



Lauer siblings still “Making the Best Better”

By Amy Feigley

Making the best better is what the Lauer siblings have been doing since 1943. From taking their projects to the fair as 4-H members and earning ribbon after ribbon, to reaching over 4,000 students with the bread-in-a-bag project, this trio is a true testament to the meaning of 4-H and the love they have for the program still which lingers on today.

I pledge my head to clearer thinking

When the Holland Sunflowers 4-H club was chartered in 1943, Joyce (Lauer) Taylor was one of the first members. And, now seventy-six years later, Joyce, along with her younger siblings Keith Lauer and Ila Beemer, are still doing everything they can to promote 4-H and all of the benefits it provides to its members.

“Our mother, Alma, was a community leader for the club, as well as a demonstration leader, and she made sure we stayed involved,” proudly exclaims the trio. Alma was very involved in the community and it shines through on her children.

My heart to greater loyalty

Being loyal to their 4-H roots is something that still holds factual to this day. Joyce and Ila have been very devoted about taking not only their baked goods, garden produce and canned food to the county fair, but have continued that devotion by traveling to the Kansas State Fair with



The Lauer siblings, Joyce (Lauer) Taylor, Keith Lauer and Ila (Lauer) Beemer, grew up in 4-H and have continued to serve in a variety of capacities.

these items, as well. Dozens of cakes, loaves of bread, vegetables from the garden and canned jellies are just a few things the girls have proudly displayed. Many ribbons have been with them on the car ride home, just as it was in their younger days as members of the Holland Sunflowers. Their brother Keith may have not taken anything to the State Fair in the past years, but in the community is where his loyalty appears. A Central Kansas Free Fair board member for five years, serving one year as a president; a member of the county Extension Board; and a member of the USD 473 board of education for ten years, Keith was also presented with the honor of being the 2019 Central Kansas Free Fair Parade Marshal. “I am very

humble and honored to be chosen and believe that so many others are worthy,” notes Keith. For those who know Keith, he is the exact person for this honor.

My hands to larger service

Being 4-H members have taught the siblings so much. Since their days as 4-H’ers, they have remained very involved. Raising their children in 4-H, just as they were by their parents, is something they are all three proud of. Following in their mother’s footsteps as a community and project leader is just a way they paid tribute to her.

Joyce, who is the oldest of the siblings, enrolled in projects such as gardening, food preservation, sewing, foods, as well as taking her heifer to the fair. “I remember when I got my check

for winning with my projects and it was fifteen cents. That was a shining moment to me and I held on to that check until December,” beams Taylor. But, in those days, fifteen cents could get you a lot.

Younger brother Keith became a 4-H’er in 1947. His 4-H projects included breeding gilt sow and litter, breeding beef, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, and deferred beef. In 1955, he was awarded with a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Washington, D.C. But, for Keith, the fair holds a very special moment in his life, the moment he asked his now-wife, Nadene, for their first date. Later, their daughter, Rita, became a County Extension Home Economist. Keith continues to sponsor the trophies for the winning

Shorthorn steers and heifers classes at the Central Kansas Free Fair.

Little sister Ila followed her siblings and joined in 1949. Cooking, sewing, food preservation, and leadership topped the list of her projects. When Ila’s daughter, Julie, was enrolled in the Horticulture project as a 4-H’er, she got a taste of the project and fell in love with it. Ila is a proud gardener and it shows when you see the array of vegetables she exhibits at the local county fair. “I didn’t even take gardening in 4-H. If Keith grew it in the garden, we canned it,” states Beemer. She was the fair superintendent for Open class horticulture for eighteen years and still provides monetary sponsorship for the 4-H Champion and Reserve Champion Horticulture winners.

My health to better living

4-H provides so much for children. Whether it be conducting a meeting, learning responsibility, or gaining leadership experience, 4-H is something this threesome will promote over and over. Completing projects, taking them to the fair, and seeing that champion ribbon is just one way 4-H is rewarding. It is a great family affair, and you learn so much more than you expect too. The knowledge one gains from being a 4-H’er is something that will be beneficial throughout life. Serving on committees, working together as a club, making new friends, learning so many new skills, and win-

ning trips are just a handful of the great perks.

For my club, my community, my county, and my world

Providing the community with leadership is something the siblings continue to do. For fifty-eight years, Joyce proudly baked wedding cakes. When it came time to retire, she had her doubts, but the transition went smoother than expected. For the past twenty-plus years, Ila has provided the community with her garden produce and canned items at the Farmers’ Market in Abilene every week. For fifty years, she was a school bus driver for the Chapman school district. If it involves cattle, it involved Keith. For the past fifty-six years, he has been a faithful member of the Kansas Livestock Association and is even a former director on the KLA State Board. He has hosted the World Shorthorn Cattle Tour and was the open class beef assistant superintendent for over twenty years.

It doesn’t matter what these three are doing, when 4-H is mentioned, they are there at the front of the line, stepping up to the plate if you will, devoting their time for such a worthy cause – a cause that has taught them so much, a cause that they will forever be indebted to. A cause that is near and dear to their hearts and a cause in which they will forever promote. Because, the Lauer siblings are truly still all about making the best better.

Kansas Rural Center to host regional town hall in Emporia

Kansans are invited to attend the upcoming “Kansas Future of Farming & Food” Town Hall on Monday, July 8th, at the Bowyer Community Building at 2700 W. US Highway 50, in Emporia, Kansas, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The town hall, hosted by the Kansas Rural Center, will feature a panel of experts on our food system and farming, climate and energy, and rural/urban community needs, and how we come together to address these.

Following the panel comments, attendees will have time to respond, ask questions, and share their experiences or opinions about the issues addressed to help identify what is

needed to advance opportunities in their communities and/or the region.

Panelists at the Emporia meeting will include Rachel Myslivy, assistant director of the Climate and Energy Project; Matt Sanderson, professor of Sociology at K-State; Jeremy Cowan, assistant professor of Sustainable Food Production Systems at K-State; and Gail Fuller, Fuller Family Farms of Emporia. Aubrey Streit-Krug, director of Ecosphere Studies at The Land Institute, Salina, will lead the panel and community discussion.

A complimentary dinner featuring locally sourced ingredients from Ad Astra will be available starting at 5:30 pm with the program starting at 6 p.m. Registration is required in order to ensure an accurate count for dinner. Please register no later than Friday, July 5th at <https://kansasruralcenter.org/2019townhalls> Contact Caryl Hale, KRC Field Coordinator, if you have questions, at chale@kansasruralcenter.org or call 866-579-5469.

The Town Hall offers an opportunity to share information and enable community dialogue on the vision for the future we want and how we get there. The discussion will include issues critical to Kansas ranging from the impacts of weather extremes and a changing climate on our

food system and farming, population loss (especially of young people) and how to bring people back, and present and future economic and community opportunities.

This will be the first of five “Future of Farming and Food” Town Halls across the state. Upcoming “Kansas Future of Farming & Food” town halls will also be held in Wichita, Wednesday, July

10th; Garden City, Tuesday, July 30th; St. Francis, Wednesday, July 31st; and Kansas City, date to be announced.

Partial support for this project is provided through the Kansas Town Hall program, a partnership between Humanities Kansas and the Eisenhower Presidential Library & Museum that encourages citizens to discuss public policy issues facing Kan-

sas today.

These town hall are part of KRC’s “Community Food Solutions for a Healthier Kansas” initiative and Integrated Voter Engagement project, which aims to improve the economy, community, environment, and health in Kansas by strengthening civic engagement and public policy support that better incorporate Kansas farms and communities

into the state’s healthy food supply chain.

The mission of KRC, founded in 1979, is to promote the long-term health of the land and its people through community-based research, education, and advocacy that advances an economically viable, ecologically sound, and socially just food and farming system in Kansas. For more information, visit kansasruralcenter.org.

Happy birthday, U.S.A.!



As we prepare to celebrate Independence Day, this photo taken near Waldo in Russell County can help put us in the spirit.

Photo by Taylor Kesl, Manhattan

Comparative Events

By Greg Doering,
Kansas Farm Bureau

There's something about humans – we always use past events and people to give context to current experiences. Every political scandal, no matter how large or small, is compared to Watergate. Every so often the terminology changes as there become fewer people who lived through an event. When I grew up, the Great Depression was the economic event by which all others were judged. I suspect my grandchildren will come to

view the Great Recession in a similar manner. Every basketball star is still judged by the standard of Michael Jordan.

While these provide a reference for people on a national scale, this past month two others have been on the top of my mind. First is the Flood of 1993, which happened before I was old enough to truly understand the devastation it wreaked on the Midwest and in Manhattan where I now live.

In July of that year, rain pounded the watershed of

Tuttle Creek Lake, filling the basin to the point that the Corps of Engineers opened the emergency gates on the spillway. The release of some 60,000 cubic feet per second flooded entire neighborhoods.

The "bomb cyclone" that caused so much pain along the Missouri River this spring also contributed to the Corps holding water in Tuttle, which dumps into the Kansas then Missouri and finally the Mississippi. Then May hit and round after round of storms filled the lake to just inches from having to open the gates for a second time. Tensions rose along with the water and by Memorial Day some had evacuated their homes. Thankfully sunshine and controlled releases averted another disaster, but every rain still puts

people on edge.

The other event I've heard repeated mentions of recently is the 1980s farm crisis. It came up at the Agricultural Relations Council's annual meeting in Kansas City last week as part of a session on "hot topics" in ag. The '80s farm crisis featured record production, trade problems, soaring prices for inputs and other factors present today. Panelists said a repeat of the 1980s is unlikely.

The University of Missouri's Scott Brown noted that while some factors may be similar, farms are structured differently today, and bigger operators have more options when they get in trouble.

Kansas State University professor and agricultural economist Mykel Taylor

admitted that two years ago she believed farmers were on the verge of a similar event, but she's changed her mind. "It's complicated, but not the same," Taylor said. "We have our own special drama going on."

Taylor said debt is increasing and lenders are seeing demand for loan restructuring, but government payments, like the Market Facilitation Program, helped inject cash into farmers' hands to service their debt. "Those are floating us," she said. Land prices also have fared better than expected with demand from investors and recreational buyers, giving owners breathing room. And interest rates have stayed low.

Taylor and Missouri Director of Agriculture Chris Chinn both said agriculture will see

blue skies again, though neither offered a date. Chinn believes genetic engineering will limit the disease risk not only for crops, but livestock as well. Taylor said big data will help farmers and ranchers make better decisions.

I do know one thing that does not change throughout the ages.

No matter what problem or crisis arises, farmers and ranchers will continue finding ways to stay in the game. It's what they were made to do.

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Students take on important plant-based research

Curiosity may not have ended up well for the cat, but it's helping to provide a big career boost to eight undergraduate students at Kansas State University this summer.

They make up the first-ever group of students selected for a nine-week internship providing research and Extension experiences that will prepare them for graduate studies and jobs related to producing and protecting plant-based products.

"Much of the U.S. education system is classroom-oriented and students don't get enough hands-on experience to really figure out what it is they actually like and what they want to do," said David Cook, an assistant professor of plant pathology and co-director of the program, called Research and Extension Experiences for Undergraduates, or REEU.

"In this program, they're not going to learn everything,

but they will get broad exposure to science, agriculture, plant health and related fields."

The program is funded through the National Institute of Food and Agriculture to help young professionals learn more about what a future career in agriculture might look like. The students each have a research project they will complete over nine weeks, and they will attend numerous field trips, workshops and lectures.

K-State offers similar programs in biology, physics, chemistry, sustainable energy and math, as well as a program for multicultural students. The plant health program is funded for four years, during which time it will provide summer internships for 35 students.

"A larger goal of this is to help these students be prepared for grad school," said Megan Kennelly, interim head of the Department of Plant Pathology and the project director. "This way, when they land

in grad school, they've already had some exposure to research and Extension. This program will give them a little edge as graduate students."

The current group includes four students enrolled at K-State, two from Fort Hays State University, one from Montana State University (Bozeman), and one from Alcorn State University (Lorman, Miss.).

"This program is really refreshing," said Nathan Ryan, a senior agronomy major at K-State. "REEU is like a graduate school preview for undergraduates, which I think is unique."

Ryan's summer project is in the university's Wheat Genetics Resource Center, where he is working with wheat that contains a chromosome arm from barley and crossing it back into Kansas wheat lines, which may ultimately be used to breed future varieties.

