



Marshall takes part in NAFTA negotiations in Mexico City

By Donna Sullivan,
Editor

On Friday, March 2, Rep. Roger Marshall flew to Mexico City, Mexico to take part in the seventh round of NAFTA negotiations. The delegation also included House Ways and Means Committee chairman Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX), Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee rating member Rep. Bill Pascrell (D-NJ), and Reps. Sander Levin (D-MI), Adrian Smith (R-NE), Tom Rice (R-SC) and Will Hurd (R-TX).

"I came back really encouraged," Marshall stated. "The news had not been good from the previous six chapters. Sometime between Monday and Friday they must have really found some new ground." He believes they have narrowed it down to five to seven tough issues left to figure out.

The committee arrived in Mexico City just hours after President Trump's announcement about possible steel and aluminum tariffs. While Mexican officials didn't bring up the tariffs, the same was not true with Canada. "Canada was way more engaged this past week than they had been the previous months, and they did bring it up and express some concern," Marshall said. "They basically said, 'We've been a great partner with the United States for decades, why would you lump us in with everyone else on this issue?'"

"I don't think it's going to impact the day-to-day negotiations, but it's cer-

tainly made everybody take a couple steps backward and ask us what's going on here, what's the president thinking," he continued.

One-third of all Kansas agriculture exports go to Mexico and Canada. With low commodity prices being one of the biggest challenges agriculture producers face, Marshall pointed out the only way he as a congressman can help to improve prices is by opening up new markets. "We've already got two great customers in Mexico and Canada, so let's expand those markets and work with them as we expand into other countries as well," he said.

The world has seen many changes since the agreement was first negotiated in 1994, and according to Marshall, all parties involved understand the need for an update. "I think everybody in that room realizes there are ways to improve NAFTA," he said. "There are so many great new things we can do. Just looking forward, Mexico ships a lot of fruits and vegetables to us. If we can expedite that process when they go through the borders and have higher standards, then that's great for American consumers. If there are ways we can get oil and gas exports better into Mexico with better infrastructure and long-term solutions, that's good." He also pointed to the new milk processing plant in Garden City and expressed hope for greater opportunities in Mexico for more U.S. milk products. "Yes, I think both countries recognize there



Rep. Roger Marshall, seated at the far end of the table on the left side, recently traveled to Mexico City to take part in the seventh round of negotiations for the North America Free Trade agreement.

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are opportunities for improvement and modernization in this agreement," he reiterated.

With most of Trump's concern with the agreement being focused on the automobile industry, Marshall said agriculture is not getting a lot of attention right now. "So I think it's my duty to make sure that our U.S. Trade Representative understands how important NAFTA is to agriculture." While there are some challenges with some of the milk issues as well as phytosanitary concerns, Marshall says that agriculture presents very little controversy in the discussions, but he wants to make sure that USTR Bob Lighthizer understands why the thought of a sunset clause on the agreement could be harmful to both agriculture and long-term investments, as well. He sees the only other potentially controversial component as making sure ag has a very viable trade dispute settlement mechanism in the agreement.

Marshall says newly confirmed U.S. Senate

Chief Agricultural Negotiator Greg Doud will be very involved in the renegotiation process. "Kansas is the second most NAFTA-dependent congressional district in the country as far as the number of jobs created by NAFTA," he said. "So we're happy to have Greg on board and I'm sure he'll jump in there with both feet. He has a great reputation in Washington as well, and you can never have too many Kansans in high places."

Earlier in the week leading up to the trip, Marshall had met with the President at the White House to discuss the importance of preserving NAFTA and expanding trade. He believes Trump understands the importance of the trade agreement. "What the president communicated to me was that he wants a better NAFTA agreement. He even wants to open up new markets and make it better for agriculture. He certainly convinced me that his heart is genuine and he honestly believes that he can help make a better, stronger

NAFTA agreement."

The next round of NAFTA is scheduled to be held in Washington in about a month, and although he's been told it's not feasible, Marshall says there would be reasons to try to get it wrapped up at that time. Mexico is pushing for that because their presidential elections are looming and Marshall says they may go into a quiet mode once their election cycle kicks off. "After talking to Canada, they're certainly a lot more motivated to get it done sooner rather than later," he said.

Once negotiations wrap up, the president will submit the proposed agreement to Congress, who will have to wait another 90 days before voting on it. "Congress is the one that decides on trade agreements and has to approve this," he explained. "So we've encouraged the USTR, please don't push something through that congress is not going to approve." Marshall says he is looking at a possible fall vote in congress on the agreement.

While there have been media reports indicating a more strained relationship with Mexico and Canada over the renegotiations, Marshall said he believes those thoughts are grossly exaggerated. "We were very warmly received and have a very symbiotic and professional relationship," he said. "But that being said, they have a political beast of their own down there (in Mexico), and a couple of left-wing candidates that are using some of the statements made as cannon fodder." He indicated those candidates are trying to pull the government more towards communism. "Those people are able to take some of these comments and shout them from a megaphone and grab headlines," he continued. "But I would say that on the trade level, on the professional level, we are very respected with both countries knowing how much NAFTA has helped each other."

Marshall saw the trip as an honor. "It's incredible that a freshman Congressman from Kansas gets to sit next to Kevin Brady, the number one person in congress to help set the stage for these negotiations," he said. "I'm so grateful for Kevin Brady - he and the Ways and Means staff are just doing an incredible job. They speak to the USTR on a daily basis and just for me to get to see some of those inner workings and open up communications is going to be so very helpful to Kansans and I'm just so proud to represent us."

Doud brings trade message to Cattlemen's Day

By Donna Sullivan,
Editor

Just one day after being approved by the U.S. Senate, the Chief Agricultural Negotiator in the Office of the United States Trade Representative Greg Doud, found himself on familiar turf, but on the other side of the podium, in Kansas State University's McKee Hall as he gave the opening address at Cattlemen's Day. Doud was a 1989 graduate of the university's animal science department and recalled his days of livestock judging "boot camp" in the freezing cold and sitting with his fellow AGRs in the back of the classroom listening to Jack Riley teach beef science. "It wasn't like microbiology where you were getting all this stuff crammed in your brain and you were just dying," he said. "That

was a class where you sat and listened to one of the great men in the industry talk about how to do it and how to do it right."

