you need them to find your way home. The Big Dipper rotates around the North Star. Depending on the time of night and month of the year, it will orient itself differently to the North Star. As the dipper rotates around the North Star, its orientation may be right side up or upside down or vertical to the North Star but the two pointer stars will always point to the North Star. Prepare yourself for all orientations in order to find it easier.

Once you find the North Star, you will be able to determine other points on the

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compass. If you are standing facing the North Star, East will be to your right and West will be to your left. Obviously, South will be behind you.

Learning how to find the North Star will keep you out of trouble and you won't have to worry about getting lost on the prairie, in the mountains or at sea. Knowing which way to go on a black night will put you at ease and you can enjoy the trip.

If you don't want to take the time to learn how to find Polaris, just always remember to put a compass in your saddle bags. But then, what would you do if you lose that compass? I think I'd take the time to learn how to find that bright star in the northern sky. A few moments star-gazing on a clear night might pay big dividends when you don't know where the barn is.

Contact Ralph Galeano at [horseman@horsemanspress.com](mailto:horseman@horsemanspress.com) or [www.horsemanspress.com](http://www.horsemanspress.com)

# Swinging the barn doors wide open: National media visit sow farm to learn first hand about pork production

The opportunity to show a journalist from the *Washington Post* around a sow farm is rare, but imagine if that reporter also was in the company of staff from CNN, *USA Today*, National Public Radio, the Huffington Post and a host of regional press.

That is exactly what happened May 16 when 20 journalists affiliated with the National Press Foundation (NPF) arrived in Iowa for a four-day agriculture immersion tour. The Pork Checkoff teamed with DuPont Pioneer to welcome the journalists, who each applied to be a part of the experience.

"Hosting the tour allowed us to share the message of responsible pork production with highly influential, well-traveled journalists," said John Johnson, chief operating officer of the Pork Checkoff. "We are starting to see this investment pay off with enlightening articles centered on the current state of increasing pork production and packing capacity."

This is the second year that the National Pork Board has coordinated an event with the NPF, a non-profit organization that educates journalists on complex issues. According to NPF president Sandy Johnson, the organization educates through staging professional development opportunities all across the United States.

As part of the tour, participants visited Iowa Select Farms' new 6,200-sow farm near Humeston, Iowa. Participants learned about the state-of-the-art air filtration systems that keep pigs healthy, as well as the diverse sow housing systems and the farrowing process.

"Iowa Select Farms is committed to being open and transparent about what happens on our farms," said Jen Sorensen, the farm's director of communications.

The journalists also took part in a Butcher Shop 101 event conducted by Neel Sahni, foodservice marketing and innovation manager for the Pork Checkoff. The reporters could see pre-

cisely where today's pork cuts originate on the pig and how they are packaged and displayed in meat cases and on menus. The demonstration highlighted both the versatility of the pig, and why pork demand is growing.

Nationally renowned expert Mike Apley, DVM, Kansas State University, updated the journalists on the issue of antibiotic resistance.

"The discussion was very beneficial for the journalists," said Johnson. "They seemed to appreciate learning about the complex issue and the pork industry's commitment to antibiotic stewardship."



Leading the supreme champion ewe at the Riley County Fair was Randolph Ramblers 4-H'er Jacob Wendland, pictured with judge Joe Hobbs.



Judge Joe Hobbs selected the entry shown by Georgia Hatesohl as the grand champion market lamb at the Riley County Fair.

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Lost Springs, 1 blk	1890@73.00	Herington, 63 mix	829@147.75
Hillsboro, 1 bwf	1440@73.00	Herington, 18 red	780@147.25
Hope, 1 blk	1305@72.00	Cedar Point, 2 mix	690@145.50
Hope, 1 blk	1250@70.50	Herington, 28 blk	820@145.00
Woodbine, 1 bwf	1375@70.00	Cedar Point, 4 mix	831@144.00
Woodbine, 1 blk	1340@69.50	Ramona, 62 blk	855@143.10
Peabody, 1 blk	1495@69.50	Ramona, 61 mix	850@143.10
Hope, 1 blk	1315@69.00	Wiley, 5 blk	749@142.50
Hope, 1 blk	1480@67.00	White City, 9 blk	866@141.00
Junction City, 1 rwf	1220@65.00	Florence, 16 blk	796@140.00
		Gypsum, 60 blk	906@139.75
		Hope, 55 blk	860@138.25
		Ramona, 17 Char	865@137.00
		Wiley, 7 blk	836@137.00
		Herington, 23 red	912@135.50
		Lincolntonville, 54 mix	909@134.00
		Texas, 2 Char	890@132.50
		Lincolntonville, 55 mix	929@131.00
BULLS			
Herington, 1 rwf	2525@85.00		
Lincolntonville, 1 red	1895@74.50		
STEERS			
Peabody, 14 blk	474@180.00		
Tampa, 2 blk	405@169.00		
Cedar Point, 3 mix	582@162.00		
		Burdick, 10 blk	995@127.75
		BRED COWS	
		27 head	1160-1275
		HEIFERS	
		Tampa, 4 blk	475@150.00
		Herington, 4 blk	618@148.00
		Florence, 8 blk	611@144.50
		White City, 8 blk	727@141.25
		Herington, 8 red	697@139.00
		Herington, 21 blk	745@137.75
		Florence, 6 blk	687@137.75
		Herington, 12 blk	730@135.35
		Herington, 9 mix	806@134.50
		Hope, 63 blk	846@134.00
		Wiley, 10 blk	750@133.50
		White City, 7 blk	854@130.00
		Hope, 1 blk	875@121.00
		Hillsboro, 3 blk	995@110.00
		CALVES BY THE HEAD	
		Woodbine, 1 blk	140@310.00

**EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR SEPT. SHEEP/GOAT SALE**

- 100 kid 80-90 lbs wether hair lambs
- 25-35 #1 hair replacement ewe lambs
- Package of cull ewes

**CONSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST 23:**

- 25 mostly blk str, long time weaned, all shots, 750 lbs
- 15 hrs long time weaned, all shots 650 lbs
- 33 str & hrs mix, long time weaned, all shots, 700-800 lbs
- 115 mostly blk str, 1000 lbs
- 60 mostly blk str, 850 lbs
- 80 mostly blk str, 850 lbs
- 240 mostly blk str, 850 lbs
- 62 mostly blk hrs, 825 lbs
- 50 red blk str & hrs, long time weaned, all shots, 550-650 lbs

**MORE CATTLE BY SALE TIME!**

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# NOTICE

**OPEN** Community Forum to Discuss Future of Pott. County Courthouse.

**When:**  
 August 29, 2017  
 7:00 p.m.

**Where:**  
 Pott. Co. Justice Center  
 (located behind courthouse)



# Beef Checkoff's inaugural Advocate of the Year announced

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association, a contractor to the beef checkoff, has selected blogger and cattlemaster Anne Burkholder as the recipient of the inaugural Advocate of the Year award. The Advocate of the Year is selected by NCBA and state checkoff staff as the standout advocate amongst the 12 monthly award winners.

A Florida native, Burkholder moved to Nebraska with her husband in 1997 to run a family feed yard that had been in her husband's

family since the 1970s. Since then, the mother of three started a successful blog entitled "Feed Yard Foodie" and works for Progressive Beef to ensure that its supply chain is producing high-quality, sustainable beef.

While many beef advocates grow up with an agricultural background, Burkholder grew up in Palm Beach County, Florida, a self-proclaimed jock, and attended Dartmouth University where she majored in psychology. This unique

perspective allows her to relate to consumers who may not be familiar with beef production.