"The purpose of including

the barley arm is to get higher amounts of prebiotic soluble fiber, called beta-glucan, in wheat," Ryan said. "That's important because beta-glucan has been shown to lower LDL, or the bad cholesterol, in human trials. People in the U.S. eat a lot of wheat, but not that many servings of grains that are high in soluble fiber, like barley or oats. If we can get higher beta-glucan amounts in wheat, that would serve the public well."

"I hope to hear," he adds, "that in ten to 20 years a breeder has used my crosses to make a new wheat variety that can be marketed as heart-healthy."

Another K-State student, Marie Biondi, is exploring ways to control the European corn borer, a moth that originated in Europe but has caused large yield losses in Midwest corn. It's also known to attack numerous other crops, including soybean, cotton, apples, peppers and more.

Her work focuses on a pest management technology

known as RNA interference, or RNAi, which suppresses a particular gene in an organism and "shuts off" its ability to cause an undesirable effect on another organism.

In the case of the European corn borer, Biondi is trying to determine why that insect does not respond to RNAi easily, and develop a strategy for controlling the borer without pesticides.

"Once I am done, hopefully we will have a clearer image of what is going on inside these little guys" that prevents them from being controlled through traditional RNAi techniques, she said.

The students have the option to choose projects from 22 faculty members in agronomy, plant pathology, entomology, and horticulture and natural resources. They have taken field trips to Kansas wheat fields where they discussed current conditions; looked at how drones are putting wheat breeding on a fast track; toured the K-State horticulture student farm; and visited wheat

breeding plots at Syngenta AgriPro Wheat near Junction City.

Cook noted that the students also are going through a program called Food and Agriculture Cyberinformatics and Tools, FACT, which exposes them to international agriculture and food systems, and the power of computers in science.

"Drones take all of these pictures out in the field, but what do you do with those pictures?" Cook said. "You might take disease notes out in the field, but what do you do with them now?"

"FACT is a program that teaches students to go beyond the standard Excel spreadsheet. Excel is useful, but clearly an important part of education going forward is being able to process large amounts of information."

Kennelly said that's important because in its most recent five-year report on employment opportunities for college graduates, the U.S. Department of Agriculture noted that plant science is expected to be one of the strongest job markets available to students.

"We need people coming into (plant science) from different backgrounds," Kennelly said. "That's been a strength of plant pathology. We've had people come through with backgrounds in genetics and breeding. If we can pull in students who are interested in computers, and also biology, then we can fill in some of the gaps that currently exist in the job market."

Program coordinator Lucky Mehra noted that K-State's REEU in plant health also is actively recruiting students from many social backgrounds, including working with Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences (MANRRS), a national non-profit organization.



I survived our vacation/wedding road trip. It's funny how taking time off and traveling is often harder than a day of work. In our case I guess it is so rare that maybe we try to pack too much into the day, and we work too hard to stay on schedule. It could lead one to the idea that it might be good to take a vacation more often than once every 20 years.

I did find out one thing about myself on this trip, I have become an old farmer. I like driving and looking at pastures, cows and crops and I cannot turn the ag side off my brain even when I am not on duty. My poor, long-suffering wife had to do most of the driving so I could watch out the window and gawk at the landscape going by.

Sure, she prefers to drive, and it saves from me getting grumpy about her critique of my driving. Most of the critique comes from me either slowing down because I am looking out the side window or, worse yet, me putting us in peril because I am not looking ahead. The bottom line is that she is happier driving and I am happier watching the countryside go by.

I never thought I would be the type that enjoyed driving and seeing different country more than the destination, but I must admit that this trip proved otherwise. I wondered how many acres to the cow, what crops were being planted, where they hauled their crops to and how they built that fence. Those were just a few of the ponderings I had.

When we got to the badlands of South Dakota I mused that it would be hard to find the cows in that country and even harder to keep them in good condition. At Custer State Park I found myself admiring the grass but wondering how many cattle would get eaten by the bears and just how would you find the cows in all those trees. We watched the tourists admiring the prairie dogs and talking about how cute they were, and I found myself admiring the Park Ranger controlling those same prairie dogs.

I noted the color and breeds of the cows; how much sagebrush was in some pastures and not in others and how much hay they had left over in South Dakota.

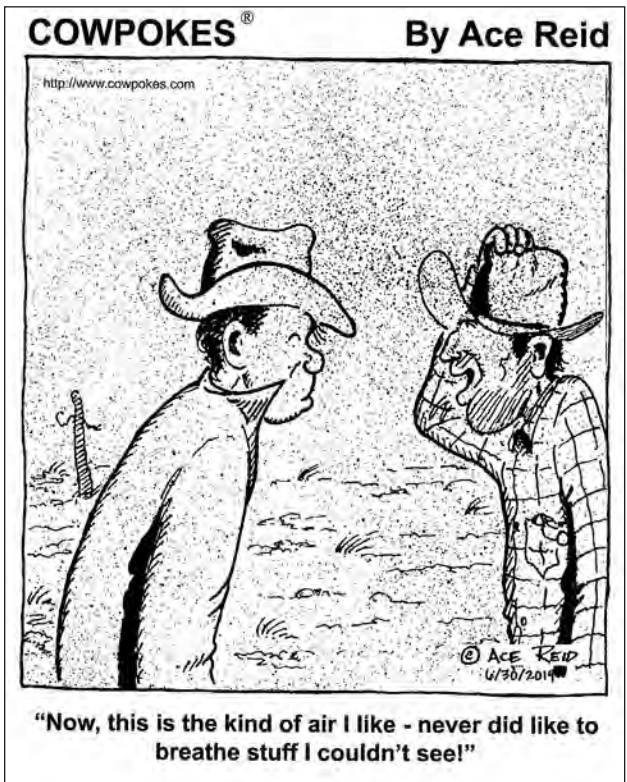
If there is anything I admire right now, after last winter, it is a good pile of leftover hay. I was doing exactly what I do at home every day, but it was new country with new things to look at and observe.

Even at the wedding I could not turn the cow side of my brain off. The wedding was in a pasture in Montana, the altar was framed with mountains in the background and beautiful flowing acres of green, lush grass all around. There was a river flowing through the middle of the range. The groomsmen rode in on horses and the beautiful bride in the back of a carriage. It was without a doubt the coolest, most scenic wedding I have ever been to. Amid all that awesomeness, I kept having ag thoughts.

Instead of focusing on the scenery or being in the moment and being happy for Hannah and Jared I had other thoughts going through my little bean-brain. Thoughts like: when do they turn out, how many acres per cow, boy I sure would like to look at those working pens, do they have to control brush, and does it look like this all year? I also wondered when they calved, how bad is the winter and where do you go for a vacation when you live in a place like this? Instead of watching the wedding I was looking at the grass and wondering what kind it was.

Yes, I came to the realization right there and then that I was the old farmer/rancher type. Some day I will be the old guy cruising the road at fifteen miles an hour, weaving because my eyes are not where they should be. Well, according to Jennifer that is already the case. The worst part of all of this is that I accept and embrace it. I am proud to be an old farmer/rancher and I enjoy gawking out the window and I don't care who knows.

I would also guess that my condition is universal to all farmers and ranchers and that my new friends in Montana would do the same thing in Kansas. In fact, I may have just answered my question about what they do for vacation. They probably come to the Midwest, have their wives drive and wonder just how many cows us flatlanders run to the acre.



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USDA offers producers options to re-enroll or extend expiring CRP contracts

Farmers and ranchers with expiring Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts may now re-enroll in certain CRP continuous signup practices or, if eligible, select a one-year contract extension. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) also is accepting offers from those who want to enroll for the first time in one of the country's largest conservation programs. FSA's 52nd signup for CRP runs to August 23.

"Agricultural producers with expiring CRP contracts have set aside land to reduce soil erosion, improve water quality, provide habitat for wildlife and boost soil health for at least a decade," said U.S. Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation Bill Northey. "We want to make sure they – and their neighbors

who may not have a CRP contract – know they have opportunities within CRP to continue their valuable contribution to our country's conservation successes."

FSA stopped accepting offers last fall for the CRP continuous signup when 2014 Farm Bill authority expired. The 2018 Farm Bill reauthorized the program this past December, and FSA has carefully analyzed the bill's language and determined that a limited signup prioritizing water-quality practices furthers conservation goals and makes sense for producers as FSA works to fully implement the program.

This year's CRP continuous signup includes such practices as grass waterways, filter strips, riparian buffers, wetland restoration and others.

View a full list of practices approved for this signup. Continuous signup enrollment contracts last for ten to 15 years. Soil rental rates are set at 90 percent of 2018 rates. Incentive payments are not offered for these practices.

Producers with Expiring CRP Contracts

Letters are in the mail to all producers with expiring CRP contracts, describing possible options.

A one-year extension is being offered to existing CRP participants with expiring CRP contracts of 14 years or less that have practices not eligible for re-enrollment under this CRP signup.

Alternatively, producers with expiring contracts may have the option to enroll in the Transition Incentives Program,

which provides two additional annual rental payments on the condition the land is sold or rented to a beginning farmer or rancher or a member of a socially disadvantaged group.

CRP Continuous CREP Signup

This signup also enables producers to sign up under existing Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) agreements. CREP is part of CRP and targets high-priority conservation concerns identified by a state, and federal funds are supplemented with non-federal funds to address those concerns.

Other Future CRP Signup Options

FSA is still planning a CRP general signup in December 2019, with a CRP Grasslands signup to follow. Those that

extend their contracts may be eligible for one of these signup types or another continuous signup in the future.

More Information

On December 20, 2018, President Trump signed into law the 2018 Farm Bill, which provides support, certainty and stability to our nation's farmers, ranchers and land stewards by enhancing farm support programs, improving crop insurance, maintaining disaster programs and promoting and supporting voluntary conservation. FSA is committed to implementing these changes as quickly and effectively as possible, and today's updates are part of meeting that goal.

Producers interested in applying for CRP continuous practices, including those under existing CREP agreements, or who want to extend their contract, should contact their USDA service center by August 23. To locate your local FSA office, visit www.farmers.gov. More information on CRP can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov/crp.



Lighthizer tells Congress Japan is priority; EU to accept more U.S. beef

U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer told the House Ways and Means Committee in a hearing that he hopes the U.S. and Japan are close to deal on agricultural tariff cuts.

"I'm hopeful that we'll come to an agreement in the next several weeks," Lighthizer said, according to media reports. "It's a high priority."

The U.S. and European Union (EU) reached a deal to establish a 35,000 metric ton (mt) quota on hormone-free beef imports from the U.S. The agreement stems from a 2009 memorandum of understanding between the EU and the U.S. that opened a 45,000 mt quota of non-hormone treated beef to qualifying suppliers, including the U.S. The new agreement establishes a 35,000 mt

quota for the U.S. phased in over seven years.

According to European officials, the new agreement means almost 80% of all imported hormone-free beef will come from the U.S.

Joe Schuele, vice president of communications for the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF), said, "USMEF is pleased that this issue is progressing, and we thank the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative for its steadfast work on improving the functioning of the EU's duty-free beef quota. Important steps remain, but we are hopeful that the EU approval process will move quickly and smoothly."

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2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 cup vegetable oil
4 cups diced apples

Mix together with spoon (batter will be stiff).
Pour into greased and floured 9-by-13-inch baking dish and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Regina Wofford, Circleville:
**HONEY LAVENDER
SHORTBREAD COOKIES**
1 cup butter, softened
1/2 cup sugar
3 tablespoons honey
(local is best)

2 cups flour
Pinch of salt
2 teaspoons dried lavender

In a large bowl, cream together the butter, sugar and honey until light and fluffy. Add the flour, salt

and lavender. Mix until well combined. Place two sheets of plastic wrap or parchment paper on the counter and divide the dough between the sheets. Using the wrap, shape the dough into 2 logs that are approximately 1 1/4-inch in diameter. Freeze 30 minutes or refrigerate 2 hours, or until dough is firm.

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Slice the chilled cookie dough into 1/4-inch slices. Place 1-2 inches apart on a lightly greased or parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake 15-20 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely before serving.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh:

**SLOW COOKER
ITALIAN CHICKEN**
2 pounds boneless skinless chicken thighs
1 cup chopped red bell pepper
24-ounce jar marinara sauce
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Spray slow cooker with spray. Place chicken in cooker. Top with pepper and marinara sauce. Cook on low 4-5 hours or until done. Serve over penne pasta.