He credits another professor, Dr. Charles Norton, with his success in livestock judging, including winning the Ft. Worth dairy cattle judging contest. "That was a testament to him teaching the son of a pig farmer from Jewell County how to judge dairy cattle, not how good a judge I was," he admitted.

Doud also earned a master's degree in agriculture economics from Kansas State, then began a career in the ag industry that included working for the National Cattleman's Beef Association and on the ag committee with Sen. Pat Roberts helping to craft the 2012 Senate farm bill. Most recently he was president of the Commodity Markets Council until receiving the nomination for Chief Agricultural Negotiator in the Trump administration.

He recalled a conversation with a rancher at Doud's first NCBA convention in 2003. "He came up to me and said, 'Beef trade is never going to be more than a niche business for us, it's never really going to matter. But it's okay that you're working on it.' It was then and there I realized that this was going to be my calling for cattlemen."

As the year drew to a close, on December 23, 2003, the event that became known as "The Cow that Stole Christmas" occurred, when a Canadian-born Holstein on the Sunny Dene Ranch in Washington state



K-State alumnus Greg Doud spoke at Cattlemen's Day just one day after being confirmed as the Chief Agricultural Negotiator in the Trump administration.

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tested positive for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). She cost the beef industry billions in lost exports of beef cuts and variety meats as seventy-five countries slammed their doors to U.S. beef. Domestic beef and live cattle prices also fell for a time due to the loss of those export markets. "I spent the next seven years trying to rebuild those export markets from scratch," Doud said. "And that experience is what led me to where I am today."

He pointed out to the cattle producers that new money in the industry is going to come from the trade side and that 17% of the money they receive for their cattle comes from foreign currency. "The value in 2003 of the export of that steer was about \$150 per head," he said. "Today it's almost double that, about \$284 for every fed steer that we sell comes from exports. Yen, pesos, euros,

and our research. All of that ties together."

As for exports, Japan is now our number one market, with \$1.9 billion. It's only been in the last five years that the market has recovered from the BSE incident that cost the industry about \$10 billion in exports to Japan. "I cannot emphasize enough how important it is that we prevent these kinds of things like the cow that stole Christmas from happening," Doud said. "Because it takes years to put the wheels back on the wagon."

Our number two market is South Korea, at \$1.2 billion, which Doud said is amazing considering it was less than half that and had a 40% tariff when he started in the business. The Korean trade agreement was to bring that down in equal increments over fifteen years, and the tariff is now down to 21%. "That Korean trade deal for beef was easily the best, biggest deal we have ever done," he said. He described how once the U.S. had the Korean trade agreement in place, it was only a matter of months before Australia, who we competed head to head with in Korea, closed their office in Seoul. "All it took was that first year, a two to three percent difference and we had the drop on them and could really begin to take market share away from them," he said. "They knew it was game over."

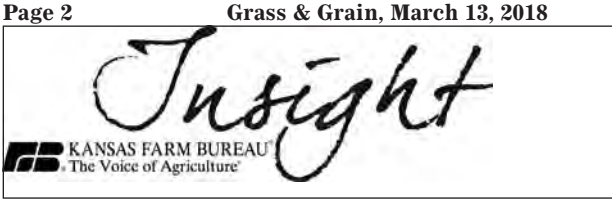
Coming in third is Mexico at just under \$1 billion, and Canada is our fifth largest export market at \$800 million, illustrating the importance of the North American Free Trade

Agreement.

China is another market poised for growth, with 1.3 billion people. China and Hong Kong are currently importing approximately 3 billion pounds of beef alone. "We are just beginning to scratch the surface of that market," Doud said. "Fifteen years ago they weren't even on the radar." He spoke of a recent trade deal that he admitted wasn't a very good one for the United States, but one that needed to be accepted to get the door opened after fourteen years of being out of the market with China.

Issues like beta agonists, synthetic hormones, animal welfare and antibiotic use and more are all things Doud will address as he works to overcome misinformation, fear and bias. "There is a business model in our world today of people making money scaring people about the food they eat," he said. And while trade agreements are important, building trust with consumers is also vital. "We have to have a relationship," he said. "They have to be able to trust folks in government that are going to do these jobs. They have to be able to trust you, the challenge in between is conveying that trust and building that relationship and we all have to work together to do that."

"It's a remarkable time in our industry," Doud concluded. "It's going to be a remarkable time to be working for you back in Washington. It's kind of one of those jobs that I've been training for my whole life and I'm finally getting a chance to do it."



Storm Fury on the Kansas Plains

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau
Every seasoned Kansan knows we live smack-dab in the middle of tornado alley. The Heartland of America boasts one of the most tornado-active regions in the world. If you're like me, you'll never forget May 4, 2007. On that fateful day the town of Greensburg, in Kiowa County, was all

but wiped off the face of the earth. This EF5 tornado demolished the small Kansas community of 1,500, killing 11 people and injuring dozens more. Ninety percent of the town was destroyed including 961 homes and businesses. Another 216 received major damage. Wind speeds of more than 200 miles per hour accompanied this storm.

This killer tornado roared through Comanche and Kiowa counties for 26 miles and ranged nearly two miles wide at one time, resulting in damage in \$250 million worth of damage. Other killer tornadoes occurred that day with a death in Pratt County and another in Stafford County. Eleven tornadoes occurred on May 4. The next day another 36 tornadoes rampaged across Kansas, falling just short of the record of 39 tornadoes in one day set in June 1992. The Sunflower State nailed down a record 137 twisters in 2007.