"Managing a feed yard for 20 years inspired me to learn to identify and fill meaningful gaps. With thousands of cattle relying on me each and every day, recognizing if an important gap existed between the care that I offered and what the animal needed was absolutely critical for good welfare. This same philosophy of working to 'fill the gap' extends to all of the areas of

my life including beef advocacy," explains Burkholder. "A gap clearly exists between the truth of how beef is raised and the general consumer knowledge of the beef industry. As someone actively engaged in caring for cattle and raising beef, it is my job to help fill that gap with truthful information."

Burkholder's passion for communicating with consumers led her to become an early graduate of the Masters of Beef Advocacy (MBA) program. She has taken that training,

paired with her firsthand experience, to another level over the years partnering with the beef checkoff as a spokesperson. She has participated in national media interviews and high-profile panel discussions to share beef's positive story with consumers around the country.

"Feed Yard Foodie is a natural extension of me -- It is an "Anne Gate" that creates appropriate transparency as I try to bridge the seemingly unending chasm between urban and

rural America. I truly believe that 'together we are stronger' and my advocacy efforts focus on finding common ground with those that were not granted the blessing of living on a farm," said Burkholder.

Burkholder is no stranger to awards. She was awarded the *BEEF Magazine* Trailblazer award in 2014, she was named to Vance Publishing's 40 under 40 in agriculture in 2013, and in 2009, she was awarded the Beef Quality Assurance Producer of the Year award.

## Farmers & Ranchers

### AUCTIONS EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY

#### Selling Hogs & Cattle every Monday

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK TOTALED 4,290 CATTLE AND 145 HOGS.

STEERS				
300-400	\$178.00-\$188.00	5 blk	New Cambria	566@154.00
400-500	\$169.00-\$182.00	4 blk	Ellinwood	633@151.00
500-600	\$160.00-\$174.00	19 blk	New Cambria	633@149.50
600-700	\$148.00-\$161.00	3 blk	Newton	530@149.00
700-800	\$145.00-\$160.00	2 blk	Abilene	680@146.50
800-900	\$135.00-\$148.00	4 mix	Lorraine	655@145.50
900-1,000	\$128.00-\$141.00	9 blk	Lindsborg	692@145.00
		5 mix	Randolph	738@143.50
		4 mix	New Cambria	723@143.50
400-500	\$149.00-\$163.00	5 blk	Ellsworth	695@142.00
500-600	\$140.00-\$154.00	43 mix	Abilene	408@140.25
600-700	\$135.00-\$151.00	38 mix	Abilene	755@137.50
700-800	\$130.00-\$143.50	64 mix	Gypsum	763@136.00
800-900	\$110.00-\$134.85	69 mix	Gypsum	817@134.85
900-1,000	\$115.00-\$128.50	6 blk	Salina	827@133.00
		9 blk	Newton	796@133.00
		9 mix	Newton	808@132.00
		96 mix	Leon	813@132.00
		61 blk	Leon	937@128.50

STEERS				
3 blk	Clay Center	332@188.00		
3 blk	Newton	423@182.00		
1 rwf	Clay Center	425@177.00		
2 blk	Ellsworth	425@174.00		
10 blk	Ellsworth	524@174.00		
6 blk	Ellsworth	529@171.00		
14 blk	Marion	583@169.00		
7 blk	Sterling	599@164.00		
3 blk	Canton	608@161.00		
9 mix	Lindsborg	637@160.50		
7 blk	Randolph	719@160.00		
6 blk	Ellsworth	619@160.00		
10 mix	Pretty Prairie	662@160.00		
9 blk	Marion	648@159.00		
5 blk	Falun	717@155.00		
12 blk	Marion	848@148.00		
5 blk	Salina	807@147.75		
62 mix	Assaria	840@146.75		
22 mix	Bennington	809@146.50		
27 blk	Leon	860@145.50		
20 mix	Lindsborg	827@145.25		
64 blk	Valley Center	849@145.25		
5 blk	Ellsworth	827@144.00		
63 blk	Kanopolis	888@143.85		
10 mix	Ada	816@143.50		
58 mix	Valley Center	917@141.00		
65 mix	Tampa	908@139.00		
13 mix	McPherson	1026@134.00		
55 mix	Tampa	978@132.75		
30 mix	Kanopolis	980@130.75		

HEIFERS				
6 blk	Courtland	433@163.00		

FALL BRED HEIFERS				
8 blk	Lincolnton	@1775.00		
8 red	Maize	@1725.00		
7 blk	Reading	@1575.00		
11 blk	Reading	@1500.00		

HEIFER PAIRS				
9 blk	Herington	@1860.00		
9 blk	Herington	@1775.00		
3 blk	Herington	@1750.00		
4 mix	Herington	@1675.00		

COW/CALF PAIRS				
8 blk	Reading	@1785.00		
2 blk	Reading	@1700.00		
11 blk	Reading	@1625.00		
4 blk	Salina	@1610.00		

FALL BRED COWS				
42 blk	Murrel, NE	@1700.00		
49 blk	Murrel, NE	@1675.00		
80 blk	Murrel, NE	@1660.00		
9 blk	Lincolnton	@1660.00		
56 blk	Murrel, NE	@1610.00		
15 blk	Reading	@1550.00		
31 blk	Marion	@1525.00		
15 blk	Reading	@1525.00		
7 red	Armstrong, MO	@1500.00		
51 blk	Reading	@1500.00		
61 blk	Leoti	@1450.00		

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1 blk	Assaria	2300@93.00		
1 blk	Salina	1745@91.00		
1 blk	Ellsworth	1875@90.00		

COWS				
1 red	Assaria	2405@995.00		
1 red	Tampa	2070@100.00		
1 red	Gypsum	1970@94.00		
1 blk	Marion	1290@76.50		
2 blk	Marion	1570@76.00		
5 blk	Marion	1415@76.00		
1 blk	Ellsworth	1705@75.50		
1 char	Abilene	1680@75.00		
1 bwf	Alma	1575@74.50		
1 blk	Beverly	1530@74.50		
1 red	Tescott	2040@74.00		

**EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017:**  
**75 str & hfrs, 600-750 lbs.; 200 str & hfrs, blk/bwf, fancy, 600-800 lbs.; 58 hfrs, off grass, no sort, 800 lbs.; 150 hfrs, open, 850-900 lbs.; 10 str & hfrs, homeraised, 1 rd vacc., open, 650-750 lbs.; 40 blk str & hfrs, homeraised, 1 rd vacc., 90 days weaned, 500-600 lbs.; 40 mostly blk str & hfrs, homeraised, vacc., gtd. open, 600-750 lbs.; 7 blk hfrs, 2 rds vacc., open, weaned 45 days, 650-700 lbs.; 185 str, mostly blk, grass, 600-800 lbs.**  
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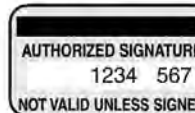
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**Soil Health Partnership, NCGA endorse new list of soil health measurements**

The Soil Health Partnership has endorsed a set of 19 soil health measurements, encouraging the agriculture industry to quickly adopt them. Once widely adopted, the indicators are expected to help farming become more sustainable and precise in areas such as nutrient management.