Bernadetta McCollum, Clay Center:

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3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar

3/4 cup quick-cooking oatmeal
1/2 cup flour
1 teaspoon cinnamon
Mix blueberries, sugar, lemon juice, zest and 3 tablespoons flour in a large bowl. Arrange in a well-buttered 9-by-13-inch glass baking dish. For the topping melt the butter then stir in brown sugar, oatmeal, 1/2 cup flour and cinnamon until well mixed. Sprinkle over blueberries. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until golden brown and blueberries are soft.

Claire Martin, Salina:
**CORNY ONION
SHORTCAKE**

1/4 cup butter
1 large sweet onion, finely chopped
1 1/2 cups Jiffy Corn Muffin mix
1 egg
1/3 cup milk
1 cup cream corn
8 ounces sour cream
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup (4 ounces) grated Cheddar cheese, divided

In a skillet melt butter over medium heat. Saute onion until tender. Remove from heat and set aside. In a bowl combine muffin mix, egg, milk and corn. Spread into a greased 9-inch pan. Combine sour cream, salt and half the cheese and spread over top of batter. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake at 425 degrees for 30 minutes. Cut into squares and serve warm.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

CARROT SALAD

(2) 8-ounce cans crushed pineapple, undrained
3 1/2 cups shredded carrots
1 cup raisins
3/4 cup coconut
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 1/2 cups plain yogurt
Drain pineapple reserving 3 tablespoons juice. Combine pineapple, carrots, raisins, coconut, walnuts. Stir reserved pineapple juice into yogurt and fold into carrot mixture. Chill.

Kellee George, Shawnee:

FRUIT ON A STICK
8-ounce package cream cheese

1 jar marshmallow creme
3-4 tablespoons milk
12 fresh strawberries
24 cubes cantaloupe
3 medium kiwifruit, peeled & cut into eighths

Mix everything but fruit until smooth. Thread fruit on wooden skewers and serve with dip. You can use other fruit of your choice.

Lydia Miller, Westphalia:
**LEMON CAESAR
SALAD**

Dressing:

1 lemon, juiced
1/3 cup olive oil
2 teaspoons finely grated lemon zest
1 teaspoon dijon mustard
2 tablespoons sour cream or mayonnaise
2 teaspoons regular or white Worcestershire sauce
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
Freshly ground pepper to taste

Salad:

2 medium heads Romaine lettuce, washed, dried & torn
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
5-ounce pouch Caesar-style croutons

For dressing, in a large salad bowl whisk together lemon juice and olive oil. Whisk in remaining dressing ingredients. Immediately add Romaine, Parmesan cheese and croutons. Toss well and serve immediately.

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2 cups sliced bananas
1 9-inch baked pie shell

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Refreshing Summer Snacks

(Family Features) — There's no time like a hot summer picnic to let your patriotic spirit show. These all-American snacks featuring a classic favorite fruit — watermelon — are the perfect solution for nearly any summertime celebration.

Watermelon is a patriotic picnic staple for countless reasons, not the least of which is that it's a beloved treat that many people associate with memories from childhood. However, nostalgia isn't the only reason adults are just as likely to gravitate toward watermelon at a summer event. Its sweet, cool and refreshing flavor also makes it a favorite for all ages.

From a practical standpoint, watermelon is also quite portable, versatile and easy to serve, and with a composition of 92% water, it's a simple way to sneak in some extra hydration on a hot day. Another benefit is its value; watermelon is one of the best values in the produce section among fruit, and just one watermelon can feed up to three dozen people.

Serving watermelon at a party can be as simple as slicing wedges, or you can prepare a dish such as:

Creamy parfaits, perfect for a summery brunch or alternative to more traditional desserts.

A creatively colorful and patriotic "cake" that makes for a tasty centerpiece on the dessert table.

Finding more ideas for incorporating watermelon into your summer festivities at watermelon.org.

Herbs, such as basil or mint Place watermelon, fruit and herbs in pitcher and cover with water. For best flavor, allow to chill in refrigerator at least 30 minutes before serving.



Red, White and Blue Watermelon Parfait

1 cup blueberries
6-ounce container Greek yogurt (vanilla, lemon or coconut)
1 cup watermelon, plus three pieces diced watermelon
Whipped cream, for serving
In pint canning jar, layer blueberries, yogurt and 1 cup watermelon. Top with whipped cream and garnish with three diced watermelon pieces.

Note: To make ahead or make thicker, drain Greek yogurt on paper towels to absorb some liquid.



Flag Kebab Cake

1 pint fresh, washed blackberries
12 wooden skewers
1 seedless watermelon, flesh cut into 1-inch cubes
1 angel food cake, cut into 1-inch cubes (white part only)
Dips, such as yogurt, chocolate, caramel or marshmallow (optional)
Thread five blackberries on each of five skewers, followed by alternating watermelon and cake cubes.

On remaining skewers, alternate watermelon and cake so first and last cubes are watermelon. Place skewers on platter; fruit and cake will create stars and stripes when lined properly. Serve with dips, if desired.

#14744. Source: National Watermelon Promotion Board



By Ashleigh Krispense

Late nights, windy days, and golden fields — Wheat harvest is upon us! While sandwiches and hamburgers will get us through it, sometimes it's nice to mix things up a bit. If you're looking for a little inspiration for new meals to take to the field, here are some creative ideas to fill your cooler and your belly:

Mason Jar Salads: Layer into a clean jar the dressing + hard veggies such as cherry tomatoes or carrots + softer veggies like corn, cucumber, or avocado + lettuce and greens + protein and meats, cheese, beans, etc. Keep in the fridge until you're ready to mix it up and serve. (You can either toss it in a bowl and put back in the jar, or just shake a couple of times to coat everything with the dressing and send it to the field with a fork!)

Chicken BLT Burritos: Slice bacon, grilled chicken, lettuce, and tomatoes (avocado and cucumber if you like them) in strips. Roll in a tortilla and serve. If you have time, it can also be served with a creamy dipping sauce.

Mason Jar Tacos: If you love tacos but not the mess they can make, try this little hack! Simply layer your ingredients (beef + beans + lettuce + onions + cheese + salsa) into a mason jar and top with Fritos when ready to serve!

Chili and Cornbread: While I usually think of chili being a cold-weather meal, sometimes it can be nice to have a warm meal instead of cold sandwiches (again). While this is not a recipe I would recommend making and storing long in the fridge, the best part is it can be put together and eaten with little mess. In a mason jar, layer semi-cooled chili and crumbled cornbread a couple of times. Top with sour cream, sharp cheddar cheese, and onions or scallions.

Mini Quiches: Basically a little egg muffin, mini quiches can be quickly



made and popped into the freezer, ready to be pulled out whenever you need them. Forget about fussing over a crust, simply beat together eggs, milk or heavy cream, sharp cheddar cheese, salt and pepper. Bake in a 375-degree oven for 15-25 minutes. You can also add in diced onions, peppers, ham, chicken, bacon garlic or spinach.

BBQ Beef Cups: While I've shared this recipe before, in a nutshell it is: A can of biscuits that have been poked down into muffin tins and topped with browned hamburger, BBQ sauce and cheese. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-15 minutes. Cool for a few minutes before serving.

Easy Fruit Parfaits: In a mason jar, layer vanilla yogurt, fresh mixed berries, more yogurt, and top with a crisp granola. Consider a peanut butter + banana crunch version or even one with chopped up apples sprinkled with cinnamon and nutmeg for an "apples and cinnamon" twist (feel free to bring me one if you have an extra).

Mason Jar Fruit Pies: Now we've come to my

happy place ... These little pies basically consist of a little crust of dough in the bottom of a small mason jar, a fruit filling, and then (using a the mason jar lid) a piece of dough cut out for the top "crust". Some different combinations include about anything you would make a full-size pie of: apple cinnamon, blueberry, peach, pecan, etc. If someone would like to make some chocolate pies and have me taste-test them, feel free to let me know!

Send me an email at contact@prairiegalcookin.com if you have more ideas that work well for taking meals to the field — I'd love to try them!

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

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WHEAT HARVEST SPECIAL 2019

Kriley enterprise grows crops & cattle, more importantly influences kids

By Lucas Shivers

Harvest brings families together. Patiently waiting for the right time between 2019 rains, Chris and Julie Kriley, Rooks County producers, draw their three daughters back to the farm.

Krileys farm 1,000 acres of crops, specifically 200 acres of wheat, and run more than 80 cow-calf pairs on 500 acres of pasture.

"We're considered a small family farm with both rented and owned land," Kriley said. "Finding land to rent is all about being in the right place at the time."

Most of their land is located between Plainville and Stockton on Highway 183,



Ogden Elementary students enjoy field trips to Kriley Farm each year.

north of Hays by the airport.

"The airport usually brings in some doctors to our rural hospital," said Kriley, neighboring the land with their crops and cattle. "If it saves one life, it's well worth it."

Born and raised on the family farm and home place, the Krileys live in Chris's grandma's house.

"My grandma lived in a rock house until 1985, and then moved an actual house out from town to the farmstead," Kriley said. "Even though I didn't know it at the time, she told my mom that she moved it out there for me and my future family."

Graduating from K-State in 1990 with an animal science



Chris and Julie with their oldest daughter, Chelsey, her husband Andy, and their kids Emery and Finley, with middle daughter Amber. Paige was not able to make it back.

degree, Kriley returned to the family farm.

"I've been here ever since," Kriley said. "I planned to work somewhere to get a little experience after college, but my dad passed away my sophomore year. My mom did so much to get by until I finished. It was a natural fit to come back right away."

Family Focus

Chris's wife, Julie, also grew up in Rooks County.

"We were high school sweethearts and got married in 1988," he said. "She went a year at Fort Hays, but finished at K-State with an education degree."

With their three daughters and expanding family with grandkids, the Krileys said they treasure their family above all else on the farm.

Chelsey was born in their first year of marriage. She is currently the office manager at Stockton Co-op. Chelsey is married to Andy, and they

have two kids, Emery and Finley.

Amber was born two years later, and she currently teaches third grade at Ogden Elementary School.

Their youngest, Paige, came three years later, and now she works in a salon and hopes to open her own.

"They all went to K-State, and we never put pressure on them," he said.

Harvest Roles

In a rainy year, the wheat has persevered and stuck out a strong finish in the wet conditions.

"This year, we have around 200 acres of wheat in the rotation, and it looks good," Kriley said. "It didn't start that way early on with several water-logged spots. After winter, as it came out of dormancy, it looked pretty good with all of the moisture."

Harvest is always a favorite part of the year for the family.

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Three generations farm together, passing the baton

By Lucas Shivers

Gearing up for wheat harvest, traditions continue strong for Brandon Litch on his family farm outside of Melvern. Brandon's parents, Robert and Lisa, and his grandparents, Wayne and Pat, drive generations of production.

"My Grandpa Wayne's grandpa farmed, and he helped him way back then," Brandon, now almost 30, said. "It's continued on ever since then."

The endless rains of the season keep pushing wheat harvest down the road.

"We ended up with another 4.5 inches this past weekend," Litch said. "All the creeks are back out on the fields. With the rains this last week we didn't even get the combine out. This week it should dry out."

Deep Roots

Feeling the calling to farm early in life, Litch said he knew farming was a perfect fit for him.

"It was always fun to be outside all summer long helping out," Litch said. "It's what I've always loved to do. It's been a real blessing to come back and live out my dream to farm full time."

Litch returned home after K-State with a degree in agronomy and animal science minor in 2013.

"I came back home right away, although I was always close to it throughout all of school," Litch said. "I've taken everything I learned from when I was a kid and from my time in college to combine it all and use it for a lifetime investment. I wouldn't change it for anything."

Building his footprint, Litch rents any new fields as he works to get his own operation going.

"My grandpa, dad and I each have our own acres, but we all share the same equip-

Kriley enterprise grows crops & cattle, more importantly influences kids

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"It'll be the last week of June or early July this year with a few early areas starting early on sandy ground," Kriley said. "The spring weather has been so cool, and it hasn't had those drying days, but it's turning."

The Krileys' middle daughter, Amber, returns home each summer for wheat harvest and drives the tractor and grain cart in the fields.

"I enjoy having her there and being involved with harvest," Kriley said. "We always have our fun with hand gestures to signal where to park and go. I know exactly what I mean, but she just doesn't understand sometimes. It's become an inside joke! She's brought back some two-way radios that we try to use now."

A retired friend, and fellow school bus driver, handles the semi to haul grain to the elevator. Chris has been a bus driver for almost 30 years.

"There was an ad in the paper in 1990 when I first returned home; Julie talked me into it," Kriley said. "Driving a school bus can be a good thing for farmers. It's not a lot of time, but it's a little income in years where you really need it. I drove the bus to almost all of my girls' sports and games, and I even got in free to do it. It always worked out pretty good."