GMD 4 approves plan for water conservation in northwest Kansas

This spring will see the first district-wide Local Enhanced Management Area, or LEMA, in place in Kansas, as Northwest

Kansas Groundwater Management District 4's LEMA plan has been approved and will be effective for the period 2018-

2022. On Thursday, March 1, the board of directors for GMD 4 in northwest Kansas voted unanimously to approve the chief en-

gineer's proposed modifications to their LEMA proposal. GMD 4 includes all or parts of ten counties and covers just over three million acres in northwest Kansas. A LEMA is a tool that allows GMDs to set goals and control measures to aid in water conservation, at the approval of the chief engineer. One of the guiding principles of the state's Water Vision is that locally driven solutions have the highest opportunity for long-term success, and LEMAs were created to give local stakeholders a tool to act on their shared commitment to ensuring a reliable water supply. This region's priority goal within the Water Vision was to develop and adopt a water conservation plan that provides maximum flexibility while reducing overall actual use in declining areas, in concert with GMD 4, to extend the aquifer life and long-term economic well-being of the region. GMD 4 submitted its LEMA proposal to the

record high (127 in May 2008). April, May, and June, typically the core of the tornado season, remained quiet last year. As tornado season approaches, it's important to remember to tune in, stay informed and keep an eye on the sky. Remember, pay attention when you hear a tornado watch because this means severe thunderstorms and tornadoes are possible over a wide area. Tornado warnings are issued when Doppler radar indicates tornadoes are forming or a trained weather spotter has sighted a twister. This warning will tell the location, and

if possible, movement, estimated speed and the towns in the tornado path. Think ahead during this upcoming severe weather season. Listen to forecasts daily, key into local weather conditions in your area. Know where your nearest shelter is and remember when a tornado threatens, immediate action may save you and your loved ones' lives. *John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.*

USDA and HHS seek public comments on dietary guidelines

USDA and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) have announced that they will, for the first time, seek public comment on the proposed priority topics and supporting scientific questions that will be used to develop the upcoming 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans (DGA).

"The American taxpayer is an essential customer — indeed, a shareholder," said Brandon Lipps, acting deputy undersecretary for the food, nutrition and consumer services at USDA. "We're proud to be taking this important step forward toward greater transparency and ensuring that the American public's voice is heard throughout this process."

USDA and HHS are proposing a life-stage approach for this edition of the DGA, according to a USDA press release. In addition to a focus on life stages, the topics and supporting questions for public comment reflect a continued focus on patterns of what we eat and drink as a whole, on average and over time, not on individual foods or food groups.

"We know that good nutrition together with physical activity can help decrease Americans' risk of developing serious health conditions across the life span," said Don Wright, MD, MPH, deputy assistant secretary for health at HHS. "The Dietary Guidelines for Americans help support healthy choices at home, school, work and in the community. That's why we are encouraging the public and stakeholders in nutrition to submit comments up front to help inform the next edition of the guidelines."



I don't often do this but this week I felt like I really should do a follow-up on last week's column. I ended up last week saying that sometimes you win one and sometimes you lose one and often in the same day. Well, I guess sometimes you lose the whole shooting match and never should have gotten out of bed. In retrospect, that was the day I might have been better off pulling the covers over my head and trying to forget I had any responsibilities. In the end, it would have turned out the same and I would have gotten more sleep.

The cow who was down appeared to be making progress and even gave us hope that she would stand up. Then one morning we found her dead. I never like losing any animal and certainly one that I have put that much time and effort into. However, it all goes back to the fact that there are circumstances where there is nothing you can do and all you can take comfort in is knowing that you did everything you could. This was certainly one of those cases.

The twin lambs that I had thought were in good shape and had counted on as a win also did not have a happy ending. Once the smoke had cleared from that morning and I could spend a little more time with them I noticed that something just wasn't right about them. It is hard to describe but something was off about their appearance, they were a bit frailer than normal and somewhat weaker. One of the twins even had what appeared to be hair instead of wool.

I consulted with my vet, whom I seem to have on speed dial this winter and have even joked that maybe it would be cheaper to just make a weekly retainer payment to. His thought was that the lambs had genetic defect. The problem was easy to take care of, the ram that was the father of the lambs had been culled this fall. However, we still had the lambs to deal with.

The weaker of the two lambs, the one I had found outside and had warmed up, died during the night. It had never really recovered from being cold and coupled with the genetic defect made its passing not much of a surprise. The other lamb, the one with the hair coat, started off slow and weak. We bottle fed it four times a day. Slowly it seemed to build up strength and soon it was nursing its mother. The early bottle feeding did form a bond with the lamb and when we

would pass by the pen he would run up and bawl at us.

Whatever his condition was made him make the oddest sound. Instead of normal lamb sounds he made more of a squeak. Therefore, we named him Squeaky. We kept reminding ourselves that no matter what we did Squeaky would probably not survive, but that did not keep us from getting somewhat attached to him. He was the oddest, goofiest-looking lamb I have ever seen, hair instead of wool, long, gangly, knobby legs and eyes that seemed to bug out of his head. He continued to get stronger, grow and fill out. He would run and play with the other lambs and seemed to be progressing toward normal. Still we reminded ourselves that his life was probably not going to be long.

I suppose there are sheep producers out there who would have put Squeaky down right away and you might even be able to make the case that would be the best solution. I have a terrible time giving up hope and putting animals down, especially if they do not seem to be suffering. Squeaky certainly did not seem to be suffering. We pushed on full steam ahead with Squeaky, each day added more hope that maybe he would beat the odds and live. The ewe he was out of was a first-time mother and she was very protective and very motherly.

Then this morning, I went out early to check and found Squeaky; he seemed to be weak and stiff. I immediately treated him even though in the back of my head I knew it was not good and there was probably nothing I could do. When I returned from the rest of my chores Squeaky was down and near death. Soon after Squeaky died.

Again, any animal I lose hurts. They are put in my care and I agonize after each one that I lose. We knew Squeaky did not have a very good chance of surviving but our whole family took great pride in him. In a way he was an example of how we care for our animals. Each day, no matter what the conditions, no matter what is going on we attend to our animals to the best of our abilities to make sure they are taken care of and that they are comfortable. Yes, sometimes in the world of animal agriculture you win and sometimes you lose. Then there are cases like Squeaky, where even losses are fulfilling.

chief engineer of the Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources in June 2017, with the goal of reducing decline rates and extending the life of the Ogallala Aquifer in northwest Kansas. The LEMA sets water right allocations in townships of the district based on the rate of decline, and establishes enhanced compliance guidelines. Areas with the greatest rate of decline in the aquifer have the most significant restrictions; townships showing little to no decline will not be affected. GMD 4 will host educational meetings over the next few weeks to help clarify how the LEMA's restrictions will affect water users.