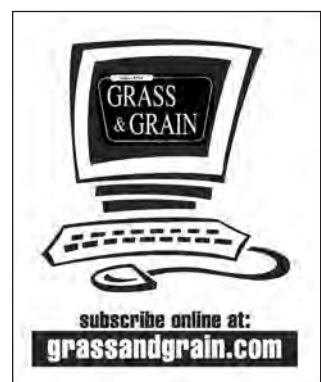
Research shows that the benefits of improving soil health include: Improved crop yield, enhanced water quality, increased drought resilience and flood resistance, and decreased greenhouse gas emissions.

After three years of collaboration with scientific and agricultural partners, the Soil Health Institute announced its endorsement of the "Tier 1" national soil health measurements. Examples of the specific Tier 1 measures include organic carbon, pH, and available water holding capacity. A complete list of all 19 endorsed soil health measurements is available at the Institute's website.

"We recognize the vigorous scientific collaboration that went into the development of this list of indicators, and urge the widescale adoption of them," said Nick Goeser, director of the Soil Health Partnership, and National Corn Growers Association director of soil health and sustainability. "We encourage farmers and agronomists to test soil on a regular basis, and use these indicators as business management tools to help them make smart decisions on the farm."

Goeser added he hopes the new guidance on soil health indicators will lead to a faster implementation of practices that will improve soil health, like reducing the intensity of tillage to build soil organic matter.

An initiative of NCGA, the Soil Health Partnership is a data-driven program working to quantify the benefits of practices that support soil health, including reduced tillage, the use of cover crops, and advanced nutrient management, from an economic as well as environmental standpoint.



**Faces of Leadership Conference draws 89 National Junior Hereford Association members to Kansas City**

The National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) Faces of Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Hereford Youth Foundation of America, drew 89 NJHA members from multiple states to Kansas City, Mo., for a week of leadership and educational activities.

"This conference is designed to get you out of your comfort zone," said NJHA chairman Steven Green, Munfordville, Ky. "It's a great place to see how much you can learn about Hereford cattle and more importantly, about yourself."

The three-day event focused on leadership development and included tours of Kansas State University (K-State) and the K-State Purebred Unit, Manhattan, BioZyme® Inc., St. Joseph, Mo., and Jensen Bros., Courtland. Conference participants also heard inspiring messages from guest speakers Amberley Snyder, Elk Ridge, Utah, and Heather Schultz, Atlanta, Ga.

"Faces of Leadership is a unique opportunity for junior members because it takes them out of the show ring and puts them in a real-world setting," said Amy Cowan, director of youth activities and foundation for the American Hereford Association. "This conference gave participants a look at the agricultural industry and provided a great opportunity to network and build leadership skills."



Jessi Winter, Leonardville Hustlers 4-H Club, exhibited the supreme champion meat goat doe at the Riley County Fair. The grand champion meat goat was shown by Brittni Winter. Bill Toews judged the event.



The best doe in show at the Riley County Fair was shown by Aurora Pitzer of the Bonfire 4-H Club.



Nathan Featherstone's entry was selected champion Jersey before going on to clinch supreme champion dairy at the Riley County Fair. He is a member of the Wildcat 4-H Club.



Taylor Ruckert, Ashland Boosters 4-H Club, showed the reserve supreme champion ewe at the Riley County Fair. Taylor is shown with judge Joe Hobbs.

# On-ranch vaccinations establish lifetime cattle health

By Tracey Koester

Healthy cattle equate to profitable cattle in all sectors of the beef production chain. Aiding in disease prevention – through astute management and proper vaccination protocols – is the first step in setting up a calf for a healthy life.

In numerous published sources, consulting veterinarians and nutritionists have provided health and well-being recommendations for feedlots, but no published data addressed cow-calf operations on this subject. That is, until the Red Angus Association of America and Kansas State University teamed up in September 2016 and surveyed a large number of beef cow-calf veterinarians.

**The Doctor Says**

“We wanted to document some of the common health care practices recommended to cow-calf producers by veterinarians,” explained

A.J. Tarpoff, MS, DVM, assistant professor and beef Extension veterinarian at Kansas State University.

Tarpoff served as corresponding author of the abstract, “A survey of recommended practices made by veterinarian practitioners to cow-calf operations in the United States” (Fike, G.D., J.C. Simroth, D.U. Thomson, E.F. Schwandt, R. Spare, and A.J. Tarpoff).

“Each cow-calf operation is unique in terms of size, number of head, terrain and climate, and that is why the veterinary-client-patient relationship is so important,” he said. “But, despite operations’ differences, the survey unveiled a nice trend of similar vaccination protocols that veterinarians are recommending to their clients.”

Responding veterinarians hailed from 35 states and three Canadian provinces with a majority de-

voting 50 percent or more of their time to commercial cow-calf producers. Over two-thirds of the veterinarians’ practices represented 5,000 to 10,000 cows, with 39 percent servicing more than 10,000 cows through their clinics. In short, these are experienced health experts for cow-calf producers.

The survey’s findings identified immunization as the most important component of a healthy beef cattle herd to aid in the prevention of infectious diseases. Vaccinating cattle is a relatively common practice among cow-calf producers, and the survey validated what many ranchers already know. Disease prevention via a thorough vaccination program is the foundation of good health.

Even so, a portion of the beef cattle population remains unvaccinated, leaving those animals susceptible to multiple diseases and

lost profit.

“Bovine respiratory disease is the most common – and costly – ailment in all stages of beef production,” said Tarpoff. “Feedlot cattle that break with pneumonia have decreased production and health, and it is the leading cause of death in feeder cattle.”

BRD alone costs the beef industry millions of dollars every year in treatment and death loss. Viruses commonly isolated from calves infected with BRD included IBR, BRSV, BVD and PI-3 – all of which can be controlled or mitigated through vaccination.

“BRD complex is multifactorial,” said Tarpoff. “We must do our best to reduce the stressors that contribute to sickness onset – like weaning, transportation, commingling and inclement weather. Through vaccination, we can boost and challenge a calf’s immune system to help protect him against bacterial and viral pathogens that result in illness.”

“Vaccines are not magic in a bottle. Regardless of the brand, producers must have realistic expectations of the product and diligently implement low-stress management practices for optimal results.”

**Buying Health**

Veterinarians aren’t the only ones who endorse progressive approaches. When purchasing feeder or stocker cattle, Cody Cornwell, Cornwell Ranch, of Glasgow, Montana, focuses on management practices that add value to a set of calves, such as a vaccination protocol, program-specific ear tags, fly control and weaning before shipping.

“The Red Angus tags – either Feeder Calf Certification Program or Allied Access – are a visual indicator of a rancher who is willing to take the extra step in their herd management,” said Cornwell. “It shows that they understand the importance of traceability and that they take complete ownership in raising that calf.”

“If a producer is will-

ing to enroll his calves in FCCP or Allied Access, we know they are buying registered bulls, traceable to Red Angus genetic lines. Age and source verification is extremely important right now for export markets.” Sixty-nine percent of the veterinarians who responded to the survey agreed that calves should be ear tagged for management purposes.

Cornwell reinforced the findings of the veterinary health survey, recommending a modified-live vaccine with pasteurized administered on the ranch.

“Ranchers need to set themselves apart so buyers know their cattle are worth more,” he said. “That marketing distinction begins by vaccinating at branding and then boosting before weaning. Those that don’t follow a vaccination regime or that sell bawling calves will be left behind in the industry. Do everything you can to prepare that calf for the next chapter in his life.”

Tarpoff said the optimal time to vaccinate is before a disease challenge. Since weaning is a stressor, cattlemen should vaccinate three to four weeks before that event, then boost them when they are weaned.