Farming near Melvern, Brandon Litch, his grandfather Wayne and his father Robert wait for wheat harvest to begin.

ment," Litch said. "We're small enough with only three of us so it's easy to get along. We're not worried about whose acres get done first. Most of our fields are close to Melvern. They're east to west about four miles each way. We usually start on one side and move across, correlating to planting to not jump around everywhere."

Brandon's older brother Tyler works for Riley Company, a fiber optics and internet firm, with a boring machine to get under creeks and roads. Tyler and his wife Katrina and son Brooks, live in Melvern and help out on weekends and at harvest.

Dealing with Rain

Cruising around on Father's Day weekend, Litch surveyed the damage from another summer storm, after a full spring of rain and cooler weather patterns.

"The cloud front started building late last night and dropped two inches of rain in 45 minutes with some scat-

tered hail," Litch said. "Our best corn had some leaves that were beat-up but not shredded, so I think it'll come out of it a little bit."

Considering the beans were in the ground, the rains just delayed wheat harvest.

"The ground had dried out for the last couple weeks, and it wasn't too bad of timing," Litch said. "The rain won't hurt us much and will get the soil back to full water capacity."

In May, Litch's rain gauge recorded a ten-day spell with ten inches of rain.

"With all of the rain on the wheat, we're pretty good with the drainage on the upland except for a few spots that drowned out," he said.

Prepping for Harvest

For 2019, Litch planted 200 hundred acres of wheat after not planting any in the last couple of years.

"We needed wheat for a rotation in our upland fields," he said.

Planted in the first week culture with their first field trip to the family farm.

"Students were introduced to my parents and discovered life on the farm through their experience," Amber said. "The students were given the chance to explore and learn about animals that are common on a Kansas farm. They even got to ride a miniature horse!"

In 2015-16, the field trip expanded and included both third-grade classes. The Kriley's introduced a relay race that incorporated skills needed for farm living: installing an electric fence insulator on a post, collecting chicken eggs, and hauling a sack of feed across the finish line.

"The students were able to see all of the farm animals and learn about their importance," Amber said. "Students were even able to experience driving a horse-drawn cart."

In 2016-17, they added an auctioneering experience.

"The students were given the chance to participate in a live auction where they auctioned off the animals that they bought in class to make a profit," Amber said. "This was a great way for the students to see what animals were the most valuable and marketable."

In 2017-18, Amber's uncle, who works for Wildlife and Parks, brought his collection of pelts from native Kansas

of November, Litch said the wheat got up strong, had plenty of moisture and did well through winter and early spring.

"The whole time it has looked pretty good with cooler weather for grain fill, but then you worry about all of the diseases with rust and head scab," Litch said. "I've not seen any rust here, but head scab was our main concern."

Litch and his family arranged for an airplane application of fungicide to combat the head scab.

"It costs a little more, but with all the rain, it was the only way to apply it," Litch said. "We got the fungicide on it right when the wheat was flowering out, and the timing helped. With higher disease pressure this year we are certain the fungicide application will pay for itself."

Harvest Equipment

In 2018, Litches bought a 7010 Case International combine with a 30-foot header.

"It's a step up from last year when we had two older combines," Litch said. "We made the change to just have one due to limited manpower. We still have an older combine as a backup because you never know."

Rather than a semi, the Litches use grain trucks since they have several small fields of about 20-40 acres in patches.

"A semi is too big to get into some of our fields; a truck can get down in the spots better," Litch said. "One of our trucks can haul 750 bushels, and we can get to a lot more places around the fields with it compared to a semi."

Sharing the responsibilities, the three generations of Litches work together to accomplish each seasonal task.

"We'll try to double crop

a few soybeans behind the wheat," Litch said. "I might put in Sudan grass for hay crop as well. With adequate rain it can get some good growth to bale it in August or September. Many ran out of hay last year, but the rain this year may put up a heavy hay market limited to get hay up around rain storms with brome and prairie hay. It'll just depend on if people think they need to buy any extra."

Wheat was priced at \$4.25 at the local elevator in Melvern at the Ottawa Co-op in mid-June.

"We were hoping for more like everyone else," Litch said. "With limited acres and a wet year, I was hoping for \$5. It may not be there at harvest,

but hopefully we see it climb up in the following months to come. Once the yield data comes in, it could go up or down depending on the results."

Diverse Operation

Aside from the 1,400 acres of row crop with no irrigation, Litch also ranches with 60 head of cows and calves with Black Angus and cross of Simmental for genetics. His dad runs 200 head of stocker steers with mainly Angus but open to anything.

"We pasture in the summer with a few fescue patches to overwinter," Litch said. "In a few fields, we plant rye cover crop to graze and save on hay. The rye has better protein and

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Clay County Fair

July 9-14 will see county fair action heat up in Clay County. The swine show will get the livestock events started on Wednesday, July 10 at 5 p.m. The Chamber of Commerce and Clay County Farm Bureau will host a watermelon feed that evening beginning at 7:30. The rodeo will begin at 8. On Thursday the 4-H/FFA horse show will begin at 9 a.m. The meat goat judging will begin at 3 p.m., the sheep show will be at 5 p.m., Citizens National Bank will serve free snow cones beginning at 7:30 and the rodeo starts at 8. Enjoy Inflate-O-Fun nightly from 6-10 p.m. Wristbands are available for \$15 at the gate.

The rabbit judging will get things started Friday morning at 8 with the poultry judging following at 10. Bucket calf interviews will begin at 1 in Orrin Hogan Arena. The day cattle judging will start at 3, followed by dairy goat judging. Bucket calf showmanship will begin at 4, followed by the beef show at 5. Check out the Barnyard Olympics at and Kiss the Pig Contest results at 7. There will be a free concert by Phil Vandel from 8-11 p.m.

4-H'ers will get an early start Saturday morning with the Round Robin at 8:30 and the livestock judging contest at 10. There will be free horseback rides from 10-noon in the rodeo arena sponsored by Cowboys for Christ. The Kiddy Tractor Pull will begin at noon and there will be a corn hole tournament at 2. The 4-H and FFA livestock auction will begin at 6. Motorcycles, Trucks and Karts will be the evening's entertainment, beginning at 7.

Franklin County Fair

It's time to "Get Your Fair On" at the Franklin County Fair in Ottawa July 16-21! Once all the livestock is in place, judging will commence on Wednesday, July 17, beginning with the rabbits at 6 p.m. The swine show will begin at 9, with the crops and garden judging taking place at the same time. At 4 that afternoon, the dairy cattle will be led into the ring followed by the dairy goats at 4:30, meat goats at 5 and sheep at 6.

Thursday morning will begin with the poultry judging at 8. Bucket calf exhibitors will have their interviews at 3:30, the bucket calf judging will begin at 5:30 and the beef show will start at 6. The 4-H horse show will get things started Friday morning at 9

and 4-H horse races will begin immediately afterward. The round robin will start at 2. The market animal sale will be held at 4 on Saturday, followed by a buyer appreciation barbecue at 6.

Other fair events include a carnival Thursday through Sunday, a youth rodeo Wednesday at 5 p.m., a barbecue Thursday from 5-8 p.m., ranch rodeo Thursday at 7, KOFO concert Friday at 8 p.m. and demolition derby Saturday at 7 p.m.

Lincoln County Fair

Anyone who says there isn't anything to do in a small town has never been to Sylvan Grove at fair time! July 17-20 is set aside for this year's activities. The horse show is the opening event on Wednesday, July 17 at 8 a.m. The bucket calf show is at 4:30 on Thursday, followed by the second year bucket calf show. Eat your fill at the Cattlemen's BBQ supper from 5:30-7:30 and enjoy the mystique of a hypnotist at 8 p.m. On Friday the swine show gets the day started at 8 a.m. followed by the sheep and goat shows. There will be a homemade pie and homemade ice cream contest sponsored by Wilson Communications. Check-in for the youth pedal pull starts at 6, with the pull to follow. There will be a ranch rodeo that evening, with the Calcutta beginning at 6:45 and the events following. The Brady Weston band will play from 10-midnight. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. There will be an archery tournament Saturday morning with registration for youth starting at 8 and for the adults, starting at 10. The project sale will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday. The demolition derby will run that night at 7:30 and a fireworks show will take place after the consolation and before the feature of the demo derby.

McPherson County Fair

July 18-21 are the dates of the 71st McPherson County Fair in Canton. Leading up to the fair there will be an ATV Rodeo/Wack-a-Mole on Saturday, July 13 at Tom Miller Arena, beginning at 5 p.m. There will be a co-ed ranch rodeo Wednesday, July 17 at 7 p.m. Thursday the dairy goat show will be held at 6, followed by the dairy cattle. A junior rodeo will be held at 7. On Friday, there will be a kids pedal tractor pull at 6 p.m. and the meat goat show

will begin at 5:30. There will be free BBQ and ice cream sandwiches from 6:30-7:45 p.m. The CPRA Rodeo will begin at 8 with the Fair dance to follow. The sheep show will be held Saturday morning at 8, with the beef show following at 10:30. The Fair parade will travel down Main Street beginning at 6. The round robin will start at 7 and the CPRA Rodeo will return at 8 with the dance afterward. Sunday will feature a buffalo chip throw at 6 and the demolition derby at 7.

Geary County Fair

The 26th annual Junction City Rodeo will usher in activities for the Geary County Fair on Saturday, July 20, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The 4-H horse show will be held Monday, July 22 at 7 p.m. and the pedal tractor pull will begin at 7:30. The United Way Chili Contest will also be held that evening, beginning at 6 p.m. The 4-H dairy and goat show will be held Tuesday at 4 p.m. and the bucket calf consultation judging will begin at 5 and the bucket calf and beef show will begin at 7. The Barnyard Olympics will cap off the evening, beginning at 9. Be there early Wednesday morning for the poultry judging at 8 and the rabbit judging at 8:30. The shepherd's lead will be held that afternoon at 4:30 followed by the sheep show at 5. The swine show will complete the evening's contests at 7 p.m.

The livestock showmanship contest will begin at 9 Thursday morning. There will be a 4-H Barbecue and watermelon feed from 4:30-6:30 and the project and livestock auction will begin at 6:30. A ranch rodeo will be held Friday evening at 7.

Jackson County Fair

Jackson County 4-H'ers will show off all the ways they are "Learning by Doing" at the Jackson County Fair July 22-25th in Holton.

Once all the livestock is in place, the poultry judging will kick off the shows on Monday, July 22 at 2 p.m. The sheep/meat goat show will be held at 5, with the meat goat show beginning fifteen minutes after the sheep show. At 7 p.m. Farm Bureau will host the Kiddie Tractor Pull followed by the Fireman Olympics.

Tuesday morning will see the swine enter the show ring at 8:30. The bucket calf conference judging will begin at

1, with the bucket calf judging at 4, followed by the beef show at 5. Enjoy the rides that evening at the Midway by Great Plains Amusement, which will run each evening through Saturday, July 27.

The rabbit judging will get things started Wednesday morning at 8 and the dairy goats and cattle judging will begin at 9. Enjoy the Animals on Parade at 10 a.m. Don't miss the fun and excitement of the Barnyard Olympics at 2 p.m., and the fair parade will be held that evening at 6. The adults will have the chance to show off their skills at the adult Round Robin at 8 p.m. and karaoke with Daren and Randy will be held from 8-11 p.m.

Thursday morning the livestock judging contest will be held at 9 a.m. followed by the Round Robin at 12:30. The livestock sale for goats, sheep, beef and hogs will begin at 6 p.m.

Pratt County Fair

Could it be? Is it possible? Mary Piggins Returns to the Pratt County Fair July 24-27. As a prelude to the fair the 4-H and open class horse halter, performance and trail events will be held Monday, July 22 at 5 p.m. and the horse timed events will take place Tuesday at 5. On Wednesday the goat judging and showmanship contest will begin at 6:30. Thursday morning the swine will be up bright and early for their turn in the ring, beginning at 8. Poultry and rabbit judging will take place at 8:30. At 1 the sheep show will begin. That evening at 7 the bucket calf show will be held. There will be a free concert in the livestock barn that evening at 8. Friday morning kicks off with the dairy and breeding beef judging, followed by the market beef. There will be a beef showmanship contest one hour after the conclusion of the breeding beef show. The round robin will begin at 4:30. Carnival fun begins that evening at 6 and the demolition derby will begin at 7:30. Saturday morning will see the youth putting their judging skills to

the test at the livestock judging contest, beginning at 8:30. The livestock sale will begin at 1. There will be a pedal tractor pull sponsored by Pratt County Farm Bureau at 4:30. Another night of carnival fun will run from 6-11 and the monster trucks will be in action beginning at 7:30.