After an extended public hearing process, the chief engineer returned the proposal to the GMD 4 board with modifications in late February, and the modified proposal was accepted by the board. The final step in the process is for the chief engineer to issue an order of designa-

tion, which is anticipated by mid-April. The GMD 4 LEMA will be the second LEMA in Kansas, and was motivated by the notable successes achieved by the first LEMA. The Sheridan 6 LEMA within GMD 4 was established in 2013 with the goal of reducing water use by 20 percent. In 2017, new data collected showed that indeed the 99-square-mile area included in the LEMA has seen notable reductions in the rate of water-level decline. In fact, in the decade prior to the establishment of the LEMA, the rate of decline in the area was about 23 inches per year; in the first three years of the LEMA, the rate of decline was reduced to a little under 5 inches per year. The Sheridan 6 LEMA has been extended for an additional five years.

For more information about the LEMA approval process, go to agriculture.ks.gov/LEMA. For specific questions about the GMD 4 LEMA, call the GMD office at 785-462-3915.



High protein diet may lower risk of Alzheimer's

A new study out of Australia says that a diet high in protein and fiber in older adults may protect against Alzheimer's disease.

Researchers found that the more protein consumed, the less likely the biomarker amyloid beta, a precursor to Alzheimer's, is a burden to the brain. They found that those with the highest consumption of protein-rich foods such as meat and legumes, around 118 grams per day, were 12 times less likely to have high levels of biomarker amyloid beta than those in the lowest consumption group, who ate only 54 grams per day.

Read the full study at tinyurl.com/TCFA-Alzheimer-s-Study.



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Northey confirmed as USDA undersecretary for FFAS

The U.S. Senate has confirmed Bill Northey as USDA's Undersecretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service (FFAS). The position is part of Sec. Sonny Per-

due's reorganization of USDA.

"Bill will come aboard at a crucial time, as his knowledge and expertise will be immediately put to use as the new farm

bill is formulated to address the needs of American farmers. In addition, his leadership will be key in the newly constituted mission area, where the Farm Service Agency, the

Natural Resources Conservation Service, and the Risk Management Agency will be providing an even better customer experience," Perdue said.

As part of the reorganization of USDA, Perdue created a new Undersecretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs. The creation of the new mission area prompted the realignment of several agencies under a newly-named Undersecretary

for Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC), the position for which Northey is intended. FPAC encompasses the Farm Service Agency, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Risk Management Agency.

K-State Cattlemen's Day helps producers look forward

By Pat Melgares

Nearly 800 cattle producers and beef industry supporters from Kansas and surrounding states were on hand for the 105th annual Cattlemen's Day at Kansas State University on March 2.

K-State agricultural economist Glynn Tonsor and newly confirmed U.S. Chief Agricultural Negotiator Gregg Doud highlighted the event's general session, outlining many of the key factors that affect trade in agriculture and other industries around the world.

Doud, a native Kansan and K-State graduate whose appointment as chief agricultural negotiator was finalized just one day earlier, gave a talk based on years of experience in international trade, most recently as president of the Commodity Markets Council.

Tonsor is widely recognized for his work in tracking the economic outlook in the beef industry. During the session, he helped paint the picture of the importance of international trade as U.S. producers expand the beef herd.

"We got a good feel for the potential going forward for beef and all proteins, not only domestically, but in the export markets," said Matt Teagarden, the chief executive officer for the Kansas Livestock Association, who attended the session.

"I think as you look at some of those supply projections, not only for

beef but also the other proteins, it drives home the importance of working with consumers not only in the states, but also around the world to make sure we've got a market for those coming supplies," Teagarden said.

Shannon Blocker, an agriculture and natural resources agent for K-State Research and Extension in Pottawatomie County, said it's easy to get locked in only on what's important on a local scale.

"A lot of times we have a very closed picture of marketing our commodity and what we're working with, but when we think about it in the bigger picture, it helps us all understand why certain things are the way they are, and that trade is an important factor for all of us," Blocker said.

Teagarden added: "(Cattle producers) like to produce. We do a good job of producing whether it's grains or livestock, and so it's important that we have a market to go with those products. I think it helps us make good decisions on our farms and ranches, and helps us better understand the opportunities and the importance of these markets and the factors that determine the supply and demand and overall prices for our products."

Scott Foote of Foote Cattle Company in Bucyrus brought his three sons so they could meet and interact with K-State professors, "and learn a little bit more about the

cattle industry in Kansas."

"I just think that once in a while it's good to open your mind to maybe something you don't hear every day when you're at the feedlot working with cattle," Foote said. "It's important to listen to people in other parts of the industry. I enjoy learning about the beef trade (and) I enjoyed hearing some of the potential impacts that imports and exports have on our business."

Husband and wife Ryan and Tricia Vessar came from Holton to interact with others in the cattle industry and learn about what's coming in the future. They were particularly interested in the concept of block chain technology - a network of computers that jointly manages the database that manages Bitcoin transactions - and how that concept may be applied to the cattle industry.

"Companies have so much data that they have on hand, and it's important to understand how to utilize it," Ryan Vessar said. "One of the ways is to utilize K-State to understand some of that information."

Added Tricia: "That way, we get a little more connected to a broader spectrum of consumer, to know the coming technologies and what our customer really needs and wants, and problems they're trying to solve so that we can better help and support them in solving problems."

Cattlemen's Day organizers said this year's trade show was the largest in the 105-year history of the event. A large number of equipment demonstrations were available this year.

In addition to the general session with Doud and Tonsor, K-State faculty gave several breakout sessions in the afternoon, all contributing to new information for cattlemen in the region.

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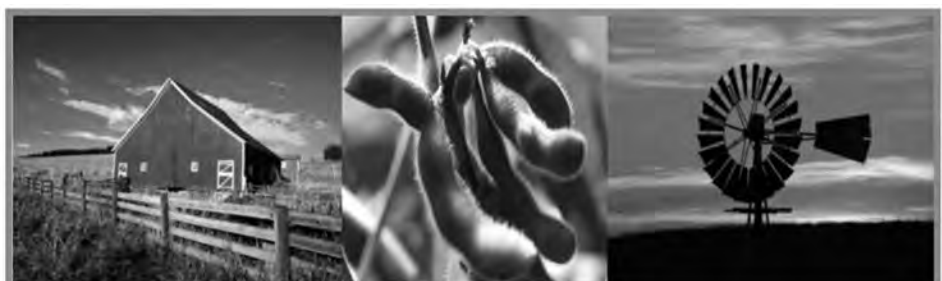
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***** By G&G Area Cooks *****

Grass & Grain Recipe Contest Award Goes To Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma
Winner Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:
GARLIC ROASTED GREEN BEANS & MUSHROOMS

1 pound green beans, fresh
 2 cups sliced fresh baby portobello mushrooms
 1 clove garlic, minced
 1/4 cup olive oil
 1 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon pepper
 Preheat oven to 350 degrees. On a large rimmed baking sheet, toss all ingredients until well combined, spread in a single layer. Bake until tender, about 25 minutes.