Cornwell emphasized the importance of a lifetime vaccination protocol and weaning calves 45 to 60 days before shipping. “A lot of feed yards won’t receive bawling calves,” said Cornwell. “By weaning calves on the ranch, you have better control of your weighing conditions and timing of shipping, adding more value to your product.”

Veterinarians said the earliest age their clients should wean calves is 90 to 120 days, and they should administer the last preventative vaccination seven to 21 days before shipping.

“It is important to use the vaccines as they are intended. Administer them properly and at the correct time in the calf’s life,” said Cornwell. Calves should receive their first immunizations at branding time – between two and four months of age – when the maternal

antibodies from colostrum run out and they start to develop their own immune system.

Calves are usually weaned at six to eight months of age, and it’s recommended to give preconditioning – or pre-weaning – shots three to four weeks before separating them from their dams.

“On-ranch vaccinations work every day for the rancher, adding value on shipping day,” he said. “Buyers and feeders recognize the value of a good health protocol, knowing the cattle will perform better in the lot. A calf’s health is progressive. Each step adds value until it reaches the consumer’s plate.”

Cornwell said it is essential that cattlemen know what vaccines they are giving and understand why each one is important. He recommended producers visit with their veterinarian or pharmaceutical representative to truly understand the purpose and functionality of the immunization.

He also emphasized proper handling of vaccination and implementing low-stress cattle handling techniques.

According to CattleFax data, the U.S. is the No. 1 beef producer in the world, producing 11.5 million tons of beef in 2016. The cow-calf operation is the first stage of the beef supply chain, therefore it is critical to lay a solid health foundation.

“Proper management starts at birth. What’s done on the ranch begins the stepping stones for the animal to become a productive member of the cattle industry. Properly managed calves are healthier throughout all stages of the production cycle – they perform better with less inputs to maintain production levels. Healthy cattle simply have a much better flow through the system,” concluded Tarpoff.

The official abstract and veterinary health survey will be published in *The Professional Animal Scientist* later this year.

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**EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR 8/24/2017**

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25 BLK STRS/HFRS	600-700#	WV HR
91 BLK STRS/HFRS	700-800#	WV
25 BLK HFRS	700-850#	WV HR
51 BLK STRS/HFRS	750-850#	WV HR OG
100 BLK STRS	750-850#	WV OG
15 BLK STRS	800-850#	WV
51 BLK STRS	825-900#	WV OG
120 BLK & XBRD HFRS	800-850#	WV
60 BLK STRS	875-900#	WV OG
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# Kreigh awarded Clutter Scholarship

By Brooke Haas,  
Summer 2017  
Communications Intern

A history of leadership, service and academic excellence led Cassidy Kreigh of Sharon Springs to be selected as the recipient of the 2017 Herb Clutter Memorial Scholarship, awarded by the Kansas Wheat Growers Research Foundation. The scholarship, established in 2009, will award Kreigh \$500 toward her enrollment at Kansas State University where she will pursue a degree in milling science.

Cassidy Kreigh has not always been involved with agriculture. Her interest was sparked when she was introduced to it by family friends.

"I have worked for a family farm and they really helped me get involved with agriculture. My parents grew up on farms but did not stay involved," Kreigh says.

When she was first introduced to production agriculture, she was on the edge about the idea. Ever since her first day helping out on a farm she no longer has any doubts.

"This is my summer job, and during the school year I help on weekends. It really interested me the more I went out there," she says.

A couple reasons Kreigh says she was unsure about farming, was how intimidating the big equipment was and the endless amount of a whole new world to learn.

Kreigh attended Wallace County High School in Sharon Springs and is attending Kansas State University this fall to study milling science. Kreigh plans to rush and hopefully join a sorority and become involved with College of Agriculture clubs that are on campus. Kreigh says she became interested in milling science through some of her friends. Last fall, she toured the mills and the agriculture department and immediately fell



Cassidy Kreigh (right) poses with the Schemm family during the 2017 wheat harvest.

in love.

"I plan on joining some agriculture clubs in the fall to also spark my knowledge and interest in other areas of agriculture," says Kreigh.

"Cassidy's passions for her community and agriculture have made her an excellent recipient of the scholarship," said Jordan Hildebrand, program assistant at Kansas Wheat. "We're proud to encourage high school students like Cassidy to pursue a career in the wheat industry."

The Herb Clutter Memorial Scholarship is given to high school seniors who are pursuing a degree in agriculture. The scholarship first began in 2009 to honor Herb Clutter's influential role in organizing leadership groups on behalf of Kansas wheat producers, and is administered by the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers.

"Mr. Clutter's enthusiasm and leadership in the wheat industry serves as an excellent example for young adults as they take this next step in their lives," said Hildebrand. "We are honored to offer a scholarship in re-

membrance of Herb Clutter, and to share his passion for the industry and his community with future generations of wheat leaders."

To complete the scholar-

ship, students must fill out a 400-500 word essay discussing why they have chosen to pursue a career in agriculture. The committee will use this essay along with the student's application to select a recipient.

The \$500 scholarship goes to offset tuition to a college or university-bound incoming freshman from Kansas. These students have to be pursuing a degree in agriculture in order to be considered for this award. They must also be a full-time student at any two or four year Kansas college or university. The students are chosen by their achievement, leadership qualities and career objectives in the field of agriculture. They will then receive the scholarship to be applied toward tuition for their college or university of choosing. To learn more about the Herb Clutter Memorial Scholarship, please go to [kansaswheat.org/clutter](http://kansaswheat.org/clutter).



Jacob Wendland, Randolph Ramblers 4-H Club, drove the grand champion market hog at the Riley County Fair. Kyle Baade judged the swine show.

## FREDERICK'S CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2017 — 9:30 AM**

Auction will be held at 1517 East 14th St. on the East edge of FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA

**Partial listings inc.:** Tractors - 2010 Cat Challenger MT, 755C; '97 Cat 55 Tract-Tractor, 3 pt., 5270 hrs.; JD 4450; 1940 IH "H", parade ready; 1941 JD "B", not running, but eng. free; 1935 JD "B", unstyled. **Combines & Heads** - 1999 Case IH 2388 AFS specialty, it field tracker, rock trap, chopper, hyd. reverser, Touch screen monitor, 3840 eng., 2720 sep., always shredded; Case IH 1083 cornhead w/poly; 1992 Case IH 1680 combine, Cummings eng., 4420 hrs, loaded, always shedded; JD 918 flex platforms. **Machinery, Trucks & Vehicles, Lawn & Recreation.**

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# Black bear population grows in Kansas

(AP) - Wildlife experts say black bears wandering into Kansas from Missouri and Oklahoma will likely become established residents of the state within the next decade.

The *Wichita Eagle* reports that two bears were documented in southeast Kansas and another along the Colorado border as recently as two summers ago. For most of the past 15 years, bears only have been seen in extreme southwest Kansas.

Experts say the possibility of Kansas having a permanent population of bears could cause safety problems. Neither Oklahoma nor Missouri have reported bear attacks recently, but experts are advising residents in those states on how to protect pets and livestock from the wild animal.

Wildlife officials say bears still deserve respect and that most people appreciate having bears around.



Brittni Winter, Leonardville Hustlers 4-H Club, led the grand champion market goat at the Riley County Fair, as selected by judge Bill Toews.

## LABOR DAY AUCTION

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017 — 9:30 AM**  
OLG Hall (421 S. Ash) — NEWTON, KANSAS

Note: 2 collections of quality & clean items! The hall has AC & chairs.