Mitchell County Fair

Mitchell County 4-H'ers are eager to share all their hard work with their friends and neighbors at the Mitchell County Fair July 25-28. Starting things off will be the horse show on Wednesday, July 24 at 9 a.m. The poultry and rabbits keep the ball rolling with their judging at 10 Thursday morning. The bucket calves will be evaluated at 10:30 a.m. The carnival opens each night at 5 and laser tag nightly at 6. The beef show will begin at 6 as well and at the same time monster truck rides will be available. There will be a creature feature from 6-7, the Rawhide and Dusty Show at 7 at the horse arena and Talking Tombstones from 7-8. There will be a performance by NCK Dance Center from

8-8:30. Friday morning will see the swine enter the show ring at 9, with the sheep and goats being judged thirty minutes after the swine judging. There will be a kids money scramble at 5:30, and from 5:30-6:30 the Finney Family Orchestra will perform. From 5-8 p.m. Beloit FFA Cow Pie Bingo tickets will be available and from 6-8 there will be hayrack rides. Marissa Budke will perform from 6:30-7:30. Mud runs will begin at 7 at the Raceway and local entries are encouraged. Wade Richards will perform at 7:30 and Francis McCune at 8:30. Saturday morning the round robin will start at 9 and the kids pedal tractor pull will begin at 2. The livestock premium sale will be held at 5. Andrea and LesPaul LePon will perform at 6 followed by Raleigh LePon at 7, then Lance Cheney and Christy McClellan at 8. The Lucas Oil Power United Rebel Sprint Series and Jay Huskers will also run at 7.

Shawnee County Fair

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July 25-28th. Once all the exhibits are entered and settled in, the swine show will lead off at 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 25. Judging for the meat/Pygmy goats will be held at 9 a.m. Friday with the poultry judging taking place at the same time. At 10:30 the sheep will be led into the ring and from noon to 5 the rabbit judging will be taking place. Poultry showmanship will be held at 1 p.m. The bucket calf judging will begin at 5 as a prelude to the beef show at 6. There will be a free concert that evening with Beauty and The McBeest at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free performance by Rusty Rierson and the Forever Young Band at 7:30.

The dairy goats get things started on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and up next will be the dairy cattle at 9:30. The rabbit judging will be held at 1, as will the shepherd's lead. There will be a Kids Activity Corner from 1:30-3:30. Registration for the pedal tractor pull will begin at 1 with the pull starting at 2 for ages 3-12. The livestock sale will be held that evening at 5. On Sunday the round robin showmanship competition will heat up at 9 a.m. and keeping the competition going will be the livestock judging contest beginning at 11.

Riley County

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Fair

For fantastic family fun, there's no beating the Riley County Fair, scheduled this year for July 25-29. The shepherd's lead and sheep exhibits will fire up the judging beginning at 7 p.m. on Thursday, which is also Kids Night at the opening performance of the Kaw Valley Rodeo, beginning at 8 p.m. Ottaway Amusements will also be open from 6-11 p.m. The swine show will be held Friday evening at 7. The Kaw Valley Special Rodeo will run at 7, followed by more rodeo action at 8. Dairy judging will take place at 8 a.m. on Saturday, with rabbits also being evaluated at the same time in the livestock tent. Dairy goats will be shown at 9 with meat goats following at 11. Bucket calf judging will begin at 6 with a parade of bucket calves at 6:45. The beef show will begin at 7. It will be wristband night at the carnival from 6-11 and the final night of the Kaw Valley Rodeo will begin at 8. On Sunday the swine round robin will begin at 12:30 and at 1 the round robin junior, intermediate and senior showmanship contest starts. There will be a come and go rabbit judging contest from 1-5 p.m. in the livestock tent and at 2:30 the 4-H livestock judging contest, followed by a poultry judging contest at 4:30. Ottaway Amusements will be

open from 6-11. Registration for the pedal tractor pull begins at 6:30 with competition getting under way at 7. Monday's activities will include the Fair Olympics at 10 a.m., the carnival from 6-10 and the livestock auction at 7.

Nemaha County Fair

Plan a trip to Seneca for the Nemaha County Fair July 26-29! The horse show will get things rolling on Thursday, July 25 at 6 p.m. There will be Micro-reality stock car racing at the fairgrounds from 1-9 p.m. on Friday, July 26. Bucket calf consultation judging will take place from 2-4:30. Be sure to enjoy the inflatables at the fairgrounds from 5-9 and don't miss the pork BBQ at 6, hosted by the Nemaha County Pork Producers. The swine show will begin at 6:30. Saturday morning will see the sheep led into the ring at 8, followed by the meat goats. Rabbits and poultry will be judged at 8:30. The bucket calf show will begin at 11 followed by the dairy show and dairy goat show at 12:30. More Micro-reality stock car racing will take place at the fairgrounds from 1-9, as well as the inflatables from 5-10. The Nemaha County 4-H Council BBQ will be held at the livestock arena at 6, and the beef show will begin at 6:30. On Sunday there will be a Nowear BMX freestyle stunt show at the fairgrounds at 12:30 and 4, pedal power tractor pull at 1, Barnyard Olympics at 3 and inflatables from 5-9. The

parade, with a theme of Boots, Buckles and Barrels of 4-H Fun will be held at 6:30. The Topeka Drum Line will give a performance at 7:45 and there will be mutton busting at 8 in the horse arena. The livestock judging contest will be held Monday at 10 a.m. and the round robin will begin at 2. The premium auction will be held that evening at 7.

Jefferson County Fair

Plan a trip to Valley Falls for the Jefferson County Fair July 29-August 1. First up on the livestock show schedule will be the swine Monday evening at 6:30. The poultry judging will take place Tuesday with showmanship at 1. The bucket calf show will be held at 1:30. The sheep will enter the ring at 5 followed by the meat goats at 6. There will be a cake and ice cream social from 6-8 hosted by PEO Chapter DK. Make your way to Nortonville Art's Park Area for Entertainment Dance Company from 7:45-8:10 p.m. There will also be Lions Club Bingo that evening.

The rabbit show will get things rolling Wednesday morning at 8 followed by the beef steer and heifer show at 8:30. Rabbit showmanship will be held at 9:30. Line-up for the fair parade will begin at 5:45, judging of the parade floats will take place at 6, and the 70th annual parade will begin at 6:30. The parade winners will be announced at 8, along with an introduction of royalty and bucket calf parade.

A pedal tractor pull will follow the bucket calf parade. There will be free watermelon sponsored by Valley Falls Chamber and Lions Club Bingo in the evening.

The dairy goats will enter the ring Thursday morning at 8:30 with the dairy cattle following at 9:30. Livestock showmanship finals will be held at 10:30. The livestock sale will be that evening at 6 and a dance will be held from 8:30-11.

North Central Kansas Free Fair

Celebrating 100 Years of Tradition is the theme for the North Central Kansas Free Fair in Belleville July 29-August 4 as they honor the past while preparing today's youth for tomorrow. The horse show will begin at 9 on Monday, July 29. The rabbits and poultry will be judged on Tuesday at 8 and at 1 the sheep show will begin followed by meat goats. The evening's entertainment will be Red Head Express. On Wednesday the swine show will begin at 8:30 and at 1 will be the bucket calf judging followed by dairy and dairy goats at 2:30. Phil Vandel will perform at 7:30. A kolache sale will begin at 8 on Thursday, Aug. 1 in the Entertainment Center and there will be a kolache contest beginning at 11 with the winners announced at 3. There will be live entertainment in the Entertainment Center from noon-3 p.m. The beef judging will begin at 10 in Eddie Valek Arena. Streetside will entertain at 7:30. On Friday morning the round robin showmanship contest will begin at 10 and the livestock judging contest will be held at 1. There will be a Pinewood Derby at 1:30. The Republic County Lamb Producers and Republic County 4-H Council will serve a pork and lamb supper from 5-7 p.m. Kevin Hirner will perform at the Entertainment Center at 7:30 Saturday. Registration for the Little Tuggers tractor pull will begin at 9:30, with the competition heating up at 10. The livestock sale will be held at 3 followed by a beef supper hosted by Kansas Livestock Association from 5-7. There will be bingo at 7. A carnival and Highbanks races will round out the entertainment.

Pottawatomie County Fair

"Building the Future One

Step at a Time" is the theme for the 2019 Pottawatomie County Fair, slated for July 31-Aug. 4 in Onaga. Pre-fair activities include a horse show at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 30. There will be a Livestock Skillathon on Thursday, August 1 from 1-5 p.m. The dairy goat show will begin at 4 followed by dairy cattle. The sheep show will begin at 5 with meat goats to follow. The Flying MC Ranch Rodeo will begin at 6:30 and a co-rec and men's softball tournament will be played from 6-11 p.m. The rabbit show will be held Friday at 8 and the shepherd's lead will be judged at 9. There will be a youth tractor driving contest at 10. The poultry show will be held at 1 and there will be a stockman's quiz from 1-3. Don't miss the Rooster Crowing Contest and Poultry breed identification judging contest. The beef show will begin at 5. The Knights of Columbus will sponsor Bingo at 7 and the Kraft Rodeo will begin at 8. The softball tourney will continue at 8, and from 9-11 p.m. there will be Kick Ball. Saturday starts bright and early with the swine show at 8 and there will be a sand volleyball tournament at 9. Round robin sign-up will be from 10-noon and the bucket calf show will start at 1. There will be free swimming from 1-5 p.m. sponsored by Marten Dozing, HB Excavating and Myers Construction. The pedal tractor pull will be held at 2:30, with registration beginning at 1:30. The youth livestock sale will be held at 5 p.m. The Kraft rodeo will begin at 8. The livestock judging contest will be held at 9:30 Sunday morning, the parade at 1 and round robin showmanship at 2.

Central Kansas Free Fair

Would it even be summer without a trip to the Central Kansas Free Fair in Abilene? This year it's being held from July 31-August 5 and features all the thrills, spills and excitement you've come to expect. The PRCA Bulls-N-Broncs & Barrels events kicks things off on Wednesday, July 31 at 7:30 p.m. On Thursday the equine show will be held at 8 a.m. then the Old Timers Horse Showmanship show will follow. The rabbit judging will begin at 8:30 followed by the poultry at 9. "There's Magic in the Air at the Central Kan-

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“Free Fair” is the theme of the parade, which will hit the street at 4 p.m., followed by the Chapman FFA BBQ. The carnival will run from 6-11 p.m. each night. A chain saw artist will perform throughout the day. On Friday the beef show will begin at 8 a.m. The first round of the National Cowboy Poetry Rodeo will be held from 8-3 at the Shockey & Landes Building. The sheep show will be held at 2:30 followed by the meat goat at 4 and market lamb at 6:30. It's “Tough Enough to Wear Pink” night at the Wild Bill Hickok Rodeo, which begins at 7:30. The swine show will get things started on Saturday morning at 8, and the final round of the National Cowboy Poetry Rodeo will be held from 9-2. Dairy cattle will be judged at 8:30, with dairy goats to follow. Equine trail, ranch and reining classes will begin at

1. There will be a Western Music Matinee from 4-5:30 p.m. Bucket calves will be judged at 4:30. The Ag Olympics will follow the bucket calf show and there will be men's and women's arm wrestling at 7. The final run of the Wild Bill Hickok Rodeo will start at 7:30. Sunday's activities will include the livestock judging contest at 9:30 and round robin at 3:30. The demo derby will start at 7:30. The livestock auction will be held at 9:30 Monday morning. There will be a youth pedal pull at 6:30 and the demo derby at 7:30.

Tri-Rivers Fair

August 6-10 is the time to get one last county fair experience as the Tri-Rivers Fair roars to life in Salina. Country Nights and Carnival Lights is the theme for this year's downtown parade, which will begin at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6. The crowning of the

4-H Fair King and Queen will take place at 7 p.m. on August 7 at Heritage Hall. The poultry judging will be held at 9:30 on Wednesday and the bucket calf show will be at 2:30, followed by dairy cattle and dairy goats, all in Ag Hall. On Thursday the beef show will be held at 9 in Ag Hall, the meat goat show at 1:30 in Barn #2, the sheep show at 3 and the swine at 5:30, both also in Barn #2. Friday will feature the rabbit show at 8 in Barn #2 and the horse show at 8:30 in Ag Hall. The round robin will be held at 6:30 in Barn #2 and Ag Hall, and the Ag Olympics will start at 8 in Ag Hall. The livestock sale will be held Saturday morning at 8:30 in Barn #2. From 9-12:30 Saturday morning 4-H Fair Fun Day will be held in the 4-H Building. There will also be CO2 car racing in the Bi-Center Arena.