Kelma Froberg, Waterville:

LEMON OR CHERRY ANGEL FOOD

1 angel food cake, baked
 2 containers lemon yogurt (or can use cherry yogurt)
 8 ounces Cool Whip

Place cake on a plate. Mix Cool Whip with yogurt. Slice cake in half or thirds and spread Cool Whip between layers. Frost cake with remaining Cool Whip mix. Chill.

NOTE: We like lemon or cherry but lemon is the best!"

Kellee George, Lawrence:

BROWN SUGAR CARROTS

3 tablespoons butter
 3 pounds carrots, peeled & chopped
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

3 tablespoons lightly brown sugar

In a large skillet melt butter over medium high heat. Add carrots, salt, garlic powder and pepper; cover and cook, stirring occasionally until tender, about 10 minutes. Stir in brown sugar until melted. Serve immediately.

Gin Fox, Holton:
WHITE CHICKEN ENCHILADAS

10 soft taco shells (tortillas)
 2 cups cooked, shredded chicken
 2 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese
 3 tablespoons butter
 3 tablespoons flour
 2 cups chicken broth
 1 cup sour cream or Greek yogurt
 4-ounce can diced green chiles

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9-by-13-inch pan. Mix chicken and 1 cup cheese. Roll up in soft taco shells (tortillas) and place in pan. In a saucepan melt butter then stir in flour and cook 1 minute. Add broth and whisk until smooth. Heat over medium heat until thick and bubbly. Stir in sour cream and chiles. Pour over enchiladas and top with remaining cheese. Bake 20 to 25 minutes.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh, shares the following:

BACON & EGG SQUARES

10 frozen hash brown patties, thawed
 1 dozen eggs
 1/2 cup milk
 1/2 cup sour cream
 8 ounces shredded sharp Cheddar cheese, divided
 6 slices bacon, cooked, crumbled & divided
 4 green onions, thinly sliced

Heat oven to 450 degrees. Crumble hash browns into sheet cake pan that has been sprayed with nonstick spray. Press gently to form layer. Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Meanwhile whisk eggs, milk and sour cream. Stir in half of bacon and cheese. Reduce oven to 350 degrees. Pour egg mixture over hash browns.. Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until set. Remove from oven and top with remaining bacon and cheese. Sprinkle with onions. Let stand 5 minutes then cut and serve.

Alice Sperfslage, Sabetha:

STRAWBERRY MALT

2 cups strawberries (I use frozen strawberries)
 14-ounce can condensed milk
 8 ounces vanilla yogurt
 2 cups crushed ice

Mix all together in blender.

Bonnie Winter, Silver Lake:

ENERGY BARS

1 cup sunflower seeds
 1 cup dry milk
 1 cup oatmeal
 1 cup peanut butter
 1 cup raisins
 3/4 cup honey

Mix all together then spread with a rolling pin into a 9-by-13-inch pan. Cover, chill then cut and enjoy.

Lydia Miller, Westphalia:

NANNIE'S SPECIAL PANCAKES

1 cup flour
 1 tablespoon sugar
 3 tablespoons coarsely ground cornmeal
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1 egg, beaten
 1 cup buttermilk
 2 tablespoons cooking oil
 2 drops pure vanilla extract (a little less than 1/4 teaspoon)
 1/2 cup broken pecans

In a medium bowl combine flour, sugar, cornmeal, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Mix with a fork to distribute all ingredients; set aside. In a small bowl beat egg with a fork. Whisk in buttermilk, oil and vanilla. Add, all at once, to flour mixture, and stir with a wooden spoon until moistened. Batter will be thick and lumpy. Lightly fold in pecans. Heat an ungreased griddle — or a large skillet that's been lightly coated with nonstick cooking spray or a little additional oil — over medium-high heat. Test the temperature and once the optimum temperature is reached, spoon the batter onto the griddle and cook for 1 to 2 minutes, or until bubbles appear on the surface. Flip and cook for another minute or two. Serve immediately.

Tips To Help Make The Most Of Meals

(NAPS) — Although the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics has declared March to be National Nutrition Month®, it's a good idea to eat healthfully all year long. The 2018 campaign focuses on the importance of making informed food choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits and its theme is "Go Further with Food."

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- Here are six hints on how:
1. Consider the foods you have on hand before buying more.
 2. Buy only the amount that can be eaten or frozen within a few days and plan ways to use leftovers later in the week. This can also help reduce food loss and waste and save you money.
 3. Be mindful of portion sizes.
 4. Learn about healthy eating from a registered dietitian nutritionist. RDNs can provide sound, easy-to-follow, personalized nutrition advice to meet your lifestyle, preferences and health-related needs.
 5. Find activities that you enjoy and be physically active most days of the week. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends at least 150 minutes of moderate aerobic activity or 75 minutes of vigorous aerobic activity a week for most adults.
 6. Whether it's starting the day off right with a healthy breakfast or fueling before an athletic event, the foods you choose can make a real difference. Include a variety of healthful foods from all the food groups on a regular basis. It can help to follow the USDA MyPlate system of healthful eating, including filling at least half your plate each meal with fruits and vegetables, less than a quarter of it with lean meats or other sources of protein, and the rest with whole grains.

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THE WAY WEST

By Jim Gray

Kernels of Truth

Frontier newspapers found the economic climate challenging. A newspaper could

set up shop one week and be gone the next. In some instances, the business of printing the news could be downright dangerous. Frontier politics were often fanatical. Rhetoric could be fiery and defiant. In many ways today's political divide is reminiscent of those tumultuous territorial and early statehood years.