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES:** HAY RACK - 3/8 scale, high quality Handcrafted by the late Francis J. Funk; Stock Saddle by Keyston Bros. very good; Harvey Co. Land Owner Atlas 1918; Marion Co. Land Owner Atlas 1885, 1902, 1921; Gimball Box Clock; Pony Troy Built Tiller; Edger/Gas Engine; 4 Horse Collars with Hames-Restored; Elgin 4 Quart Butter Churn; Daisy No. 60 & 2 Qt Butter Churns; 4 Brass Grain Test Buckets/Scales; 4' & 5' Brass Grain Probes; Radisson Grain Moisture Tester; Acme Grain Sorter; Antique Grain Sorter; Grain Dockage Scale; 2 Wooden Egg Baskets; Western Hatchet Commemorative Set/Hatchet & Knife NIB; Antique Precision Tools; Planimeter No. 123A; Gravity Balances No. 26 & No. 27; Reimans Thermometer/Wooden Box; Lufkin Spring Joint Rules Display Case; Wood Folding Rulers; Charles Frenary Print "Restoration II"; "Case Threshing" Print/Medcalt; Early JD Display Picture; 7" Glass Cutter Measuring Stick; Lufkin 6" Wood Straight-Edge Ruler; 12 Misc. Wooden Measuring Devices; 2-Carama Boards; Various Size & Types Butter Molds & Pats; McCormick Table Top Cream Separator-Complete; Stanley Wooden Levels; Hand Made Wool Comb; Griswold #8 Cast Iron Waffle Maker; Griswold #8 Cast Iron Skillet; Wooden Dove Tail Boxes; 3 John Deere Bicycles; Meadow Gold Metal Milk Box; Hand Held Grain Sifter; Stanley Corner Brace & Other Braces; Antique Hammers & Hatchets, Wooden Planes/Blades; Wooden Seeder; Doctor's Case/Instruments; 2 Yankee Hand-Held Drills; Small Brass Fire Extinguisher; Metal Meat Tenderizer; Hand Forged Steel Ice Shaver/Chipper; Brass & Wooden Draw Knives; Stanley Clap Board Gauge; Brass & Wooden Plumb Bobs; Antique John Deere Planter Boxes; Antique Iron Drill Box Ends; Table Mount Hand Crank Sheller; 3 Small Anvils; **Antique Scales:** No. 13 Pharmacy; Fairbanks Balance; KG; Confectionary; Hardware Store; Postal; Small Balance; 2 Table Top Platform Scales/Basins; Other Scale Basins; Hide Scales; Fur Scale; Hanging Ice Scale; Egg Scale; Brass Front 60# Milk Scale; Wool Scales; Deteww Baby Scale; Antique Tin & Cast Farm Butter Churn; Collections of Meat Cleavers, Jar Openers, Potato Mashers, Hand Can Openers; Other Kitchen Utensils; Wooden Banana Box; 5 Gal. Cream Can; Ice Tongs.

**FARM & CONSTRUCTION TOYS** By Ertl, 1ST Gear & Others; John Deere Model B by Jim Mueller; JD Hand Made D by Paul Unruh; JD Handcrafted Model D by Walter Reimer; JD 730 Plastic by Yoder; MM Model Standard U (Hooker); JD 7520 1/16 NIB; JD 7920 1/16 NIB; JD 1939 Model D 1/8 NIB; 7 JD Airplanes NIB; 1950 Jubilee Model Ford; 48 Model 8N; Massey 55; Joe Ertl Wallis Tractor; Joe Ertl 1020 on Steel; Cast Iron W9 McCormick & Farmall F20; Hough Pay Loader; 1 Bottom Plow by Tom's Pattern Shop, Peabody, KS; 1 Bottom Plow by Everett Zaugg; **JD 1/16 SCALE TRACTORS**-General Purpose; Early D; GP 1937 Early D; BR; 1953 Style D; AR; Special Edition R; 70; 1954 80; 630 Propane; 830; 8400; 7800; 7830; 2-4850; 330; 2020; 3010 Narrow Front; 2-3010 Wide Front; 4010 Narrow Front; 4010 Wide Front; 4240; 4440; 4640; **JD'S NIB COLLECTOR EDITIONS**-3010 Wide Front; 2-720 Hi Crop; 630 LP; 60 Orchard Model R; 4440; **Precision Models NIB**-Model A; Model 420; JD Black Smith Shop Replica; 2001-2002 JD Hand Painted Christmas Ornaments.

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Bolt Act Savage Model 340  
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Bolt Act Mauser FN Custom Built 243 Ca.  
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Steven Model 520, 12 GA Pump  
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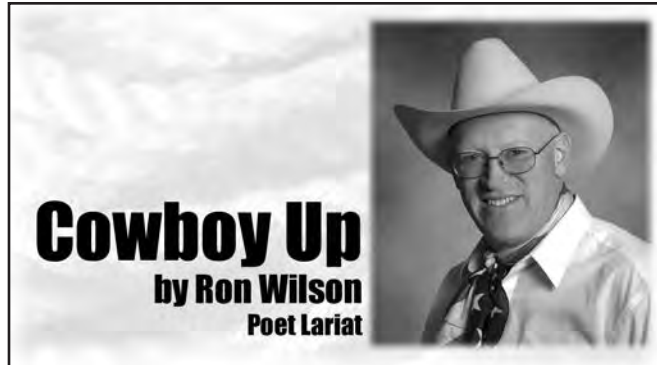
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Elizabeth Wright showed Riley County Fair's reserve supreme meat goat doe. She is a member of College Hill 4-H and shown with judge Bill Toews.



The recorded grade reserve champion doe at the Riley County Fair was shown by Mavrick Winter, Leonardville Hustlers 4-H Club. The recorded grade champion doe was shown by Brittni Winter, Leonardville Hustlers 4-H Club. Judging was Bill Toews.



### Trails, Rails and Tales II

It all began in Abilene. Now, it will culminate in Abilene. The Chisholm Trail essentially began when a railhead to handle cattle

was established in the town of Abilene in 1867. One hundred fifty years later, the anniversary celebration of the Chisholm Trail will culmi-

nate in a big celebration on Labor Day weekend of 2017.

Since Abilene was the first of the famous cowtowns on what we now call the Chisholm Trail, it was fitting that Abilene would be the first to host an event commemorating the 150th anniversary of the trail. The Trails, Rails and Tales event on Labor Day weekend of last year was the kickoff for a year of celebrations, but it was also a kind of dress rehearsal for an even bigger show in 2017. Now that bigger show is here. On September 2-3, 2017, Abilene will host an even more impressive collection of talent and activities. It's a bigger and better version of Trails, Rails and Tales.

Michael Hook is director of the Dickinson County Heritage Center in Abilene. He's coordinating this major event in 2017. Activities primarily take place around Old Abilene Town, the recreated 1860s village just south of the railroad tracks (and south of the Eisenhower Museum). Saturday kicks off with a parade at 10 a.m.

The main stage lineup includes a "who's who" of western entertainment, such as Red Steagall, Michael Mar-

tin Murphey, and the Sons of the Pioneers. Entertainment will be provided both Saturday and Sunday, with fireworks Saturday night. The Kansas chapter of the Western Music Association will provide a stage show featuring nationally-award winning performers such as 3 Trails West, the Diamond W Wranglers, Jeff Davidson, Annie Wilson, Ed LeValley, and yours truly. I even get to emcee the main stage both days. The Prairie Rose Rangers and other stars will perform Sunday afternoon, and the new *Home on the Range* movie will be shown Sunday evening.