Raising readers at the County Fair

All families, with children ages newborn to five, are invited to attend a quick session at one of the Fairs in the River Valley District to learn about the development of young children through reading!

A free book will be given to families and children attending one of the sessions. Thank you to Citizens National Bank for assisting with funding to purchase the books.

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Sessions will be held at each county fairs in the River Valley District:

- Cloud County Fair – Wednesday, July 10th – 5:00 p.m. – Ayers Shelter
- Clay County Free Fair – Thursday, July 11th – 5:30 p.m. – Fairground Roadway
- Washington County Fair – Wednesday, July 24th – 5:00

p.m. – East of Gold Barn

• NCK Free Fair – Thursday, August 1st – 5:30 p.m. – 4-H Building

There is no cost to attend and RSVPs are not needed. Any questions may be directed to Monica Thayer, Family Resource Management Extension agent, at 785-527-5084 or mthayer@ksu.edu.



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Thursday, July 18th -
Barbeque at 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Thursday, July 18th -
Ranch Rodeo at 7:00 pm

Friday, July 19th -
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Saturday, July 20th -
Livestock Sale at 4:00 pm

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Thur - Sat: 74th Annual PRCA Wild Bill Hickok Rodeo, 7:30 pm

Sun - Mon: Auto Demo Derby, 7:30 pm

Fair Events

Wed - Sun: 4-H, FFA, Open Class & Vendor Exhibits

Special Attraction: “Remembering Our Fallen” memorial in the Armory Building

Thur: “There’s Magic in the Air at the Central Kansas Free Fair” Parade, 4 pm

Thur - Sat: Chainsaw Carving, 4 times daily

National Cowboy Poetry Rodeo - Shockey and Landes Building

Sat: Arm Wrestling, 7 pm

Sun: Cowboy Church, 7:15 am

Chainsaw Carving Auction, 2 pm

Mon: Youth Pedal Power Pull, 6:30 pm

Great Plains Amusement Carnival

July 31 - Aug. 3, 6-11 pm and Aug. 4, 6-10 pm

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New Date & Time

Saturday, July 27th

Antique Tractors, Trucks, & Semis, 5 pm

MATTPA, 6:30 pm

2019 Mitchell County Fair Schedule

Tuesday, July 9th (Beloit First Christian Church) 1:00pm: Judging of Clothing Construction & Fiber Arts Judging of Fashion Revue Construction & Buymanship 6:00pm: Public Fashion Revue	6:00pm: 4-H Beef Show 6:00pm: Monster Truck Rides 6:00pm - 7:00pm: Creature Feature 7:00pm: Rawhide & Dusty Show @ the Horse Arena 7:00pm - 8:00pm: Talking Tombstones 8:00pm - 8:30pm: NCK Dance Center Performance
Monday, July 22nd (Beloit First Christian Church) 9:00am: Judging of 4-H Arts and Cra s Judging of 4-H Foods 10:00am: Bake Sale	Friday, July 26th 9:00am: Judging 4-H Swine 30 Min After Swine Judging 4-H Sheep & Goats 5:00pm: Carnival Opens 5:30pm: Kids Money Scramble, Hog/Sheep Arena 5:30pm - 6:30pm: Finney Family Orchestra 5:00pm - 8:00pm: Beloit FFA Cow Pie Bingo tickets available 6:00pm: Laser Tag Opens 6:00pm - 8:00pm: Beloit FFA Hayrack Rides 6:30pm - 7:30pm: Marissa Budke 7:00pm: Mud Runs @ the Raceway *local entries encouraged* 7:30pm - 8:30pm: Wade Richards 8:30pm - 9:30pm: Francis McCune
Wednesday, July 24th 9:00am: Horse Show 6:00pm - 8:00pm: Livestock Check In Open Class Check In Thursday, July 25th 8-9:30am: Enter All 4-H Except Livestock 9:00am: 4-H Pet Show 9:30am: Judging of 4-H Photography Judging of 4-H Spaceteach Judging of 4-H Woodworking, Electric, Welding, Entomology & Geology 10:00am: Judging of 4-H Poultry & Rabbits Judging of Open Class Poultry & Rabbits Judging of 4-H Posters, Notebooks, Banners, Food Displays 10:30am: Judging 4-H Bucket Calf Judging of 4-H Hor culture, Flowers & Crops 1:00pm: Judging of Open Class Arts & Crafts Judging of Open Class Foods Judging of Open Class Flowers Judging of Open Class Photography Judging of Open Class Clothing & Quilts 2:30pm: Judging of Open Class Garden 5:00pm: Carnival Opens 6:00pm: Laser Tag Opens	Saturday, July 27th 9:00am: Round Robin 1:30pm: Kids Pedal Tractor Pull - Qualify for State Fair 5:00pm: Carnival Opens 5:00pm: 4-H & FFA Livestock Premium Sale 6:00pm: Laser Tag Opens 5:00 - 6:00pm: Landon Eilert 6:00pm - 7:00pm: Andrea & LesPaul LePon 7:00pm: Lucas Oil Poweri 305 United Rebel Sprint Series & Jay Huskers 7:00pm - 8:00pm: Waleigh LePon 8:00pm - 9:00pm: Lance Cheney & Christy McClellan Sunday, July 28th 8:00am - 12:00pm: Check Out Exhibits & Clean Up Funnel Cakes - Texas Red BBQ Tacos - Snow Cones - 4H Food Stand - Hangries Food Truck

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Six-horse Clydesdale hitch to entertain at Phillipsburg Rodeo

Six beautiful equines will be part of the show at the 90th annual Kansas Biggest Rodeo in Phillipsburg.

Broken Spoke Clydesdales, Winfield, will bring their six-horse Clydesdale hitch pulling a freight wagon to the rodeo August 1-3.

Mark DeCoudres, owner of the horses and the hitch, got involved with Clydesdales eight years ago. It had always been a dream of his to drive a team. He had grown up around horses but didn't know how to drive or harness them. He bought a team of two and left them at the seller's house, returning each weekend to get lessons on how to harness and drive them.

It wasn't easy to learn to drive a hitch, DeCoudres said. "I remember one time," he recalled, "I was driving four. I didn't have my lines (how the horses are controlled) just right, and the next thing I knew, the lead



The Broken Spoke Clydesdales will entertain during each night of the Phillipsburg Rodeo August 1-3. The six-horse hitch will pull a freight wagon as it makes its way through the arena.

horse was turned completely around, looking at me."

Each pair of horses has its own job when pulling a load. Jackson and Brock, the team closest to the wagon, are the

wheel team. Brody and Bridget, the team in the middle, are the swing team. Divinity and Diesel are the lead team. Usually the wheel horses weigh more than the lead

horses, and the lead horses are more athletic and have to travel farther than the wheel team when making turns.

The horses eat about forty pounds of hay and fifteen

pounds of grain or pelleted feed a day. DeCoudres will bring them to Phillipsburg in a semi, and they will be kept in temporary pens at the rodeo grounds. The public is invited to see them during the days of the rodeo. That is DeCoudres' favorite part. "I like interacting with the people. There are children who would never be able to be up and close to a horse like that, if we weren't there. Even for the older people, it brings back memories of their childhood, when their granddad or parents used draft horses on the farm."

One of DeCoudres' Clydesdales loves to be "loved on." Jackson is special, DeCoudres said. "I lead him out (with the public) and throw a lead rope over his neck. Hundreds of people come to pet him and he's just a gentle giant. I sit there and watch."

The horses are huge, but they are gentle. DeCoudres' try out. "It gets you involved in rodeo," she said. "It feels great to be the face of the Inter-State Fair and Rodeo."

She will compete on the rodeo team at Ft. Scott Community College this fall as a barrel racer and breakaway roper. She is the daughter of Melissa Strickler and Troy and Marie Strickler.

Kuehn emphasized the skills young women learn as they go through a rodeo queen pageant through personal experience. Last year, a young woman came to her, shy and rarely looking at Kuehn. By the end of the pageant, the young woman "was very talkative and not looking away," Kuehn explained. "It built her confidence."

grandson helps with them. "It's hard to believe you can have an eight-year-old grandson lead a horse across the yard and yet you can hitch them up to the wagon and they have so much power to pull." Clydesdales can pull three times their weight, which works out to 6,000 pounds each.

The Broken Spoke Clydesdales have entertained at rodeos and events across the nation. They will entertain each night of the Phillipsburg rodeo, August 1-3. The rodeo starts at 8 p.m. each night. Tickets went on sale July 1 at Heritage Insurance in Phillipsburg during office hours (8-5 p.m.; closed from noon to 1 p.m.). They can be purchased over the phone by calling 785-543-2448. They range in price from \$15 to \$18 for adults and \$11-14 for children ages 3-12.

For more information, visit the website at www.KansasBiggestRodeo.com.

The 2019 Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Princess is Emma Couch, Nowata, Okla. and the Little Miss is Lilly Kuehn, South Coffeyville, Okla.

Entry forms and more information can be found on the Fair and Rodeo's website at www.fairandrodeo.com. Click on the rodeo button in the upper right hand corner for pageant information, or call Kuehn at 620.660.1982.

This year's Fair and Rodeo takes place August 13-17 at Walter Johnson Park in Coffeyville. Grandstand events highlight each night's entertainment, with daytime activities as well. A full Fair and Rodeo schedule can be found online.

Coffeyville's Inter-State Fair and Rodeo seeks queen, princess, Little Miss applicants

The Inter-State Fair and Rodeo is in search of a few good women.

Rodeo queens and princesses, that is.

The 111st annual Inter-State Fair and Rodeo in Coffeyville is accepting pageant applications for queen, princess, and little miss through July 15.

Queen candidates must be between the ages of 14 and 26; Princess candidates must be from seven to 13, and Little Miss contestants must be ages 6 and under. The young ladies will compete in several categories including horsemanship, speech, modeling and interview.

Royalty is crowned during the rodeo on August 15, said Kristen Kuehn, chairman of the pageant. Prize packages will also be given to the winners, including buckles, crowns, and a leather sash for all three titles. The queen also wins a leather item, custom made by Yocham's Custom Saddlery in Bartlesville. Each participant will receive participation awards.

Courtney Strickler is the 2019 Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Queen. The eighteen-year-old, a 2019 graduate of Caney Valley High School, was crowned during the 2018 rodeo and will be a freshman at Ft. Scott Community College this fall.

In high school, she played volleyball and softball and ran track. She was a member of FFA, cheer, FCA, and National Honor Society and was treasurer for her FFA chapter last year.

She is enjoying her time as queen, making appearances at schools and television interviews, and learning new things. Having the role as queen "gave me more responsibility, helping me manage my time better," she said. "I had to figure out where I needed to go, what time I needed to be there, and how long it would take to get there."

Strickler liked meeting new people and learning about rodeo. She encourages girls to

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July 6 — Coins including mint and proof sets, Wheat cents, nickels, Mercury dimes, Morgan & Peace Dollars, silver rolls & more held at Portis. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction.

July 6 — Real Estate sold in 2 tracts; T1: 1 1/2 story house, large garage; T2: approx. 1.16 acres; also selling cars, trucks, equipment, tools, car parts, antiques & household held on the South edge of Burr Oak for Richard R. Frasier Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 7 — Real Estate (3BR, 2 BA ranch-style home), 2005 Buick Rendezvous, furniture, appliances, Hummel figurines, collectibles, glassware, misc. garage & tool items & much more at Manhattan for John G. & Carolyn Anderson Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

July 7 — Guns, horseshoeing equipment, mower, welder, Polaris ATV, tools, saddles, household & more held South of Topeka for Mrs. Rose “Jack” Pinard. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

July 8 — 2BR home, partial basement, detached garage on desirable lot held at Manhattan for Betty K. Naslund Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

July 9 — Ford 2110 gas tractor w/front loader, Zipper zero turn mower, riding mower, flatbed trailer, lawn & garden items, shop tools, work benches, wrenches, power tools, cut lumber & much more held at Wakarusa for Bill & Linda Black. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

July 11 — Tools, B&D electric mower, lawn sprayer, live traps & much more at Clay Center for Rollin & Ilene Newell. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 13 — Tractors, farm equipment, trailers, shop items, boat & fishing, saddles & tack, collectibles, pickup, storage, furniture & household, misc. held at Cassoday for Garry & Lisa Hoy. Auctioneers: Hancock Auction & Real Estate.