In *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance* newspaper editor Dutton Peabody reverently held the high

calling of his profession in great esteem. He railed against politicians. When he was nominated for office he found the idea wholly intolerable. He railed at the idea. "No! No! No you don't! No! I... I'm a newspaperman, not a politician! No, politicians are my meat - I build 'em up and I tear 'em down but I wouldn't be one I couldn't be one - it'd destroy me..."

That attitude was not something written only for the silver screen. Editors took the profession very seriously, although in most cases they were not devoid of bias. Bias sold papers. Those who agreed with the editor's perspective followed his words closely, while those who disagreed often reviled the man with a passion. Dutton Peabody ultimately paid for his brand of independence when he was beaten nearly to death and his printer destroyed by Liberty Valance and his gang.

Frontier editors often walked a fine line when defending their convictions. George E. Dummer purchased *The Kansas Frontier*, a Junction City newspaper in 1861. Dummer, a fiery fellow, who could "write like thunder" continued the Democratic policy of the former editor, H. T. Geery. Dummer's rhetoric finally got him into trouble early in March, 1862. One of his editorials "in reference to the great questions of those stirring times" was described as "red hot." The offending editorial aroused the ire of some of the soldiers at Fort Riley.

Soldiers of Company C,

Eighth Kansas Volunteer Infantry and Company F, Sixth Kansas Volunteer Cavalry paid Mr. Dummer a visit the evening of March 10, 1862. Once inside the office of *The Kansas Frontier* the soldiers proceeded to take vengeance upon the tools of the trade. First they "pied" the type, meaning the lettering used to make up each word was scattered over a half acre of property next to the office. While shredding paper and fouling the ink with dirt, Mr. Dummer was thrown out a window.

Satisfied that they had made their point to the editor and all who would support him the soldiers triumphantly returned to Fort Riley. Naturally outraged at the audacity of the soldiers, a crowd of citizens held "an indignation meeting." When someone questioned editor Dummer's loyalty a general brawl broke out. "What little furniture there was in the meeting-place was broken over the heads of the wranglers."

George W. Martin, editor of the rival *Junction City Weekly Union* expressed shock at "the depravity of soul" that could wreak such havoc on "a poor despised, forsaken, 'naked' printer." Meanwhile, Dummer salvaged his press and was preparing to resume publication of his paper, but on the evening of March 15th the soldiers returned. Dummer fled to safety while the soldiers completely wrecked the printing press

and threw all the remaining type into the river.

A blacksmith by the name of Charles Wood arrived at the scene, and thinking Wood was Dummer, soldiers chased him, shooting as they went. Wood was severely wounded. He died of his wounds two months later, on May 19th.

The editor of the *Weekly Union* responded with indignation, even though he found the politics of the *Frontier* disturbing. "If unauthorized parties can take the law into their own hands and redress what they may consider grievous, no one is secure. Our office would be as likely to be destroyed by those who do not agree with us, as was that of the *Frontier*."

As Dutton Peabody passionately explained on the movie screen, "I'm your conscience - I'm the still, small voice that thunders in the night. I'm your watchdog that howls against the wolves! I'm - I'm your father confessor!" Editors disagreed just as the nation disagreed, yet no one was relieved of his civic duty to sift through the rhetoric as though it were chaff, to reveal the sweet kernels of truth on *The Way West*.

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Wheat variety Everest on top for sixth consecutive year

Everest maintained its position as the leading variety of wheat seeded in Kansas for the sixth consecutive year. Its share of all Kansas wheat fell for the third straight year, accounting for 9.3 percent of the state's 2018 wheat planted acres. SY Monument, at 6.6 percent, overtook T158 for second most popular variety. T158 ranked third at 6.1 percent and has grown in popularity since 2011. WB Grainfield moved into

fourth place, with 5.5 percent, from fifth last year. Winterhawk dropped in percentage for the first time in nine years, though only slightly, sitting in fifth place with 4.2 percent of acres planted. After taking a fall in percentage last year, Gallagher rose to 4.0 percent, taking sixth place. LCS Mint came in seventh at 3.5 percent. New to the top ten is Byrd at 2.8 percent, rising from twelfth place last year to eighth place this year. TAM 112

and TAM 111 round out the top ten, with 2.4 and 1.9 percent respectively.

Area planted with blended varieties was not included in the rankings by variety. Blends accounted for 12.2 percent of the State's planted acreage, which is down from 14.3 percent last year. Hard white varieties accounted for 4.7 percent of the state's acreage, up from

2.9 percent last year. Joe was the leading hard white variety at 1.9 percent, followed closely by Danby at 1.7 percent.

There were 2,712 positive reports summarized

for this year's Wheat Varieties survey.

This Wheat Variety project is funded by the Kansas Wheat Commission.