The longhorn cattle return to Abilene in 2017. Not only will they be on display, they will be part of a daily cattle drive around Old Abilene Town and a daily demonstration of them being loaded onto the railroad cars pulled by steam locomotive - just like 150 years ago!

This year, the Native American Indian dancers will have their own demonstration village for dancing and education. The rodeo arena will be the site of the saddle club demonstrations, buffalo soldiers, and Paw-

nee Bill's Wild West Show.

A novelty theatre tent in Old Abilene Town will feature much more in the way of re-enactors, historical speakers, and even can-can dancers. Gunfights with cowboys in period costumes will happen regularly on the main street.

There will be lots of activities for kids, such as the Buckaroo Camp and much, much more. Artisans will be

demonstrating their skills, educational sessions will be provided, and street performers will provide entertainment as well.

We invite people to come out and enjoy an entire weekend of western entertainment, food, and fun. How fitting that it happens in Abilene, where it all began.

Up next: A Kansas cattle drive.



Bonfire 4-H Club member Aurora Pitzer exhibited the reserve champion market goat at the Riley County Fair.

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63 mix	905@126.90	6 mix	932@136.00
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Report from August 16, 2017:

3	427	187.00	18	920	128.75
6	526	172.00	8	845	128.00
7	625	160.00	<b>TOP BUTCHER COW</b>		
6	678	156.50	<b>\$78.00 @ 1,545 lbs.</b>		
7	688	146.00	<b>TOP BUTCHER BULL</b>		
9	709	145.00	<b>\$90.50 @ 1,935 lbs.</b>		
11	746	141.25	<b>BRED COWS: \$1,085</b>		
28	831	140.00	<b>PAIRS: \$1,275</b>		
67	914	137.00	<b>SOWS: No Test</b>		
56	982	135.60	<b>FAT HOG TOP</b>		
58	942	134.75	<b>No Test</b>		
<b>HEIFERS</b>					
5	520	159.00	4 369 166.00		
7	605	151.75	6 449 158.50		
28	633	145.25	4 541 151.50		
3	653	144.50	<b>PAIRS:</b>		
23	700	139.25	<b>No Test</b>		
4	791	133.50			
27	928	129.00			

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Report from August 15, 2017:

5	378	202.00	11	580	150.00
7	483	184.50	3	682	143.50
4	539	177.00	13	720	140.50
3	582	170.00	7	716	140.00
2	635	163.00	68	742	136.00
11	712	150.00	3	783	129.00
9	726	145.00	3	868	128.25
7	762	143.50	13	824	124.75
10	784	141.50	<b>TOP BUTCHER COW:</b>		
64	907	140.75	<b>\$82.50 @ 1,525 lbs.</b>		
6	949	133.50	<b>TOP BUTCHER BULL:</b>		
8	932	131.50	<b>\$92.50 @ 1,710 lbs.</b>		
2	998	126.00	<b>BRED COWS:</b>		
10 Hol	894	90.00	<b>\$850 to \$1,125</b>		
<b>HEIFERS</b>					
4	369	166.00	<b>PAIRS:</b>		
6	449	158.50	<b>No Test</b>		
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# Deadline near to submit comments to kill WOTUS

July 27 marked the start of the 30-day comment period on EPA's proposal to withdraw the 2015 Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule. That means the deadline for comments is August 28. Don't wait. Send your comments today.

Here's what you need to know:

Step 1 - Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/EPA-WOTUS-Rule>.

Step 2- Copy and paste (or modify) the following sample comments:

## Agriculture groups worried about import restrictions

The National Pork Producers Council and 17 other food and agriculture organizations, representing the vast majority of production agriculture, recently sent a letter to the Trump administration urging it to refrain from placing restrictions on imports of steel and aluminum. The organizations are very concerned that such restrictions will boomerang against U.S. food and agriculture exports.

The groups warned that "the aftermath (of restrictions on steel and aluminum imports) could be disastrous for the global trading sys-

I am writing to support the proposal to repeal the 2015 "Waters of the U.S." rule.

As a cattle producer, I strongly support this effort. Water is important to me and to my family's farming operation. I am glad that you recognize the flaws of the current WOTUS rule. It is overly broad and creates heavy burdens and costs, legal risk and tremendous uncertainty for farmers, ranchers and others, like me, who depend on the

land. Under the 2015 rule, farmers, ranchers and other landowners across the country face new roadblocks to ordinary land-use activities. I applaud EPA for taking this important first step toward developing a new definition of waters of the United States that will protect water quality while also promoting economic growth, minimizing regulatory uncertainty, and respecting the proper roles of Congress and the states under the Constitution.

try with a sensitive industry would know that it could follow the example of the United States and find a national security reason to circumvent trade commitments, no matter how flimsy the reason might be." The farm groups urged the administration to "avoid igniting a trade war" through the imposition of restrictions on steel and aluminum imports.

tem and for U.S. agriculture in particular." The groups pointed out that many countries that export the metals to the United States are also large importers of U.S. agricultural products. "The potential for retaliation from these trading partners is very real," said the groups.

Under the 1994 General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Article XXI, national security can be a legitimate reason to restrict trade, but it rarely is cited. "No country can dictate another's national security needs," the organizations wrote, "so now every coun-

and is otherwise unlawful. In all, the rule was challenged in multiple courts by all sides (31 states and 53 non-state parties, including environmental groups, state and local governments, farmers, landowners, developers, businesses, and recreation groups). The EPA should move forward and ditch this rule

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Results From August 8th Sale:

<b>Steers:</b>		<b>Heifers:</b>	
300-400#	\$177.00-\$211.00	300-400#	Light Test
400-500#	\$179.00-\$202.50	400-500#	\$156.00-\$179.00
500-600#	\$145.00-\$169.00	500-600#	\$140.00-\$150.00
600-700#	\$142.00-\$160.00	600-700#	\$133.00-\$146.50
700-800#	\$135.00-\$154.50	700-800#	\$136.00-\$141.50
800-900#	\$142.75-\$145.50	800-900#	\$126.00-\$136.75

Bred Cows- \$1,100-\$1,650 per head  
Pairs- \$1,200-\$1,800 per pair

**Sat., Sept. 2nd- Horse & Tack Sale**  
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300-400 lb. steers, \$125-\$190.50; heifers, \$120-\$168; 400-500 lb. steers, \$120-\$190; heifers, \$120-\$168; 500-600 lb. steers, \$120-\$171; heifers, \$120-\$150.50; 600-700 lb. steers, \$120-\$160; heifers, \$115-\$149; 700-800 lb. steers, \$115-\$144; heifers, \$115-\$135.50; 800-900 lb. steers, \$115-\$137.50. Trend on Calves: Choice steer & heifer calves, steady to \$5 higher. Trend on Feeder Cattle: Feeder steers & heifers, steady to \$2 higher. Butcher Cows: High dressing cows: \$65-\$74; Avg. dressing cows: \$55-\$65; Low dressing cows: \$35-\$55. Butcher Bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls \$70-\$89. Trend on Cows & Bulls: Butcher Cows, \$5 lower; Butcher Bulls, \$5 lower.

### Special COW Sale

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 24 — 11:00 AM

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These cows are the result of generations of management. All the black cows have been AI bred to Ribeye Polled Hereford & cleaned up with Finks Angus or Harms Angus bulls for a 60 day calving period. The Charolais cows are bred to Finks Charolais or Harms Red Angus bulls for a 60 calving period. These cows should all start calving Sept 10th. This is a rare opportunity to buy quality breeding & genetics offered by a local ranch.