July 13 — 1-acre with home, Wick Building; also selling JD 520 tractor w/PS, 2003 Buick LeSabre, appliances held at Leon. Auctioneers: Chuck Korte Real Estate & Auction Service, Inc.

July 13 (9 AM) — Real Estate (3 BR home, 1 BA in Salina), pickup, tools, collect-

ibles & household at Salina for Ethel Linea Clark Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 13 (1 PM) — Antiques & collectibles, tools at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 13 — Crocker, advertising tins, doll, miniature, salesman sample collection, books, collectibles, glassware & miscellaneous held at Lawrence for Waneta D. Turner Estate. Auctioneers: Mark Elston & Jason Flory.

July 13 — Guns, coins, lawn & garden equipment, hunting & fishing items, tools, garage items, miscellaneous farm items held at Hartford for Ralph Elliott. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty Service.

July 13 — Furniture, household & garage items held at Moundridge for Abe & Judy Schmidt. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.

July 13 — Guns, 1999 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 pickup, riding lawn tractor, snow blower, shop tools, appliances, furniture, household & more at Manhattan for Helen L. Richter Trust. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

July 13 — Huge toy train collection, guns, ammo, collectibles, household & misc. at Abilene for the Estate of Rodger Jacquet. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

July 13 — NE Kansas Absolute Real Estate & personal property (Livestock starting & growing facility) sold in 4 tracts held at Valley Falls for Kelly & Kim Kirkham. Auctioneers: Harris Real Estate & Auctions, LLC.

July 13 — Consignment horse sale selling horses, ponies, donkeys & tack held at Garnett for Anderson County Sales Co., LLC.

July 13 & 14 — Estate Auction #1 & #2 held at Lawrence for Waneta Turner Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

July 14 — Tools, antiques, household, vintage, appliances & much more held at Osage City. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

July 20 — Consignment auction at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

July 20 — Restored 1955 Ford pickup, mechanic tools & shop equipment, wood-working tools, lawn & garden equipment, appliances, household furnishings & misc. held at Leroy for Mrs. Bill Brite. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty Service.

July 20 — Antiques, collectibles, horse-drawn equipment & more held at Thayer for Fred & Louise Moulton Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Marshall, Mark Garretson.

July 20 — Real Estate (4 BR, 3 1/2 BA home on 2.85 m/l acres), 3 limos, 2001 Excursion, 2002 Corvette, 1999 Forest River motorhome, electronics, tools, furniture, housewares & more held at St. George for Michael Trout Estate. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 20 — Tractors, harvesting, semi & grain trailer, machinery, ATV, trailers & miscellaneous held at Morrill for Larry & Judy Stover. Auctioneers: Harris Auction Service.

July 20 — Furniture, toys & household items, wood-working equipment & garage items held at Goessel for Loren & Leona Brandt. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auctions.

July 20 — Estate auction held at Lawrence for Ellen LeCompte Estate (The Trust Co. executor). Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

July 21 — Tractor, car, guns, tools, vintage furniture, household & more held at Harveyville for Mrs. Avis “Bud” Riggins. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

July 23 — 3 bedroom, 2 bath home held in Ogden. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 27 — Antiques, collectibles, vehicles, tractors, machinery & tools held East of Abilene for Betsy Baldwin, Ernie Wofford Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

July 27 — Firearms, coins, farm toys held at Lawrence for Melvin Krumm Estate, North-

wood, Iowa). Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

July 27 — Tractors, machinery, shop & lawn items held at St. Marys for Felix Hesse Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

August 10 — Collector Cars including 1959 Chev. El Camino, 1959 Chev. Sedan Delivery Biscayne, 1936 Packard 120 coupe, 1959 Cadillac El Dorado, 1940 Packard, 1946 Hudson, 1948 Nash & more; also car parts & other held at McPherson for Gerald Winslow Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 10 — Farm machinery, livestock equipment & misc. held Southwest of Abilene for Mark & Patricia Berns. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

August 13 — 640 acres of Cheyenne County, KS cropland & CRP selling in 4 tracts. Auctioneers: Farm & Ranch Realty, Inc.

August 17 — Antiques & collectibles including barber items, drug store items, political, signs, crocks & more held at Salina for Pat Powers Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

August 26 — Farm ma-

chinery & misc. held South of Abilene for Gene & Cindy Hoffman. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

August 31 — 5 John Deere collector tractors, Chevy Silverado 1500, JD mechanic’s shop full of tools, some specialty tools held at Sabetha for James Meyer Estate. Auctioneers: Ash Realty & Auctions.

September 1 — Quilts & linens, 2500 pieces antique & vintage Jewelry, Native American items including jewelry, pottery & more, primitives held at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

September 7 — Estate auction #3 at Baldwin City for Waneta Turner Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

September 14 — Farm machinery, pickups, livestock equipment & misc. held East of Abilene for Bill Miller Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

September 14 — Estate auction held at Lawrence for Ken Wehmeyer Living Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

September 21 — Guns, antiques, primitives & collectibles held East of Abilene for Bill Miller Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

October 19 — Collectible

gun auction including 150+ Winchester, Colt & Sharp guns held at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

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AUCTION THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2019 — 5:00 PM

Auction will be held at the building located behind the home at 1617 2nd street in CLAY CENTER, KANSAS

TOOLS

Black Decker 40v electric mower; TCII mini tiller; Lawn Wizard lawn sprayer; air floor jack; pallet mover; Power Craft drill press; 3 ton long ram jack; Viking shop press; parts washer; Onan generator; bench grinder; 6" vise on

NOTE: Rollin went to sales for years and has many tools. Check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction.com.

ROLLIN & ILENE NEWELL

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stand; 100 lb. anvil; chop saw; bolt cabinet; air bubble; floor fan; shop vac; large assortment end wrenches up to 2"; pipe wrenches; assortment air tools; hammers; reamers; large assortment of other tools; shovels; forks; chains; boomers; engine cart; wheel

barrow; 5th wheel hitch; Valley signs; live traps; garden cultivator; low back saddle; wood planes; hay hooks; window air conditioner; assortment of other items. ***This is only a small list check our web site for pictures.***

AUCTION SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2019 — 9:00 AM

Auction will be held at the home located at 1165 E Woodland in SALINA, KS

REAL ESTATE Sells at 9:00 a.m.

8 room home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, sun porch. Central heat & air, 3 car detached garage w/work area. The home is located at 1165 E. Woodland, Salina, KS. The home is on 1 ½ lots (Lot 13 & W ½ Lot 14). Empty lot next to the above home (E ½ Lot 14 & Lot 15). The seller will do no inspections or repairs on the

home. All inspections must be made by purchaser before July 13, 2019. The home is on city water and gas, the sewer is a septic tank. Possession will be upon closing on or before August 30, 2019. All statements made day of auction take precedence over printed material.

To view the home contact Frank Taggart at 785-819-4491.

PICKUP, TOOLS, COLLECTIBLES & HOUSEHOLD

1964 Ford pickup 3 speed, 6 cy.; 3 pc. walnut bedroom set; princess dresser; oak desk; pine 2 door wall cabinet; upright piano; chrome drop leaf table; metal bed; chest; pine table; treadle sewing machine; flat top trunk;

'20s chest; '70s bedroom set; maple dropleaf table; pine couch & chair; new gun cabinet; 2 refrigerators; 2 dressers; metal locker; wire racks; 1 gal jug; wire stools; lamps; Elvis collection; 33 records; '60s stereo; farm toy sets; model cars; horse collars; lamps; electric trains; wash tub; wash bench; pedal grind-

er; yard art; iron wheel; pitcher pump; patio table & chairs; cream cans; gas cans; toy cement truck; other toy trucks; load locks; lawn aerator; Tupperware; post drill; ½" drill press; manual tire changer; bar clamp; assortment hand tools; aluminum ramps; large assortment other items.

NOTE: There are many boxes that are not unpacked. Check our website for pictures at www.thummelauction.com.

ETHEL LINEA CLARK ESTATE

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NE KANSAS ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION Livestock Starting & Growing Facility

Auction Location 11615 130th Street, Valley Falls, KS 66088

(Tract #2)

4 TRACTS ALL IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, KS All 4 Tracts of Real Estate will sell independently to the highest bidder.

No Reserves or Combinations.

3 BR 2 BA. 50'x30' shop building/concrete floor & other older outbuildings. Two cattle working pens/sweep tub, Pearson squeeze chute & Mira-Fount waterer. Fescue pasture is cross fenced into (2) 40-acre traps.

Tract #2: 11615 130th St., Valley Falls, KS 66088. 60 acres with 36'x72' metal covered house with 1728 sq. ft. of finished living space w/ground level entrance. Built in 1998 with more living space added in 2007.

• Cattle backgrounding facility included in Tract 2 consists of 40x40 vet building/12' enclosed lean-to. Sorting and loading Facilities. • 49'x100' Commodity Shed with 4-25' bays & 32' concrete approach. • 3 receiving pens. 4 one load pens. 10 Cobett waterers. • 72' deep concrete/concrete approach silage pit. • 3 Fescue Grass traps. Pond & spring tank development. *Certified by KDHE for 240 animal units.*

Tract #3: 40 acres of Fescue pasture & timber contiguous with South side of Tract #2. Wonderful property for Deer & Turkey Hunting.

Tract #4: Location, ½ mi. South of 122nd St. & Nemaha Rd. 60 Acres. 25 Acres tillable. Balance Grass & Wildlife Habitat with Pond & stock waterer (uncompleted).

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TRUCKS & LIVESTOCK HANDLING EQUIPMENT

1993 IH 4800, 4WD, w/430 Farm Aid Mixer, DT 466, AT; 1989 IH F1954 6 whl drive w/430 Farm Aid Mixer, DT 466, AT; 1989 Peterbilt 378, 3406 Cat, 10 sp, single axle; 1998 Barrett 50' floor trailer; 1971 American 45' Semi Livestock Trailer, open bar top; 1971 Fontaine 40' high flat trailer, single axle; 1967 Fruehauf 45' drop deck trailer; 2006 F350 ext cab, dually, 6.0 dsl, AT, w/350 Hydra Bed, 243,000 mi.; 1992 F350 dually, 4x4, 7.3 dsl, 5 sp, w/350 Hydra Bed, 89,000 mi.; 1977 F350 flatbed, 306 6 cyl., 4 sp; 1998 Economy 18'45' dovetail trailer/fold over ramps, pintle hitch; 1979 GMC C70

truck/12' welding bed, 366 gas, 5 sp (welder not included); Westendorf TA26 loader; 340 Farm Aid mixer wagon; Case W11B high loader; 40' Conex container; extra heavy-duty loading chute on skids; Stroberg port. loading chute; Brush Fire skid w/250 gal. tank, gas motor & hoses; 11' flatbed; 3 pt seeder; pull type seeder; Hicks Mfg tree saw, low flow; Cox & Apache port. creep feeders; 2001 NMC dipper, salvage; Mitsubishi Mini Truck, no title; 10x16 lean-to shed, wood & tin, open front; Lucco hyd chute w/Tru-Test scales; pickup bed trailer; 25-ton bulk bin, w/auger, setting on Tract# 3, 30 day self removal; 773 Bobcat dsl skid

loader w/smooth bucket; Bobcat tooth bucket; 12'x25' rnd. steel tank, bottom cut out; (4) used Ritchie & Bohlman automatic waterers; used 10x22.5 truck tires; 3 pt bale un-roller; 1'x20' elevator feed bunk; used T-post; hedge posts; misc. feed racks; 2 7/8 pipe posts, 8' & 9'; misc. fence pipe; 1967 Chevy C50/10' dump bed for salvage, no title; 1979 GMC 27/14' dump bed for salvage, no title; (3) 300 gal. fuel barrels on stands.

FEED

2019 Big Round Grass Hay, qty TBD; 2018 Big Round Grinding Bales, qty TBD; 2018 Corn Silage, qty TBD; Quantities will be available by July 1.

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2019 — 9:30 AM

Auction will be held at home located at the South edge of BURR OAK, KANSAS

REAL ESTATE

Tract I: 1 ½ story house located on East side street, 5 room 2 bedroom home w/upstairs, floor furnace. Large garage south of the house located on the East side of South Lincoln street. The seller will do no inspections or repairs.

Tract II: Across road from Tract I approximately 1.16 acres.