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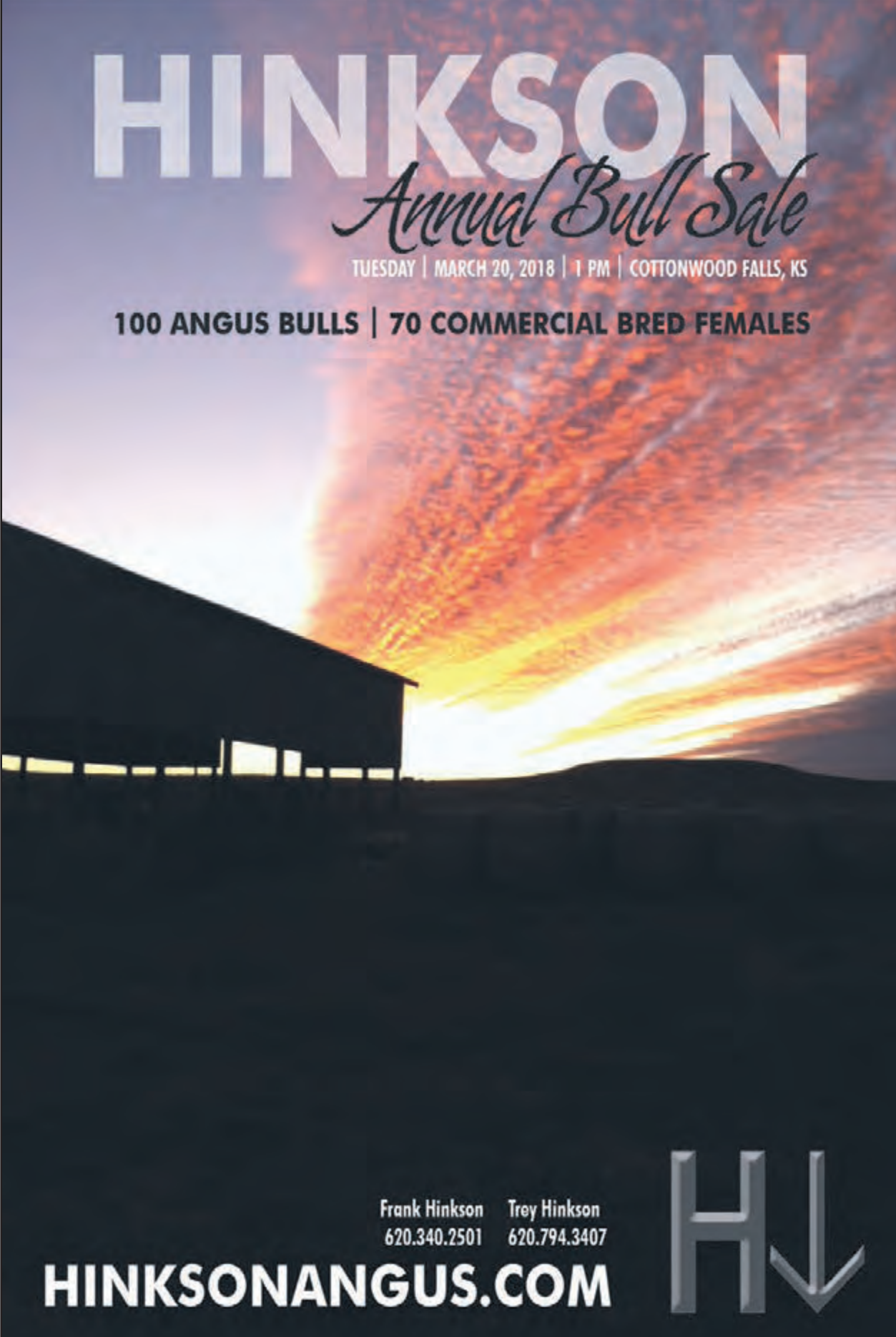
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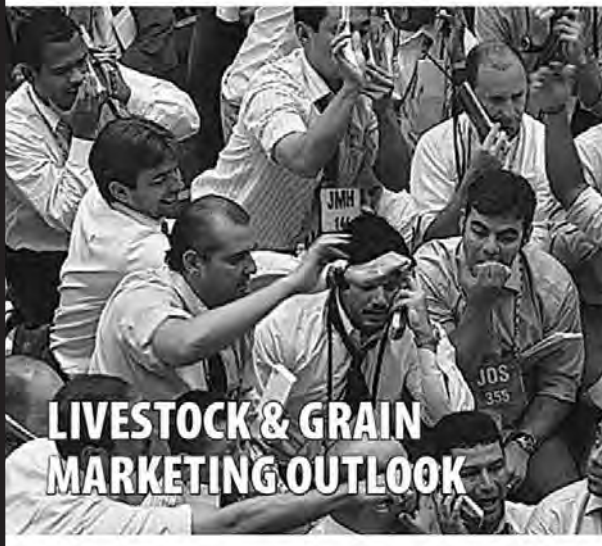


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10-11:30 am - 4-H Building

Panel discussion moderated by KFRM radio. Panel includes representatives from Norton, Wasserman, Jones & Kelly and Kansas Farm Management Association.

FARM ESTATE/SUCCESSION PLANNING, DETAILED DISCUSSION

1:30-3 pm - 4-H Building

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THURSDAY, MARCH 29

LIVESTOCK AND GRAIN MARKETING OUTLOOK

10-11:30 am - 4-H Building

Conducted by: Darrell Holaday, Country Futures

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KDA participates in trade mission to Russia

In February 2018, the Kansas Department of Agriculture hosted a trade mission to Russia, to spur trade opportunities through strategic visits throughout the agricultural sector. The trade mission was coordinated through the U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Trade Office (USDA ATO) in Russia. The team representing Kansas on the trade mission included Kerry Wefald, Suzanne Ryan-Numrich and Shirley

Acedo, members of KDA's agriculture advocacy, marketing and outreach team, and Thad Geiger, Geiger Cattle Inc.

The team attended Russia's leading exhibition for animal husbandry and animal breeding, AgroFarm, where they interacted with breeders and genetic companies to promote the use of purebred U.S. livestock genetics. The group also met with Miratorg, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United

Nations, and the Deputy Consul General at the U.S. Consulate General in St. Petersburg, and made visits to several dairy operations and Cherkizovo's Mosselprom poultry processing operation outside of Moscow.

"While sanctions have slowed trade with Russia considerably, we were able to identify additional market opportunities for Kansas farms, ranches and agribusinesses during this trade mission," said

Ryan-Numrich, who serves as the international trade director at KDA. "We were excited about what we saw and hope to continue to build our longstanding trade relationship with Russia."

In 2016, Kansas exported more than \$2.1 million worth of agricultural commodities to Russia and nearly \$3.5 billion worth of agricultural commodities to 102 countries around the world.

"Russia's agricultural output continues to grow

and they have tremendous potential in this sector of their economy," said Geiger. "Obviously, there are policy challenges, capital concerns and climate conditions to deal with, but potential is strong. In building trade relationships with Russia, we not only create new markets for Kansas agriculture, we also build sustainable relationships between the United States and Russia."

The trade mission was sponsored by KDA with assistance from the USDA

ATO in Moscow and with funds from U.S. Livestock Genetics Export, Inc.

KDA strives to encourage and enhance economic growth of the agriculture industry and the Kansas economy by exploring and expanding both domestic and international marketing opportunities. For information on this or other international trade missions, please contact Ryan-Numrich at suzanne.numrich@ks.gov or call 785-564-6704.