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100 head of ranch raised (Rush Creek Cattle Co.) Angus (Ohlde based), bred heifers, bred to low birth weight Angus bulls. (Wagonhammer and Baldrige Bros). Heifers were synchronized and bred natural service for 45 days. Begin calving Sept 1.

**Open Consignments**

- 135 mostly black cows, 3-5 years old, bred to Angus Bulls. Due to start calving Sept 6th for 70 days. Cows weigh 1200-1300 lbs. Nice set of young cows.
- 25 mostly black cow/calf pairs. 3-5 years old, will sell open. Calves weigh 150-300 lbs.
- 45 black cows, 3-5 years old, bred to Angus bulls. Will start calving Sept 1st for 60 days
- 90 3-5 year old black cows bred to Angus bulls & due to calve Sept 5th for 60 days. Cows weigh 1250 lbs.
- 50 black 3-5 year old cows bred to Angus or Charolais bulls to calf Sept 5th for 100 days.
- 20 black cow/calf pairs weigh 1200 lbs. with Angus or Charolais calves at side.
- 80 black 3yr cows bred to Angus bulls to calve Sept 1st for 60 days. Cows weigh 1200 lbs.
- 80 Charolais & red cows, 3-6 years old bred to calve in Sept or October. Cows weigh 1250 lbs.
- 17 Fall calving cows, will start calving Sept 1st for 45 days, 3-7 years old



Judge Kyle Baade selected College Hill 4-H Club member Georgia Hatesohl as the champion senior swine showman at the Riley County Fair. Her gilt was also named champion crossbred.

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RECEIPTS: 1031 CATTLE

<b>STEERS</b>		<b>HEIFERS</b>	
12 blk bwf str	420@186.00	7 blk gry bulls	775@134.00
2 blk str	435@185.00	3 mix str	1018@121.50
3 blk char bulls	288@180.00	3 blk bwf str	980@119.00
6 blk str	494@175.00	13 hols str	550@77.00
8 blk bwf str	628@164.50		
7 blk bulls	434@164.00	2 blk red hfrs	257@187.50
5 blk str	620@163.75	4 blk hfrs	363@171.00
4 blk bwf str	641@160.50	3 blk hfrs	333@169.00
8 blk bwf str	679@158.50	9 blk hfrs	402@167.00
7 blk str	687@156.50	5 blk bwf hfrs	607@155.00
11 blk bwf str	661@154.50	9 blk hfrs	608@152.00
8 blk bwf str	705@153.50	5 blk bbf hfrs	645@149.75
6 blk bulls	475@152.50	7 blk hfrs	658@148.00
21 blk red str	755@149.25	2 blk hfrs	567@142.00
3 blk str	808@148.50	15 blk gry hfrs	691@140.00
6 blk bwf str	705@148.00	129 blk bwf hfrs	793@138.00
5 blk bwf str	838@146.50	134 mix hfrs	774@137.85
12 blk str	766@146.50	10 blk hfrs	745@137.25
6 blk bwf str	775@145.00	9 blk gry hfrs	754@135.75
61 blk red str	906@139.75	3 blk hfrs	820@133.50
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6 blk bwf str	917@135.50	7 blk bwf hfrs	782@133.00

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2 bwfred 425@181.50	10 bkbwf 753@143.50	5 rdAng 515@145.00
2 blk 480@180.00	19 bkbwf 697@143.00	18 bkred 582@144.50
2 bwf 508@179.00	17 Char 676@142.25	12 bkChar 605@144.00
3 rdAng 497@177.00	21 blk 711@142.00	16 bkChar 700@137.50
5 blk 530@172.50	12 bwfrfb 837@137.50	10 bkbwf 672@136.00
6 mix 569@165.50	9 bkbwf 804@136.00	21 bkred 701@135.00
15 bkbwf 550@165.00	15 bkbwf 916@133.25	14 bkChar 690@135.00
4 redbk 598@160.00	32 mix 938@132.00	15 blk 760@132.25
10 blk 623@155.75	18 bkChar 871@132.00	10 bkred 712@131.50
8 bkbwf 666@154.00	12 bkbwf 953@131.50	15 bkbwfrfb 854@129.00
19 bkbwf 636@154.00	13 bkbwf 931@127.50	4 blk 860@128.50
14 blk 698@152.50		13 mix 885@124.75
11 blk 653@152.25	5 bkbwf 477@157.00	12 blk 984@123.00
5 rdAng 610@149.50	7 bkbwf 533@154.75	9 Brangus 964@119.00
21 bkChar 667@148.00	8 nkbfw 517@151.00	
21 bkChar 743@147.50	18 bkbwf 589@146.75	

**Butcher Cows: \$58-\$74.00, Mostly \$68-\$72.00, very active.**  
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5 blk, 6-7 yo @1300.00	
<b>BUTCHER COWS</b>	<b>BUTCHER BULLS</b>
1 blk 1405@74.00	1 red 2075@95.00
1 blk 1250@73.50	1 blk 2155@94.50
1 Char 1400@73.50	1 blk 1385@94.00
1 blk 1375@73.00	1 blk 1910@93.00
1 blk 1210@73.00	1 blk 2040@93.00

### EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR AUG. 24

- 165 Fancy Angus & Char x str & hfrs, 400-600 lbs, vac., off the cow
- 60 bk red str & hfrs, 500-700 lbs
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# Will drought put an end to cow herd expansion?

It's possible the severely dry weather we are experiencing this year, especially up north in the Dakotas and surrounding areas, could potentially impact the size of the cow herd as we head towards the new year. Jim Robb of the Livestock Marketing Information Center recently took a road trip around some of the more drought-ridden areas of the country, for a first-hand look at conditions on the ground.

"We're really on the cusp of this becoming a nationwide issue," says Robb, after touring parts of the drought-stressed Northern Plains. "The drought really covers central and eastern

Montana, most all of North and South Dakota, and it's drifting down into Nebraska, especially the Northern Sandhills and eastern Wyoming."

Robb reports the land he covered looked even more droughtier than what is indicated on the Drought Monitor. Some of these areas have been in drought conditions going on two years now, mostly in low rainfall regions, making it a struggle for the land to recover. He notes that 15 percent of all U.S. cattle are currently residing in the drought zone. He says this is beginning to impact marketing patterns—with cull cow numbers picking up, lighter weight calves arriving at markets and increased movement. To what extent, though, is still up for speculation, according to the *Oklahoma Farm Report*.

# Are feedyards still a target for a bioterrorism attack?

Remember 2001? It was a year that will remain in the annals of history as one of the most tumultuous and upsetting times in the U.S. In the space of several months, terrorists flew commercial jets into the World Trade Center and a foot-and-mouth disease outbreak in the United Kingdom had U.S. livestock producers on edge.

At the time, the concern for a terrorist attack on the U.S. beef industry was off the charts. Time, it seems, has blunted that concern. But while the FBI says the risk of bioterrorism is low for animal agriculture, it is still on the radar.

The reason the FBI says animal agriculture is a low risk is because an attack on agriculture is an attack on our economy and national security. It isn't sexy, it doesn't blow things up and kill lots of people. But the FBI also considers U.S. agriculture to be a prime target for such an attack, simply because agriculture can be a soft target. And make no mistake: agriculture is on the terrorist radar. Documents captured in caves and terrorist training camps indicate there are plans for just such an attack.

Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/BioterrorismAttack>.