CARS, TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT

1951 IHC R-190 semi tractor tandem axle; 28' lowboy trailer; 1966 Dodge truck tag axle 413 engine 14' gravel box; Diamond T dump truck; 2-1957 IHC cabover semi tractor; Link Belt LS58 crane w/40' boom ½ yard bucket, clam bucket, concrete bucket motor stuck; Crane for parts; cable crane backhoe bucket; Eimco crawler needs pump; 1941 Plymouth 4 door car; 1949 Dodge 4 door car; 1934 Plymouth car; 1946-48 Chrysler; 1929 Plymouth roadster body; 1929 Hudson 4 door body; 1957 Desota; Whip-pit body; 1929 Hudson 4 door body; 1941 Plymouth parts car; 1933 Plymouth coupe; 1936 Dodge; 1987 Dodge Dakota pickup; 1953 Dodge truck short frame; 1940 DeSoto car; Wallis tractor; 1965 Chrysler 4 door car 413 engine; 1979 Chrysler Fifth Avenue 4 door car; 1972

Plymouth Fury; 1947 Dodge car; 1985 Chrysler car; 1961 Plymouth 4 door car; 1985 Dodge Diplomat 4 door car; 1976 Dodge Aspen 4 door car; 1979 Dodge Diplomat station wagon; 1964 Dodge 2 door body; 1961 Dodge Polar 4 door car; 1966 Chrysler New Yorker 4 door car; 1957 Plymouth Savoy 4 door car; 1920's Plymouth car parts; Dodge 4 door car; 1954 Ford pickup front clip; 1949 Studebaker pickup cab; 1960 IHC 170 pickup cab; 1981 Dodge Ram pickup; 1967 Dodge Pickup; 1969 Chrysler car; 2 wheel winch trailer; 8' straight disc; 8'x36' semi box trailer; garden tractor made from Crosley car; pto winch; buzz saw; wind charge on steel wheel frame; assortment motors; F14 steel wheels; Holt pull type combine; Oliver 40 self propelled combine; Minneapolis Moline combine; Massey Harris

Super 92 combine; assortment of other iron and parts.

TOOLS, CAR PARTS, ANTIQUES & HOUSEHOLD

2 portable welders w/Chrysler engines; portable air compressor; 6" swing metal lathe; ½" drill press; Fleet hyd bumper jack; Storm 4" boring bar; engine stand; Kickway value facer; value seat ring tool; assortment of hand tools; NAPA cabinet; boomers & chains; large assortment of car parts mostly '40s & '50s Dodge and Dodge Brothers 1910s & '20s; gaskets; some new old stock; '40s & '50s hubcaps; well pump; 2 Round Oak Beckwith R140 parlor stoves; Maytag engine; oak parlor table; cast iron bed; bicycles; forge; assortment household items inc. dresser chest other furniture; assortment household items.

Note: Richard has been in business since 1953. He has created many different pieces of equipment. The cars and trucks are not running, some were running when parked. Check our web site for pictures at www.thummelauction.com.

RICHARD R. FRASIER ESTATE

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I Guess You Forgot

This year we recognized the 75th anniversary of D-Day, the beginning of the end of the 2nd World War. Europe had been completely conquered except for England, an island about the size of Wyoming. President Roosevelt made the decision to “go all in.”

The United States of America attacked Normandy Beach with full force of more than 156,000 troops, 50% American plus British and Canadian troops. Casualties of Allied Forces numbered in the hundreds of thousands. Truly a world war. From D-Day June 6, 1944 to V-E day May 8, 1945 (Victory in Europe), Eleven months.

Can you imagine the depth of their gratitude and height of profound welcome from the freed Europeans to The Allied Forces who came across the sea and crushed the Nazis.

JUMP FORWARD

At the 75th Celebration in Normandy France, the Presi-

dent of the United States reminded us of the uncountable, unimaginable heartbreaking sacrifice. The President of France said, “We know what we owe America.”

The significance of his compliment speaks volumes. So why did people in London protest our president on this 75th anniversary? Why do some British dislike America?

The “Encyclopedia of Google” tries to explain: The best I can de-galvanize is ‘resentful.’ “Hubris, arrogance.” Commercialism, consuming, America’s media influence, we rub it in, just because we saved them from being Nazi slaves.

Another possible reason is lack of education. Only one American in three can pass the U.S. Citizen exam. British citizens might do a little better, but not much. We have no one to blame for the lack of knowledge. Time passes, history is being rewritten, ignored. And to them, forgotten.

We have freedom of speech, but England does not. They are under the scrutiny of the “professionally offended.” Basically, the “politically correctness” criteria. There are also laws against ‘hate speech’ but it does not include hating the United States.

On the 75th celebration of D-Day, it was a weekend with respect for something that all Americans, Canadians and En-

glish treasure, and it gave the politicians and media stars a chance to regain, momentarily, some dignity and humility.

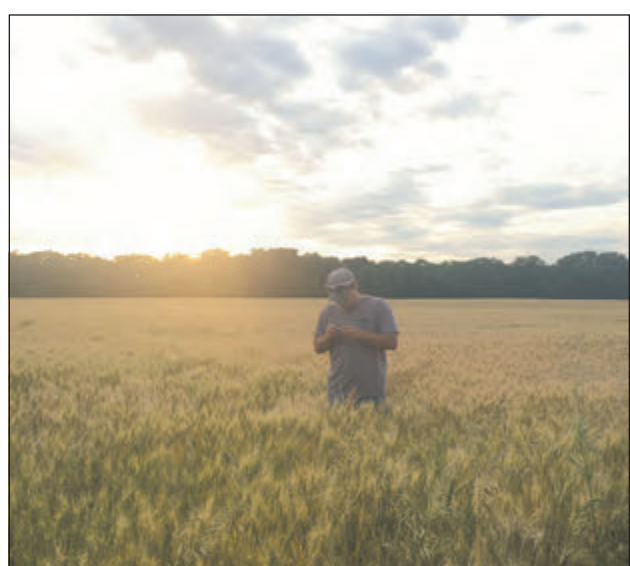
And about those people on both sides of the Atlantic, protesters, politicians, media... who meant to belittle and demean or distract from the reverence of the occasion, we forgive you. I guess you just forgot.

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Lafins Big Jake 8410 won reserve grand champion bred-and-owned bull at the 2019 Kansas Junior Angus Association Preview Show, June 1-2 in Hutchinson. Ellie Lafin, Olsburg, owns the September 2018 son of LD Capitalist 316. Brittney Creamer, Montrose, Colo., evaluated the 94 entries.

Photo by Jeff Mafi, American Angus Association



Cruising around on Father’s Day weekend, Brandon Litch surveyed the damage from another summer storm.

Three generations farm together

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doesn’t take as much volume as hay. We’ve also tried turnips and radishes to build up soil in our no-till.”

The Litches run a 12-row Kinze split row planter with 100% no-till.

“My dad started to no-till in the 1990s and talked grandpa into it,” Litch said. “We’ve been 100% no-till for 15 years. We can cover more acres more efficiently and it works very well for our operation.”

The 80-foot-wide booms on their Apache sprayer saves on time and fuel.

“If we didn’t no-till, we wouldn’t be able to cover it all,” Litch said. “We do it all ourselves. You get it done when you need it done. Get it sprayed when you need it sprayed. Timing windows are minimized by rain, especially this year. So when the weather allows, we have to be in the field.”

Farmers & Ranchers

AUCTIONS EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY

Selling Hogs & Cattle every Monday

Our REGULAR SCHEDULE Monday/Thursday Sales will start back up MONDAY, JULY 8!
NO SALE: Thursday, July 4

**RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK TOTALED
1,099 CATTLE & 68 HOGS.**

STEERS

300-400	\$152.00 - 167.00
400-500	\$145.00 - 170.00
500-600	\$137.00 - 151.00
600-700	\$130.00 - 144.00
700-800	\$120.00 - 137.50
800-900	\$116.00 - 132.00
900-1,000	\$110.00 - 123.50

HEIFERS

300-400	\$137.00 - 153.00
400-500	\$130.00 - 143.00
500-600	\$123.00 - 137.00
600-700	\$114.00 - 129.00
700-800	\$112.00 - 126.25
800-900	\$105.00 - 122.50

MONDAY, JUNE 24 CATTLE & HOG SALE: HOGS

7 fats	Ellis	232@35.00
2 sows	Abilene	600@34.00
1 sow	Abilene	575@34.00
1 sow	Marion	530@34.00
5 sows	Abilene	505@32.00
8 sows	Abilene	410@29.50

CALVES

1 bwf	Inman	275@425.00
1 rwf	Inman	265@425.00
7 blk	Salina	271@425.00
1 blk	Miltonvale	220@350.00
1 rwf	Inman	120@260.00

BULLS

1 blk	Ellsworth	1620@90.00
1 blk	McPherson	1920@87.00
1 blk	Quinter	1960@84.00
1 blk	McPherson	1765@81.00

COWS

1 blk	Ellsworth	1750@79.00
1 blk	McPherson	1620@79.00
1 blk	Quinter	1625@79.00
1 blk	Halstead	1615@79.00
8 blk	Miltonvale	1512@78.50
1 blk	Raymond	1515@78.00
1 blk	Abilene	1685@78.00
1 bwf	Glasco	1640@77.00

1 blk	Abilene	1475@77.00
1 blk	Abilene	1450@77.00
3 blk	Salina	1487@76.50
1 blk	Gypsum	1525@75.50
1 blk	Ellsworth	1480@75.00
1 blk	Lincoln	1490@75.00
7 blk	Miltonvale	1254@73.00
1 blk	Chapman	1505@70.00
1 rwf	Ellsworth	1450@69.50
1 rwf	Ellsworth	1465@69.50
2 blk	Delphos	1433@69.00
1 blk	Cedar Point	1400@69.00
1 blk	Marion	1315@69.00
6 blk	Miltonvale	1454@67.50

STEERS

7 mix	Sterling	434@170.00
6 mix	Sterling	343@167.00
7 blk	Ellsworth	528@151.00
3 blk	Luray	508@148.00
3 blk	Quinter	632@144.00
6 blk	Brookville	573@142.00
9 blk	Luray	640@141.00
9 blk	Quinter	701@137.50
58 blk	Abilene	853@132.00
35 mix	Quinter	823@131.00
51 mix	Abilene	822@130.25
21 mix	Quinter	924@123.50
62 mix	Chouteau, OK	953@120.00

HEIFERS

5 mix	Sterling	317@153.00
3 char	Sterling	423@143.00
10 mix	Burton	467@143.00
3 blk	Culver	555@137.00
3 blk	Ellsworth	533@137.00
5 blk	Brookville	429@135.00
7 blk	Luray	619@129.00
6 blk	Quinter	697@127.50
3 blk	Ellsworth	520@127.00
24 blk	Quinter	721@126.25
60 mix	Falun	779@123.75
16 mix	Hillsboro	784@123.75
28 mix	Quinter	811@122.50
38 mix	Falun	833@120.50
16 mix	Hillsboro	794@120.00

Livestock Commission Co., Inc. Salina, KANSAS

SALE BARN PHONE: 785-825-0211

MONDAY — HOGS & CATTLE

Hogs sell at 10:30 a.m. Cattle at 12:00 Noon. Selling calves and yearlings first, followed by Packer cows and bulls.

THURSDAY — CATTLE ONLY

Selling starts at 10:00 a.m. Consign your cattle as early as possible so we can get them highly advertised.

AUCTIONEERS: KYLE ELWOOD, BRANDON HAMEL & GARREN WALROD

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Anything 2 & older is due August 1st

TENTATIVE COMING OFF GRASS SALES

• Tuesday, July 30 @ 9:00 am • Tuesday, August 6 @ 9:00 am

UPCOMING SPECIAL COW SALE: TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 @ TBA

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 11:

- 46 black steers & heifers, homeraised, weaned 40 days, 2 rnds vacc.
- 25 black steers & heifers, homeraised, weaned April, vacc., no implant, 450-550 lbs.
- 100 black steers, off grass, no sort, 1,000 lbs.
- 90 mostly black heifers, checked open, weaned, vacc, 600-650 lbs.
- 55 mostly black heifers, homeraised, 2nd rd vacc., no implant, longtime weaned, 750-850 lbs.
- 120 steers, off grass, 850 lbs.

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 18:

- 140 black steers & heifers, weaned April, 600-800 lbs.
- 100 black steers & heifers, weaned 30 days, 500-700 lbs.
- 70 black steers & heifers, open, vacc., 600-800 lbs.

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