Pictured from left are: Kerry Wefald, Kansas Department of Agriculture; Thad Geiger, Geiger Cattle Inc.; Rachel Vanderberg, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) Kazakhstan; Carl Kent, Holstein Association; Deanna Ayala, USDA FAS Moscow; Zhamal Zharmagambetova, USDA FAS Kazakhstan; Martin Sieber, U.S. Livestock Genetics Export, Inc.; Suzanne Ryan-Numrich, KDA; Shirley Acedo, KDA; and David Leishman, USDA Agricultural Trade Office Russia.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018 — 10:00 AM
12415 CARNAHAN ROAD — OLSBURG, KANSAS

REAL ESTATE (SELLS APPROX. 12:00 NOON) • Personal property at 10 AM

Approximately 173 Acres Pottawatomie County Kansas (Tract in S14-T8-R7 Pottawatomie County Kansas). Located on blacktop road between Manhattan & Olsburg, Kansas. This tract has approximately 27 Acres of Tilled farmland with balance being pasture, timber & home site. This farm has a 50'X75' building that has very nice living quarters (kitchen, bath, large living/dining room & bedroom) in approximately 1/4 of it. The entire building has a concrete floor, heating, overhead & walk-in doors and wired throughout. There is also a hay barn & small sheds on the property.

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Clay, Pottawatomie and Riley counties offer joint KLA meeting March 14

Clay, Pottawatomie and Riley Counties will hold a joint KLA meeting on Wednesday, March 14 at the Stanley Stout Center, 2200 Denison Ave., Manhattan. A social will begin at 6:15 with dinner to follow at 7:00. The steak dinner is sponsored by Merck Animal

Health, Riley State Bank, Copeland Insurance, Wildcat Feeds/Tallgrass Commodities, Zoetis Animal Health, Smith Nutrition Consulting, Suther Feeds, Frontier Farm Credit, Cross Country Genetics, CTI John Deere - Clay Center & Wamego, Cargill Animal Nutrition.

Refreshments for the social will be provided by Midwest Veterinary Services. Matt Teagarden of the Kansas Livestock Association will provide an update on legislative and regulatory issues of concern to the livestock industry. Kendal Lothman, special investigator with the Attorney General's office, will give an update on cattle theft.

We'll hear briefly from Wayne Heskett, Suther Feeds; Jana Whitesell, Frontier Farm Credit; Troy Warnken, Merck; Brandon Greenwood, Wildcat Feeds/Tallgrass Commodities; Barrett Carlisle, Zoetis; Hans Hoeltzel, Cargill; Russ Smith, Smith Nutrition Consulting; Spencer Jacobs, Cross Country; a representative of Riley State Bank; Harley Adams, CTI;

and D.J. Rezac, Midwest Veterinary Services. All livestock producers, farmers, landowners, agribusiness representatives and their spouses are encouraged to attend. RSVP to your county KLA representative: Riley: Andy Larson 785-556-0035 andylarson00@yahoo.com Pottawatomie: Brandy Jones 785-527-0644 newcenturycattle@yahoo.com

Clay: Allan Schmale 785-632-0757 schmale_ksu@yahoo.com Cartridges for Cash: Please bring your empty Ralgro and Revalor cartridges to the meeting. Merck Animal Health will donate 25¢ each to the Kansas Livestock Foundation scholarship fund. This program provided \$6,500 in scholarships for the 2017-2018 school year.

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K-State Research and Extension to hold Sprayer Technology Workshops

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Learning about properly calibrating and operating your sprayer with hands-on examples is the objective behind the Sprayer Technology workshops being conducted in north-west Kansas during the month of March. Which nozzles do I use? Do I need to be concerned about drift in selecting my herbicides and the latest technologies for applying crop protection products? These are just some of the sprayer technology questions to be addressed at meetings that will be held

in the area. Two meetings have been scheduled for Thursday, March 22, at Bird City and Friday, March 23 in Smith Center. The first meeting will be held in Bird City at the American Legion starting at 12:30 p.m. until approximately 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. prior to the program. Our local sponsor is CPS-Bird City from that location. The second meeting will be repeated Friday morning starting at 9:00 a.m. until approximately 12:30 p.m. in Smith Center at the

St. Mary's Catholic Parish Hall with local sponsor Landmark Implement, Inc. Lunch will be served following the program. Bob Wolf of Wolf Consulting and Research an retired K-State Research and Extension application technology specialist will be the featured speaker with the program designed to help applicators make more efficient and safe applications of crop protection products. Topics will include basic calibration and nozzle selection; spray table demo of available nozzle types for applying crop protection products; review of the latest technologies for applying crop protection products and nutrients; along with staying on target with a discussion of the label specified requirements for nozzles, PSI, spray volume, speed and boom height for safe and efficient applications on herbicide-tolerant crops.

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Saturday, April 7th, 5:30 p.m. at the farm
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176.01 AC.± MORRIS COUNTY, KS LAND

Legal Description: SW ¼ & W 20 Acres of SE ¼ Sec. 22 Twp.17S Rng.05E
Tract Info: This tract is mostly farmland with a little native grass pasture on the E. side. There is approx. 136.64 acres of DCP cropland, and about 40 acres of pasture and wildlife habitat. Access will be provided to the farm upon the signing of a purchase contract and earnest money deposit.

2017 Tax Info: \$1,570.84
FSA Base Acres: 132.2 — Soybeans - 47.96 Acres, 18 Yield; Wheat - 51.19 Acres, 37 Yield; Grain Sorghum - 33.05 Acres, 60 Yield.
Crop Election Choice: ARC County

Directions to Properties: From Burdick KS, go 1 1/4 miles West on BB Ave. At 2900th RD go south 1 mile. The property is located to the North East of the intersection of 2900th and CC Ave.

Broker's Notes: This tract is ready to go. All the cropland is considered Non Highly Erodible land NHLE. The cropland has been worked and fertilized for spring crops. This cost will be collected from the buyer at closing (approx. \$10,426.94). This tract would make a great addition to an existing farming operation or investment portfolio. Contact me with any questions you may have on this property. Mark Uhlik 785 325 2740

Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before April 27th, 2018. Seller to pay 2017 taxes. Title insurance, escrow and closing costs to be split equally between buyer and seller. Buyer to take possession at closing. Buyer to reimburse seller at closing for spring fertilizer and tillage. Property to be sold as-is, where-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of sale. This is a cash sale and is not subject to financing, have your financing arrangements made prior to auction. Midwest Land and Home is acting as a Seller's Agent. All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential buyers are encouraged to verify all information independently. Morris county title will act as escrow and closing agent. Announcements made the day of sale take precedence over all other information.

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