## AgToons by Michele Johnson



## Cutting and cooking seminars in Costa Rica highlight quality of U.S. red meat

Promoting selected cuts of U.S. red meat to Central American chefs and importers, USMEF held three cutting and cooking seminars in San Jose, Costa Rica. The seminars, funded by the Pork Checkoff and the USDA Market Access Program (MAP), were also attended

by regional sales staff from Walmart and Belca, a major food distributor in Central America.

USMEF meat consultants Lucia Ruano and Saul Bueso, Chef Pablo Lou and Marketing Director Gerardo Rodríguez presented the seminars at the Keith &

Ramirez Gastronomy School in San Jose.

"The main objectives were to train importers on new U.S. pork and beef cut options and show them cooking trends that could be successful in their markets," said Rodriguez. "We demonstrated new ways of cooking, serving and presenting a variety of dishes that can help restaurants differentiate their menu offerings."

Each seminar was divided into two segments. The first included an introduction to the quality, attributes, and characteristics of U.S. pork and beef products, including juiciness, tenderness and flavor. The second part consisted of a cutting demonstration in which Bueso showed attendees how to properly portion an assortment of pork and beef cuts.

Attendees then were given the opportunity to cook and taste the cuts demonstrated at the seminar: U.S. pork center-cut loin and riblets, along with U.S. beef ribeye, tri-tip and coulotte.

"This activity goes hand-in-hand with our strategy of informing importers and foodservice professionals of U.S. red meat's attributes and availability and showing them many ways to utilize our products," said Rodriguez. "We are confident that those attending the Costa Rica seminars will share this information, and we can continue to build momentum for U.S. pork and beef in Central America."

### Grass & Grain Weather Report Aug. 22, 2017

Seven Day Forecast	In-Depth Local Forecast	Today's Local Outlook			
<b>TUESDAY</b> Scattered T-storms High: 87 Low: 67 <b>WEDNESDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 82 Low: 64 <b>THURSDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 81 Low: 63 <b>FRIDAY</b> Cloudy High: 77 Low: 59 <b>SATURDAY</b> Showers Likely High: 72 Low: 54 <b>SUNDAY</b> Showers Likely High: 76 Low: 58 <b>MONDAY</b> T-storms Likely High: 81 Low: 63	Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 45% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high of 87°, humidity of 57%, South wind 7 mph. The record high for today is 105° set in 1918. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 45% chance of showers, overnight low of 67°.	Washington 89/69 Blue Rapids 86/65 Seneca 85/64 Clay Center 87/66 Mahattan 87/67 Wamego 87/66 Ogden 89/66 Junction City 87/67 Abilene 88/67 Council Grove 87/67			
<b>Last Week's Almanac</b>					
Date	Hi/Lo	Normals	Precip		
8/11	82/65	90/66	0.53"		
8/12	80/60	90/66	0.00"		
8/13	85/62	90/66	0.00"		
8/14	90/70	90/65	0.00"		
8/15	89/70	90/65	0.00"		
8/16	82/66	90/65	0.58"		
8/17	87/62	90/65	0.00"		
Rainfall	1.11"				
Normal rainfall	0.93"				
Departure	+0.18"				
Average temp.	75.0°				
Average normal	77.7°				
Departure	-2.7°				
<b>This Week's Sun &amp; Moon Chart</b>					
Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Last
Tuesday	6:46 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	7:38 a.m.	8:58 p.m.	9/13
Wednesday	6:47 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	8:44 a.m.	9:32 p.m.	
Thursday	6:48 a.m.	8:08 p.m.	9:47 a.m.	10:04 p.m.	
Friday	6:49 a.m.	8:07 p.m.	10:48 a.m.	10:35 p.m.	
Saturday	6:50 a.m.	8:05 p.m.	11:47 a.m.	11:07 p.m.	
Sunday	6:51 a.m.	8:04 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	11:41 p.m.	New 9/20
Monday	6:52 a.m.	8:02 p.m.	1:42 p.m.	Next Day	
<b>Local UV Index</b>				<b>Weather History</b>	
Aug. 22, 1987 - A cold front lowered temperatures 20 to 40 degrees across the north central United States and produced severe thunderstorms in Ohio and Lower Michigan. A thunderstorm near Sydney, Mich. produced high winds that spun a car around 180 degrees.				<b>Growing Degree Days</b>	
0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure				Date	Degree Days
				8/11	23
				8/12	20
				8/13	23
				8/14	30

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STEERS	HEIFER CALVES	STOCKER & FEEDER HEIFERS	BULLS
2 blk bwf str 423 @ 173.00	1 blk hfr 380 @ 158.00	2 blk hfrs 628 @ 155.50	1 blk bull 1235 @ 95.00
4 blk bwf str 559 @ 170.00	4 blk hfrs 538 @ 157.00	3 blk bwf hfrs 582 @ 155.25	1 blk bull 2130 @ 93.00
8 blk str 571 @ 170.00	2 blk hfrs 500 @ 155.50	4 blk hfrs 589 @ 153.50	1 blk bull 1765 @ 92.00
11 blk/red str 559 @ 166.50	6 blk hfrs 532 @ 153.75	4 blk hfrs 600 @ 152.00	1 blk bull 1725 @ 90.00
3 blk str 623 @ 160.50	4 blk hfrs 321 @ 152.00	5 blk bwf hfrs 679 @ 150.00	
13 blk/bwf str 655 @ 159.00	1 blk hfr 525 @ 152.00	4 blk hfrs 695 @ 148.75	
69 blk/char str 741 @ 158.75		2 blk hfrs 653 @ 146.00	
2 blk str 640 @ 158.50		40 blk hfrs 664 @ 145.00	
2 blk str 685 @ 158.00		2 blk bwf hfrs 660 @ 141.00	
37 blk/red str 706 @ 157.00		30 blk/red hfrs 702 @ 140.25	
3 blk/red str 643 @ 156.50		130 blk/bwf hfrs 853 @ 136.75	
6 blk str 683 @ 156.00		15 blk/bwf hfrs 719 @ 136.00	
41 wf str 711 @ 155.75		134 mix hfrs 842 @ 131.25	
69 blk/red str 772 @ 153.75		7 blk/bwf hfrs 826 @ 128.50	
106 blk/bwf str 826 @ 153.25		3 blk hfrs 793 @ 126.50	
3 blk str 740 @ 152.50		5 blk/bwf hfrs 745 @ 125.00	
70 blk/bwf str 807 @ 152.25		13 blk hfrs 812 @ 122.50	
67 blk/char str 821 @ 150.75		3 blk hfrs 920 @ 116.00	
10 blk/sim str 624 @ 150.00			
25 blk str 835 @ 150.00			
14 blk/bwf str 769 @ 149.75			

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**CONSIGNMENTS FOR AUG. 22, 2017:**

- 45 blk str & hfrs, 650-700 lbs., weaned, vaccinated
- 60 black heifers, 725-750 lbs.
- 65 black heifers, 775-800 lbs.
- 70 black heifers, 725-750 lbs., off grass
- 65 black heifers, 775-800 lbs., off grass
- 65 black steers, 775-800 lbs., off grass
- 110 blk Char steers, 750-775 lbs., off grass
- 57 blk red steers, 800-825 lbs., off grass
- 60 black red steers, 850-900 lbs., off grass
- 195 black steers, 800-900 lbs., off grass
- 132 black steers, 800-850 lbs., off grass
- 129 black Red Angus steers, 900-925 lbs., off grass, Northern origin

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**CONSIGNMENTS FOR AUG. 29, 2017:**

- 155 black steers, 850-875 lbs., off grass

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